This week Pope Francis began an extraordinary Jubilee Year, a special year of remission of sins and universal pardon. How fitting that this begins in the wonderful season of Advent, where we look forward with hope.

Our Pope

....called the Jubilee with the express goal of changing the way the Church is perceived by the faithful, lapsed believers and the rest of the world.... "How much wrong we do to God and his grace when we speak of sins being punished by his judgement before we speak of their being forgiven by his mercy,"


We will be challenged by these ideas in the coming year. As a staff we prayed the following on Monday"

In this Jubilee Year, may the Church echo the work of God that resounds strong and clear as a message and a sign of pardon, strength, aid and love.

Amen.

I would like to wish all students and their families, on behalf of all our staff, the most wonderful Christmas, filled with the joy and the peace that is born of love and goodwill.

God Bless

Kevin Jones
College Leadership Teams

~ Executive ~

Principal
Mr Kevin Jones

Assistant Principals
Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

Religious Education Coordinator
Mrs Mary McGuiness / Assistant: Jessica Attard

Business Manager
Mr Paul Cruise

Administration Coordinator
Mrs Anita Meehan

Learning Technologies Coordinator
Mrs Jeanette Lans

~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

Creative Arts
Miss Carol Muscat / Assistant: Angela Rando

English
Ms Marsha Edwards / Assistant: Mrs Jeanette Lans

Human Society & Its Environment
Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

Languages
Ms Felicity Lupton

Mathematics
Mrs Nichole Padden / Assistant: Mrs Shiela Fernandez

PDHPE
Mr Marc Sluiter

Careers
Mr Brett Collimore

Science
Mrs Jenelle Gavin / Assistant: Mr Steve Lans

Special Education
Mrs Jan Trefoni

Sports Coordinator
Mr Dean Bertenshaw

Technology & Applied Studies
Mr Edward Gruppetta / Mrs Lisa Cummins

Year Coordinators

Year 7  Mrs Dianne Santos
Year 8  Miss Hayley Lalor
Year 9  Miss Kristy Walsh
Year 10 Mr Nick Briffa

Senior Coordinator
Mr Stephen Godfrey
Assistant: Miss Rhiannon Marsh

Social Justice Coordinator
Mrs Janette Wick

Home-School Liaison Coordinator
Miss Jenny Woods

Student Counsellor
Ms Zoe Sweeney

Librarian
Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

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✓ Week 2 – 11 January to 15 January 2016
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YmCA
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
Bede Polding College
Parents & Friends Committee

Wednesday November 11\(^{th}\) 2015

Meeting Opened

Attendees - Apologies As per book

Prayer Kevin Jones

Welcome Jette Paskin –

Approval of Minutes The minutes of the previous annual general meeting were read and approved

    Accepted:    Brenda Wilson          Seconded: Helen Jones

Business Arising Nil

Treasurer’s Report Balance $23,497.40

    Accepted:      Bernadette Gagan     Seconded: Jette Paskin

Presidents Report Thank you to Kevin, Paul and the Executive Committee for their time. Jette explained the roles of the committee members.

Elections

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Meeting Closed 7.20pm
### Minutes of Meeting
Bede Polding College
Parents & Friends Committee

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<td>Principal’s Report</td>
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<td>- Social Justice Assembly – Each Year groups chosen charity were presented with their cheques. Total raised $23,000</td>
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<td>- Kevin requested feedback from parents in attendance tonight. All information gathered will be looked at, collated, then discussed at 1st P&amp;F meeting in 2016.</td>
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<td>- Chromebooks have been a huge hit. Teachers are excited for distribution to other learning spaces.</td>
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<td>Balance including chq from tonight from Fundraising levy $28,287.15.</td>
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<td>Fundraising levy still being collected.</td>
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<td>President’s Report</td>
<td>Jette – Thanked everyone in attendance for a great 10 years.</td>
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<td>New Business</td>
<td>- Could Bede have a ‘Book Exchange’ for senior students. Kevin to consider.</td>
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<td>- Year 10 expenses. Could the school send a letter to parents mid year detailing approximate expenses ie: Yr 10 Formal, Yr 11 text books etc. Kevin will put something into place.</td>
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<td>- Request for P&amp;F speaker for the Yr 7 information night on Monday 16th November. Bernadette will attend and speak.</td>
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Uniform Shop Extended Trading Hours

Last Day for Uniform Shop for 2015 - Friday 18 December 12 noon

2016
Monday 18 January 9am—3:00pm
Tuesday 19 January 9am—3:00pm
Wednesday 20 January 9am—3:00pm
Thursday 21 January 9am—3:00pm
Friday 22 January 9am—3:00pm

Monday 25 January Closed
Tuesday 26 January Closed
Wednesday 27 January 8am—2:00pm
Thursday 28 January 8am—2:00pm

Normal trading hours from Friday
29 January ie:
Tuesdays & Fridays 8:00am—2:00pm.

News:
- Due to this being a busy time of the year no clothing pool will be accepted until end of February early March 2016.
- New Senior Skirts are now in stock

Thank you
Jean Grundy (Uniform Shop Manager)

School Office Hours

Last Day for School Office 2015 - Friday 18 December 12 noon

2016 Dates:

Office Re-opens: Thursday 21 January 8am - 4pm
Friday 22 January 8am - 4pm
Monday 25 January 8am - 4pm

Tuesday 26 January (Public Holiday)
Wednesday 27 January 8am - 4pm
Thursday 28 January 8am - 4pm
Friday 29 January 8am - 4pm
Last week, Year 11 Construction students spent two days at McCarthy Trade Training Centre, Emu Plains working with students from St Patrick’s Marist College, Dundas, to learn how to lay bricks. The current Year 11 Construction assessment task requires the students to be assessed in Brick and Block laying competencies. McCarthy Trade Training Centre provided the students with the opportunity to complete the task in an environment that meets industry standard.

The students were required to build a brick wall 1200mm long x 600mm high and footings. They had to prepare and mix the mortar, construct the wall and footing to industry standard and clean up at the end.

A special thank you to Mr Craig Adams (Year 11 Construction teacher) for driving the bus and instructing the students from both schools on how to lay bricks and blocks. All the students and teachers had a great day.

Ms Kim Grinham
Leader of Learning Vocational Education
Bede Polding Students Win the Silver Medal at the Regional Worldskills Commercial Cookery Competition

Congratulations to Naomi Borg for winning the silver medal at the Western Sydney Regional Worldskills Commercial cookery competition. She came second in her heat and second overall in the Region and third in the State. Worldskills competitions are held every three years and are the “Olympics” of the trade industry.

Naomi Borg and Gemma Egan, Year 11 Hospitality students, proudly represented Bede Polding Catholic College at the Western Sydney Regional Worldskills Commercial Cookery competition on Wednesday, 27th October.

The Regional completion was held at Loyola Catholic College, where thirteen Year 11 VET Hospitality students were provided the opportunity to showcase their culinary skills. Each participant had four hours to prepare, present and serve the same three-course meal to industry standard. The menu included the following:

- **Main:** Breast of chicken, vegetables with honey mustard sauce
- **Dessert:** Chocolate Brownie, Chocolate sauce and Chantilly cream
- **Entrée:** Bruschetta

It was amazing to watch all the participants take this menu and develop their own interpretation on the method of cookery used, presentation and serving. Naomi and Gemma were well organised and displayed an outstanding level of skill, attitude and focus throughout a very intense four hours.

A special thank you to Mrs Kylie Blundell for assisting the students with the preparation for this competition. Well done, Naomi and Gemma.

*Ms Kim Grinham*
*Leader of Learning Vocational Education*