



Newsletter / 16 July

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

These are extraordinary times we live in and I am grateful each day for the support you have given, and will give, to your child's learning as we pivot once more to remote learning. The flexibility and responsiveness of the staff to the massive changes this health crisis brings are amazing and their aspirations for the learning of each child is remarkable. Thank you to those who have picked up resource packs and chrome books today. In future weeks, resource packs will be available on a Friday.

Learning from 20 July

From Monday 20 July, our school will be moving to remote and flexible learning. This will apply to all students apart from the following:

- children of parents/caregivers who cannot make suitable arrangements to supervise children at home, including children of teachers in schools who are required to return to work onsite
- students with disabilities who choose to attend onsite.
- vulnerable students who are better served by attending school

We will follow similar arrangements to those we put in place for remote and flexible learning in Term 2. The latest information about COVID-19 and schools is available on the [CEM website](#):

Temperature checks to be introduced in Term 3

Daily temperature checks will be introduced at St Benedict's with a thermometer supplied by the Victorian Government as part of a state-wide effort to slow the spread of coronavirus. Following the advice of Victoria's Chief Health Officer, students will receive a temperature check every morning.

Staying healthy and safe at St Benedict's

I know staff and students have been doing their little bit by washing hands and sanitising and staying at home if they are unwell. We have ample supplies of soap and hand sanitiser in each classroom for use and this week we have had wall dispensers installed in the corridors. In addition, we have a young university student, Tom, who wipes down high touch areas and sanitises the playgrounds each afternoon. This is all part of maintaining a safe space for students to learn and staff to work.

Parent/Teachers/Student 3-way Conversations – 21 July

The bookings for Parent/Teachers/Student 3-way Conversations are open until Tuesday 21 July at 12 noon. The *School Event Code* has been sent via an email on 14 July from Karen to enable the booking process. Book your time online via www.schoolinterviews.com.au.

This year, due to COVID19, the Conversations will be online using your child's school chrome book and school google account. Teachers will send an invite to a separate meeting for each child on the day. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us here at school.

St Benedict's feast day – 17 July - **postponed** – date to be advised

We will be celebrating the Feast Day of St Benedict when we return to school. This will be a day of celebration and all the details will be advised when the date for return is confirmed.



Book Club

Book Club Issue 5 catalogue has been sent home today and is now available at https://www.scholastic.com.au/media/5642/bc_520.pdf Please place your orders via *Book Club Loop* <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>. Books will be delivered to the school for distribution. Happy reading!

CDFpay – no longer in use

We are **not** using CDFpay for uniform orders. Orders and payments should be sent directly to school admin: admin@sbburwood.catholic.edu.au. Orders will be processed and sent home on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Payments may be sent to school in cash or payment by credit card.

Prayer

Our prayer this week focuses on this stained-glass window of St Benedict. Perhaps your child knows or can investigate what all the symbols mean (raven; book, crook in his hand; clothing; background...)



(from another [St Benedict's community](#) in Baltimore, Maryland, USA)

Blessings to each one of you and your families

Ms Caroline Sheehan
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