



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 1, Week 1
29th January, 2015

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2015
TERM 1, WEEK 1
January
Wed 28th—Fri 30th

- * Kindergarten Assessments

Fri 30th

- * **School Sport begins Yrs 1-6:**
All students in sport uniform
- * Lunch orders begin

WEEK 2
February
Mon 2nd

- * **Kindergarten begin full days**
- * **'Tea & Tissue' cuppa for Kindy parents**
- * Lunch orders
- * **Cool Kids Music Club 3pm—4.30pm**

Tue 3rd

- * Uniform Shop open 8.30am — 11.00am
1.30pm—3.30pm
- * PE—Yr 6, 5/11, Kindergarten

Wed 4th

- * PE—4/9, 2/5, Yr 1, 3/7
- * Chess begins 3.00pm—4.00pm

Thurs 5th

- * PE—3/8, 4/10, 2/6, 5/12
- * **Dance Club begins 3.15—4.15pm**

Fri 6th

- * **School Sport Program Kinder to Yr 6 —**
all students in sport uniform
- * **Band begins 7.45am** (returning students only)
- * Group band lessons begin during the day
- * **Opening School Mass 9am**
- * Lunch orders
- * *Welcoming BBQ for new families 5pm*

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Christ the King for the 2015 school year. We were pleased to see the excitement on the children's faces when they met up again with their friends and teachers. Thank you for the warm welcome that I have received from the many parents I have spoken to.

We look forward to welcoming the kindergarten children who will begin full school days next week. On Monday we invite our Kinder parents to wave their children off and move into the staffroom to share their stories with other parents over a 'tea & tissue' morning tea which will be organized by the Parents & Friends Committee, Cuppa Crew.

Welcome to all the new families in our school community. The children have already made friends and have happily settled into their learning spaces. We look forward to seeing all the new families at our Kindergarten & New Families Welcome Barbeque next Friday afternoon (6th February) at 5.00pm.

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A reminder that we will close the school perimeter gates at 9.00am and they remain closed until they are re-opened at 2.30pm each afternoon. This will ensure the children's safety and we can monitor the movement around the school grounds.

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I look forward to seeing you at our Opening School Mass next Friday 6th February. At this time we will be able to welcome and commission our Student Leaders as well as to give thanks for all the members of our community and their continued commitment to this school.

I hope you will join us in looking forward to an exciting year, with quality teaching and learning taking place, community working together to provide our children with the best learning opportunities possible.

Have a safe and blessed week,

Annelise Stockey, Principal

2015 TEACHERS

Kindergarten	Miss Monica Vella Miss Laura Bonaccorso	Mrs Jessica Dunbar
Year 1	Mr Patrick Cairns	Miss Rebecca Keen
Year 2	Miss Amanda Cassar	Mrs Marie Manion (Mon-Wed) Mrs Bev Hermens (Thur-Fri)
Year 3	Mrs Kaylene Searson	Miss Samantha Werner
Year 4	Mrs Irene Flunt (Mon-Wed) Mrs Melissa Szoloch (Thur-Fri)	Miss Venice Boules
Year 5	Mrs Bernadette Walsh Miss Sarah Brady	Mr Anthony Matthews
Year 6	Miss Helen Nafranowicz	Mr Patrick Vidot

TERM DATES FOR 2015

Term 1 **Tuesday, 27th January (Staff)**
Wednesday, 28th January (Yr 1-6 students)
Wednesday 28th, Thursday 29th Friday, 30th January
Kindergarten assessments will be undertaken at this time.
Monday, 2nd February (Kindergarten)

LAST DAY OF TERM 1: Thursday, 2nd April

Good Friday, 3rd April }
Easter Sunday, 5th April } Public Holidays
Easter Monday, 6th April }

Term 2 **Monday, 20th April to Friday, 26th June**
Term 3 **Monday, 13th July to Friday, 18th September**
Term 4 **Tuesday, 6th October to Friday, 18th December**

PARISH NEWS



Parish Mass times

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday Masses 8.00am, 10.00am and 6.00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday	no masses	Tuesday	7.30pm
Wednesday	9.00am	Thursday	9.00am
Friday	9.15am	Saturday	9.00am

Reconciliation Saturday morning Rosary at 8.30am with Reconciliation at 9.30am and then at 4.30pm.

*Happy New Year and
Happy Birthday to :*



January 2015

2nd Michael Blazevic
3rd Daniel Lee
4th Anthony Loulach
6th Tadhg Murphy
9th Ethan So
 Jared So
 Finn Thomas
10th Katya Elchaar
 Ashton Bergan
11th Bronwyn Kitson
12th Matthew Kaddis
14th Julius BouAbdallah
 Sarah El-Sabbagh
15th Samuel White
 Adrian Beaini
16th Aidan Mulder
 Brinleigh Grosvenor
17th Alexander Richards
20th Lucas Sassen
 Emily Horne
 Noa Papadimitriou
21st Ayden Gebran
22nd Jack Gleeson
23rd Patrick Kaddis
25th Lucinda Price

*Welcome back and Happy
Birthday this week to :*

27th Charlotte Baxter
 Isabella Le
28th Olivia Saliba
29th Elias Saad

February

2nd Joshua Georges
 Elle Daher
3rd Lily Baxter
 Hannah Dale
 Marcus Bebawy
4th Marcus Britos
6th James Sabbagh



The School Office is open
from 8.30am—3.30pm.

Religious Education News

As we begin our new school year, we pray that Christ be our light and ask for his blessing over us during the year ahead.

Our Beginning of Year Mass will take place on Friday 6th February at 9.00am.

A warm welcome is extended to all parents and carers to join us for this special celebration.

At the end of mass we will have the commissioning of our student leaders.

New Families Welcome BBQ NEXT Friday, 6th February @ 5.00pm

To welcome all the Kinder families and any other new families to the CTK Community, we invite you to join us at our Welcome BBQ. This is a great opportunity for families to get together and be welcomed to our community.

Our generous Parents & Friends Committee traditionally sponsor this event. Drinks will be provided.

We look forward to spending this time with you and your family.

It is tradition that the Kindergarten 2014 parents (now Year 1) generously volunteer their time to assist with the Welcome BBQ. Please contact Connie Este (P & F Committee) via the school office if you are able to assist.

We would love to see you around 4.15pm to help set up.

FAMILY VISOR LABELS New Families to CTK

Family Visor labels will be coming home to NEW CTK FAMILIES soon. Please attach the laminated label to the left-hand visor when using afternoon drive thru. This will then allow the teacher to clearly see and call out your child's / children's names. **If existing families** require a new label please contact the school office.

ADVANCED NOTICE: SCHOOL CENSUS DAY FRIDAY, 13th February, 2015

Friday, 13th February is School Census Day. All children should attend school on that day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If your child is absent on Friday 13th February, a note explaining the child's absence must be presented to the school teacher on the child's return on Monday 17th February.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education.

Thank you for your co-operation.

CTK IS NUT FREE

We have an increasing number of children in our school who suffer from an anaphylaxis reaction to a certain foods etc. but in particular, nuts.

To assist in our duty of care for these children, direct nut products or products that list nuts as an actual ingredient eg. peanut butter, nutella are not permitted at Christ the King School.

Additionally, we will continue to ask that children do not share their food.

Coming home soon

* Student Information note	* Class Parent Representative Contact Information authority
* Lunch orders information / menu	* Term 1 School Calendar
* Walking to Local venues permission (Kindergarten—Year 2 + new CTK students)	

NEWSLETTER NEWS

The School newsletter is delivered via email on Thursday afternoons. Please ensure the school has your most current email address.

Please note: Families who do not have access to an email facility will need to collect a hard copy each week from the office (collection is by either yourself or your child).

These newsletters are also available for viewing on the School website.



TOMORROW, Friday 2nd February will be the start of an exciting sports program from Sports in School Australia.

The sporting program runs for 10 sessions across Term 1 and will focus on developing balance, coordination, hand and eye ball and batting skills, fitness and conditioning training, cooperative learning, and team building skills.

Each week a wide and varied range of resources will be provided to inspire, motivate and excite students. Due to SISA's large range of resources we are assured that students will be exposed to different resources every week.

Sports in School Australia staff are qualified Physical Education Teachers with a wide range of expertise in student development in primary schools.

All students will need to wear their sports uniform EVERY FRIDAY.

Morning Drop-Off Parents are reminded that when dropping off their children in the morning the following guidelines apply:

- * **Supervision of children begins at 8:15am**
- * - Always drive less than 5km per hour within the school grounds
- * - Always have children leave the vehicle on the passenger side only.
- * - Always use the crossing

Only park in designated parking spaces around the hall, never on the top playground unless there is a major school function, and only then after 9.00am as latecomers may still be walking across the playground.

WELCOME

New families to CTK

Students in Years 1-6

We welcome 8 families and 11 new students to our CTK Community this year.

Year 1	Alex Ding Maria Saad Gabriel Muldong
Year 2	Sarah El-Sabbagh William Perigo

Year 3	Robert Cho Roddick Jang
Year 4	Mark Moussa Andrew El-Sabbagh Raphaella Perigo
Year 5	Shadi Moussa

LUNCH ORDERS BEGIN TOMORROW, FRIDAY 30TH JANUARY

Our lunch orders are supplied by "Delicious" Café and Deli, Oatlands. This service will be available on ***Mondays and Fridays only***, beginning tomorrow, Friday 30th January. A separate information note and menu/price list has been sent home with your children.

DANCE CLUB 2015



Due to it's continued success, the DanceClub afterschool dance program will re-commence on Thursday afternoons beginning next Thursday 5th February from **3:15pm - 4:15pm**. We will continue all year levels from Kindergarten to Year 6.

All enquiries to Gabrielle Russo: Email: gabrielledancefever@gmail.com Mob: 0424 628 119.

Dancefever would greatly appreciate the payment of \$90.00 be made up front for the 10 week Dance Program.

Payments can be made by direct eftpos deposit (details below), cash or cheque made payable to "**Gabrielle Russo**".

Direct Eftpos : **Name: Club Dancefever**

BSB# 062 128

Acc# 10945342

Please email Gabrielle with your child's name and your contact details to confirm the eftpos payment has been received.

For cash / cheque enrolments, please complete the permission note coming home this week and **RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE** with full payment.

Dancefever is looking forward to seeing all returning and new students in 2015.

Celebrating Gifts and Talents

Congratulations to the following children who participated in the Weetbix Kids Tryathlon on Sunday 18th January: Owen Mitchell, Alec Mitchell, Charlotte Baxter, Lily Baxter, Marcus Henderson, Eamonn Henderson and Alex Nielson.

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to another great year of learning and reading in the Holy Faith Library. This year once again, we will be focussing on reading for pleasure and information literacy skills to teach students how to become successful and critical uses of the internet. Library borrowing will commence by Week 4 so please ensure your child has their library bag each week, these bags protect the school's library resources and help your child to locate their books each week.

Over the Christmas break you may have had the opportunity to try out the new ebook platform provided by the CEDP through Wheelers. These books were downloaded on mobile devices to be read. As this is a trial period we would like your feedback, how easy was the process, the range of books provided, any issues etc? Please email any comments to the school (northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au subject line Wheelers ebooks-Mrs Cook) so that we can improve the service.

Sarah Cook, Teacher Librarian/LTST

SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS Term 1 lessons begin in Week 2. Registration forms available now

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Christ the King Primary School is held on **Wednesdays from 3:00pm – 4:00pm in the Library**. Term 1 lessons will commence **NEXT WEDNESDAY, 4th February, 2015**.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

UNIFORM SHOP 2015

TUESDAYS 8.30AM—11.00AM

1.30PM—3.30PM

The Uniform Shop is open on TUESDAYS ONLY each week with morning and afternoon opening hours for your convenience.

Parents are most welcome to place an order through the office. FULL PAYMENT must accompany all orders. The Uniform Shop can accept cash or cheque (made payable to Christ the King). Eftpos facilities are able to be accessed through the School office for Uniform orders.

The Uniform Shop Price List is now available on the Christ the King School web site.

Go to ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au and click on the 'Parents' tab then click on Handbook, School Office and then Uniform Shop / Clothing Pool. On this page you will find the price list to download.

CHILD PROTECTION—CEO PARRAMATTA MODULE & THE NEW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK



The Working with Children Check is a three step process which includes Completion of the CEO Online Child Protection Module and Completion of the 'new working with children check' through the NSW Commission for Children website. Applicants will then need to present the completed documentation at their local Roads & Maritime Service (RMS) Office (formally RTA) for screening which completes the check.

PLEASE NOTE: Partial Completion of the above steps will not be accepted. Completion of only the CEO Module will not allow you to assist in the classroom

1. It is a Diocesan requirement that any parent volunteering at Christ the King School complete the Child Protection training module.

This training is to be completed online at :

<http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au>

CTK will receive email notification when you complete the CEO module.

2. When module has been completed go to: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au and follow the links to complete the 'new working with children check'. A Working With Children Check is a prerequisite for anyone in child-related work. It involves a national criminal history check and review of findings of workplace misconduct.

Only paid workers in child-related work are required to pay the \$80 fee for a five year clearance. This equates to \$16 per year, the lowest in Australia (together with Victoria).

The Working With Children Check remains free for:

- Volunteers and students
- Potential adoptive parents
- Authorised carers
- Adults who reside in the home of:
 - an authorised carer
 - a family day care service provider
- a home-based education and care service provider.

3. Once the RMS check has been completed you will receive an email which will state that you have clearance to work with children. **You will need** to present a copy of the RMS email to the school office to complete your Working with Children Check. **Only then** will you be cleared to work with the children in the school.

CTK COMMUNITY NEWS

LEARNING CHINESE Yes, You Can!! Mandarin classes from K-10 Cantonese classes from K-10 Mandarin Certificate Courses for teens. Enquiry at www.ammchineseschool.org Principal: Kitty Fong 0405 311 771 Information pamphlet available from the office.

The St John of God Institute of Counselling, established in 1969, offers a course designed to develop skills in personal growth, communication, parenting and general counselling principles. Participants can learn new skills in dealing with daily personal challenges and the issues that arise within families, the school environment and in the workplace. It is conducted on Tuesday evenings within the school term between 7.30pm – 9.45pm at Holy Cross College, Victoria Road, Ryde commencing on **Tuesday 3 February 2015**. The cost for the course is \$450.00 for the year with an early bird offer of \$400.00 if paid in full by the end of February 2015. For enquires please contact: Michael Hill - 9869 3774 or 0410 774 432; Carol Harding - 9639 0096 or 0408 705 848; Jannelle Carlile - 0431 598 004; or Email: counselling1969@gmail.com

Start the New Year off with a bang! Spend a weekend with your spouse at a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. The peaceful setting of this weekend enrichment is a great way to rekindle the romance in your marriage. www.wwme.org.au

www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit

Weekend date: 6-8 March at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW

To apply contact Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au

Tennis Coaching Programs 2015 Various tennis coaching programs [held at North Rocks Royal Institute Courts] are available including- group, private and MLC Hotshots, catering for beginners to advanced standards. *FREE introductory lesson to new enrolments from Christ the King School in 2015. Enrolments and enquiries to Scott Gregson Tennis Advantage on 0414 554 612.

FREE Grasshopper Soccer Session

Sunday 1st February 2015 @ 10:30-11:30am @ West Pennant Hills P/Sch, Church St WPH

& our *Come & Try Sessions anytime at Epping Nth P/S; WPH P/S or Thornleigh P/S

Bookings Essential: Please call Jules # 0434-330886

***Come & Try Sessions for New Members Only !! Flyers available from Christ The King office.**



**Royal Institute for
Deaf and Blind Children**

Community vacancies at RIDBC VisionEd Preschool

RIDBC VisionEd Preschool is a reverse integration preschool catering for children with a vision impairment. This means that we enroll up to 5 children per day who have a vision impairment plus 10 children from the local community. The preschool runs just like any other preschool but we have the advantages of high staff ratios, wonderful resources and a hands-on, dynamic curriculum. We follow the National Quality Standard guidelines and received an overall rating of Exceeding the National Quality Standard in our accreditation. We have a high staff ratio (currently 3 full time plus one part time staff) for 15 children which enables us to build strong relationships with each of the children and their families.

We currently have vacancies for community children for 2015. The preschool operates Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00 until 3:00 during school terms catering for children aged 3-5 years. Children can attend 1, 2 or 3 days per week and fees are \$51 per day for 3 year olds and \$48 per day for 4 year olds.

For further information, please contact Kathryn Bowie on 98720287 (Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday)

PLAY RUGBY LEAGUE ON SUNDAYS

**WE ARE NOW TAKING REGISTRATIONS FOR
THE 2015 SEASON FOR U6 TO U17**

Registration Days

January 31 & February 7
Westfield North Rocks
10am - 2pm (near K-Mart)

Come & Try Night

February 13 at 5:30pm
Roselea Oval, Carlingford

Your child will be provided with their uniform. All you need are boots and a mouth guard. Our games are played in the Balmain District, with training at Roselea Oval & Cox Park, Carlingford.

SAFE PLAY MODIFIED RULES

Experience how fun and safe Junior Rugby League is!

For more information contact us on

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