REMEMBER

St Brigid’s Catholic School acknowledges the Kaurna people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which our school is situated.

A student perspective about friendship and respect.

Stephanie 5/6 WM

“To earn respect you need to respect others. You need to do kind things and be helpful and you need to stay in everybody’s good books and do the right thing. That way you can gain everyone’s respect…. To keep people’s respect don’t upset them, just be helpful, and perhaps help your friend with their homework. Just be good to them, listen to their problems or mistakes and maybe give them advice. And most importantly be nice to them!”

One of the three core elements of our School Expectations is ‘Care For Others’. It is crucial that our adults model these thoughts expressed by one of our Yr 6 students. Should families face situations which potentially involves others children, car parking issues etc we ask that you use our staff to address these matters. Confronting others can often increase the tension and escalate the situation which will often result in hostile reactions that should not be witnessed by children. Whilst our school has a strong commitment to restorative practices when relationships are broken, we seek your support in abiding by these expectations to reduce the need to deal with unnecessary conflict.

St Brigid’s Celebration Day:

What an extraordinary day we shared last Friday! The weather was beautiful, we were comfortable in our onesies and pyjamas and danced like St Brigid would have done in her day! Our appreciation to the students in 3/4NF who re-enacted the story of Brigid’s Cloak so wonderfully. They should be commended on their presentation and storytelling. The Leaders B Brigid students enacted the story of Brigid’s Cloak so wonderfully.

Mr Mannella and Mrs White led the students and teachers in a fun-filled afternoon dancing the roof of the SAMMAT. It was pleasing to see all the students and teachers dancing together, smiling, laughing and having fun. “This is so much fun” was a comment commonly heard over the day from the students. Once again, our Student Leaders were a great help in displaying their dancing talents.

A huge thank you to the Parent Teams for organising the Baked Spud lunch and a very big thank you to Maria Pellizzari for providing the bolognaise sauce, to Michelle Dimasi for providing the potatoes and Michael & Hiba Semmou for providing the Coleslaw. Without the generosity of these families and the parent teams, special lunches would not be possible. We are truly grateful!

The buzz of St Brigid activities from the classrooms highlighted the student’s understanding of our patron saint and her deep stories. Thank you to those families who were able to attend the morning and assist with activities in the afternoon. Your generous gold coin donations raised $920 for Catholic Charities. A very big thank you!

Father’s Day Liturgy:

This Friday morning at 9.15 we celebrate Father’s Day by gathering as a whole school for Liturgy. You are all most welcome to join us for this celebration then afterwards for morning tea in the SAMMAT. Thank you to those families who provided a photo for the Father’s Day presentation. We look forward to a large number of Dads and Grandfathers joining us for this significant celebration.

ReLat: Congratulations to the Year 4 students who participated in the first Religious Literacy Assessment (ReLat) on Wednesday. This assessment tool has been implemented following Archbishop Wilson’s request to have a Diocesan report on student learning in RE based on religious knowledge, not faith development. At this stage the assessment is only for Year 4 students in all Catholic Schools.

Parent iPad Sessions

Thursday 11th September, 7pm to 8pm

Please see information later in the newsletter.
ADMINISTRATIVE DIMENSION

Student Information: This week our school will be sending home student information in preparation for 2015. We ask that you complete the required details and return by the due date: 26th September. It is our aim to complete these tasks earlier than usual so that we can commence the new year with all required information for each student.

Sun Smart: We remind families and children that our Sun Smart Policy no longer operates according to months of the year BUT on the daily UV Reading. Any UV reading above 3 requires children to wear a hat or they will be required to remain under verandahs. We ask families to please ensure their child’s hat is washed, labelled and ready to be worn as we move into the warmer months of the year and promote sun smart practices.

Summer Uniform: As the days begin to warm up we remind families and children that the summer uniform is able to be worn. Our Uniform Policy allows for a period of transition between summer/winter uniforms at the start of Term 2 and End of Term 3.

COMMUNITY DIMENSION

Quiz Night: Congratulations to our Parent Teams for a successful and fun filled Quiz Night on the 23rd August. We had around 250 people from within the school and broader community who contributed to the $4500 raised! These funds will go towards purchasing outdoor seating for around the school grounds. We wish to thank the enormous efforts of the parents who organised the evening, with a particular mention to our Quiz Master and scrutineer Rob and Jayne Polito. We also acknowledge the businesses and individuals who contributed to the prizes for the evening. There was a great community spirit for a very worthy cause.

88 KEYS APPEAL: Thank you to those people who have supported our restarted appeal for a baby grand piano for the SAMMAT. If you would like to support us in this endeavour, please see details included in this edition of the newsletter or see staff at the school office.

LEARNING DIMENSION

Science Fair: Congratulations to Jane Lokan our Science teacher for providing the students and parents with a comprehensive display of our Science curriculum and the children’s creative investigations. Visitors were able to engage with animal exhibits, active displays and experiments. It was great to see people of all ages participating in the activities. We thank Jane for her commitment to making our Science program such an engaging experience for our children.

Book Week: Congratulations also go to Mandy Kennedy our Librarian for co-ordinating a range of activities for Book Week. The culmination of the week with the annual costume parade was another huge success.

Playgroup children making St Brigid’s biscuits

Last week the Playgroup children made biscuits to celebrate St Brigid’s day. The children did a fantastic job helping me to measure the dry ingredients, melt the butter, crack the eggs, stir and shape the biscuit dough. Even though we had flour everywhere we had fun making them and by the children’s huge smiles they must have tasted yummy!

Franca Hall
Playgroup Coordinator
**St Brigid's Canteen Volunteer Roster**

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The Canteen is urgently in need of more Volunteers.

If you have a current Catholic Police Clearance and are able to help out please contact Kathy on 8522 2801 or at koreilly@stbrigids.catholic.edu.au

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**Gawler and Districts Athletics Day**

On the 26th of August, 22 students participated in the Gawler and District Athletics Day at Trinity South Oval. Many achieved individual success and broke personal bests. The weather was fantastic as was the behaviour and spirit of the St Brigid's team. A big thank you to the parent spectators and to Lyndon Prentice, Fiona Madigan, Kylie Pellizzari and Graeme Harris for organising discus. Three of our students were selected to represent Gawler and District in SAPSASA Athletics for finishing first in their events:

- Bree - 800m
- Emma - 800m
- Wyatt - Shot put

Well done to the whole St Brigid's Athletics Team for an excellent day out.

Jo Jenkins
Physical Education Co-ordinator

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**BRIGID PERFORMING ARTS CORNER**

**MADD WEEK:** MADD (Music Arts Dance Drama) Week is fast approaching and will take place in Week 4 of Term 4. It will show case the wide spread talent we have in this school with performances by the choir, dance troupe (year 5/6s), instrumental students and of course the popular ‘BRIGID Factor’ (formally St Brigid's Got Talent) Stay tuned for further details.

**Dance Troupe:** With so many fantastic dancers in our school it was time to form a dance troupe. Ella Bria (Performing Arts Leader) and Lauren Sweet have choreographed a song, which will be taught to some year 5/6s during recess on Tuesdays, this forms the inaugural St Brigid’s Dance Troupe. They will be special guests at our BRIGID Factor. It is our hope that if these sessions are a success we will be able to continue with rehearsals and invite other year levels to participate. We will keep you posted.

**CSMF Choir:** Over the next three weeks our Catholic Schools Festival Choir will be performing for classes around the school to fine tune their skills for the big night at the Festival Theatre.

If you would like to support the choir please come and see the Festival in week 10. St Brigid's Catholic School will be performing on Monday 22nd September. Tickets are available at BASS from Monday, 8th September.

Megan Isaacson
Performing Arts Co-ordinator
“YELLOW SCHOOL BUS” SERVICE NOT AVAILABLE
Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th September
Due to Gawler & District College Pupil Free Days the “Yellow School Bus” Service will NOT be available. Alternative transport shall have to be arranged.

Open Door Christian Bookshop
Volunteer staff make the Open Door Christian Bookshop a possibility in Gawler and we need more volunteers to maintain our service.

Experience is not necessary. You will be given training and will not be working alone.

Can you spare 4 hours a fortnight? If yes, we would love to hear from you.

The bookshop is in the Gawler Arcade, open Monday - Friday and Saturday morning, phone 8522 1677.

Sandy Creek cricket club sign up day is here again!

When: 6th of September
Time: 10am -12noon.
Place: Sandy Creek Cricket Club

Registration forms are available on our website sandycreekcc.com.au. For any further information please email, info@sandycreekcc.com.au or call 0402 138 791

Is your son or daughter interested in playing Basketball?
St Brigid’s is looking to create teams to enter in the Starplex competition. Ages 5 and up. Beginners are welcome!

The first season will commence in term four. Under 8’s and under 10’s play on a Tuesday afternoon, and under 12’s play on Monday afternoons.

Teams will be (Coached/Managed) by parent volunteers.

For further information please call Stephanie Eland on 0415234304 or pass on your details to Jasmine in the front office.

“Tod Street Tennis Club Open Day
Do you play tennis or want to learn how to play? Do you want to stay active during summer while making new friends? Tod Street tennis club invites you to participate in the Tennis SA sponsored program “Hot Shots”.

When: September 14 anytime between 10am – 1 pm.
Where: Gawler & Districts Tennis Association, Victoria Terrace Gawler SA 5118
Phone: 8522 1289

Congratulations to Dominique, Jessica, Rachel and Amber who won their U12 Netball Grand Final on the weekend. The girls are back-to-back Premiers.
Parent iPad Sessions
Thursday 11th September 2014
7pm to 8pm

Learners Workshop—Please book if attending


This session is designed for families who want to learn about the basics of iPads: security, creating folders, downloading applications, creating favorites, adding icons to the home screen, settings and basic application usage.

Advanced iPad User Workshop


This session is for parents who feel they have a good grasp of iPads and would like to learn more about how we use iPads in the classroom.

Please book at either of the above links, scan the QR codes or register via our school website through the link provided.

Please register by no later than Tuesday 9th September
88 KEYS APPEAL

We invite you to donate to our appeal to purchase a BABY GRAND PIANO to be housed in the MacKillop Arts Theatre (SAMMAT).

The Appeal was launched in 2011 and we are well on our way to our target. Donations can be made to purchase a key for a minimum of $150 per key. Obviously the more donations, the increased purchasing options will be available to us. You can donate as an individual or a syndicate. All donations will be recognised on a permanent plaque in the MacKillop Arts Theatre Foyer.

Smaller individual donations will be kindly accepted

THIS PURCHASE WILL NOT ONLY SUPPORT OUR MUSIC STUDENTS BUT ALSO OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE FUNDRAISING FOR THE SCHOOL BY TOURING ARTISTS

PERFORMING IN OUR VENUE.

I would like to make a donation to the 88 KEYS APPEAL. AMOUNT: __________

NAME: __________________________ PHONE CONTACT: __________________________

AMOUNT: ______________________ SYNDICATE/BUSINESS (if applicable) __________________________

A receipt will be issued to you. (Please provide postal address) __________________________