DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER

**Week 8**
- **Wednesday 19th March**
  - 11:40am Mass Year 3/4NF
- **Friday 21st March**
  - 9:15am Community Prayer Year 3/4NF

**Week 9**
- **Sunday 23rd March**
  - 2:00pm - 4:00pm St Brigid’s Open Day
- **Monday 24th March**
  - 7:00pm SCHOOL BOARD AGM
- **Wednesday 26th March**
  - 11:40am Liturgy Year 3/4F
  - 7:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation Sts Peter & Paul
- **Friday 28th March**
  - 9:15am Assembly Year 3/4TH

**LEADERSHIP NEWS**

**RELIGIOUS DIMENSION**

**Lenten Reflection - Week 2:** During this first week of Lent, as we reflect on Jesus’ struggle to choose life in the wilderness and hold onto what mattered most to him, we are invited to reflect on what we choose to hold onto and what we dare to let go of in our own life’s journey.

**Ash Wednesday Mass:** Last Wednesday we celebrated the beginning of Lent with our whole school Ash Wednesday Mass. Thank you to the parents, grandparents and parishioners who joined the staff and students at our Eucharistic celebration. Lent is the time leading up to Easter where we think of others and give generously to Project Compassion.

**Holy Week Prayer Services:** During week 11 we will be gathering as a whole school to acknowledge Holy Week, the week leading up to Easter. The following is the planned schedule for the week:

- **Tuesday April 8** the Reception to Year 2 students will present Palm Sunday
- **Wednesday April 9** Year 7V, 7T & 3/4NF will present The Last Supper
- **Thursday April 10** the Year 5/6 classes will present Jesus praying in the garden and His Arrest
- **Friday April 11** Megan Issacson & Rachael Jones with some Year 5/6 students will present the Crucifixion
- **Tuesday April 29** Year 3/4P, 3/4F & 3/4TH will present the Resurrection

More information will follow outlining times, costumes etc.

**Mother’s Day Liturgy:** In preparation for the Mother’s Day Liturgy on Friday May 9 we are asking students to please provide a photo of themselves with their mums or significant women in their lives which will be included in the liturgy. The photos can be emailed to Jasmine at jzawitkowski@stbrigidscatholic.edu.au by Friday April 11. One photo is all that is required. If there is more than one child in the family a group photo is sufficient. In anticipation thank you for your support in preparing for this very special liturgy.

**LEARNING DIMENSION**

We draw your attention to the attached reflection piece titled “Forgiveness”. Students in Year 5/6WM Religion lessons were asked to explore their own understanding of what forgiveness is by using similes. This piece by Erin is one of several that demonstrated great creativity and expression.

**1 to 1 Digital Devices Meeting:** On Tuesday 18th March a meeting will be held in the School Chapel from 7pm - 8pm to inform families of our 1 to 1 Digital Devices program. If you have a child in Yr 3 – 7 and have not yet attended a session in relation to the use of iPads at St Brigid’s Catholic School we strongly encourage you to attend. The focus of the evening is to highlight why and how these devices are being used as a learning tool at our school and to assist parents with their role in being vigilant with ensuring the safety of their child in an online learning environment. Could you please complete the return slip found later in the Brigitiser if you anticipate attending.

**Learning Goals:** Early in the term our staff met with the majority of families and students to devise personal learning goals. It is pleasing when visiting classrooms to see these goals listed and the creative strategies employed by children to achieve these. Our focus is clear. It is our aim to enable children to:

- Develop a language of learning
- Increase their agency in the learning so that they play an active role in their education
- Promote a range of core competencies which can be utilised across all subjects, particularly the capacity to self-manage their learning and behaviour

At the heart of this approach is the desire to establish with every child a positive personal identity which allows them to be creative,

**Medical Alert**

A case of chicken pox has been reported to the office

**TELEPHONE 08 8522 2842 or 08 8522 2189 / ABSENTEE LINE (before 9am) 08 8522 2099**

**FACSIMILE 08 8522 2189 / EMAIL info@stbrigidscatholic.edu.au / WEB www.stbrigidscatholic.edu.au**

St Brigid’s Catholic School acknowledges the Kuarna people as the traditional owners of the land upon which our school is situated.
COMMUNITY DIMENSION

Bereavement: Our community was saddened last week to hear of the tragic motor vehicle accident which took the life of one of our dads. Our condolences are shared with the McManus Family and their relatives as they grieve the loss of a husband, father and friend. In particular, we pray that God will embrace Chrissy and Casey (Yr 4P) and watch over them with a deep love and enable them to reflect on many happy family memories.

Thank You: A huge vote of thanks to our hard working and generous Parent Team for coordinating our annual Shrove Tuesday pancakes last week. Much effort is expended coordinating and undertaking these type of activities and our school is much richer for the experience. Our children and staff were very grateful for the reminder that we are entering a very sacred time of the Church’s calendar. Well done!

Working Bee: This Saturday morning between 7am - noon we are seeking the support of our school families to attend a Working Bee. Please feel welcome to get up early to vote and then come and spend an hour or two beautifying your child’s school. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. It is pleasing that we have had a few replies to our invitation to attend but there is much to accomplish and many hands make light work! Could you please complete the return slip found later in the Brigitiser.

Open Day: On Sunday 23rd March 2pm – 4pm our school will be hosting our 2014 Open Day. You may have witnessed the creative display in the main street in the old Crosby building! This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the features of St Brigid’s Catholic School, in particular, the learning opportunities and the strong sense of community that many new enrolments seek to experience. Feedback from our 2013 Open Day acknowledged the genuine love and pride that our students displayed towards their school and the confidence they possessed in articulating their learning. If you would like to assist with our Open Day as a Parent Representative Guide, assisting Kathy with afternoon tea, directing families to certain facilities etc please complete the reply slip in this edition of the Brigitiser and a member of the Leadership Team will contact you to discuss your involvement. It is ‘our’ school and you have every right to share your passion with families interested in joining our school community.

Congratulations: We celebrate the success of our children in two recent sporting activities. Firstly, it was terrific to have a small team of 6 riders participate in a Gymkhana at Trinity College. Whilst small in numbers our team managed to place 6th out of 33 schools! We are appreciative of the families who coordinated our schools involvement and recognise the talent of these students. A magnificent effort! Likewise, our Yr 7 cricketers were successful last Friday and now proceed to the next level of the Knock Out Cricket Challenge. Well done boys on a crushing victory!

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIMENSION

Annual General Meeting: Our School Board AGM will be held on Monday 24th March at 7pm in our School Chapel. You are most welcome to attend. In particular, if you have a desire to represent the views of our families as a School Board representative please complete the nomination form located in this week’s edition of the Brigitiser and return to our Front Office in an envelope indicating ‘School Board Nomination’.

Car parking: Thank you to the families that responded to our request to improve our level of care in our car park at school and in our ‘Collect & Go’ zone adjacent the SAMMAT building. This is an ongoing commitment which we ask all of our families to monitor. This week I will be meeting with the Traffic Officer from the Gawler Council to obtain permission to make some adjustments to the area adjacent our SAMMAT to improve the safety of this ‘Collect & Go’ zone. Please continue to be vigilant in this area. We remind families that if you park on the southern side of Para Road (Cheap As Chips) that your safety is enhanced if you utilize the school crossing. Attempting to move yourself and your children between moving vehicles is extremely dangerous.

Parent iPad Session - Tuesday 18th March
I/ We ________________________________ will be attending the iPad session on Tuesday 18th March.

(Parent’s name)

School Board Nomination
I ________________________________ would like to nominate as a School Board Representative.

(Parent’s name)

Signature: ________________________________ Contact number: ________________________________

Child’s Name: ________________________________ Child’s Class: ________________________________

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Paul Bennett
Principal

Gennaro Mannella
Deputy Principal

Andrea White
Assistant Principal
On Behalf of Playgroup and the school community we say a huge thank you to the parents who gave up their time to help organise, cook, and clean up on Shrove Tuesday. Without the support of these parents who so kindly donated their time, the students and Playgroup children would have missed out on this wonderful experience. Also thank you to Java Hutt for donating the pancake mixture. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Finally, I would like to thank the school leaders who did a wonderful job handing out the Pancakes. The Playgroup parents were most impressed with the kindness and maturity shown to the younger children.

Parent helpers: Angela Johnson, Angela Dorosz, Jeanette Ranasinghe, Megan Nagai & Graeme Harris

Franca Hall
Playgroup Co-ordinator

Dominique, Natalie, Caitlin & Alannah

Alec, Tom, Jack & Jayden
Knockout SAPSASA cricket

Congratulations to our 6/7 boys cricket team who defeated Elizabeth North Primary School on Friday. On a beautiful sunny day we warmly welcomed at Elizabeth North, where the hosts batted first and were bowled out for an even 60 after 23 overs. Our best bowling came from Wyatt Ryan with 3/7, and Anton Traeger 2/3 and they were ably supported by Jacob, Jaden, Kane, Jack and Cameron with a wicket a piece. There was also some good fielding with the short boundaries.

We replied with 6/99 off 19 overs, after passing their score in the 14th. Top scores were Wyatt 14, Kane 13n.o, Anton 11 retired, Jack 10 retired and Jacob 9 retired.

We now await the winners of the game between St. Francis Xavier Wynn Vale and Highgate for our next opponent in the coming weeks. Well done boys!

Mr. Taylor

Congratulations to Ashley, Bailey, Chelsea, Jett, Keeley and Samantha who represented St Brigid’s at the Interschool Gymkhana held at Trinity College on Friday 28th February.

Congratulations to Josh (3/4F) who won a bronze medal in his classification at the Boccia SA State Titles tournament on Sunday 2nd March.

Josh has been chosen to represent SA in the National Titles held in Sydney in May.

Would you like ‘The Brigitiser’ emailed to you?

Please see Jasmine in the Front Office or send your details to jzawitkowski@stbrigidscatholic.edu.au.
The Principal, Staff and School Board cordially invite
to attend our St Brigid’s Catholic School

Our Open Day allows you to....

- witness our school facilities and programs
- chat with our students and teachers
- ask questions about our learning program
- experience the strong sense of community
- learn about our Pastoral Care structures
- embrace the spirit of Brigid’s hospitality by enjoying a cuppa and afternoon tea.

Any further enquiries please contact the Enrolment Officer - 85 222099.

Working Bee - Saturday 15th March

I ________________________________ am able to assist with the school’s
working bee.

______________________________  ______________________________
(Child’s name)  (Parent’s name)  (Child’s class)
Forgiveness is …

Forgiveness is a master freeing his slave
Forgiveness is sharing the money that the poor crave
Forgiveness is planting a tree in your yard
Forgiveness is apologising even when it’s hard

Forgiveness is the warmth of a fire after the cold
Forgiveness is the child a mother will hold
Forgiveness is fixing others to health
Forgiveness is everything inside your self

By Erin (5/6WM)
1. The Canteen is open from 8.30am until approximately 1.30p.m. However, it is CLOSED ON WEDNESDAYS for lunch orders but is open at recess for ice-creams, Slushy’s and drinks ONLY.

2. The preferred method of ordering is via www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au website. Sign up, add your child and add credit. No need for lunch bags, finding money or worrying about change etc.

3. Alternatively lunch bags are available from the canteen servery before school commences, with the student/parent responsible for writing out the day’s order – 10 for 40cents, or can be purchased from any supermarket. Orders written on envelopes are not acceptable because of time constraints on canteen staff. PLEASE include your child’s name and class room number and please avoid using sticky tape or staples to seal the bag, or gel/fluro type pens as they are difficult to read.

4. Place bags into the lunch boxes located in every class room and avoid dropping them onto the canteen counter. The required change will be taped to the outside of the bag. Small children need to be told to watch out for change before putting their used lunch bag into the rubbish.

5. Fruit Slushy (100% apple juice concentrate) and iceblocks/creams cannot be ordered on the lunch bags, however, frozen juice cup during terms 1 and 4 or Hot Milo during Terms 2 & 3) may be.

6. Your child will always be fed if packed lunches or lunch orders are left at home or lost. The child will have the choice of a cheese or vegemite sandwich. Should the child refuse a sandwich, the parent will be telephoned. A note will be sent home via the class teacher of any payment owed. This service is provided ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT PAYMENT WILL BE RECEIVED ON THE NEXT SCHOOL DAY. Chasing money is both time consuming and embarrassing.

7. If lunch is left at home – I am quite happy for you to ring me (Kathy – Canteen direct No. 85 222801) and place the order over the phone. – again, on the above understanding re payment.

8. The Canteen is managed by Kathy and a small group of dedicated volunteers. We are urgently in need of volunteers who will need to follow the school’s policy of applying for a police check (Please speak to Canteen or Front Office staff). This is a great opportunity for you to meet people in our school community (and wider Parish), get to know your child’s teachers and class mates. Volunteers are required from 9.00am. until approximately 2.00p.m., however, 45 minutes in the morning will assist us in making muffins etc. We are a very friendly, cheerful group and would make you feel really welcome. Please pop in to have a chat or look around. Whatever time you could give - fortnightly, once a term or even just once a year would be appreciated. Bottomless tea/coffee and lunch is provided for all volunteers.

9. Any nutritional information is available – please pop in and ask.

10. If your child has any health issues I should be aware of, the Administration staff will alert canteen staff.

Finally, if you have any questions or concerns about the Canteen please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards
Kathy O’Reilly.

Please Note:

⊙ Strictly Cash : No I.O.U.’s
⊙ Food from home will not be heated in the canteen
⊙ Plastic Spoons = 5 cents
# Canteen Menu

**Effective from February 2014**

## Green = Eat Plenty

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**Extra Topped**

- Extra Cheese/Roasted Onion/Lettuce/Cucumbers: +$0.50 each
- Extra Tomato/Chives: +$0.50 each
- Sauce: Mayonnaise/Sauce/Source: +$0.30 each

**WRAPS**

- Sweet Chilli Tender Chicken (Lettuce/Tomato/Mayonnaise): $5.00
- Pain Crushed, Keyhole Chicken (Lettuce/Tomato/Mayonnaise): $5.00
- Salad Wrap plus add other Ham, Chicken, Cheese: $5.00

**Salad Box**

- Salad Box: $5.00

**Weekly Specials**

- Thursday: Aussie Hot Spud (Rene & Cheese): $4.00
- Friday: Hamburger/Greensburger: $5.50

**Green Drinks**

- Mineral Water: $0.00
- Up & Up - Choc/Vanilla/Strawberry: $2.40
- Hot Milk: $1.30

**Recess Snacks**

| Fruit Straws/| Chips/Vegan Chips | $1.30 |
| Sippers      |                   |       |
| Apples       | Jaffas            | $1.00 |
| Popcorn      | Helio Pandalos    | $90c  |
| Noodle Snacks| Jelly/Frozen Jelly | 30c/40c |
| Mini Muffins | Slices            | $1.00 |
| Large Muffins|                  |       |
| Pretzels     | Hash Browns       | $1.00 |
| Nice 'n Bluey Ice | $0.50 |

**Lunch Orders**

- Must be received by the Canteen by 9:15am

- Late orders cannot be guaranteed

- Prices subject to change without prior notice

- If no volunteer is available, the Canteen will close at recess to enable lunch orders to be honoured

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**Canteen Direct Line:** 8522 2801
SCHOOL HOLIDAY
FOOTY CLINIC

Aged 5-12
Develop Skills and Fitness
Meet CDFC Players
Receive a FREE T-shirt and Show Bag!
Food Provided Both Days
Lots of Prizes to be Won!!

Metro- Wed 16th & Thurs 17th April 2014
Playford Alive Oval, Goodman Rd Elizabeth

Country- Tues 22nd & Wed 23rd April 2014
Dutton Park, Hill St, Kapunda

10.30am- 12.30pm
Cost: $40.00

Registration Form- Metro and Country

Metro [ ] Country [ ]

Name: ...........................................................................................................
Address: ........................................................................................................
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Email: ...........................................................................................................

Male / Female Age: .........
Contact Number:
Home: ..................................................
Mobile: ..............................................

To secure your place please return with payment by 13th of April to PO Box 10,
Elizabeth SA 5112
Phone: 8255 2555
11th March 2014

Dear Families

This year’s Australian Mathematics Competition will be held on Thursday 7th August. Our school has been a part of this competition for many years and students of all abilities, from Years 3-7, enjoy the chance to participate. The competition is coordinated by the Australian Mathematics Trust and sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank, it is held at school during the normal school day.

We encourage as many students as possible to take part. The competition is a valuable opportunity to use mathematical problem solving skills and is designed for all students to experience success. It also provides valuable feedback to parents on how students are engaging with Mathematics and includes a detailed report.

If your child wishes to participate please send back the permission slip below and the $6.00 entry fee to the front office by Friday 11th April.

Kind Regards

Julie Hancock
Numeracy/Literacy Learning Coach

I give permission for my child ____________________________ from Year Level ________
Class __________ to participate in the Australian Mathematics Challenge on Thursday 7th
August 2014.

I have included the $6.00 entry cost.

Signed ____________________________
Due to overwhelming demand, Mr Neil MacKay is returning to the Barossa and Gawler Surrounds courtesy of D.A.G.B.A.G.S. (Dyslexia Action Group, Barossa and Gawler Surrounds), in collaboration with the Gawler Office of DECD and the Lutheran Schools Association.

Dyslexia affects 10% of Australians. However 25% of school kids have "dyslexic style" learning needs.

For more info go to www.dagbags.org.au

The clear links between working memory and academic achievement are well researched and documented. This workshop will focus on children who are not slow learners but are often our “quick forgetters.” Warning signs that flag potential issues with working memory will be identified together with a number of evidenced based solutions which work in the classroom and at home. The solutions address day to day issues as well as showing how to support children and students to “hold it long enough to do it.”

NEW workshop
(Primary School Focus)

WHEN           WHEN  Monday 7th April, 2014
TIME           TIME  4.00pm - 7.00pm
WHERE          WHERE  The Hewett Centre
                28 Kingfisher Drive, Hewett
COST           COST  $30.00 per person
                (Includes light supper)

ALL ENQUIRIES
Nicola Rathman
DAGBAGS Workshop Rep
Mobile 0409 488 032
Email nicola.rathman78@gmail.com

REGISTRATIONS
Complete the registration details on the attached form and return as directed.
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WORKSHOP (Primary School Focus)

WHEN Wednesday 9th April, 2014
TIME 9.00am - 3.30pm
WHERE The Hewett Centre, 28 Kingfisher Drive, Hewett.
COST $60.00 per person (Includes morning tea and lunch. Free tea & coffee)

Getting it right for Dyslexia: Getting it right for All
Helping individuals without always giving individual help

*NEIL MACKAY is an educational consultant and trainer who created the concept of Dyslexia Friendly Schools in the UK. He is an experienced teacher who has taught for 26 years; working with children of all ages with a wide range of needs and abilities. Neil is known for his ability to bring the classroom into his training and for providing lively, entertaining and thought provoking opportunities for teachers and allied professionals to reflect on and develop their practice. He has written a number of books including the extremely popular Removing Dyslexia as a Barrier to Achievement and Taking the Hell out of Homework. Both books can be purchased through the AUSPELD website www.auspled.org.au

ALL ENQUIRIES Nicola Rathman DAGBAGS Workshop Rep Mobile 0409 488 032 Email nicola.rathman78@gmail.com

REGISTRATIONS Complete the registration details on the attached form and return as directed.
Neil MacKay Dyslexia WORKSHOPS

Registration Form-Invoice/Receipt
(DAGBAGS is a charity organisation and as such is not registered for GST)
This document will become the Invoice/Receipt.
(A photocopy of the completed document should be kept before forwarding to DAGBAGS.)

Please complete registration details below and post with cheque/money order
or direct deposit slip to D.A.G.B.A.G.S. PO Box 1509 Gawler 5118

Registrations close: 5.00pm, Wednesday 3rd April, 2014
BE QUICK...WORKSHOPS FILLING FAST

Working Memory
Monday 7th April, 2014 – Hewett Centre; 4.00-7.00pm
☐ $30.00 per person

Getting it right for Dyslexia: Getting it right for ALL
Wednesday 9th April, 2014 – Hewett Centre; 9am—3.30pm
☐ $60.00 per person

TOTAL PAYMENT  ☐ Cheque  ☐ Money Order  ☐ Direct Deposit

Please print this registration form, complete it and send it with your cheque,
money order or direct deposit receipt to the above address
Cheques to be made payable to D.A.G.B.A.G.S. Inc.
Direct Deposit to BSB: 035075 Account No: 277012
REGISTRATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED WITH PAYMENT.

Full day workshops morning tea and lunch will be provided.
Evening workshop a light supper will be provided.
Please advise any special dietary requirements: ______________________________________

NAME or SCHOOL _________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS ____________________________________________ POST CODE________

NUMBER ATTENDING___________________ TELEPHONE__________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS ____________________________

Names of attendees (if more than one or staff list can be attached):
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________