



The Good Samaritan

BEDE POLDING COLLEGE

Email address:

BedePolding@parra.catholic.edu.au

Website address:

http://bedepolding.parra.catholic.edu.au

Phone: 4577 6455 Fax: 4577 4538



8th April 2011

Term 1 Week 10

Reminder!

Calendar Dates

Term 2:

| | |
|--------------|--|
| 25 April | Easter Monday holiday |
| 26 April | ANZAC Day holiday |
| 27 April | Term 2 Starts |
| 2 - 8 May | Catholic Schools Week |
| 5, 6 & 7 May | School Musical 7pm |
| 9 May | Yrs 7 - 9 Parent Teacher interview 3:30 - 8:30pm |
| 10 May | Staff Meeting - 9:30 am start |
| 17 May | Yrs 7 - 9 Parent Teacher interview 3:30 - 8:30pm |
| 24 May | Staff Meeting - 9:30 am start |
| 15 June | Bede Polding Awards Presentation |
| 17 June | The Polding Walk |

~ Have a Holy & Safe Easter ~

Bede Polding School Tour

On Wednesday 4 May at 4pm a tour of Bede Polding College will be conducted. All families are welcome to attend.

Please send us an email to let us know that you would like to come and how many will be attending.

BedePolding@parra.catholic.edu.au

Changeover to Winter Uniform

From Wednesday 27th April (start of 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.

Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we approach the end of term I would like to thank all those parents who have attended Information Nights, the P&F Meeting and the Parent Forum. We know that life is very busy. Your efforts in showing your children and us that their education is important to you is critically important.

At the College Assembly on Tuesday, Fr John Watkins, the first ex-student of the College to be ordained to the priesthood, spoke to our students. He combined some stories of his time at the school with a presentation about World Youth Day. It was wonderful to have him here.

We come to the holidays with the celebration of Easter some way off and our College liturgy this week is focused on the need to continue to prepare through Lent. Part of this involved viewing Bishop Anthony Fisher's presentation on the importance of reconciliation for all of us. I hope you have had an opportunity to view this at one of the Parish Masses last weekend. I have included a prayer from our liturgy below.

Lord,

You invite all who are burdened to come to You.

Allow your healing hand to heal us.

Touch our souls with Your compassion for others.

Touch our hearts with Your courage and infinite love for all.

Teach us to reach out to You in our need, and help us to lead others to You by our example.

Most loving Heart of Jesus touch gently these lives which You have created, now and forever.

Amen.

We pray for you all the joys and promise of the Risen Christ over Easter.

God Bless

Kevin Jones
Principal

College Leadership Teams

~ Executive ~

Principal

Mr Kevin Jones

Assistant Principals

Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

Religious Education Coordinator

Mr Jim Gooley / Assistant: Mrs Mary McGuiness

Social Justice Coordinator

Mrs Janette Wick

Business Manager

Mr Paul Cruise

Administration Coordinator

Mrs Anita Meehan

~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

Creative Arts

Ms Margarete Formanek / Assistant: Miss Carol Muscat

English

Mr Patrick Loughlin

Human Society & Its Environment

Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

LOTE

Mrs Felicity Mgaza

LTST

Mrs Jeanette Lans

Mathematics

Mr M McCahey / Assistant: Mr Mal Hegarty

PDHPE

Ms Megan Bertenshaw

Post Compulsory & 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 Mr Stephen Godfrey

Year 8 Mrs Nichole Padden

Year 9 Mr Marc Sluiter

Year 10 Mr Vince Le Breton

Senior Coordinator

Ms Jenny Woods

Assistant: Miss Hayley Lalor

Student Counsellor

Mrs Sally Wardley

Ms Vanessa Harnischmacher

Librarian

Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

Catholic Outlook - April issue

* Bishop Anthony's Pastoral Letter on Reconciliation - booklet enclosed in this issue

* Our Lady of the Rosary Parish welcomes St John Bosco

* 10 new trainees for Marist Youth Care program

* Beatification of Pope John Paul II on Facebook and Youtube

* How do I know my child is ready for school

* New Missal series: dealing with change

* World Youth Day - the Spirit of Pilgrimage

Theology on Tap with Bishop Anthony Fisher OP

Bishop Anthony will speak about 'Rediscovering the Sacrament of Reconciliation' at Theology on Tap on Monday 4 April. TOT is a casual and relaxed forum where friends from all walks of life gather for straight talk, hard facts and real answers on the Catholic faith and how it applies to daily life. Come for a listen (and maybe a drink). Invite your friends, especially those wanting to learn more (or debate) about the Catholic faith. Where: PJ Gallagher's Irish Pub, 74 Church St, Parramatta. Time: 6.30pm. Details:

www.theologyontap.com.au

<http://www.theologyontap.com.au>

Music of JS Bach & Sacred Readings on Good Friday

This annual service features several of the wonderful chorale settings from Bach's Passion and quiet, candle light meditation. Blue Mountains Chamber Choir, Robert Ampt, conductor and organist, Amy Johansen, organist. Time: 7.30pm. Where: St Finbar's Church, 46 Levy St, Glenbrook. There will be a Retiring Collection. Details: (02) 4758 606

Share the Dream Conference: 15-17 April

The National Family Gathering 'Share the Dream' will be held at Xavier College in Kew, Victoria. Keynote speakers include: Bishop Jean Laffitte, Secretary to the Pontifical Council for the Family; Bishop Anthony Fisher OP; Melinda Tankard Reist; Byron and Francine Pirola; Dr Brigid McKenna and Dr Adam Cooper. The conference is designed to be affordable for families - the same price whether you have one child or 10. Early bird family registration is just \$250. Details:

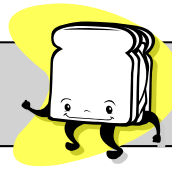
www.sharethedream.org.au <[http://](http://www.sharethedream.org.au)

www.sharethedream.org.au/

Sisterhood Catholic Women's Conference

The Sister conference seeks to draw women together for a weekend of prayer and praise, sisterhood time and formation in what it means to be and live as a Catholic woman in the 21st Century. Keynote speakers: Sr Mary Rachel OP, Anna Krohn from the Pontifical Institute for Studies on Marriage and the Family; Karen Doyle, author and co-founder of Catholic media business Choicez Media. Other speakers: Fr Chris Ryan MGL as well as author, parenting expert and former principal of Redfield College, Andrew Mullins, and Carolyn Martin founder of The Day of Difference Foundation and mother of burns victim Sophie Delezio. Dates: 13-15 May at Collaroy. Numbers limited - book soon: \$195pp. Details and registration: www.sisterhood.org.au <[http://](http://www.sisterhood.org.au)

www.sisterhood.org.au



Week 1 Term 2

Monday 25th April

ANZAC Day

Tuesday 26th April

Easter Monday Holiday

Wednesday 27th April

J Buttigieg, M Durgali

Thursday 28th April

L Donlan, M Waterhouse,

K Milgate, D Gallo

Friday 29th April

L Wilshire, N Sullivan (HELP
NEEDED)

Week 2

Monday 2nd May

S Gauchi, N Sullivan,

L Azzopardi, T Divall

Tuesday 3rd May

J Houston, G McCarthy,

S Tricker, K Harrison

Wednesday 4th May

J Bourke, T Winters

Thursday 5th May

S Smith, H Krsticevic,

S Azzopardi

Friday 6th May

S Makkonen

(HELP NEEDED)

Canteen News

- Term 2 Menu (see pg 4).
- Hot chocolates available
- Terms 2 & 3 breakfast time only \$1.50.
- Nacho's back Term 2 & 3 \$4.00 **must order**.
- New home made Bolognese \$3.50 **must order**.
- Short on Helpers for Fridays, if you can spare a Friday a month it would be appreciated - call Natalie on 4577 6243.

Natalie Jones

(Canteen Manager)

Help Keep Our Blood Supplies Topped Up Over Easter

With many of our regular donors away over Easter there is every chance our blood supplies will run low. Your donation will ensure that patients get the treatment they need for conditions like cancer, heart disease or for those undergoing surgery.

The Australian Red Cross Blood Service needs more than 27,000 donations every week, even over Easter.

Please call 13 14 95 to make an appointment.

Nepean Blood Donor Centre

Monday 8:00 - 1:00 (closed 25.04.2011)

Tuesday 8:30 - 4:00 (Open 26.04.2011)

Wednesday 10:30 - 6:00 (

Thursday 12:00 - 8:00

Friday 8:30 - 4:00 (Closed Good Friday 22.04.2011)

Alternate Saturdays 8:00 - 3:00 (Open Easter Saturday 23.04.2011)



Australian Red Cross
BLOOD SERVICE

Information Evening—Thailand Volunteers

An information evening is to be held at BPC on Monday, 2nd May at 6:00pm in the lunchroom.

Please confirm your interest in attending by 28th April.

Thank you.

Margarete Formanek

Catholic Outlook:

Divine Mercy Sunday: 1 May

Prayers start 1pm with street procession with the relic of St Faustina to be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Novena, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Holy Mass at 3pm: principal celebrant - Bishop Anthony Fisher OP, veneration of the relic to follow. Religious items for sale. Where: Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 8 Diana Ave, Kellyville. Inquiries: Steve Boland 0405 206 695.

Patrician Brothers' Blacktown Old Boys' Reunion: 24 June

Reunion for classes 1952-2002 - '50 Years of Pat's Boys!' Time: 7pm-11:30pm. Where: Blacktown Workers' Club Auditorium. Tickets: \$50 (incl. 3-course meal). Single tickets or organise a table of 10. Bookings: Pauline Field at the school tel (02) 9671 3000.

Bede Polding College
Canteen Price List
Term 2 2011



S'WICHES/ROLLS

| | | |
|------------------------|------|------|
| Salad | 2.50 | 2.70 |
| Ham,Cheese | 2.80 | 3.00 |
| Ham,Cheese,Tomato | 2.90 | 3.10 |
| Chicken | 2.80 | 3.00 |
| Chicken.Lettuce | 2.80 | 3.00 |
| Chicken,Lettuce,Mayo | 2.90 | 3.10 |
| Chicken,Lett,Cranberry | 2.90 | 3.10 |
| Egg,lettuce | 2.80 | 3.00 |
| Ham/Salad | 3.00 | 3.20 |
| Chicken/Salad | 3.00 | 3.20 |
| Ham/Chicken Wraps | 3.50 | |

CAKES

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Iced Donut Small | 1.30 |
| Banana Bread | 2.50 |
| Choc Chip Cookie | 2.00 |
| Finger Buns | 2.00 |
| Sara Lee Range | |
| Muffins & Cookies | 2.20 |
| Choc Chip Mega Muffin | 2.70 |

SOUP OF THE DAY

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| Homemade Soup and Roll | 3.50 |
|------------------------|------|

HOT FOOD

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| Pizza Pockets | 2.00 |
| Chicken Burger | 3.50 |
| Beef Burger | 3.50 |
| Chicken Royale | 2.00 |
| Spinach & Ricotta Roll | 2.70 |
| Pizza Slab | 2.50 |
| Nachos | 4.00 |
| Garlic Bread | 1.50 |
| Pie | 2.50 |
| Potato Pie | 2.70 |
| Sausage Roll | 2.20 |
| Noodles | 2.50 |
| Bolognaise | 3.50 |
| Macaroni Cheese | 3.20 |
| Tomato Sauce | 0.20 |

MILK

| | |
|--------------|------|
| Popper Milk | 1.30 |
| Big M Small | 1.80 |
| Big M Large | 2.70 |
| Big M bottle | 2.80 |

DRINKS

| | |
|--------------|------|
| Water | 1.50 |
| Cans | 1.50 |
| 390ml | 1.80 |
| 600ml | 2.50 |
| Juice | 2.00 |
| Popper Juice | 1.30 |

BREAKFAST From 8.15am

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Pizza bread | 2.00 |
| Croissant | 2.00 |
| Hash Brown | 1.00 |
| Up & Go | 2.00 |
| Juice/Water/Milk | |
| Hot chocolate | 1.50 |

ALL LUNCH ORDERS TO BE PLACED AT CANTEEN BEFORE SCHOOL OR AT RECESS. NO CHIPS,LOLLIES OR SOFT DRINK SOLD BEFORE SCHOOL

Star Spot



*These are the stars of this week.
Congratulations to:*

Chloe Van Tussenbroek (9D11) who won 8 ribbons while competing in mounted games (horse riding) and placed 2nd in barrel racing with a time of 15 seconds around the barrels in full speed gallop.

Well done to this student.

ST MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH WINDSOR HOLY WEEK MASSES AND SERVICES EASTER 2011

Friday, 15th April

7:30pm Communal Rite Reconciliation (St Matthew's Windsor)

Palm Sunday, 17th April

Normal weekend Masses and Reconciliation

Monday, 18th April

9:00am Mass

9:30am – 10:00am Individual Reconciliation

7:30pm Communal Rite Reconciliation (St Monica's Richmond)

Tuesday, 19th April

9:00am Mass

5:00pm – 6:00pm Individual Reconciliation

Wednesday, 20th April

9:00am Mass

9:30am – 10:00am Individual Reconciliation

7:30pm Chrism Mass (St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta)

Thursday, 21st April – 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, 22nd April – No Morning Mass

10:00am Family Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death

Holy Saturday, 23rd April – No Morning Mass

9:00am - 10:00am Individual Reconciliation

6:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, 24th April

7:30am Mass

9:30am Family Mass

NO 5:00PM EVENING MASS



Polding Walk

Planning is well underway for the Polding Walk to be held on Friday, 17 June (Week 8). Letters outlining details of events on the day are being issued to all students this week. Students will also be given their green sponsorship cards so that they can start getting sponsors during the Term 1 holidays and there are some great prizes on offer for those students who raise the most money. If parents are interested in volunteering to help on the day, please complete the response slip and return it to school as soon as possible. This year we are hoping to raise around \$45,000 through the Polding Walk and that money will help provide a covered walkway between the Library and D Block—as well as supporting some local charities.

Social Justice at BPC

Some dates for your calendar-

April 7 – World Health Day

April 18 – World Heritage Day

April 22 – International Mother Earth Day

This year, World Health Day has adopted the slogan, *No Action today, no cure tomorrow*. “The health of people in Europe is threatened by a growing phenomenon: bacteria that cause common and life-threatening infections are becoming increasingly resistant to antibiotics – the medicines used to treat them. This is due to the widespread use and misuse of antibiotics in both humans and animals. This is an urgent problem, and is why antimicrobial resistance is the focus of World Health Day 2011.” (<http://www.euro.who.int/en/home>)

The purpose of World Heritage Day is to draw our attention to protecting and preserving some of our most valuable assets, our cultural heritage, or many monuments and sites. This day, which is celebrated simultaneously throughout the world, offers an opportunity to consider the vulnerability of our cultural heritage and to make concerted efforts towards protecting and conserving it.

International Mother Earth Day is celebrated to remind us that the Earth “and its ecosystems provide us with life and sustenance”. (ACSCJ Diary)

Prayer

Holy God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of friendship, and show us your presence in those who most differ from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children. Amen.

Project Compassion

Week 5, brings you the story of Kose.

Kose, 26, lives in Samoa. In 2009 a tsunami destroyed his home and belongings. Within hours of the tsunami, Caritas had mobilised a response through their strong community networks to provide food, safe drinking water, shelter and medical supplies. Since the Tsunami, Caritas has been working with Kose and other community members to rebuild their homes and learn skills to prepare for any future disasters.

Week 6, brings you the story of Judy.

Judy is a Murrawarri woman living in Western Sydney, who is a part of a Caritas Australia-supported training program at Aboriginal Catholic Social Services. Caritas has been working in partnership with Indigenous organisations and communities for over 30 years recognising that poverty and injustice can be found everywhere, not just overseas. Judy is an Aboriginal Facilitator at the centre providing support and training for community members.

Your donation to Project Compassion helps Judy, and other Indigenous people in Australia, work towards a life of self-determination.

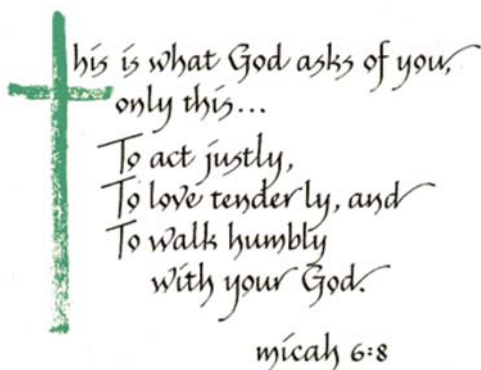


Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Appeal.

Your generosity will work for the freedom of people living in poverty, challenge unjust structures, and empower people to work for a sustainable way of life.

Please return all Project Compassion boxes or envelopes to the school office by Thursday 21st April 2011, or make a donation online via the Caritas website at www.caritas.org.au

If you are wondering how you could continue to make a difference beyond Lent in the struggle against poverty- visit www.bemore.org.au and take up the challenge to BE More!



Mrs Janette Wick
Social Justice Coordinator

Thailand Volunteering Part 4

Finally, the day I most looked forward to had arrived, elephant nature park day! The elephant nature park was a sanctuary set up to house abused, abandoned and exploited elephants in Chang Mai. When we arrived, we were greeted by a random elephant just hanging out at the front gate and when we looked around we discovered that it was like this in most of the park. The elephants were allowed to roam free over the large area, they all had individual carers. The first elephants we officially met were Hope and Juka. Hope is a young male, who has to wear a bell around his neck so people can hear when he is coming and get out of the way. Juka is a female elephant who was rescued from the logging industry, unfortunately not before her owners inflicted unrepairable damage to both her eyes. Throughout the day we learnt of many elephants that have been harmed and have had very hard lives. We then fed the elephants and got very smelly kisses from Juka, (elephant breath is one of the worst things I have ever smelt). After lunch it was time to bathe the elephants. It was a freezing day, but that was not going to stop us. Everyone pretty much got soaked, and as soon as we got all the elephants nice and clean, they decided to go roll in the mud. After a close and personal look at the baby elephant family, we all piled into the vans and headed home to get ready for the bazar night markets which were a bargain hunters dream.

Lights and people were everywhere, anything you could think of buying was being sold and trying to barter was a very funny experience. The next day everyone ventured literally into the middle of the jungle to go on a zip lining adventure. We were supplied with a very stylish outfit of harnesses, helmets and hairnets and were sent out with some crazy guides who found it funny to drop you down a 40 metre zip line as fast as they could. We swung across over 20 different lines through the jungle and had some great experiences.

For dinner, May and Steph treated us to Italian, a little piece of home before we set out in the morning for a two day hill tribe trek. Everyone was scared and nervous as we began the gruelling two day hike, thinking that it was going to be tough and we were going to hate every minute of it. I cannot tell you how wrong we were. I will not lie, it was tough but the people we met, the scenery we saw and the places we stayed were amazing and incredible. The lodge we stayed at on the top of the mountain was spectacular, and the view was 10 times more beautiful than anything we had seen. We spent the night curled up around a fire overlooking the valley below, singing songs as our Thai guides played the guitar and shared their stories and music. We set off in the morning, with high spirits and hopes of a cool swim at a waterfall along the track. When we found the waterfall, it was a spectacular sight. Towering above our heads was a cascade of icy water; we all stood under it and had a very nice shower. We spent about an hour just exploring the area. Swimming in the pools, sun-baking on rocks until it was time to head to Lisu Lodge. Lisu Lodge was heaven in human form. Large open areas of green grass and fields of rice behind our huts, it was the perfect spot to take a nap and rest after a long journey. We had a cultural show in the night and woke to trucks waiting to transport us back home from our last day in Thailand.

We spent the day at the Thai spa getting a range of treatments from pedicures and two hour Thai massages to herb treatments and hot stone relaxation packages. That night we did even more shopping, travelling to another famous Thai night market and we all worked hard to spend the last of our money before we returned home. Leaving was the hardest part of the trip. We had all grown so close over the three weeks, even though most of us came from other states around Australia. May and Steph our leaders had joined our little family and many tears were shed at the airport as we left them. Thailand was an adventure, every minute was worth remembering and it is an experience that I will never forget.

The Thailand Volunteers



ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

| 1A | | | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----|----|-----|----------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------|
| | | | 25Apr | 26 Apr | 27 Apr | 28 Apr | 29 Apr |
| | | DTS | Easter Monday ANZAC Day | ANZAC Day Holiday | 12 CFS 10 Textiles Tech 9 Music | | |
| | 12 | ATD | | | Food Technology | Food Tech (Prac) Religion Studies | |
| | 11 | ATD | | | Design & Tech IT Timber | | PVD |
| | 10 | ATD | | | PDHPE (all week in class) | | |
| | 9 | ATD | | | | | |
| | 8 | ATD | | | | | |
| | 7 | ATD | | | PDHPE (in class) VA (during the week) | | |

| 2B | | | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----|----|-----|---|---|--|----------------------|--------|
| | | | 2 May | 3 May | 4 May | 5 May | 6 May |
| | | DTS | 12 English Adv 12 English Std | 12 Biology 12 Construction 12 Modern History 7 Geography | 12 French Ext 12 SOR 7 Geography | | |
| | 12 | ATD | Chemistry Hospitality IT Timber | | | | |
| | 11 | ATD | Visual Arts | Agriculture IT Graphics | EES | Mathematics Ext 1 | |
| | 10 | ATD | IT Multimedia IT Timber Music PASS PDHPE (all week in class) | | | | |
| | 9 | ATD | | History | | | |
| | 8 | ATD | VA (during the week) | | Geography History | Geography | |
| | 7 | ATD | | | | | |

| 3A | | | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----|----|-----|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| | | | 9 May | 10 May | 11 May | 12 May | 13 May |
| | | DTS | 12 Visual Arts 11 English Ext 1 11 PVD 11 Senior Science | 11 Ancient History 11 Drama 11 Geography 11 Visual Arts | 12 Music 12 PDHPE | 12 DT 11 Biology 11 Modern History | |
| | 12 | ATD | | | | Mathematics Ext 1 | |
| | 11 | ATD | Religion Studies | | Business Studies P3-5 Chemistry | | |
| | 10 | ATD | English | | | | Religious Education |
| | 9 | ATD | Visual Arts | | | | |
| | 8 | ATD | | | | | |
| | 7 | ATD | | | | | |

PLEASE NOTE:
In the case of any discrepancy in the assessment dates published here the date that will be used by the College in the event of any appeal or other process will be the date on the Assessment Task Cover Sheet provided directly to the student. Please contact the College if you have any concerns about any of the information published here.

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