



# The Good Samaritan

## BEDE POLDING COLLEGE

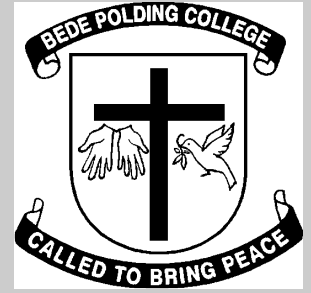
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22nd March 2013

Term 1 Week 8

Reminder!

## Calendar Dates

### March:

29 Good Friday

### April:

1 Easter Monday

2 Staff Meeting (late start 9:30)

10 Stage 5 Parent Teacher night  
(3:30—8:30)

12 Term 1 Ends

### Term 2:

### April:

29 Staff Development Day  
(Pupil Free)

30 Start of Term 1 (Students return)

## Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

What great news that we now have a new Pope. Our Church has been blessed with the appointment of Pope Francis 1 who has already stated the need to look after the poor and to create peace. It is a wonderful time for us all.

I include below an excerpt from the Homily of the Holy Father at the Inauguration of his Papal Ministry

Please, I would like to ask all those who have positions of responsibility in economic, political and social life, and all men and women of goodwill: let us be "protectors" of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment. Let us not allow omens of destruction and death to accompany the advance of this world! But to be "protectors", we also have to keep watch over ourselves! Let us not forget that hatred, envy and pride defile our lives! Being protectors, then, also means keeping watch over our emotions, over our hearts, because they are the seat of good and evil intentions: intentions that build up and tear down! We must not be afraid of goodness or even tenderness!

Here I would add one more thing: caring, protecting, demands goodness, it calls for a certain tenderness. In the Gospels, Saint Joseph appears as a strong and courageous man, a working man, yet in his heart we see great tenderness, which is not the virtue of the weak but rather a sign of strength of spirit and a capacity for concern, for compassion, for genuine openness to others, for love. We must not be afraid of goodness, of tenderness!

We pray for him in his work and deliberations as the leader of our Church.

As we approach Easter our students are being reminded constantly about the need to prepare during this time of Lent. I hope as a family you are, over this time, able to prepare together.

God Bless

Kevin Jones

## Changeover to Winter Uniform

From Tuesday 30th April (students start Term 2) it will be **COMPULSORY** for **ALL** students to wear full winter uniform.

The school jacket (for Years 7-10) or the school blazer (for Years 11-12) **must** be worn to and from school with winter uniform.

Please check school diary for details.

## UNIFORM SHOP EXTENDED TRADING TIME

Tuesday 9th April between 3pm- 6pm.  
Last week of Term 1

## College Leadership Teams

### ~ Executive ~

#### *Principal*

Mr Kevin Jones

#### *Assistant Principals*

Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

#### *Religious Education Coordinator*

Mrs Mary McGuinness / Assistant: Francis O'Callaghan

#### *Social Justice Coordinator*

Mrs Janette Wick

#### *Business Manager*

Mr Paul Cruise

#### *Administration Coordinator*

Mrs Anita Meehan

#### *Learning Technologies Coordinator*

Mrs Jeanette Lans

### ~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

#### *Creative Arts*

Miss Carol Muscat / Assistant: Angela Rando

#### *English*

Ms Marsha Edwards / Assistant: Mrs Jeanette Lans

#### *Human Society & Its Environment*

Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

#### *Languages*

Mrs Felicity Mgaza

#### *Mathematics*

Mrs Nichole Padden

#### *PDHPE*

Ms Megan Bertenshaw

#### *Careers*

Mr Brett Collimore

#### *Science*

Mrs Jenelle Gavin / Assistant: Mr Nicholas Briffa

#### *Special Education*

Mrs Jan Trefoni

#### *Sports Coordinator*

Mr Dean Bertenshaw

#### *Technology & Applied Studies*

Mr Edward Gruppetta / Mrs Lisa Cummins

#### *Year Coordinators*

**Years 7** Mrs Dianne Santos

**Year 8** Mr Stephen Godfrey

**Year 9** Miss Hayley Lalor

**Year 10** Miss Jenny Woods

#### *Senior Coordinator*

Mr Marc Sluiter

Assistant: Mrs Kylie Kennedy

#### *Student Counsellors*

Mrs Sally Wardley / Mrs Debbie Robinson

#### *Librarian*

Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

## URGENT FEES NOTICE

*Attention parents of students Years 9 to 12*

Please be aware that the elective subject fees for students Years 9 to 12 are billed in Term 2 only, therefore, they have not been included in the equations if you have elected to pay fees by direct debit or Bpay as per the amount showing on your Term 1 Fees Statement. This means you will have the Elective Subject Fees amount still owing after your direct debit or Bpay amount has been paid. The reason for this late billing for the Elective Subject Fees is that they are a manual entry as each student chooses different subjects and cannot be added before the Term 1 fees go out. We apologise for this inconvenience. Please ring Cherie at the end of Term 1 if you wish to find out how much your Elective Subjects are. Alternatively, they will be showing on your term 2 Statement.

*Cherie Stevens (Bursar) (BPC)*

## VOLUNTEER BUS DRIVERS REQUIRED

If you have a current NSW LR, MR or HR driver's licence and you are able to assist the College occasionally by volunteering to drive our 25 seater and 54 seater buses - please contact Paul Cruise for further details by email to [pcruise@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pcruise@parra.catholic.edu.au) or phone 4577-6455.



## Maths Workshop

Parents please note that on every Wednesday during Lunchtime in D11 your child can attend a Mathematics Workshop for BPC students seeking extra assistance with Mathematics from senior students.

Please contact Mrs Padden, Mathematics Coordinator, at the College if you have any enquires.



# Social Justice at BPC



**5<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent**

(School week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> March)

**Project Compassion**, Week 5, brings you the story of Bernard.

Our partners at *Red Dust Healing* helped Bernard overcome his drug and alcohol addictions and grief at losing his mother. He has also reconnected with his Aboriginal roots, and is now a Court Support Officer for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Service.

Your donation to Project Compassion helps Bernard, and other Indigenous people in Australia, overcome physical, emotional and spiritual challenges to regain direction and purpose in their lives.

[www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)



Photo: Rob Maccoll



**6<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent**

(School week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> March)

**Project Compassion**, Week 6, brings you the story of Rollen.

Rollen achieved her life-long dream of studying through the encouragement of one of our partner organisations, Mercy Works. She also gained important life skills, such as budgeting, and learnt how to reach her goals through desire, drive and determination.

Your donation to Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia to continue aid and development work reflective of the life of Jesus Christ, in more than 30 countries.

[www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)



Photo: Fr Philip Gibbs

Mrs Janette Wick  
Social Justice Coordinator



# PDSSSC 2013 Season 1 Sport Results

## 7th March 2013 Results

### Boys:

Sport/Team	Opposition	Win/Lose/Draw	Score
Touch - Junior	St Agnes	WIN	7 - 0
Touch - Intermediate	St Agnes	WIN	6 - 0
Volleyball - Junior	St Marks	WIN	70 - 43
Volleyball - Intermediate	St Marks	WIN	73 - 48

### Girls:

Sport/Team	Opposition	Win/Lose/Draw	Score
Touch - Junior	Nagle	WIN	2 - 1
Touch - Intermediate	Nagle	LOSS	1 - 3
Volleyball - Junior	St Marks	WIN	54 - 41
Volleyball - Intermediate	St Agnes	LOSS	64 - 50
Softball - Yrs7 - 10			

## Star Spot



*These are the stars of the week.*

*Congratulations to:*

*Cassidy Chidgey (9D13)* for winning "Players Player for the season". Her Under 14's Representative Indoor Soccer Team "Mountain Majik" won the Grand Final.

*Renee Beneke (11E2)* who competed in the NSW Interschool State Championships at SIEC, Horsley Park and gained a creditable 6th place in the Eventing and 10th place in the Showjumping.

Best wishes to *Jordan Maher (10S1)* who will defend his Karate titles in the US Open and Junior International Cup in Las Vegas. Also to *Kyle Maher (8C2)* who will represent Australia in the Youth Team in the Miniature Horse Association of Australia National Championships against New Zealand.

*Well done - to these students*

## Respite Program for Children with Special Needs

The **Westlink Host Family Program** presently has vacancies in your local area.

The Host Family Program offers regular, planned respite to families who have a child or adolescent aged 0-18 years with a disability, living at home.

Care is provided by carefully selected and trained volunteers from the community.

Respite occurs either in the volunteer's home (host family), the child's home (sitting) or in the community with a companion.

If you would like to find out more about our program, please contact Barbara Lees, Host Family Coordinator on 8805 0914 or by email: [blees@anglicare.org.au](mailto:blees@anglicare.org.au).



## Entertainment Book for Sale—Fundraising for World Youth Day

We are fundraising for WYD again! So here is the Entertainment Book for sale. Pre-order your book (costs \$65) before the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 to receive six exclusive offers new to the 2013/2014 Entertainment™ Book worth over \$150 that you can use straight away!

You can go to the link below and order now.

Flyers will be sent home shortly.

<http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/21854u8>



## Year 7 Enrolments 2014

Enrolment forms for Year 7 2014 are now available from the office. All feeder schools have enrolment forms available. Completed applications **MUST** be returned to the College no later than Friday 31 May 2013.

It is absolutely essential that families with children at Bede Polding ensure that they collect an enrolment form for siblings they wish to commence at Bede Polding in Year 7 2014. **The school has no way of knowing that you wish to enrol a sibling unless you submit an application.**

## Catholic Women Connecting

The first meeting for the new Parish group will be held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013 at 7pm in St Matthew's Church Hall.

The night will be an opportunity for you to have your say on any issues affecting the church and the community and to help raise awareness to these issues.

If you have any questions please contact Amanda Allen on 0423084987.



**NSW Police Force**  
[www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)



**In memory of Detective Inspector Bryson Anderson, Hawkesbury Police are holding a Barefoot Bowls / Family Fun Day at Pitt Town & Districts Sports Club on Sunday, 14 April 2013, 10:00am – 4:00pm. *All proceeds will go to the Bryson Anderson Memorial Fund.* Supported by Police Legacy.**

**Why not get a team of 4 together and join in the fun of Barefoot Bowls or bring the family along for a great day of rides, face painting, pony rides, petting zoo, jumping castle, chocolate wheel, all day BBQ, cake stall and games with lots of prizes to be won.**

**Demonstrations will be provided by a number of Police Specialists Units.**

**All enquiries Windsor Police Station Ph. 4587 4099**

Vikki JONNS [JONN1VIK@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JONN1VIK@police.nsw.gov.au)

S/Cst Julie Day [DAY1JUL@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:DAY1JUL@police.nsw.gov.au)

Insp. Suzanne RODE-SANDERS [RODE1SUZ@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:RODE1SUZ@police.nsw.gov.au)

## HOLY WEEK MASSES AND SERVICES EASTER 2013

### Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March – Palm Sunday

Normal weekend Masses

### Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> March

9.00am Mass

5.00pm - 6.00pm Individual Reconciliation

7.30pm Communal Rite Reconciliation at St Monica's Richmond

### Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March

9.00am Mass

5.00pm – 6.00pm Individual Reconciliation

### Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March

9.00am Mass

9.30am – 10.00am Individual Reconciliation

7.30pm Chrism Mass (St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta)

### Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March

No Morning Mass

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by "Reflecting with Jesus in the Garden" - until 10.00pm (Jesus in the garden is when groups and individuals spend time before the Blessed Sacrament to pray)

### Good Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March

No Morning Mass

10.00am Family Stations of the Cross

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death

### Holy Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> March

No Morning Mass

6.00pm Easter Vigil

### Easter Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March

7.30am Mass

9.00am Family Mass

9.30am Family Mass at Bligh Park

**NO 5PM EVENING MASS**



## P&F Fundraising Opportunity

The Rotary Club of Richmond partner with the The Hawkesbury Show Committee in organising parking and ticket collection for the Hawkesbury Show each year – for which they are paid a fee.

Rotary have offered the P&F a fundraising opportunity by supplying volunteers for the upcoming Hawkesbury Show to assist with those tasks. Details are as follows:

Hawkesbury Show April 19, 20 & 21

Volunteer 4 hours = \$80 received by the P&F

Volunteers must be 18+

Volunteers can nominate which shift they want to help out on and who they want to work with

Shifts are in 4 hour blocks 8am-12 noon; 12 noon-4pm; 4pm-8pm

Volunteers are supplied refreshment on their shift

P&F need to notify Rotary number of volunteers by end of March

The P&F currently does no other fundraising apart from the fundraising levy paid by each family. The Hawkesbury Show provides us with a quick and easy way to raise funds which could be used for either a community or school project in addition to the projects undertaken with our general levy.

If you would like to volunteer for a shift please **email your availability no later than Friday 29 March** to Jette Paskin - [paskin@westnet.com.au](mailto:paskin@westnet.com.au)

Nominate which shift you would like to work and if you want to partner with a friend



# Bede Polding Parents & Friends Committee

## Term1 2013– Minutes in Brief

### Principals Report – Kevin Jones

Kevin and Rodney Howard discussed -

- Approaches to learning and how improving teaching skill has improved students learning.
- Years 8, 9, 11 and 12 are surveyed on such things as behavioural issues and their teachers teaching abilities. Staff are given feedback.
- HSC results – Overall 2012 students showed academic growth in the HSC with 11 of our students scoring an ATAR of above 90.
- NAPLAN results – again on average our school grew above state level. We will be concentrating on writing and numeracy but are very pleased with all results. The trend is very positive.
- Mobile device policy working well. Students on a whole are behaving responsibly. Will take about 3 years to see how well using mobile devices in the classrooms has improved teaching and learning.

### Business Manager's Report

- All January holiday projects completed, this includes painting of interior and exterior areas. New lockers desks and blinds in Block B. Upgrading of sound system in the Hall. Extra seating. Pest spraying and Fire Safety Compliance. The new electronic sign is being installed this week.
- A cheque of \$6,107 was handed over to the P&F from the Fundraising Levy collections. More to come as fees are paid. This will continue to pay for the data projector installation in 3 – 4 classrooms in Term 1 holidays.
- The Polding walk will be held on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June and we will be aiming to raise \$40k. Fundraising from the walk will be used for addition covered walkways providing more shelter for everyone. Looking forward to positive response from parent helpers on the day.

### Presidents Report

- Jette has asked parents to suggest guest speakers that they would like to hear from at future P&F meetings. Please email Paul Cruise and he will pass on to the P&F.

### New Business

- Lisa Kean who was unable to make last years AGM was welcomed onto the P&F committee as Assistant Secretary.
- Discussed the fundraising opportunity at this years Hawkesbury Show with Rotary. Information will be in the newsletter.
- Kevin is still waiting for feedback from council regarding the bus bay at the front of the school. He will be hoping to address the issue next meeting.
- School Website—parents concerned that the website is not up to date. Rodney assures that problem is addressed and should be OK as at next week.

**Next P&F Meeting is the 5<sup>th</sup> of June.**

**All parents and friends are welcome to attend. Drinks from 6.45 pm meeting commences at 7pm.**

## *St Matthew's Morning Tea*

On Sunday 3rd March the parishioners of St Matthew's enjoyed a wonderful morning tea of cup cakes, slices, sandwiches, cakes, toffees, chocolates - just to name a few of the donations provided by the parents of Bede Polding.

We had wonderful feedback from the parishioners and I would like to pass on my thanks to all those who helped on the day and donated food including:

Sandra Mitchell, Kim Cantin, Jill Clarke, Jette Paskin, Cathie Conolly, Tracey McClifty, Belinda Ross, Lisa Kean, Abi Stewart and Maryanne Grosvenor.

*Jette Paskin - on behalf of the P&F Committee*





# ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

## ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 9

9A		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		25 Mar	26 Mar	27 Mar	28 Mar	29 Mar
	12	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free
	11	ATD	Chemistry	Ancient History	PVD	SOR1 P4/5
	10	ATD	Food Tech (A&B)	Religious Ed	Food Tech (C) IT Metal Music (P1/2)	Good Friday
	9	ATD				
	8	ATD	English (1 <sup>st</sup> lesson during week) History (D, Religious Education Science (in class			
	7	ATD				

## ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 10

10B		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Apr	2 Apr	3 Apr	4 Apr	5 Apr
	12	ATD	Exams	Exams	Exams	Exams
	11	ATD	Biology P3/4		Design & Tech	
	10	ATD	Easter Monday	Agriculture	History E1	Graphics Tech
	9	ATD		Drama (A)	Drama (B) FT (A & C) Music	Drama (B) FT (B) History Elective
	8	ATD				
	7	ATD				

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**DTS is a list of the tasks that are to be handed out to students on that date**

# ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

## ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 11

11A		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		8 Apr	9 Apr	10 Apr	11 Apr	12 Apr
12	ATD	Exams	Exams			
11	ATD	Music 1 (in-class all week)	Drama	Legal St Physics	VET Construction	
10	ATD			IT Metal		
9	ATD	Religious Education (1 <sup>st</sup> lesson during week)	Agriculture Music			
8	ATD	Visual Art				
7	ATD	Religious Education (1 <sup>st</sup> lesson during week) Visual Art				

### A REMINDER TO ALL STUDENTS

#### **Submission Instructions Years 11 / 12**

- Submit the task by placing it in the Assessment Bin at the Student Foyer by 9.00am.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
  - ◆ Assessments submitted after 9.00am on the due date will immediately receive a 50% mark penalty of the achieved mark pending Illness/Misadventure certification.
  - ◆ Assessments submitted after 9.00am on the next day will receive a zero mark pending Illness/Misadventure certification.

#### **Submission Instructions Year 10**

- Submit the task by handing to your class teacher and signing a class list during your lesson on the due date.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
  - ◆ Assessments submitted after the lesson on the due date, the student will immediately receive a Thursday detention pending Illness/Misadventure certification.

#### **Submission Instructions Year 7 — 9**

- Submit the task by handing to your class teacher and signing a class list during your lesson on the due date.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
  - ◆ Assessments submitted after the lesson on the due date, the student will immediately receive a Tuesday detention pending a note from the parents explaining the absence.

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