Dear Families

We remind you that this edition of *The Brigitiser* is our last hard copy. As of next term our fortnightly school newsletter can be accessed via our updated web page or we can email you a copy. Please ensure you are on our email list so that you can stay in touch with school events and activities. Next term we will be uploading all excursion/sport permission slips, notices, calendars and class newsletters onto our web page so that you can access these as required, minus the squashed banana or crumpled paper!

**COMMUNITY DIMENSION**

**School Concert:** It was amazing to witness the tremendous attendance at our biannual School Concert last Tuesday evening. You would certainly agree that our children are a talented group! Their onstage performances, technical abilities with audio, lighting and backstage requirements and multi media presentations reflect their love of the performing arts. We are so grateful for the efforts of Megan Isaacson in driving this initiative with terrific support from key parents and staff. We trust that you enjoyed the energy and bountiful enthusiasm of our children as they entertained a very supportive audience! A wonderful celebration of all that is awesome about our school.

**School Cabaret**

*Wanted:* 9 friends (To make a table of 10)

*When:* Saturday 9th November 7pm

*Where:* SAMMAT

*Wear:* Black & White

*Why:* St Brigid's CABARET

Further details in this edition of ‘The Brigitiser’

It is terrific to see that tables are booking quickly. Considering that the Cabaret occurs just 3 weeks after the school holidays please don’t miss out! To assist with confirming our catering requirements it greatly assists our organising committee if you can book a table prior to the Term 3 break.

**School Uniform:** There will be a minimal increase in uniform prices commencing from next term. A new price list will be sent home with your eldest child next week.

**Lost Property:** Bins will be cleared next Friday 27th September unlabelled items will be donated to the Uniform Shop.

**PLEASE REMEMBER**

**CASUAL CLOTHES DAY** (gold coin and dry food donation) - FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

*We remind you of the need for children to wear appropriate clothes that reflect good taste and practicality*

**PUPIL FREE DAY—MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER**
LEARNING DIMENSION

Early Years Framework: Over the last term our Early Years Teachers, under the direction from Leadership, have been exploring the introduction of a new learning framework for our children. The catalyst for this has been the single entry policy for new Reception children beginning in 2014. Due to this there was a need to look at how we cater for a wider starting age range in the first few months of school. Central to any proposed new approach is that it is consistent with the inquiry and personalized learning focus we have had in the school for some time. The approach also needs to allow for clear learning intentions, uses personal interests as a way of engaging a child in learning as well as allowing for a consistent aligned learning program based on the outcomes of the Australian curriculum.

In order to make an informed decision, teachers were released to visit various schools from both within and outside Catholic Education schools that are currently running programs with the above focus. Teachers visited schools that ran programs based on Walker Learning, Montessori, Reggio Emilia, the International Baccalaureate as well as a school that ran a combination of some of these. We are presently in the process of making a decision about which framework best suits the needs of students at St. Brigid’s. Whichever framework we choose will have future implications (positive) across all year levels so it is important we choose what we believe is the best option for our children. Once that decision is made parents will have the opportunity to attend information sessions that will outline how this framework will influence their child’s learning. In the meantime, we encourage you to Google the approaches mentioned to inform yourself on these possibilities.

Catholic Schools Music Festival: We congratulate the children who will be representing St. Brigid’s Catholic School in the Catholic Schools Music Festival Choir in the upcoming Festival. Our children will be performing on Monday 23rd September at the Adelaide Festival Theatre. If you have never been to this event we encourage you to do so. Tickets are available through BASS. It is a truly unique event and of the highest quality with some of our most talented young people across Catholic primary and secondary schools performing. Mr Mannella is the Chairperson of the committee organizing this event and as a consequence will be absent from school for the last week of term.

Ipads/ Technology News: With the holiday break nearing it is an opportune time to check your children’s iPads/ Smart phones. In particular, we would strongly suggest you check their internet history, social media messages, downloaded materials, apps, music and media. It is crucial that our children know that we are vigilant in ensuring their safety in using these devices.

RELIGIOUS DIMENSION

Study Leave: Last week our APRIM Mrs Andrea White and Chaplain, Mrs Robynne Malone left for a study tour to Ireland to become immersed in the deep story of St. Brigid. This is an exciting opportunity to work with people from other Brigid focused schools from around the world. We wish them a safe and fulfilling journey and look forward to their return at the beginning of next term.

Catholic Charities Month: September is traditionally the time when the Catholic Church engages in various fundraising activities for its outreach activities. St. Brigid’s has always supported this generously. With the end of term nearly upon us time is a little short so we have decided to run a Casual Clothes day on Friday 27th September. We ask that the children bring along both a gold coin and dry food donation. The gold coin collection for casual clothes will go towards the work of the Adelaide archdiocese, while the food donation will go towards the efforts of our local St. Vincent DePaul Society supporting the needs of those in our community.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

School Fees: Thank you to those parents who have honoured their commitment in paying school fees as per the Fee Payment Schedule returned to Administration at the beginning of this year. However there are a number of families who have not maintained their commitment. As term 3 is coming to an end can I ask you to review your outstanding fee debts to ensure all fees are paid in full by 29th November. If families do not communicate with me or ignore correspondence, fee collection procedure contained in the School Board’s Fee Policy document will be invoked and further action will be undertaken.

School Camp Payments: Early in term 4 the Year 4/5s and Year 7 students will be attending camp. All camp fees must be paid in full before the date of the camp. If you are paying fees by direct debit your periodic payments will not cover these costs unless you have amended your payments.

Jayne Clarke
Bursar
Disability Awareness Student Workshops

Last week 1/2K went to the SAMMAT to learn what it is like to have a disability. First of all we read a story about a giraffe that couldn’t dance. He met a lizard who said that we just need to find the right music. Then our class split into teams to do some activities. One of the activities was to cut with the hand we usually don’t use and the other hand was in a sock wrapped up in tape. The second activity was beading where we had a blindfold on so that we could know what it is like to be blind. We also had to try and trace through a maze by looking in a mirror. We then played a game where we weren’t allowed to talk. The last activity was having a turn at using a cane, wheelchair and crutches. We both found the cutting one the trickiest! We learnt that it isn’t easy for people with a disability and that we should help them out.

By William E and Isabella

ST Brigid’s
Dinner Dance

Tickets can be purchased through Sam Prentice (0417 829 823), Jenni Redden (0408 476 154), St Brigid’s Front Office. Funds raised will be used to purchase communication school signage and new aluminium seats for the oval.

Date: 9th November 2013  Time: 7pm to midnight  Location: SAMMAT Building  Theme: Black & White  Dress: After 5
Featuring: All Soul’d Out — 10 piece band with a passion for soul, jazz, rock and blues  Drinks: BYO drinks and glasses  Meals: Pre dinner nibbles — spit roast/salad and dessert — vegetarian option to be pre-ordered upon ticket purchase  Tickets: $55 p/h
Tickets are available NOW and can be purchased through Sam Prentice (0417 829 523), Jenni Redden (0408 476 154), St Brigid’s Front Office. Funds raised will be used to purchase communication school signage and new aluminium seats for the oval.

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MINISTRY FORMATION PROGRAM
…MF Pathways

BE INFORMED ABOUT MINISTRY IN OUR PARISHES AND COMMUNITIES

Discover how you might make sense of Catholic life and living and contribute to growing vibrant faith communities and relationships

JOIN US for conversation with wine and cheese, tea and coffee at: Adelaide College of Divinity, 34 Lipsett Tce, Brooklyn Park Room S1 7.00 – 8.30pm, Thursday September 26

• Reflect on Being Church Today with St Catherine Clark rsj
• Hear from past and present students about their journey into serving God’s people
• Find out about the many ways you might contribute to lay ecclesial ministry or the permanent disconaste

The Ministry Formation Team will be on hand to answer your questions about how you can enhance your skills and life experience through a Ministry Formation Pathway … and be at the heart of God’s mission in our world

CONTACT: Sue Viecelli
Ph: 8416 6477
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Living Catholic
### St Brigid’s Catholic School

**CALLING ALL CHILDREN FROM 3 TO 17 YEARS**

Athletics Competition held every Sunday. Starting Sunday 13th October, 9:45am start for warm up. We encourage people to be early on the first meet to allow time for registration prior to events starting. Registration will be available from 8:00am on the 13th October. All the information about the centre is available on our website www.gawlerlac.com.au. Where: Trinity College (Back Road Oval), off Alexander Avenue. For further information contact the Brent on 0431 705 588.

### St Brigid’s Canteen Volunteer Roster

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### CAN YOU HELP?

Recyclables required for Science e.g. cereal boxes, egg cartons, paper towel rolls. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

### St Brigid’s Uniform Shop

**Opening Hours**

**TUESDAY**  2:30pm - 4:30pm  
**FRIDAY**  8:15am - 10:15am

### Congratulations

St Brigid’s would like to congratulate:

**Dylan** on coming 3rd in the 12 years and under ‘Driver’ section at the Royal Adelaide Show.

**Dominique, Amber, Rachael and Jessica** who were part of the Xavier Saint’s U11’s Netball Grand Final team.