Dear Community,

This week is the last week of Lent and the most important time in the liturgical year. As we move through Holy Week we may experience feelings of suffering, death and sadness, but then experience the feelings of hope, joy and salvation through Jesus’ Resurrection on Easter Sunday. We have witnessed lovely liturgies conducted by all classes this week. Last Friday saw Kindergarten and Year One dramatise Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Monday Year Two portrayed the washing of the feet with Year Three re-enacting the last supper on Tuesday. Year Four today took us through the agony in the garden and Year 5/6 did a wonderful re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross today. Many of our families attended these liturgies this week, which was wonderful. It would be lovely to see some St. Bede’s families at the church for some of the various celebrations over the Easter weekend.

Thank you to all parents who made time to meet with their child’s teacher this week. So far comments have been positive about the third year holding interviews in Term One and the use of booking interviews online. I know those with more than one child were able to select suitable time slots for all their children. We hope that together we have three terms to move your child forward and build a strong partnership with you. Parents are the first educators of their children and schools support what foundations have been laid well before students arrive at school. Once at school however, school must rely on the home to support the learning that takes place in the short time we have them. It is a team effort and an effort worth making. Parents who have not made a time to meet are asked to do so as a matter of urgency. We only get one shot at your child’s education.

Thank you also to our staff who have spent time preparing these interviews and using assessment to guide future directions for your child. It has been a busy start to the term with Sacramental Programmes, sports carnivals, building projects and the general hectic pace of the school day. A final thank you must go to our students. Without them the school buildings are quiet [and boring] places. Their energy and enthusiasm make coming to work a pleasure.

Thank you to Mrs Germaine Hannaford who has supported the school as Acting Assistant Principal this term in Mr Laffan’s absence. Germaine has ensured her class has continued as normal with high expectations placed upon all her students yet managed to juggle the many and varied roles of the Assistant Principal. I personally would like to thank Germaine for her support over such a busy time.

With Mr Laffan returning to teach Year 2 next term, I must also thank Mrs Danielle Clarke for her enthusiasm and dedication to her class over this term. I am not speaking out of turn when I say Danielle does not want to leave teaching this class fulltime. Danielle will continue to teach Year 2 one day per week while Julian is released for his Assistant Principal role. Thank you also to Mrs Katie Tooth who has shuffled, juggled and taken up a variety of roles this term while various staff took on other positions. A great team effort.
A reminder that Winter Uniforms are required from Week One next term. There is a two week period of grace where you are able to send your child to school in Summer Uniform if it is quite warm. No mix and match thank you [combinations of both Summer Uniform and Winter Uniform]. Sadly we have seen this already this term. Winter Uniform is compulsory from Week Three please. A special thank you to those parents who ensure their child is in correct, neat and clean uniform each day. Our uniform sets us apart and should be worn with pride at all times. All students are urged to attend the wonderful Braidwood tradition on ANZAC Day. Students meet in full Winter Uniform outside the church before 10:20am and then march up the street to the Memorial near Ryrie Park. All students and ex-students are urged to attend.

Holiday Security: If you are in town and have a spare five minutes and feel comfortable to do so, please feel free to drive past the school or perhaps take a drive/walk around the grounds. I have started to notice signs that the school is being used for things other than a place of learning during holiday time and occasionally weekends. The top of the stairs seems to be a nice place to hide and not be seen. If you see anyone using the school grounds or equipment inappropriately, please call the Police or Gerard.

Yours in Christ

Claim the date:
The first school working bee will be on Friday May 1 from 2:00pm till 5:00pm followed by a sausage sizzle. There are plenty of regular tasks such as weeding, pruning, painting seats etc as well as moving mulch to cover over some building areas, tree planting, weed spraying and the like. Please mark this date in your diaries and make an effort to attend for part or all of the time. Sausages and refreshments provided afterwards.

Congratulations to all those children who competed in last Thursdays Cross Country and to those who have been selected to compete at Northern Region. Northern region Cross Country will be at Crookwell on Thursday May 7. Those students are asked to keep up their fitness over the holidays.

Required apps Term 2 Years 3-6

- Book Creator $6.49  (Year 5/6 have this already)
- Showbie Free
- Explain Everything $3.79
- Lifecards $1.99
- Write About This $3.99
- Stop Motion Cafe Free

Required apps Term 2 K-2

- iMovie $6.49 or free if a new iPad
- Pic Collage Free
- Book Creator $6.49
- Lifecards $1.99
- Stop Motion Cafe Free

Awards

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Risen Christ, 
may the joyfulness 
of this Easter season 
find a home in my heart

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**St Bede's Parish News**

**Mass every Sunday 10am**

Easter Vigil Saturday 4 April 7.00pm
Commentator: H Hart
Readers: C Ffrench & G Hannaford & M O'Brien
Acolyte: L Hart
Special Minister: H Pieper & K Godwin
Welcome: G Sutton
Power Point: H Hart
Gifts: Flores Family

St Vincent de Paul Society – Braidwood Conference
Our contact number is 0435 856 541 and office hours are:
Fridays: 11am – 1pm located at the back of the Presbytery.

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**CatholicCare**
The school has information pamphlets from CatholicCare regarding their services. If you require information about:
- Conflict Resolution & therapy for Adolescents & their families,
- Family and Relationship Counselling Service,
- CatholicCare Better Access—bulk billing Psychological Services,
- Student & Family Counselling

If you would like any of these pamphlets they are in the information stand in the office or please ask.

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**Mother's Day Liturgy and picnic**
will be on Friday 8 May, in Term 2.
We hope it will be strongly supported as it has been in previous years.
The liturgy will be at 12.30 in the school hall and the picnic will be at 1pm in the park.

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**Mary Queen of Apostles Parish**
36 Verney St PO BOX 11 GOULBURN NSW 2580
Tel: 02 - 4821.1022
Fax: 02 - 4822.6398
Email: mqp.goulburn@aq.catholic.org.au

Dear St Bede's Parish
I write to sincerely apologise for the complete mix up at the Rite of Reconciliation last Thursday evening.
Obviously there was a breakdown in communication between myself and the visiting priest.
The Reconciliation was never meant to be celebrated as a First Rite.
I assure all who came in good faith to celebrate that their sins are forgiven, even if, in the circumstances, some did not hear the Prayer of Absolution as intended.
Our God as well being one of understanding and forgiveness is also a God of common sense.

Yours faithfully

Dermid McDermott
28 March 2014
### National Youth Week 2015

**Friday 10 April to Sunday 19 April 2015**

The theme this year is “It Starts with Us” Be creative and take some photos of what this theme means to you. There are 2 sections
- Primary Section
- Secondary Section

Closing date is Wednesday 8 April @ 5.00 pm—the photos will be displayed in the Bungendore office from Thursday 9 April 2015. Judging will be held on Thursday 16 April 2015. Entry forms are available from the council offices, council website www.palerang.nsw.gov.au or from the school office.

### Important Dates for your Diary Term 1 2015

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### NSW Fisheries Children’s Workshop

**When:** Tuesday 14 April 2015  
**Where:** Tuross Heads @ the Boat Shed  
**Cost:** $40 per child includes some fishing gear  
For Bookings and more information: contact Stephen Thurstan, Education Officer, 0438 245 190 or email Stephen.thurstan@dpi.nsw.gov.au
Please consider giving up a few hours of your time on a Friday to help in canteen. It has been decided this year that canteen will not run unless there are at least 2 volunteers. **Note:** Please clearly mark on a lunch bag your child’s name, class and order. Please provide correct money if possible. For hygiene purposes please wrap the money in foil or Glad Wrap and place in lunch bag.

### Canteen Roster Term 2—2015

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### UNIFORM POOL

Holidays are creeping up so it’s time to consider if your child’s winter uniform needs updating - or if it still fits! Or perhaps you need some back-up items to alleviate laundry catch-up. All items have been vetted for quality and some are like new. Call or text Narelle or Lisa if you’d like to check out the stock, we’re happy to open the cupboards most days by request.

**Narelle:** 0425-218-201  
**Lisa:** 0424-243-194

### Carers Retreat—Huskisson

Are you caring for someone with a mental illness and need a break??  
**When:** May Tuesday 12—Thursday 14  
**Accommodation:** Huskisson Beach Motel  
Booking are essential as places are limited.  
Contact Bec: 02 6232 9044

### St Bedes Footy tipping Comp...

This weeks leaders  
1. **Braidwood Raiders** (21)  
2. **Yeomans Bunnies** (21)  
3. **Colombo Brumby** (20)  
4. Easter Bunnies (20)  
5. Baby Dog (19)  
6. Blazin’ Raisin (19)  
7. Braidwood Cowboy (19)  
8. lh2622 (19)  
9. Bunny rabbit (18)  
10. Bulldog Ged (18)

### Braidwood Billy Cart Derby

It’s is on again this year **Sunday 3 May 2015**.  
Once again the races will be held down Gillamatong Lane—there will be cash prizes for all age groups under 8’s, 8—11, 12—15 vents. Entry Fees are $5.00.  
There will also be Open and Novelty events. Entry Fees are $5.00.  
There will be a local rider bonus for the highest ranked Local (from postcode 2622) in each category!  
We will again hold a “traditional” billy cart parade.  
Entry forms are available at the office.
Library news

All Library books are due back this week please?
The students are counting up the number of books they have borrowed this term. Some students are very excited about the amount of books they have borrowed.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2015
Reading record sheets for the challenge are available from the Library.
Please contact Mrs Tooth or Mrs McGrath if you have any questions about the challenge.
We are challenging all students to enter this year.
Happy reading in the holidays!
Mrs McGrath

Public Speaking

On Tuesday evening, Miah Gunderson, Jorja Noye, Scout Benning, Alice Tooth, Madison Pieper and Xanthe Putra Jaya competed in the Bungendore Rotary Public Speaking Competition. Their topics were varied, including ANZAC Day, Sporting Heroes and Friendship. Mr Colin Elder, organiser for the event, congratulated the St Bede's students for their high standard of presentation of speeches. Our congratulations to Jorja who achieved equal First Place in the Year 6 division of speakers. Jorja's choice of topic was "Why Do We Celebrate ANZAC Day". A couple of our speakers shared their knowledge regarding the "Adopt a Soldier" Project and the special part the Braidwood children will play in this year's Centenary of ANZAC Celebration. We extend our sincere thanks to all the parents for their wonderful support of this Competition.

ANZAC DAY

Our preparation for ANZAC Day continues with the Year 4, 5 and 6 students taking part in Drill Practice in Ryrie Park, also attended by the students of the Braidwood Central School. Mr Chris Nelson and Mr Jeff Wolford have been extremely generous with their time in preparing the "soldiers" for such a special occasion. Thank you to the many parents who have given support for their child's involvement in this inspiring ANZAC activity.

Germaine Hannaford
Acting Assistant Principal