Year Seven
2013

To Lead is to Serve
Teachers

- **Miss Rachelle Gibson** (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays). Miss Gibson will be teaching Mathematics, History, English (genre writing) and Religion. Please contact her on rmgibson@bne.catholic.edu.au

- **Mrs Alison Ready** will be teaching Tuesdays and Thursdays. Mrs Ready will focus on Science, English (spelling, reading and grammar), Health and Homework distribution. Please contact her on arready@bne.catholic.edu.au

Learning for Term One

History and English
The students will be examining the work of Historians and Archaeologists in discovering information of the past and then they will research a famous Historian or Archaeologist and write a report about them and their famous work.

Mathematics students will be exploring content outlined in the National Curriculum, firstly in explanation and practice and then students will be expected to use this information to complete Mathematical investigations.

Religion
The students will examine the Church Liturgical Calendar and Sacred Art.

Science will focus on Natural and Processed Materials. This will be explored through the unit - ‘Package it Better’. They will be asked to design their own package that will be used to deliver a fragile gift to a special person.

Specialist Lessons & Uniform

- Italian - Tuesday and Wednesday
- Art and Music - Wednesday
- Physical Education - Thursday
- Uniform - Students can wear their sport uniform on a Thursday and Friday.
**Homework**

Homework will be distributed each Thursday and is to be returned to school the following Tuesday. It will involve reading each night for 20 minutes, a Spelling Connections Unit and a Mental Maths Unit. Later in the term a Homework Grid will also be included. The students will write the details of each week's tasks in their diaries, which will be sighted and signed by a parent/caregiver and checked by the teacher on Tuesdays.

**Key Dates**

- Opening School Mass 22nd February
- Year Seven Liturgy March 19th 9am
- Year Seven Assembly 10th May
- 5,6,7 Camp at Mudjimba 18th-20th September.
- Year Seven Lunch 3rd December 12 noon
- Year Seven Graduation 3rd December 7pm
- End of Year Mass Friday 6th December

*(Dates for Liturgies and Masses in Semester Two will be announced later in the year).*

**Classroom Expectations & Leadership**

The students of Year Seven have been given the added responsibility and privilege of being leaders in our school this year. Therefore they are expected to uphold a high standard of behaviour and work standards in the classroom, specialist lessons and within the wider school community. Both teachers are committed to work together to ensure that there is a consistent approach across all five days of the week. We want to provide a caring, consistent classroom that builds leadership and best prepares your child for High School but most importantly that they have a successful final year of Primary School.

Students helped create our Classroom Expectations and have agreed to the expectations within our classroom and the consequences if these are not met.

**Our Classroom Expectations for 2013 are:**

- Be a responsible leader in everything we do.
- Care and respect others and their belongings.
- Try hard, work hard, with a smile.
- Don’t waste time, be organised.
This Year the Year Seven motto is ‘To Lead is to Serve’. This was the theme of our leadership day this year. Students are called to serve others. To think of ways that they can contribute to the school community in words and actions.

**Partnerships with Parents**

The Year Seven teachers are committed to developing strong working partnerships with parents and family and therefore the teachers encourage open communication between school and home. The students have diaries that the teachers encourage parents to use as a communication tool with teachers. Alternatively teachers can be contacted via email, by telephoning or visiting the school and making an appointment.