



# ST. BRIGID'S SCHOOL

**KILBURN**



## Term 2, Week 8



### Important Dates

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**Flourishing Hearts**

Friday 23 May 2025

**National Sorry Day**

Monday 26 May 2025

**National  
Reconciliation Week**

Tuesday 27 May 2025

**Flourishing Hearts**

Friday 30 May 2025

**Year 1/2 and Year 2  
Incursions**

Wednesday 4 June 2025

**PUPIL FREE DAY  
No School**

Friday 6 June 2025

**Public Holiday  
No School**

Monday 9 June 2025

**Water Safety Week**

Tuesday 10 June 2025

**Term 2 ends**

Friday 4 July 2025

### From the Principal

Dear Families,

As the iconic song by Crowded House states "Everywhere you go always take the weather with you" a fitting reflection of the fantastic attitude of our students who participated in water safety week. Although the actual weather was cold, the students dressed appropriately and stayed warm as they participated in learning valuable life skills about water safety.

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing refurbishment of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre and changes in school access to The Parks facility, our school was allocated a less-than-ideal timeslot. Although this timing was not optimal, it was the only slot available to us and given the importance of water safety education—particularly for our Reception students, many of whom were experiencing a swimming pool for the first time—we made the decision to proceed with the program. We felt it was essential that all students had the opportunity to participate in these vital lessons, in line with the needs of our community.

Looking ahead, we have already submitted our booking preferences for 2026 and are hopeful that we will be allocated a timeslot during the warmer months.

### **Excursions**

This term has seen a variety of excursions that have enriched classroom learning—thank you to all the staff and volunteers who made these possible. We have more exciting outings planned, with R/1s going to The Botanic Gardens and Year 2 heading to The Planetarium.

We warmly invite more parents to get involved as volunteers. Helping on excursions, or being able to assist with our whole school events, your involvement makes a big difference. If you're interested, please speak to our front office or contact Bonnie in CH. Volunteering is a rewarding experience for both students and staff.

### **Building Works Update**

Unfortunately, there has been a delay in the completion and handover of our new classroom spaces. At this stage, we are awaiting an update from the builders regarding the revised timeline.

We understand the importance of these new spaces for our students and staff, and we remain hopeful for positive news soon. I will provide further updates as soon as more information becomes available.

### **Learning and Assessment**

Our students have been engaging deeply with their learning, and teachers are continuously assessing progress to ensure every child is on track. These ongoing assessments help us tailor support and challenge where needed. You can expect detailed reports at the end of the term, providing insights into your child's achievements and areas for development.

Yours in love, peace and learning,

Paula Burns

Principal

## **From the Assistant Principal Innovation, Inclusion and Wellbeing**

### **Water Safety Week**

Last week's Water Safety Week made waves across our school community as students dove into a vibrant, fun-filled learning experience at the Thebarton Aquatic Centre. The event was a fantastic success, blending vital safety instruction with plenty of smiles and splashes.

A huge thank you goes to Water Safety SA for their outstanding programme, which not only equipped students with essential water safety knowledge but also showed them how to stay alert and enjoy themselves safely around water environments.

We'd also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our dedicated school staff, whose support ensured the week ran smoothly, and to the many family members who came along to cheer on their children and share in the excitement.

This initiative is more than just a highlight on the calendar—it's a crucial step in ensuring our students are empowered with the skills they need to navigate aquatic settings confidently and responsibly. We strongly encourage all students to take part in this valuable learning experience.

We're already looking forward to the return of Water Safety Week in 2026!

### **Positive Behaviour at St Brigid's School**

Our Positive Behaviour Interventions and Support (PBIS) initiative is thriving this term, and we couldn't be prouder of our students! It's

been heartwarming to see so many of them recognised for embodying our school's core values of love, peace, and learning.

Students have been earning certificates and acknowledgements for their positive choices and actions—and it's those moments that truly reflect the spirit of our school community.

We're also so close to filling our Learning Heart! Once every space is filled, the entire school will enjoy a much-anticipated reward: a whole school movie day!

To help us reach this exciting goal, we encourage all families to keep supporting and motivating their children—especially when it comes to earning those valuable LEARNING certificates. Every act of curiosity, perseverance, and growth brings us one step closer to our celebration.

### **Semester 1 Reports – Coming Home Soon!**

As we approach the end of Term 2, our staff are busily preparing Semester 1 Reports, which will provide a summary of your child's achievements and progress against the Australian Curriculum. These reports are a great opportunity to celebrate learning and reflect on growth so far this year.

Reports will be sent home on Thursday of Week 10 (3rd July), so be sure to keep an eye out.

You may notice the use of the following acronyms in your child's report:

AAS (Alternate Achievement Standard): This means your child has been taught their year level curriculum with adjustments, but has been assessed and reported against the achievement standard of a different year level.

HPC (Highly Personalised Curriculum): This indicates your child has engaged in a highly individualised curriculum for one or more subjects and has been assessed and reported using the General Capabilities of the Australian Curriculum.

These adjustments are made thoughtfully to ensure each student's strengths and learning journey are represented with accuracy and care.

We look forward to sharing the successes of the semester and continuing to support every child's unique pathway through learning.

Yours in Peace, Love and Learning

Jason Puttins



## From the APRIM

### Liturgical Celebrations

Over the past week, our school has come together in prayer and reflection to honour Refugee Week and its important theme, *Finding Freedom: Diversity in Community*. This time has been a special opportunity for our students to grow in understanding and compassion, with those seeking refuge and belonging.

On Wednesday, our Year 3/4 class led a beautiful Mass that celebrated the Refugee Week. Through their thoughtful prayers, readings, they reminded us of the Gospel call to welcome others with kindness and love – just like Jesus did.

Later in the week, on Friday, our Year 2 class led our whole school Community Prayer. The Year 2 students reminded us that we are all part of one family and that every person deserves to feel welcomed, valued, and loved.

Thank you to all the students, teachers, and families who participated and supported these special moments. Together, we continue to foster a school community where the values of inclusion, kindness, and justice shine brightly.

### The Most Holy Trinity



On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June, we heard in the Gospel about how Jesus talked a lot about the Holy Spirit. Jesus promised his disciples that even after he had gone to heaven, the Holy Spirit would come and keep on helping them. Jesus says the same to us: The Spirit helps us by showing us what is true and by telling Jesus' message to us. Even though we cannot see the Spirit, we can still believe in the work of the Spirit. We cannot see the wind but we can see and feel the power of the wind. People who are filled with the Spirit are kind, patient, loving, compassionate and forgiving.

### **Parish News**

Our Parish recently farewelled Lavender from her role as Parish Secretary. We extend our thanks and our appreciation for her dedication and contributions during her time with the Parish, and we wish her every success in her new adventure.

Looking ahead, Fr Selva and the Parish Committee are planning a Cultural Celebration Evening and are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to help with the planning and organisation of this special event. If you are interested in being part of the planning team, please contact either the school or the Parish office.

Yours in Love, Peace and Learning

Michaela Edwards

Assisant Principal Religious Identity and Mission (APRIM)

## **From the Community Hub**

### **Playgroup:**

The last 2 weeks' of playgroup we have celebrated International Day of Play and looked at the weather, specifically – rain!

We've had lots of fun activities including; Shaving foam with colours, balloons, bubbles, craft, and "dropper and straw" paintings where children used the droppers to "drop" paint onto the paper, and then used a straw to blow the paint around the page to create some beautiful artworks!

Playgroup is open on Mondays and Wednesdays 9-11am during school terms and is open to anyone with children under 5 years!

For updates as they happen, follow us on our facebook page!

I have included a flyer a special bush playgroup on Monday! All are welcome to attend! I won't be going because I will keep the playgroup going at our usual spot, but it will be a great opportunity for those who are interested!

### **English classes:**

Our English classes are on Thursdays 10-12pm.

For the last 2 weeks' our class has tested their understanding of local community event flyers, and played conversational snakes and ladders! (If you land on a question mark, you must answer a question!) This was great fun, and an opportunity for the class to get to know each other better while practicing speaking and listening in English!

These classes are run by a qualified English teacher who prepares a range of activities to practice reading, writing, speaking, and listening! It is free, and a great opportunity to practice your English! Some level of English would be beneficial. Contact me for more information.

### **DHS Connecting through play workshop**

On Tuesday this week we had our first session of the DHS connecting through play workshop about child development! It was FANTASTIC with a lot of information, and opportunities for parents to ask questions and get ideas of how to support their children to learn through play!

I particularly loved hearing more about what is expected for children at each stage;

Birth to 12months – Observer Play

From 12 months – Solitary play

2-3 years – Parallel Play

3 years – Associative Play

4-5 years – Cooperative play

If you are interested in attending part 2 of the workshop on Tuesday 24th of June Please contact me so there will be enough information packs. I can be contacted on 0480 277 409.

Time: 9:30am-11:30am

### Other Community News:

For those who live in the Salisbury and Playford councils, Novita is taking enrolments for their mobile toy library! See details in flyer.

Yours in Love, Peace and Learning

Bonnie

Community Hub Leader



## OSHC

At After School Care, we have focused on creating a warm, inclusive, and engaging environment where children can relax, learn, and enjoy themselves after a full day at school. Our program included a mix of indoor and outdoor play, creative activities, group games, and opportunities for quiet time and homework support.

Program Highlights:

- Themed Activities: Reconciliation week
- Technology
- Art

Outcome Reflection: Through these experiences, children showed curiosity and respect while learning about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures. They engaged thoughtfully in conversations, expressed their ideas through art, and demonstrated

growing awareness of the importance of inclusiveness and reconciliation. Children began to build a deeper sense of identity and connection to the broader community.

These activities support Outcome 2 by helping children:

- Broaden their understanding of the world and the diverse communities within it
- Develop empathy and respectful relationships
- Special Events:

Technology Challenge Week: Focused on sustainability, where children created useful items from empty cupboard materials. (pictures below)

- Outdoor Play: Daily outdoor sessions encouraged physical activity, teamwork, and social skills through organized games and free play.
- Wellbeing Focus: We incorporated mindfulness activities, calming music, and reflection time into our routine to help children wind down and manage emotions.

Yours in love, peace and learning,

Albert Tetevi (Assistant Director OSHC)

## Newsletter Signup

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Fill out the form below to subscribe and recieve our newsletter via email.

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

## Playgroup schedule

## St Brigid's School Playgroup Schedule

<p>Week 2 7<sup>th</sup> May</p> <p>Mother's Day</p> <p>No playgroup Monday</p> 	<p>Week 3 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> May</p> <p>National Families Week</p> 	<p>Week 4 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> May</p> <p>Colours</p> 	<p>Week 5 26<sup>th</sup> May</p> <p>Reconciliation Week</p> <p>No playgroup Wednesday</p> 	<p>Week 6 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June</p> <p>King's Birthday</p> 
<p>Week 7 11<sup>th</sup> June</p> <p>International Day of Play!</p> <p>No playgroup Monday</p> 	<p>Week 8 16<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June</p> <p>Seasons</p> 	<p>Week 9 23<sup>rd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June</p> <p>My Body</p> 	<p>Week 10 30<sup>th</sup> June and 2<sup>nd</sup> July</p> <p>Vegesaurs!</p> 	

Community hub schedule



# Term 2, 2025 hub activities

## St Brigid's School Community Hub

Best accessed via 50 Le Hunte Street,  
Kilburn



### Monday



#### Playgroup

9:00am - 11:00am  
May 12th - June 30th

#### Individual Support

For help with filling in forms,  
resume writing, job applications,  
advice and information.  
Contact Bonnie to book a time!



### Tuesday

#### Connecting with your child through play Workshop

9:30am - 11:30am  
June 17<sup>th</sup> - June 24th

Presented by the Families  
Growing Together team, DHS

- Topics include;  
How children learn through play
- Improving your relationship
- Developmental stages of play
- Understanding milestones - leading to realistic expectations of your child



Child-minding available

### Wednesday



#### Playgroup

9:00am - 11:00am  
May 7th - July 2nd



Scan the QR code  
to find us on Facebook

### Thursday

#### English Class

10:00am - 12:00pm  
May 1st - July 3rd  
Child-minding available



#### The One Box

2:45pm - 3:15pm  
May 1<sup>st</sup> - July 3rd  
Contact Bonnie to join the  
waiting list



**Hub Leader: Bonnie**

**P: 0480 277 409**

**E: communityhub@stb.catholic.edu.au**

## Growing families

### Growing and Learning in the Family

#### Connecting with your child through play

Growing and Learning in the Family is a **FREE** workshop designed to help families and caregivers gain an understanding of how children learn through play and form meaningful connections.

Our workshops are full of helpful information with a choice of simple, practical strategies that each family can adapt for their own parenting situations.

Topics to support your parenting include:

- How children learn through play
- Improving your relationship
- Developmental stages of play
- Understanding milestones - leading to realistic expectations of your child

Our workshops are based on the latest parenting research and use information from **Parenting SA**.  
Light refreshments and child-minding provided.  
(Bookings essential)

**Families  
Growing  
Together**



**Where: St Brigid's School**  
**Accessed via 50 Le Hunte Street, Kilburn**

**When: Part 1: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Part 2: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**Time: 9:30am-11:30am**

**To book contact the Community Hub Leader, Bonnie: 0480 277 409**





# **Playgroup**

**MONDAY 23RD JUNE 2025**

**GREENFIELDS WETLANDS  
NATURE TRAIL**

**665 SALISBURY HIGHWAY, MAWSON LAKES**

**10AM - 12PM**  
Meet us here  
Outside of the  
Watershed Cafe



**PLEASE BRING:**  
Hats & Sunscreen  
Water, Snacks & Lunch  
Appropriate clothing  
& footwear

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FUN MORNING OF EXPLORING AND ADVENTURE!**  
**\*CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED BY THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN AT ALL TIMES**

**CONTACT YOUR  
COMMUNITY HUB LEADER  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS**



*This event is jointly funded by*







# Mobile Toy Library



A program that brings a suite of resources to you!  
An in home service that will bring a great range of resources to help your children learn and grow through play and for parents and caregivers to develop knowledge, confidence and skills to connect with kids in a fun and interactive way!



Enjoy FREE fortnightly in home visits with our qualified and experienced family support worker who will spend quality one on one time to support ideas and structure play.

TAKING ENROLMENTS NOW

Eligibility: Families with children aged 0-12  
Living in the Salisbury or Playford council

For more information or to register your place  
contact Cassandra on 0448 792 817 or  
[cassandra.wills@novita.org.au](mailto:cassandra.wills@novita.org.au)



## Join Us for Sing&Grow!



part of the  
**playmatters**  
family

### What happens at Sing&Grow?

Sing&Grow provides Music Therapy services in the community for families with children aged from birth to 5 years. Groups usually meet for an hour, once a week, for 8 weeks.

During sessions, a Music Therapist will lead you in singing, dancing and playing instruments with your child. We use familiar and original songs to help you and your child have fun playing together and learn new ways to support child development.

### Group Information

**When:** Tuesdays 9:30am – 11:00am  
(Morning tea included!)

**Where:** St Brigid's School Community Hub  
(Best accessed via 50 Le Hurte Street, Kilburn)

**Dates:** 29<sup>th</sup> July – 16<sup>th</sup> of September  
(8 weeks)

**To register contact:**  
Bonnie Creek – 0480 277 409  
Communityhub@stb.catholic.edu.au



## The Parks - April School Holidays

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

| Ages **5-14\*** | Mighty Days **\$50\*\*** | Other activities **\$12.50**

- Nerf wars
- Mighty Days

\*Mighty Day ages 5-12

\*Mighty Days from \$50, refer to website

Book online:

**[parksrsc.ymca.org.au/school-holidays](http://parksrsc.ymca.org.au/school-holidays)**





