Dear Community

St Bede's Feast Day is next Monday May 25 with several activities planned for both the Monday and Tuesday. Our Feast Day Liturgy will be held on Tuesday 26 May at 10:00am in St Bede's Church. The St. Bede's Award will be presented to one student from each year level who consistently demonstrates the qualities of St Bede.

On Monday there will be:
- A Dress up day - something starting with a letter in the word BEDE.
- A Special lunch – sausage, fruit box and cupcake [help required please]. No charge.
- A Spelling BEdE
- Tabloid sports after lunch

Parent support making a tray of cupcakes, cooking the BBQ and serving will be greatly appreciated for the Monday. A separate note went home this week requesting support.

The St Bede’s Community Council held an Open Meeting on Tuesday night with a small number of guests attending. Ann Monkhouse demonstrated how to use the settings on an iPad to set time limits for iPad use or to limit the number of apps your child can access at one time or when unsupervised. After this a regular Council meeting was held with various reports tabled and agenda items discussed such as the fete later in the year and the paving to be conducted near the toilet block and garden areas.

Has your child been away? Did you know you can send an absentee note to the Front Office via the Skoolbag app? You are also able to modify or edit your app so you only receive specific information about your child’s year level sent by that year level’s teacher. Some school wide information will still be sent to all families however, go to ‘Setup’ and modify what year levels you require information for. We now have a total of 117 devices using the St Bede's Skoolbag app; 79 iPhones/iPads and 38 Android devices in total.

Thank you to our not so secret gardener Kaye who has relocated the tired plants near the office and potted some lovely shade loving colour for all to enjoy. Kaye also spent a full day attempting to relocate the leaves around the school. Thanks Kaye.

Don’t forget the school Trivia Night on Saturday 30 May. This event is being coordinated by Kelly Bunn on behalf of the Community Council Social Committee. This will be a fun night in the school hall with trivia, games and various gender biased questions……This is a BYO nibbles and drinks event with child minding available for Primary school aged children.
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The St. Bede’s Uniform Policy is readily available from our website or contact the Front Office for a copy.

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Yours In Christ

Gerard

**Happy Birthday**: Jack and Molly

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### IMPORTANT DATES!

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All junior, senior and oldies Redback tries this year will help raise money for Braidwood Life Centre. The Braidwood Community Bank will donate $3 for every try scored by the rugby club over the 2015 season.

Are there any old rugby players who still dream of pulling on the boots? The Redbacks Golden Oldies ‘Daddy Long Legs’ will play this Saturday 23 May as curtain raiser to the senior Redbacks vs Bungendore at the Rec. All oldies players are welcome to join in with spectators most welcome. Oldies kick-off 1pm with seniors at 2:30pm. A number of former and current parents will be playing in the games.

**CLAIM THE DATE:** Boorowa Touch and Netball Carnival—Friday 16 October 2015

### St Bede’s Footy Tipping Comp.

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### RE report

Within the cycle of a year, the church unfolds the whole mystery of Christ, from his birth until his ascension, followed by the day of Pentecost, where we are promised of the Lord’s return. This is the part of the liturgical cycle we now find ourselves.

Last Sunday, we celebrated the Ascension of Our Lord and it was the second of the four preparation sessions for the three young people preparing for their First Eucharist. Nathan Hindmarsh, Albert Hazell and Frederick Sykes will receive this sacrament on June 14th at 10am.

In the classrooms, each class is trialling revised Treasures New and Old units. These were re-worked by colleagues from all over our archdiocese last year and have been written in the inquiry method, with more emphasis on rich assessment tasks. This will be valuable as report time approaches.

St Bede’s have been asked to trial these draft units and critically evaluate these for our school context and resources. At a staff meeting later in the term, staff will review these units and make recommendations to the CE for their revision.

Ann
Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary,  
that never was it know in any age,  
that anyone who fled to your protection,  
implored your help,  
or sought your intercession  
was abandoned.  
Inspired with confidence, therefore,  
I fly to you,  
O Virgin of Virgins,  
My Mother.  
To you do I come,  
before you I stand sinful and sorrowful.  
Do not, O Mother of Jesus,  
despise my prayers,  
but graciously hear and grant them.  
Amen.

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**Transitioning to High School**

*From CatholicCare Counsellor Hannah Turner*

The transition to high school can be a very anxious time for young people. There are usually significant changes, including:

- **Change to the physical environment**, with high schools often being much larger in size, with more specialist classroom buildings. Routine is very different, as students move from class to class throughout the day, and are required to be responsible for their own timetable, study practices, and completion of assignments.

- **Expectations of behaviour and academic performance** are generally higher, with less individual support available. Struggling students often need to seek out assistance from relevant support staff, rather than specifically being offered support.

- **There is usually a much higher student population at High School**, and a mix of students from several feeder primary schools. Some of these students will continue the social networks built in primary school, while for others this will not work well. Social situations may be more complicated, with an intense need to belong to a group, and exposure to a wider range of behaviours and attitudes from peers, sometimes involving older students.

- **The high-school transition occurs around the same time as physical, emotional, and psychological changes of adolescence** are occurring, which can add to the emotional intensity of experiences, and challenges within peer groups.

Schools will generally offer a transition program for feeder primary schools, which will typically include a group visit to the high school to be taken on a tour around the school, and learn about timetables, school expectations, etc. Some schools provide an induction program at the beginning of the school year, which can help the students become familiar with routines and processes of the school, and provide support for students experiencing difficulty with learning or social interactions. Transition programs vary between schools, so ask your child’s school what they have available.

*Next week: Helpful hints to support your child’s transition.*
**NOTES HOME THIS WEEK**

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**Trivia Night**

Have you organised your table and friends for the Trivia Night?

**When:**  Saturday 30 May

**Time:** 6.30pm

**Where:** School Hall

**Cost:** No Charge—Just bring your own drinks + a plate to share with your table.

Get your thinking caps on, prepare for battle & look forward to a evening full of laughs. You can organize a team or simply join a table on the night. Like last year, baby-sitting will be available for all Primary school—age children.

To book your table or to be placed on a table please contact Kelly Bunn (0403 326 747).

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**Some Trivial Facts**

To keep food from freezing Eskimos use refrigerators.

When leaving a cave bats always turn left.

In one night a mole can dig a 300 foot tunnel.

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**Bush Baroque**

Sunday 31 May 2015 @2.30pm

at the St Andrews Uniting Church 66 Monkittee St.

A concert of songs & instrumental dances from Renaissance times for Soprano, lute and a consort of 4 viols.

Tickets at the door $15 conc. $10 with refreshments afterwards.

Proceeds to Hartley Lifecare. Enquires: Anne Sanders 48422024 or Richard Milner 6236 9212

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**TRINITY CATHOLIC COLLEGE GOUldburn**

**Enrolling now for 2016**

If you have not enrolled your child at Trinity Catholic College for next year please contact Teresa Shepherd for enquiries or an enrolment pack on 4824 1207 or email: Teresa.Shepherd@cg.catholic.edu.au

Interviews have now commenced
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—Uniforms wanted

There has been a rush on uniform pool items and stock is running low. Jumpers, ties, girls’ winter tunics and boys navy pants are particularly scarce. If you have any surplus items, they’d be very gratefully received...just drop them at the office. And if you’d like to have a look at what is available, call Narelle (0425 218 201) or Lisa (0424 243 194)

### School Fete—2015

**Date:** Saturday October 24 2015

**Where:** School Grounds

St Bede’s Community Council are seeking parents to form a fete committee. If you are interested in helping please contact either Janine Hindmarsh (0428 471 160) or Kelly Bunn (0403 326 747).

- ☐ I have an idea to do ______________________and am willing to help this happen
- ☐ I am willing to be on the Fete Committee.
- ☐ I am willing to help with Year_____________class activity

Family Name:________________________________________

Contact Number:_____________________________________

We look forward to hearing your ideas.