CLEVELAND WEEKEND MASS TIMES: Saturday 5:30pm  Sunday 7:00am  Sunday 8:30am

“TELL ME and I forget.
TEACH ME and I remember.
INVOLVE ME and I learn”.

Benjamin Franklin

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2016 Term Dates
TERM 1
Jan 27 – March 24
TERM 2
April 11 – June 24
TERM 3
July 11 – Sept 16
TERM 4
Oct 4 – Dec 2 (12noon)
Prep
This week in Prep we have been learning all about plants! The children have really enjoyed bringing in plants and flowers for show and share this week. We have loved talking about what their needs are and labelling the different parts of plants.

In literacy this week we have been learning about the letter ‘r’. We had fun cutting and pasting a raccoon together and sorting pictures that start with the ‘r’ sound. We’ve loved using the SSP Piano app during literacy rotations to write basic words.

Please check your child’s bag tonight as they are bringing home their special ‘Reading Folder’ for the weekend. There is a letter explaining the activities and what we would love your help with.

In numeracy this week we have been looking at the number 12. We have also been learning about weight and using the language heavier and lighter to compare different objects. We even measured the weight of different objects using teddy bear. We then made posters for our classroom of things that are heavy and things that are light.

We have had another busy week in Prep and are looking forward to a restful weekend!

Year 1
We’re over half through Term Two, but there are no signs of us slowing down yet! When Nichola decided to share some reading with the class about miners, we got into the most wonderful discussion about meerkats.

How, you ask? Well we talked about how miners work underground, which led to us talking about how ants dig tunnels underground, which led to us asking the question: which other animals live underground? which led let us to the fact that lots of different animals burrow underground to escape predators, which led us to Mrs Bennett telling us how meerkats have a family member who keeps watch for birds and sounds an alert for everyone to get back to the burrow!

We’ve been making lots of connections like this lately. We discovered that meerkat babies are called pups. Can you think of other animals that call their young ‘pups’? We can! We watched how meerkats carry their pups around in their mouths.
Can you think of any other animals that do this? We can! We can’t wait to make all of these connections using hexagonal thinking on our Discovery Learning wall next week.

Stay tuned for a pic on Twitter. Make sure you’re talking about what you’re reading at home, too – you just never know what you’re going to get out of a simple reader.

Thanks, Nichola!

Year 2

Yesterday we went on an excursion to Redlands Museum in Cleveland. It was FANTASTIC!

There were so many wonderful things from the past that we were able to look at and explore. Some of us really liked looking at the old kitchen with wood stove, stovetop kettles and iron irons. The irons were really heavy.

Others really enjoyed looking at the modes of transport people used to use like horse and carriage, trams and old cars. Of particular interest were the water pumps, windmills and motorbikes.

We have lots of photos to share and compare to talk about with each other in our discovery lessons next week. At the end of the day one of our tour guides, Ian, played the pianola for us.

We were shocked and amazed that it could play songs without him touching the keys. Dancing to the chicken dance was a great way to end the day.

We would like to thank our parent helpers Lisa Barry, Mary Barker, Melinda Ordynski, Brent Morley, Amelia Clarke, Liz Allan and Monique Reimer for helping with our groups.
Year 3

Our Friday last week was filled with fun and excitement as we travelled to Ngutana Lui in Inala for our excursion. We did lots of fun activities such as boomerang throwing, storytelling, we learnt about bush medicine, painted using traditional dot painting and even learnt about the Torres Strait Islands through craft and mapping.

Thank you to Mrs O’Donnell and our parent volunteers who came to help out. It was a fantastic day.

Throughout this week, the children have been presenting their talks on a famous Aboriginal person. We have been so impressed with how well-organised the children are; preparing props such as posters, cooking items, digital presentations and other items to accompany them. Well done, Year 3!

During Mathematics rotations this week, we have been looking at symmetry. We did a walk around the school, and found lots of things that are symmetrical. We took photos of these objects and uploaded them to our class LIFE page.

During Literacy rotations this week, we have been focusing on the story ‘Poodle and the Pea’ by Charlotte Guillain and Dawn Beacon. We did a character profile for one of the characters, and even wrote some new endings for this story!

‘The Stolen Girl’ by Trina Saffioti and Norma MacDonald has been our focus book in Discovery this week. It has been excellent to see children relating their own lives to parts of the story, and responding to this rich text.

Year 4

During the last few weeks Year 4 have been focusing on the Ten Commandments during our Religion lessons. The students have discussed the relevance of each commandment to the students’ everyday lives.

We discussed as a class “Which commandments the students believe they need to think and act upon on a daily basis?”

The year 4 students have been working very hard experimenting with the vocabulary in the Ten Commandments to create some new versions, that relate directly to their everyday lives.
We presented this last week during our school assembly and created frozen statues to demonstrate our new commandments.

This week we started a new text type in English. We looked at examples of an exposition and discussed how writers use particular language to persuade others.

In Mathematics we have been reading some larger word problems that require multiple steps to find the answers. This has enabled the students to consolidate a variety of skills that we have been focusing on in class including multiplication, division, subtraction and addition.

**Dates to remember**

**Week 7**
- Starting Monday 23rd May- Well-being week. Only reading homework needs to be completed this week.
- Monday 23rd March- Items for the in class project “Book in a Bag” are due. Please bring all items into the classroom, as students will complete the project this week during English groups. Please ensure items are clearly labelled with the student’s names.
- Tuesday 24th May- Father Ashley will be visiting year 4 to discuss the 10 commandments.
- Friday 27th May- Homework books due

**Year 5/6**

The highlight of our week was definitely the visit from Father Ashley. He taught us about the influence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and how we need to constantly try and draw upon the 7 Gifts that the Holy Spirit gives us.

We have been so excited about our first Gala sports day for the year, which is today. We are so lucky to have the opportunity to compete against local schools in the sport we wish. A big thank you to Mr Bermingham for making this all happen.

In Literacy, we have commenced working on our Biographies. It has been extremely difficult to narrow it down to one Australian who has had such a significant impact on our country. It made us realise how blessed we are to live in such an amazing country with so many role models to look up to.

**CELEBRATION OF LEARNING AND OPEN MORNING**

On the Wednesday of the last week of this term (22nd June), we invite parents, grandparents and friends to a special morning. From 8:30am – 9am in the O’Dea Centre, we will be showcasing some of the amazing talent we are developing at Star of the Sea.

Mrs Golle’s Tuesday lunchtime dance group will be performing as will our newly formed sports aerobics teams (wearing their impressive SOTS leotard uniform sparkling with Swarovski crystals), our skipping troupe, our Junior and Senior choirs and our instrumental music program and more, if we can fit it in.
Following this showcase in the O’Dea Centre, from 9am to 10am, everyone is then invited to tour our learning areas where you will be impressed with the high quality of learning.

We are also extending this invitation to the parents of children in our local kindys.

**PARENT COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING**

At our meeting on Monday evening, the following items were discussed:

- The bushland project
- Key dimensions’ document
- Celebration of learning and open morning
- Renewal of uniform shop operating agreement
- House swim caps
- Purchase of popcorn machine
- Increase of funds for social functions from $1000 to $1500 for Mother’s Day and Father’s Day
- Mathletics subscription
- Airconditioning

**NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA (NCCD)**

The NCCD is an annual collection that counts the number of students with disability and the level of adjustments that are implemented to meet the needs of these students.

The aim of the NCCD is to collect better information about school students with disability in Australia. The data collected will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources to benefit students with disability.

For the purposes of the national data collection, students with a formal verification as well as students with a learning difficulty such as dyslexia or auditory processing disorder, or chronic health conditions such as epilepsy, diabetes or asthma, that require active monitoring by the school, may be included.

If you do not wish your child to be included, please email pcleveland@bne.catholic.edu.au

Protecting the privacy and confidentiality of all students and their families is a priority. Personal details such as names or any other identifying information is not provided to local or federal education authorities.

Please read the attached flyer to understand more about this census. If you would like any further information please don’t hesitate to contact Kylie.

**LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER’S PROJECTS**

Year 2 raised $560.90 to send to support the victims of the devastation in Fiji. They raised this money through a free dress day and a bake sale. The hard work of the Year 2 parents, teachers and students must be congratulated.
Thank you to the children who brought back to school their Lenten boxes. We have forwarded the amount of $376.45 to Caritas to support their work with people in desperate need throughout the world.

**HOLeDAY EXTENSION ACTIVITIES**

**Challenge 2016** is an exciting two-day program of challenging activities designed for students from Prep to Year 7 who are seeking extension beyond the regular school curriculum.

All workshops offered are fast-paced and rigorous, and involve challenging activities pitched at individual abilities rather than chronological age. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to step up to a challenge, to meet other children of like minds and to establish new friendships.


Check out what workshops are on offer:


**DATE CLAIMERS:**

- **23rd May – 27th May** Well-Being Week
- **25th May** 5/6 Excursion to Parliament House
- **2nd June** Inter-School Cross Country at St Anthony’s, Alex Hills
- **3rd June** Gala Sports Day Yrs 5 and 6
- **10th June** Prep Excursion to Straddie
- **17th June** PCG and CPR meeting 9am – 10am
- **17th June** Under 8’s activities – middle session
- **18th June** Sports Aerobics Competition – Ormiston College
- **22nd June** Celebration of Learning & Open Morning 8:30am – 10am
- **24th June** Last day Term 2

**EARN 2 LEARN**

If you shop at Victoria Point Shopping Centre from 30th May – 24th June, please present your receipts to the Promotions Booth located near Best and Less.

Our school will receive points based on the dollar amount spent in the Centre. The school with the highest average spend (based on student enrolment) wins money and/ or prizes.

**CARMEL COLLEGE MUSICAL**

Carmel College presents The Musical “Peter Pan”

**Times:**
- Thursday 19 May, 7.00pm
- Friday 20 May, 7.00pm
- Saturday 21 May, 7.00pm

**Venue:**
- RPAC Concert Hall
SPELLING AT SOTS – HOW IT LOOKS FOR YOUR CHILD

At the start of 2015 we refined our approach to Spelling at Star of the Sea. For those of you who are either new to the school or would like to be refreshed about our approach please read the following.

The Star of the Sea Spelling Program provides a consistent approach towards spelling for students from Prep to Year Six. The program also aims to provide a comprehensive approach to the development of spelling skills, understandings and knowledge.

It allows students to focus on spelling in context, as well as to focus on the spelling of words phonetically and with an understanding of the patterns that exist between words.

The ‘Words their Way’ program is used during teacher led and student centered lessons that target vocabulary growth and spelling development through categorising words, sorting words, exploring the meaning and contexts of words and engaging in relating activities. The program allows for differentiated learning and individually paced development and progress.

Students are assessed regularly to ascertain where there are gaps in their spelling knowledge and understanding, and consolidation of words and patterns is the focus of their learning.

The students also use a Spelling Journal daily, which allows them to recognise words that they are often spelling incorrectly in their writing and learn them. The Journal also requires students to learn the words through a variety of activities.

The process supports and works in conjunction with their writing and further develops their ability to edit their writing thoroughly.

QLD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NETBALL CUP

Our girls made us very proud last Monday with their team spirit, behaviour and skill set. They won 5 out of their 7 games. They lost 2 games by 1 point and 2 points respectively. From all reports, it was an exciting Carnival for the team.

Congratulations, girls, and thank you to Miss Robinson for umpiring and coaching and Mrs Kitching for her support on the day.

Thank you also to our other Mums and Dads who came along to cheer and support.

STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC CHILD CARE CENTRE

6 weeks to kindergarten have limited vacancies remaining for 2016
Please contact the centre to organise a visit
38212999
clevelandldc@bne.centacare.net.au
Year 5/6 Gala Sports Days

Each year, during Term 2 and 3 students from Years 5 and 6 participate in gala sports day carnivals. These carnivals are a great opportunity for students to have some fun, and play sports against some of their peers from other local schools.

The first gala carnival of Term 2 will be on the 20th of May with the second carnival being on the 3rd of June. The sports and locations for the Term 2 Gala days that SOTS are participating in are listed below.

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SOTS Sport Aerobics

Our five SOTS Sport Aerobics teams have been training hard for the upcoming events. Currently, the teams are training on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 7:30am, as well as Monday and Wednesday Lunchtimes.

Our uniform for the events has been designed, ordered and looks great, including the SWAROVSKI crystals! We would like to Thank Pip and Tara from Industrie 1 Dance Studio in Capalaba and Gemma MacMillan (mum of Haylee and Will) for all their hard work taking time out of their days to train the teams.

The first competition will be held at Ormiston College on **Saturday 18th June** and is a QLD State event.

Any teams that qualify for the National event will compete at the National Championships at Chandler Sports Complex on **Friday 29th- Sunday 31st July**.
Cross Country

BAYSIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

This carnival will take place on the 2nd June at St Anthony’s School, Alexandra Hills. We will have school marquees set up and we would like some parent help on the day (we even have spare seats on the bus!)

Carnival will take place at St Anthony’s School, St Anthony’s Drive, Alexandra Hills. The bus will be leaving school at 9:00am. Please arrive at school at 8:45 for a quick departure.

Bus will be back at school for normal afternoon pick up.

Students are to bring a normal lunch - sufficient food for lunch and afternoon tea – as well as plenty of water to drink!

All students must wear a HAT, and sunscreen is to be applied before going to the event. Sunscreen will be reapplied during the day.

TRAINING: Students who are named in this team are expected to train every Friday morning at school, as part of the SOTS fun run.

SOTS OLDSTARS OZTAG

Congratulations to SOTS Oldstars Oztag for winning the Mixed Grand final at Redlands Oztag last night.

The team performed exceptionally well beating the opposition 7-3. With the score 2-2 at half time, SOTS really got themselves sorted in the second half and piled the points on! Congratulations to the parents and teachers involved!

-Andrew Hayes (Father of Sienna, Isabel & Charlotte)
-Steve and Kelly Gough (Parents of Will & Matthew)
-Ryan Gough (Former SOTS Student and Brother of Will & Matthew)
-Amy and Alistair Michell (Parents of Piper & Chloe)
-Dean Staley (Father of Alistair, Finnegan & Morgan)
-Sharon Murphy (Mother of Brayden)
-Amanda Wuth (Mother of Christopher & Michael)
-Chris Azzopardi (Former SOTS teacher)
-Dave Bermingham