Welcome back to Term 4!

Some questions to ask at the start of term.
Where are we going this term?
What do we need to know and how will we get there?
Ask your child what they would like to achieve before the end of year. It may be a personal goal to achieve in literacy, numeracy, the arts, sport or friendships. Whatever it is encourage your child to aim for improvement and to work hard at achieving their goal.

The next weeks at school are focused on assessing what your child can do and where they can work on in the future. Ask your child to speak to their teacher about what they would like them to work on.

Learning is continuous and it is essential that parents see their children learning on a continuum and not as failing. Thinking of where we are headed is more powerful than seeing our faults and thinking that we are not good at a subject will not help us to improve.
The end of Year Report is a snapshot of where your child is at this point in time and should be a celebration and a chance to see what to work on next.

Teachers are assessing children according to the NSW curriculum and referencing the Department of Education and Training continuum.

Many thanks to Mrs Ann Monkhouse and Fr. Troy for a reflective and meaningful first day focusing on The Beatitudes and their relevance to life in the changing digital age. The teachers enjoyed this purposeful Professional Development day at the Cheese Factory at Reidsdale beginning with an outdoor Mass.

We look forward to hearing how Mr Galvin enjoyed his time in Italy when he returns next week.

All the best,
Julian

Interest Groups

Calling all interested parents in offering an interest group on four consecutive Friday afternoons from Friday the 20th of November starting at 1.50pm and ending at 3.05pm. We are seeking parents to run a small group activity. (Please note that parents are required to complete a working with children volunteer declaration prior to the commencement of the groups). Parents run their group but teachers are responsible for the children.

In the past we have had skipping, netball, cake decorating, cartooning, to name a few. Teachers also run a group which will include visiting the Vet, Extreme Sport, Tennis, Dance and Make your own colouring in book and more! Year 6 receive first preference as an acknowledgement of their end of Primary School.

Please let Mr Laffan know if you can offer a group.
Dear Parents,

Staff have recommended the following apps across the whole school. Many of these we have already requested and so most should have them. Our literacy support person from CE Katie Smith will work with teachers and classes next term using these apps.

- Book Creator (not the free version)
- QR Reader
- Google Drive
- Aurasma
- Tellagami
- iMovie

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### Defensive Driver Course on November 21 for Braidwood P-Platers

Did you know that 80% of accidents could have been avoided if the driver was more aware! In the hope of providing young drivers with the skills to remain safe on the roads, APEX Braidwood is coordinating a Defensive Driver Course for P-Platers who live in the Braidwood area. Apex with the support of the Braidwood Community Bank, Braidwood LIONS, the Lodge of Truth and the Transport Industries Skills Centre based in Sutton, the 8 hour course will be run at centre in Sutton on Saturday November 21 and will be **free of charge**. Please contact Nick Fry at the Braidwood Community Bank or Ged Galvin at St. Bede’s School. Registrations close late October for the November 21 course.

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### Term 4 App List Years K-6

**Dear Parents,**

**Week 1 Good Start**

**Awards**

**Kinder**

- Theodore Vlasoff
- Grace Smith

**Year 1**

- James Cathro
- Madeleine Uden

**Year 2**

- Bally Gunderson
- Leonardo Vlasoff

**Year 3**

- Juverna Guinane

**Year 4**

- Mariah Gray
- Tyler Edwards

**Year 5/6**

- Jordan D’Sousa
- Julianna Donaldson

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**Uniform Pool**—Please call Narelle (0425 218 201) or Lisa (0424 243 194) for any uniform pool enquiries.
Trinity Catholic College will be hosting an Information Evening for Year 5 and Year 6 students and their families on Thursday 15th October 2015 | 5pm - 8pm.

Tours & Displays commence at 5pm from the Main Quad (there will be four tours operated: 5pm, 5:30pm, 6pm and 6:30pm).

An Information Session will be held at 7:15pm in the McAuley Centre for all parents and prospective students.

Gourmet @ Trinity will be open in the Red Hall from 5:00pm - 6:30pm (food, coffee, tea and soft drinks available to purchase).

For more information, contact Teresa Shepherd at the College on 4824 1207. We look forward to meeting you!

Dear Parents,

On Tuesday, St Bede’s Staff came together at the Cheese factory at Reidsdale to spend a day of reflection, solitude and prayer. It was a time to refresh our relationship with our God and take time for reflection on Scripture. During the day, we read an article entitled “Solitude, Silence and Spirituality” by Lillian Wissink from her publication, “The Creative Seed.” In this article, she wrote about the difference between solitude and loneliness.

Solitude is not the same as loneliness. When we are lonely we feel isolated and bereft of human company. Solitude, on the other hand, means intentionally giving ourselves time to be alone; to be free from the usual distractions and demands of life. We give ourselves time to just be who we are. We can also take the opportunity to reflect on our lives.

We discussed the importance for solitude in the lives of the children in our care, especially considering the increased busyness in the present world. Perhaps, as parents, that is something worth discussing in your homes, perhaps around the dinner table.

School Parish Celebration
As is St Bede’s School tradition, on the first Sunday of the term, we celebrate with our School/Parish Mass. This will be held in St Bede’s Church on Saturday evening at 6.00pm. Our choir will be in action singing some of the hymns and the school community will be represented in the entrance procession. Father Peter will celebrate the Mass with us. All children and their families are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Coming events:

Tuesday, 24th November - End of year Liturgy @10am
Held in St Bede’s Church, this is an important liturgy for all parents to attend. At this prayer celebration, the school community thanks the present Year 6 leaders for their example and leadership and inducts the present Year 5 as the school leaders for the upcoming Year, 2016.

Tuesday, 1st December - Thanksgiving Mass @10am
This is a new celebration to St Bede’s however a no less important one. At this Mass our school community will give thanks for the successes and challenges of 2015 and look with fresh eyes toward 2016.

May Peace be in your homes,
Ann
The Braidwood Junior Soccer Club will be holding its AGM on Saturday the October 10, at the Braidwood Services Club starting at 4pm. All positions on the Committee will be vacated and we are looking for some new parents to step up and get involved. You don’t need to have any experience or much knowledge of the game to become involved, you just need a sense of community spirit and a desire to help, so your children get the benefit. If you wish to be involved in some capacity but can’t make it to the AGM then please contact Mark Roberts before the AGM on either 0428 475 074 or email kramstrebor1@bigpond.com.

**Do you still have a soccer Jersey??????**

Soccer Jerseys can be dropped off to Poppies on Wallace between Friday the 9/10/2015 till Sunday the 11/10/2015 after 10.30am. Any jerseys not returned by then parents/caregivers will be invoiced for the tops. Also we still have some trophies that have not been collected these can be picked up from Poppies on Wallace.

**FOR SALE.... Be Quick!**

**Shoctopus – poems to grip you!** is Harry Laing’s new collection of illustrated poems for 6-12 yr olds. Harry has a weird and wonderful sense of humour and it shines through in this sparkling mix of verb-poems, chants, songs, rhymes, rap and shape-poems. Everything in the book demands to be read aloud and while it’s all very accessible the language will stretch and challenge younger readers who Harry hopes will then be inspired to write their own poems!

Shoctopus is still available at a special price of $15 and Harry will be happy to sign copies. Available at the Office.

Dear families,

To support the construction of a home style residence for NSW rural Leukaemia patients at Woden Hospital the 2015 Lifecycle Regional Ride for Life is coming to town on Saturday the 17 October. We are seeking interested families who would like to meet the group on the Nerriga road and ride into town with them. This is an escorted ride and is to show Braidwood’s support for the event. The cause directly assists local families as previously they had to relocate to Sydney for treatment. Interested riders are asked to assemble at the intersection of Deloraine Lane and the Nerriga Rd. at 2.00pm. (Exact time to be confirmed). We will then ride with the group into Ryrie Park and onto the Serviceman’s Club.

**Canteen Roster—Term 4—2015**

Please consider placing your name on the roster for Term 4.

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