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St Benedict's Primary School P&F Committee Newsletter

1 August 2017

*Welcome to our families' newsletter,
written by school families and friends
for school families and friends!*

Your Parents & Friends Committee

As part of this inaugural newsletter we would like to introduce the 2017 P&F committee who has been gathering twice a term to discuss school matters, plan events and work in collaboration with the School board and staff to make St Benedict's the best school possible for our children!

Rachel Smith	Principal
Alana Quirk	Deputy Principal
Lorne Thurgar	President / Grounds & Maint
Edwina Betts	Vice President / G & M
Monica Morabito	Treasurer
Dean Dalla Pozza	Secretary/ Grounds & Maint
Belinda Daunt	Parent Rep. Co-ordinator
Mark Scott	P&F Rep on School Board
Kylie Cook	Sports Rep/ Social Com.
Erosha Bakmiwewa	Social & Fundraising Com.
Tracy Kraljevic	Social Committee
Sonia Domitrak	Fundraising Committee
Hannah Norgrove	Parent
Barbra Cox	School Clothing Pool
Aaron Marshall	Sports Representative

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join the meetings of the P&F committee. The next meeting is on Tuesday, 29 August at 6.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there, but if you cannot make it and would still like to provide input, ideas or suggestions into the meeting you can do so through the committee President or Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Term 3 and the wet, windy, winter days of Canberra! Was lovely to see the snow up on the Brindabella's, but a good reminder of the cold mornings we are arriving to school in.

The P&F Committee have held their first meeting for the term and it is great to see enthusiasm for our (S and B themed) disco and adults trivia night! The committee is also looking forward to supplying your children with some gifts and cards to send home for Father's Day. If you are able to donate items please bring them into the front office at your earliest convenience.

Another area of the school the P&F are passionate about this year is the Canteen. We have enjoyed watching the children move towards healthy choices on Thursdays and Fridays. If any families are interested in finding out more about the initiative the school has undertaken under the "Fresh Tastes" program please feel most welcome to pop into the canteen or I strongly encourage you to visit this website for all answers: <https://goodhabitsforlife.act.gov.au/fresh-tastes/>

We are over half way through the year now, but it is not too late to join the committee, we would love some new faces as we prepare to farewell our wonderful year 6 representatives. Otherwise don't forget next year is the School Fair and many hands make light work!

Cheers
Lorne Thurgar



PAST EVENTS

Paint it Up!

Thank you to those who attended the parent's afternoon of painting, bubbles, nibbles and lots of laughs. The event was attended by 25 people and the P&F committee is looking forward to organizing similar events in the future to bring the school community together. A special thank you to Sonia Domitrak for leading this event and arranging catering.



St Benedict Mass and Grandparents Day

The school put on a wonderful day for families and visiting grandparents to join celebrating the feast of St Benedict. Thank you to everyone who was able to join the celebration of mass and in the classrooms. A special thank you to the class parent representatives who helped with the coordination of the shared morning tea.

SAVE THE DATES

Clothing Pool yard sale – Friday, 11 Aug

Fathers' Day Stall – Friday, 1 Sept

Trivia Night (Adults event) – Saturday, 16 Sept

School Disco (Students) – Friday, 13 Oct

Curry Lunch (families & friends) – Details TBA

The clothing pool is open every Friday between 2.55pm and 3.15pm. On Friday 11, August the clothing pool will be holding a special sale day near the student pick up area. Please bring cash on the day to purchase some well-loved items ready for the upcoming change back into summer uniforms!

GENERAL INFORMATION

The P & F would like to thank our generous sponsors and the year six class of 2016 for the new basketball ring which has been erected in the carpark. It is wonderful to see that the students have been able to use the ring for sport and during lunch breaks. Thank you also to the Thurgar family for the use of equipment and people power to cement the ring into the ground to ensure safety and fun for all!



Basketball ring donated by the year 6 graduating class of 2016!

Thank you for making all the way to the end of our newsletter. We hope that you have found this a helpful addition to dispersing information and keeping up to date with school happenings. For a united school community and maximum attendance at events we ask that you please save the dates in your calendars and keep an eye out for more notices about our upcoming events!

We strongly encourage your feedback, please send any messages regarding this new correspondence to Belinda:
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Warmest wishes
Your Parents and Friends Committee

