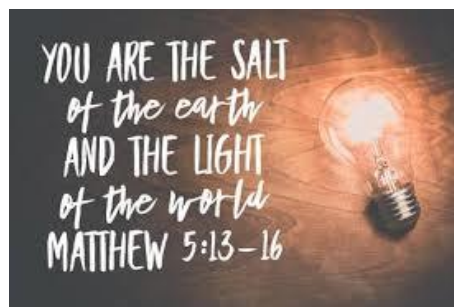


# Parent Newsletter

Monday, 10th February 2020



## Welcome to Week 2 of 2020

Welcome to the 2020 School Year at St Finn Barr's Catholic Primary School. Our School Mission and Vision statement which we developed as a Community during 2018 reminds us of what is critical to us as a school. Our mission states that:

**We nurture and inspire all academically, spiritually and personally.**

In all that we do at St Finn Barr's our students are the central factor and we come back to the words of our Mission to check-in, align and consider before making any decisions.

As a school founded by the Presentation Sisters we look to the Charism of Nano Nagle and focus on this as a way of being. Through 'deeds not words' we can ensure that we are all the best people we can be and that we show compassion, love, empathy, reconciliation and service to all in our community.

The new school year is an opportunity for each of us - staff, students and families to focus on the roles we have to play here at St Finn Barr's. As a school, we are committed to our cornerstone "Positive Behaviour School" message of being SAFE, RESPECTFUL AND RESILIENT. We all know that a focus on these positive behaviours is the right way to be at our school.

We know that when parents and carers are involved in the education of their children and in relationship with the school, outcomes in the social, mental and academic domains are stronger. Our first Parent, Student (if you wish) Teacher sessions will be held on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th, February.

## ***Parent Newsletter - Monday February 10th, 2020***

Information for bookings will be sent home today. Please take this opportunity to meet with your child(rens) teachers. If you do not receive information please contact [Teresa.mcleod@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:Teresa.mcleod@catholic.tas.edu.au)

### **A Few Reminders for the Start of the Year**

School drop off time is at 8:30 a.m. School Pick up is completed at 3:20 p.m. These are the times in which duty is provided at St Finn Barr's. If your child is not able to be dropped off or picked up inside these time frames you may need to contact Catholic Care for Before or After School Care.

Breakfast Club is available each Tuesday and Thursday from Week 3. If your child is attending this, they may arrive early on these days only from 8:15am..

### **Special Welcomes**

Welcome to the new children at St Finn Barr's.

Jana Acharya, Mollie Newman, Zara Sandhu, Stanley Newman, Toby Jones, Sean Taran, Sam Acharya, Akash Acharya, Olivia Hall and Piper Murfett.

Welcome also to our new Kindergarten Students.

Ariana Acharya, Parker Barrett, Samuel Bryan, Malayah Choveaux, Ella Collins, Charlotte Denehy, Mackenzie Eady, Amelia Fitzpatrick, Zahlia Jones, Dorothy Leonard, Royce Monger, Eli Noble, Janah Penuela Castillo, Lola Porte, Jensen Probert, Siyana Rimaly, Theresa Tawmging, Cat Tu, Eli Van Sui Nuam, Gilligan Woolley, Angus Acharya, Adiva Ahsan, Sam Behre, Piper Cox, Luca Cox-Goodyer, Elise Edwards, Seth Garland, Regan Gautam, Annabella Ho, Kobe Honeychurch, Tina Kaveh Rad, Martha Kop, Nate Langley, Chloe Marsh, Mekseb Mehari, Jett Pynt, William Saunders, Parker Sinclair, Kingston Townsend, Timothy Van Hlawn Sang and Karson Woolley.

We also especially welcome new staff.

**Grace Saunders** - Year 5/6 White Class Teacher

**Michelle Edwards** - Year 5/6 Teacher Assistant

We also welcome Miss Kadison Street on her University Placement in Prep Newman-Bennett.

### **Farewells**

This Friday we farewell Mrs Laura Gatenby as she begins her Maternity Leave. We wish Laura lots of rest as Laura and George prepare for the arrival of their baby.

### **Coronavirus Update**

Please find the latest information from the Federal Department of Health with respect to the Novel coronavirus (nCoV).

Key change - If you have left, or transited through, mainland China on or after 1 February 2020 you must isolate yourself until 14 days after leaving China.

You can keep up to date through the Federal Department of Health.

Have a fantastic week, Liz

## Student Free Day 2020

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**Friday, September 25th will be a Student Free Day at SFB in 2020**

## School Fees 2020

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Thank you to all our families who have set up plans to cover their 2020 School Fees.

A reminder to all our families that on enrolling your child at St Finn Barr's you have agreed to pay school fees. All signatories on enrolment forms are responsible for school fees.

If you wish to apply for remission for your 2020 School Fees, it is essential that you collect the paperwork from the office and return it to the office ASAP. All components of the remission form need to be completed and returned.

If you need help completing forms please ask.

## Parent Newsletter

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A reminder that newsletters are accessed through TEAM APP. Please download this free app so that you are able to keep in touch with what is going on in our school for your child.

**Webpage:** [www.stfinnbarrs.tas.edu.au](http://www.stfinnbarrs.tas.edu.au)

**Facebook:** St Finn Barr's Catholic Primary School

**TEAM APP:** St Finn Barr's Catholic School

## Epipens, Medication, Asthma Plans

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If your child has an EpiPen or medication in the school office please check with the office and make sure it has not reached its expiry date. Action Plans need to be updated annually. Please make sure your child's is up to date.

If you are new to the school and your child is anaphylactic please ensure we have your child's EpiPen and Action Plan in the office.

If you have indicated that your child has asthma could you please update their asthma plan.

Thank you.

## Student Absences Must Be Reported Daily

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If your child is absent from school or arriving late due to appointments, please advise the school before **9:30 am** - email [absentee.sfb@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:absentee.sfb@catholic.tas.edu.au) or complete the form on our [Webpage](#).

***Phone calls will be made to parents each day your child is away & the school has not been notified.***

## Subway Lunch Orders

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Subway Days are Wednesday and Friday

There are 6 easy steps to ordering your child's lunch:-

1. Sign up at [www.subsforyou.com](http://www.subsforyou.com)
2. Log in to subsforyou.com
3. Select your details and then add student
4. Select order lunches and highlight student
5. Select order day and lunch pack
6. Order lunch before 8 am on the designated lunch day

Your lunch will be delivered to the school on lunch day at the regularly scheduled time.

If you have any questions or queries regarding your account, please email [contact@subsforyou.com](mailto:contact@subsforyou.com)

For urgent order enquiries please call Emerson (Senior Business Manager) - 0435 825 377

## School Banking

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**School Banking is fun, rewarding and easy!**

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online. Visit <https://www.commbank.com.au/banking/school-banking.html> and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.
2. In branch. Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your children, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet. **School Banking day is Monday, except on long weekends when it is Tuesday.** Your child will need to drop their bank book into the office on Monday before school. (Friday for Kinder Gold - Mrs Munning's students).

Thank You to Dianne Bower for her time and effort during the year in co-ordinating our school banking program.

## Welcome Mass and Blessing of School Leaders

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# Welcome Mass & Blessing of School Leaders

**Thursday, 20th February 2020**

**Time: 12:00**

**Where: St Finn Barr's Church**

**During this Mass, our School Captains,  
Vice Captains and House Captains will  
be presented to our community.**

## Congratulations

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- Congratulations to Alice and Chris Saxty on the birth of Evan Anthony Saxty born on 24th January.



- Congratulations to Ms Jo Liston who was married to Jeremy during the holidays. Ms Liston is now Mrs Power.

**\*\*\*Important Reminder\*\*\***

Please remind your children that all children are expected to wait on the blue seats provided before 8:30 am each day.

## Getting To Know You Meetings

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To set goals for your child's learning and development for 2020, Parent, Student and Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February. These meetings are for students in Prep to Year 6. Kinders will arrange meetings at a later time.

Parents and students are invited to attend. There will be a sheet sent home in the coming days, this contains the questions that will form the base of the meeting. Thinking about your child's strengths prior to the meeting will allow for the completion of the questions in the time allocated. We would also appreciate it if you could fill out the last box about your cultural connections and family origins.

*For these interviews we will be using the internet-based booking system called Parent Teacher On-Line (PTO). It will save time for parents, staff and students!*

Please access the system as follows:

- Click the PTO icon below



- Click on the link that appears
- Enter your surname and PIN, provided on the slip sent home Monday (If you have lost yours please contact Teresa McLeod via [teresa.mcleod@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:teresa.mcleod@catholic.tas.edu.au) )
- Choose the teacher/s you wish to see, their available times will appear.
- Click the most convenient time for you.
- logout

Using this system you will be able to book the interview times that suit you best from any internet-connected computer. We have a laptop available for parents to use anytime in our school foyer if required. Any parents requiring assistance with the online process are welcome to see Mrs McLeod or Mrs Illingworth.

<https://bookings.parentteacheronline.com.au/Logon2.aspx?school=kakeq>



### Prep Information Session

We are excited to be welcoming you and your child into Prep in 2020.

We are providing 2 information sessions on Thursday 13th February, one from 8:30 am - 9:00 am and one from 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm.

These sessions will cover information about our SMART Spelling and Home Reading Programs, Educa, daily routines and how the team teaching approach will work for the prep students.

Please indicate below which session you will attend and return the slip to us as soon as possible.

Thank you, Prep Team.



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I/We will attend the Prep Information Session at:

- 8:30 - 9:00 am
- 3:00 - 3:30 pm

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_



## ICT News

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### BYOD Year 3-6 iPad Program 2020

### Reminder to Parents/Carers of Year 3 Students

iPad Preparation/Information Booklets for parents/carers of current Year 3 students were sent home at the end of last year. If you have misplaced your Booklet, additional copies are available from the School Office. Alternatively, an e-File named '2020 BYOD Information Pack' is available on the School Webpage <https://stfinnbarrs.schoolzineplus.com/ict>

To date, only a small number of Year 3 iPad setups have been completed - please follow the instructions in the Information Booklet to set up your child's iPad. If you are having difficulties, please contact Mrs Sharon Young (ICT Assistant) via email [sharon.young@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:sharon.young@catholic.tas.edu.au) or phone the School Office on 6326 3082 to make an appointment for assistance.

Student Acceptable Use of ICT Agreements for 2020 have been distributed and must be signed by both students and parent/carers and returned to the School as soon as possible. Students are unable to use either School or BYOD technology until the signed Agreements are returned.

### Safer Internet Day 11th February 2020

From [esafety.gov.au](http://esafety.gov.au) - "Safer Internet Day is a worldwide event that raises awareness about online safety and encourages everyone to help create a better internet." Resources for families can be located and downloaded from <https://www.esafety.gov.au/safer-internet-day/families>



**HAVE YOUR VOICE  
HEARD ON HOW TO  
IMPROVE THINGS  
FOR CHILDREN AND  
YOUNG PEOPLE IN  
TASMANIA.**



**APPLY NOW TO  
BECOME A CCYP  
AMBASSADOR  
IN 2020!**

CCYP Ambassadors help the Commissioner for Children and Young People to understand what is important for children and young people and will have opportunities to come together to discuss key issues and influence decision-makers.

The CCYP Ambassador Program is open to children and young people who are at least 9 years of age and less than 18 years of age.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 28 FEB 2020**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY,  
VISIT: [www.childcomm.tas.gov.au](http://www.childcomm.tas.gov.au)**

Alternatively, contact us for an information pack and application form on **6166 1366** or email [ccyp.ambassadors@childcomm.tas.gov.au](mailto:ccyp.ambassadors@childcomm.tas.gov.au)



# ST FINN BARR'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## NOW HAS ITS OWN APP



Your Team. Your App.

Download our awesome new app now and stay up to date with all the latest information!

Install the St Finn Barr's Catholic School App on your smartphone or tablet now!

### Follow these steps:

1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.



2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
3. Log into the App and search for "St Finn Barr's Catholic School".
4. Choose your applicable access group(s).
5. If you don't have a smartphone go to [stfinnbarrscatholic.school.teamapp.com](http://stfinnbarrscatholic.school.teamapp.com) to sign up and view this App online.



### Need help?

Contact: Sharon Young

Email: [sharon.young@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:sharon.young@catholic.tas.edu.au)

Phone: 0363263082

## Parents and Friends Welcome Evening 2020

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*St Finn Barr's*

# WELCOME NIGHT

BBQ, PICNIC AND DISCO

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

5 - 7 PM

This is a free event with a BBQ supplied.

parents can choose to bring a picnic.

A coffee van will be available on-site for families to purchase items.

### ACTIVITIES

5.00 - 5:30 - WELCOME, PICNIC, BBQ AND GAMES ON THE LAWN.

5:30 - 6:30 - DISCO AND GAMES IN THE HALL

6:30 - 7:00 - SCAVENGER HUNT WITH AN ICY POLE REWARD AT THE END.



## Term Dates

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Term One:	6 February 2020 - 9 April 2020
Term Two:	27 April 2020 - 3 July 2020
Term Three:	20 July 2020 - 25 September 2020
Term Four:	12 October 2020 - 16 December 2020

## Important Dates

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Date	Event	Where	Time
Tuesday 11th February	Grade 3-6 Swimming Trials	Riverside Pool	
Thursday 13th February	Prep Parent Information Session		8:30-9:00 am or 3-3:30pm
Friday 14th February	P and F Welcome Picnic	School Grounds	5:00-7:00 pm
Tuesday 25th February	Grade 3-6 Swimming Carnival	Riverside Pool	All Day
Wednesday 4th March - Friday 6th March	Grade 6 Camp	Camp Clayton	
Thursday 12th March	NIJSSA Swimming Carnival	Riverside Pool	

## Uniform Policy

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By wearing the correct school uniform, students can readily identify with and feel pride in our school. It is the expectation of the school that all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 wear the correct school uniform.

- **2020** All Kinder and Prep Students in Full PE Uniform 5 days per week  
(Optional PE Uniform for Year 1 and Year 2 Students)
- **2021** All Kinder, Prep and Year 1 Students in Full PE Uniform 5 days per week  
(Optional PE Uniform for Year 2 Students)

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- 2022 All Kinder, Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Students in Full PE Uniform 5 days per week

Kindergarten to Year 2 students will wear PE Uniform at SFB

(Transition period 2020-2022)

**Students in Year 3 - Year 6 may wear sports uniform every Friday and on timetabled P.E. days.**

**Kindergarten - Year 2 students wear Sports Uniforms every day.**

<b>Year 3 - Year 6 School Uniform</b>	
<b>Summer Term 1 and 4</b>	<b>Winter Term 2 and 3</b>
<p><b><u>Boys</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Grey shorts</li> <li>● Short sleeve grey shirt</li> <li>● Bottle green V-neck jumper</li> <li>● Grey socks</li> <li>● Black leather shoes</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Girls Option 1</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● School Summer checked dress</li> <li>● Bottle green V neck jumper</li> <li>● Lemon socks</li> <li>● Black leather shoes</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Girls Option 2</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Grey shorts</li> <li>● Short? sleeve lemon blouse with 'Peter Pan' collar</li> <li>● Bottle green V-neck jumper</li> <li>● Lemon Socks</li> <li>● Black leather shoes</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Additional Items</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hats must be worn in term 1 and from week 7 term 3.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Boys</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Long grey trousers OR shorts</li> <li>● Long sleeve grey shirt with school tie</li> <li>● Bottle green V-neck jumper</li> <li>● Grey socks with trousers/Long School Socks with Shorts</li> <li>● Black leather shoes</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Girls Option 1</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Green and gold plaid skirt</li> <li>● Long sleeve lemon blouse with 'Peter Pan' collar</li> <li>● Bottle green V-neck jumper</li> <li>● Pantyhose (beige or brown)</li> <li>● Black leather shoes</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Girls Option 2</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Long grey trousers OR shorts</li> <li>● Long sleeve lemon blouse with 'Peter Pan' collar</li> <li>● Bottle green V-neck jumper</li> <li>● Grey socks with trousers/Long School Socks with Shorts</li> <li>● black leather shoes</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Addition Items</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Green scarves, gloves and beanies may be worn outside</li> <li>● Bottle Green School Coats may be worn</li> </ul>
<b>Kindergarten - Year 2 Uniform/Physical Education Uniform Year 3-6</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bottle green St Finn Barr's school shorts</li> <li>● St Finn Barr's Sports 'Polo' top in House Colour</li> <li>● St Finn Barr's Sports 'Rugby' top</li> <li>● Bottle green St FlinnBarr's track pants Short white sport socks. Ankle socks are permitted.</li> <li>● Sandshoes</li> </ul>	
<b><u>Additional Items K - Year 6</u></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Backpack with school logo.</li> <li>● Green folder with school logo for reading books, homework, &amp; newsletter.</li> </ul>	
<b><u>Uniform Expectations</u></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Students are expected to wear the correct uniform.</li> <li>● If a student is not in uniform, a note of explanation is required.</li> <li>● Hair below the shoulder must be tied up.</li> </ul>	

- No jewellery on wrists except for watches and/or a single gold/silver bangle.
- One simple gold or silver signature ring only.
- Simple sleeper earrings or studs only (gold or silver). Maximum of two per ear.
- Green or gold coloured hairbands & ribbons.
- Only clear nail polish, not coloured.
- No makeup or lip gloss.

**Please Name All Clothing Items.**

## Community News

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### **2020 Early Childhood Music and Movement, Piano/Keyboard Lessons**

Life Centre Music offers an educationally sound, high quality, fun program for babies through to 9-year-olds. Our parent/child baby and toddler music classes and our classes for preschoolers offer a perfect introduction to the wonderful world of music. We sing, use instruments, move to music and engage in a variety of fun, interactive activities designed to enhance childhood development and instil a love of music. Keyboard classes are suitable for children aged between 5 and 9 and offer a great introduction to learning an instrument. Our award-winning classes are taught by a fully qualified, registered teacher. For more information contact Natalie on 0448 517719, visit our website at [www.lifecentremusic.com](http://www.lifecentremusic.com) or check out the 'Life Centre Music' FB page.

### **After School Care 2020**

Are you looking for After School Care for your child/ren in the Northern Suburbs? Do you need a school pick-up? Would you like quality personal care from a qualified and experienced carer? Reasonable rates, great activities and child care subsidy available. For more information please contact Debby on:- 63 266 308 or 0438 322 721  
Vacation Care Spaces available, also Registered with Northern Children's' Network.

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24TH FEB - ST.PATS  
2ND MAR - ST.PATS  
9TH MAR - PVP  
16TH MAR - PVP



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**MONDAYS**  
**3.30PM**

17TH FEB  
24TH FEB



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TO REGISTER PLEASE VISIT [WWW.LAUNCESTONCITY.COM.AU/LITTLEDEVILS](http://WWW.LAUNCESTONCITY.COM.AU/LITTLEDEVILS)



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YOUTH SPEAK-OUT 2019

**ACTIVITIES FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

TWINING & SHELL NECKLACES  
KELP BASKETS  
BARK CANOES  
CLAP STICKS

**TRADITIONAL DANCERS**

**FREE BBQ**

**BYO CHAIR!**

**TAKARA WARANTA**

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A Celebration of  
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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15 2020  
PUNCHBOWL RESERVE 12-3pm

**FREE EVENT**  
**Everyone Welcome!**

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Tasmanian Government


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REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2020 SEASON OPEN IN JANUARY SO IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN PLAYING WITH OUR CLUB PLEASE CONTACT US VIA THE DETAILS BELOW OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGES.



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**U12-U16 TUES 18TH FEB**  
**U6-U10 TUES 3RD MARCH**  
**4.15-5.30PM APPROX.**

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