



The Good Samaritan

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Reminder!

Calendar Dates

JULY

- 1 End of Term 2
- 18 Term 3 starts (ALL students)
- 20 Yr 11 (2017) Parent Information Evening 5:30 - 7:30
- 27 Yr 9 (2017) Parent Information Afternoon (4:00pm - 6:00pm)

AUGUST

- 2 Staff Meeting (late start 9:30am)
- 1 - 15 Yr 12 Trial HSC
- 8 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
- 23 Staff Meeting (late start 9:30am)
- 24 P & F General Meeting 7:00pm

Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been a momentous last few weeks of term. What a pleasure to present Bede Polding Awards to a very select group of students during our liturgy last week. It was wonderful to share this occasion with their parents and family. Many thanks to Fr Flor who joined us from Richmond Parish. You will find the names of the recipients published with this newsletter. Congratulations again to each of the students and their families.

The week culminated in the Polding Walk. A tremendous community celebration. The support of our parents was once again crucial in the success of the day. I would like to thank all of our staff for their commitment on the day. It might have been a bit chilly but everyone had a great time. The behaviour of our students, again, was exemplary.

Next term I have been asked by the Executive Director of Schools, Greg Whitby, to take up an appointment as an Acting Director of System Performance (DOSP) at Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta. This appointment is from the start of term until the 31st August. During this period Harry Fernandez will be the Acting Principal and Dianne Santos, currently the Year 7 Co-ordinator, will be the Acting Assistant Principal, Pastoral Care and Administration. An announcement will be made about her replacement before the end of the week.

I would like to apologise for the delay in publishing this Newsletter. We are seriously considering the benefit of publishing this in hard copy. It limits the amount of material we can include and is not conducive to the reproduction of quality images of students and their work. The cost at the moment is significant. We are hoping, during next term, to come up with a more effective way of communicating to you. I look forward to seeing you later in the new term.

God Bless

Kevin Jones



Walkathon 2016

College Leadership Teams

~ Executive ~

Principal

Mr Kevin Jones

Assistant Principals

Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

Religious Education Coordinator

Mrs Mary McGuinness / Assistant: Jessica Attard

School Secretary

Mrs Lisa Casey

Business Manager

Mr Paul Cruise

Administration Coordinator

Mr Brett Collimore

Learning Technologies Coordinator

Mrs Jeanette Lans

~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

Creative Arts

Ms Nicola Eccleston / Miss Angela Rando

English

Ms Marsha Edwards / Assistant: Mrs Jeanette Lans

Human Society & Its Environment

Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

Languages

Ms Felicity Lupton

Mathematics

Mrs Nichole Padden / Assistant: Mrs Shiela Fernandez

PDHPE

Mr Marc Sluiter / Assistant: Liam Campbell

Careers

Mr Brett Collimore

Science

Mr Stephen Godfrey / Assistant: Mr Steve Lans

Special Education

Mrs Jan Trefoni

Sports Coordinator

Mr Dean Bertenshaw

Technology & Applied Studies

Mr Edward Gruppetta / Mrs Lisa Cummins

Year Coordinators

Year 7 Mrs Dianne Santos

Year 8 Miss Hayley Lalor

Year 9 Miss Jessica Whitney

Year 10 Mr Nick Briffa

Senior Coordinator

Miss Kristy Walsh

Social Justice Coordinator

Mrs Janette Wick

Home-School Liaison Coordinator

Miss Jenny Woods

Student Counsellor

Esther Gounder

Librarian

Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

LOST PROPERTY

A number of lost articles are constantly being handed in at the student foyer. Most articles have no name marked on them which means they can't be returned to their rightful owners. Any items of lost property that are not claimed by students from the Student Foyer before the end of Term 2 will be handed to the clothing pool.

Please note that there are also items such as jewellery, prescription glasses, wallets, keys, pencil cases unclaimed.

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

Recharging Mobile Devices:

All students are asked to ensure that their mobile devices are fully charged before they arrive at the College each day.

Illegal U Turn:

All parents and students are warned that making a U turn out of the bus bay on Rifle Range Rd is illegal. We bring this to your attention as making this turn is very unsafe, even when the 40kmh limit applies. Please **do not** make this turn.

Illegal Stopping in Tasman Place

This has been reported to police who will issue penalty notices to those offending.

Kevin Jones (Principal)

Noodle Cups



Due to safety concerns, hot noodle cups are no longer sold at the Canteen. In addition, canteen staff are no longer able to fill noodle cups for students.

Bede Polding Award Recipients 2016

Year 7

Cameron Bailey
Harrison Carstairs
Olivia Keegan
Alisa Prasnicki
Emily Schaffarczyk



Year 8

Abbey Callaghan
Liam Cassin
Annika Drewe
Ellie Pennings
Lachlan Taylor



Year 9

Delaura Cauchi
Jayden Davies
Bethany Dimech
Patrick O'Toole
Samarah Vella

Year 10

Isabella Apap
Laura Chaffer
Olivia Gatt
Mark Haskins
Justin Shanahan

Year 11

Cameron Ezzy
Charlotte Fitzsimons
Jay Haddad
Logan Hazzard
Zachariah Vella



Year 12

Elena Babazogli
Callum Firth
Rosalie Gagan
Jennifer Goedde
Sarah Portelli

BEDE POLDING WALKATHON



We wish to thank the following parents and friends who generously gave of their time to make the Polding Walk a great success.

Maree Armstrong, Lynette Attard, Sophia Babazogli, Wendy Barton, Liz Bennett, Marissa Bugeja, Julie Buttigieg, Kim Cantin, Chris Cantin, Leanne Carr, Belinda Clague, Gerald De Haan, Angela Fletcher, Shaun Gagan, Bernadette Gagan, Melissa Gardner, Elba Gomez, Vicki Hall, Janelle Zarb, Louise Hanckel, Mardi Mantell, Josephine Muscat, Helen-Marie Muscat, Suzy Nuttal, Michelle Pandelis, Jenny Pitt, Alan Price, Sharyn Rawlings, Joedy Reith, Andrea Ryan, Debbie Sammut, Catherine Stevens, Sue Walton, Rebecca Hoogenboom, Tracey McFarlane, Tim Ringrose, Skye Ringrose,



2016 POLDING WALK – Friday, 24th June

This year's Polding Walk proved to be another huge success and it was fantastic to see how the students and the entire school community supported this event so enthusiastically despite a very cold day - fortunately the rain stayed away.

Bede Polding Day is not just about a walk – it is a time to celebrate the deeds of John Bede Polding. The students raised money for the school which will be used to improve facilities for our community.

Students worked extremely hard to arrange sponsors for the Polding Walk and we are pleased to report that the amount raised this year is approximately \$55,000 - that money will be put to great use and go towards the construction of additional shelter between the Hospitality Room and the Hall as well as several smaller shelters near the entrances to the Hall. Thank you to our students, parents and sponsors for their collective efforts in raising this amount. Please note that all 'business sponsors' will be acknowledged in our newsletters in Term 3 and receive 'Certificates of Appreciation'. On the day we received great support from Chisholm Catholic Primary School by them lending their BBQ trailer. Also the support from the NSW Police was much appreciated.

This year we had 40 or so parents and friends who generously volunteered on the day by supervising on checkpoints or cooking/serving lunch. Without such wonderful support, the day would not have run so smoothly. Their names are listed elsewhere in this newsletter.

The students should also be commended for their co-operation and behaviour on the day which resulted in the Polding Walk being a safe and incident free event. We also received very positive feedback from NSW Police who patrolled the streets while the students walked.

The day began with the judging of the fancy dress competition. The effort that our students and staff made was outstanding. We had students dress up as super heroes, pixies, fairies, clowns, pirates, wild animals, movie stars, warriors and famous faces just to name a few. Well done to all who got into the spirit.

After the Polding Walk, students returned to school for a BBQ lunch before braving the carnival rides and the Battle of the Bands. The school car park became an amusement park for a few hours and the Hall came alive as students danced along to the music. Congratulations to all contestants in the Battle of the Bands and thank you for entertaining us.

The Polding Walk Organising Committee

Building Child Safe Communities - New Procedures Reminder for Volunteers

Volunteers make a significant contribution to students and our community. As part of our new 'Building Child Safe Communities' initiatives, we request the following from volunteers:

Step 1: Complete the 'Building Child Safe Communities—Undertaking for Volunteers' Form for each volunteer location.

VOLUNTEER FORM

Step 2: Complete the online training module - required every second year.

TRAINING MODULE

These can be accessed by visiting the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta homepage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au> then scrolling down to 'Volunteers and Contractors - click here'.

Please contact your school if you require any assistance.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support.



Star Spot

These are the stars of the week.

Congratulations to:

Cassidy Chidgey (12B3) who has been selected into the NSW State Catholic Soccer Team.

Roan North (7D8) (pictured below) who was competing in Baseball at the National Carnival in Lismore. He will be representing Australia in America in August



Taryn Edwards (8D2) entered two pieces (pictured below) in the 12 and Under 14 Junior Art Section and was awarded a Highly Commended for her piece "Peony Paradise".

In the 14 and Under 17 Junior Art Section (the age group above Taryn's), Taryn's one entry, "Lest We Forget" was awarded First Place.



Well done - to all these students

FUTURE AFL STARS

Jessica Britton of Year 10 and Brooke Barclay of Year 9 were both selected to represent Greater Western Sydney playing for the Giants Juniors on the long weekend. It was a tough competition with GWS entering a team for the first time. The girls got to meet new people and develop their skills as well as represent Bede Polding College at an elite level.

Brooke Barclay & Jessica Britton





Minutes of Meeting Bede Polding College Parents & Friends Committee

Wednesday 8th June 2016

Meeting Opened	7:05 pm
Attendees	As per book
Welcome	Bernadette Gagan
Prayer	Kevin Jones
Guest Speaker	Presentation by our guest speaker Danielle Miller - "Waking the sleeping beauty". Danielle is an expert in girl's self-esteem and body image. She gave all present an exceptional insight on why our teenage girls are stressed and overwhelmed and some wonderful tips on how to help them through these difficult years. For any parent or student who like more information on Danielle and information on the wonderful books she has written you can go to her web-site www.enlightenededucation.com
Approval of Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
	Accepted: Kim Cantin Seconded: Helen Jones
Business Arising	No new business arising.
Principal's Report	<p>Focus on teaching students how to improve their reading. Descriptive feedback from students in the classroom. This is allowing teachers to know how to help students to improve.</p> <p>Google chrome books are in use in many classrooms. Students are impressed with how easy they are to use and how quick they are. Chromebooks are much cheaper than laptops, which will enable the school to be able to purchase more. Hoping to have 15 chrome books in each classroom</p> <p>Julie Bishop visited the school and spoke to Stage 6.</p> <p>Athletics Carnival – students and teachers both enjoyed the day.</p>
Business Manager's Report	<p>As per report.</p> <p>In brief: Term 1 holiday projects completed included: upgrading stage lighting in the hall and upgrading guttering on PE room and C block.</p> <p>Fundraising Levy chq handed over to P&F Treasurer for \$22,910.</p> <p>2016 Polding Walk to be held on 24th June. Aiming to raise approx. \$50,000. Money raised will provide covered awning over courtyard between Hall and E Block.</p>
Treasurer's Report	Paul handed over chq from Fundraising Levy for \$22,910 which brings balance to \$51,213.37. Chq for \$10,505.80 given back to school for reimbursement of the 30 new Chromebooks purchased.
President's Report	Thank you to our guest speaker Danielle. Thank you also to the many parents and daughters that attended tonight's meeting.
New Business	No new business
Meeting Closed	<p>Meeting closed 8.30pm</p> <p>NEXT P&F MEETING WEDNESDAY 24TH AUGUST ALL WELCOME</p>