



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 4, Week 4

29th October, 2015

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Term 4 Week 4

Fri 30th October

- * **World Teacher's Day**
- * **Band 7.45am**
- * **Walkathon**
more details inside newsletter.
All children in sport uniform
- * Year 5 Parish Mass
- * **Lunch Orders**
- * Ice Blocks at lunch. Yr 2 Helpers

Term 4 Week 5

Mon 2nd November

- * **Kindy 2016 Orientation**
- * **Lunch Orders**
- * Cool Kids Music Recital. (Cool Kids Parents welcome)
3.00-4.30pm

Tue 3rd November

- * **Kindy 2016 Orientation**
- * **Uniform Shop**
8.30am—11.00am
1.30pm—3.30pm
- * Maths Club 8am
- * **Grade Sport** Kindy, Yr 3, 5/11

Wed 4th November

- * **Kindy 2016 Orientation**
- * **Choir 8am**
- * Yr5 Reconciliation 11.15am
- * **Grade Sport** 1/3, 2/5, 4/9, Yr 6
- * **Chess** 3-4pm

Thur 5th November

- * **Kindy 2016 Orientation**
- * **Grade Sport** 5/12, 4/10, 2/6, 1/4
- * **DanceClub** 3.15-4.15pm
- * Reconciliation Ceremony practice session

Fri 6th November

- * **Band 7.45am**
- * **Lunch Orders**
- * Yr 6 attending Parish Mass
- * All Students in Sport Uniform
- * Ice blocks at lunchtime. **\$1:**
please ensure your child has their ice block money Yr 3helpers to meet at 1.20pm
- * **CTK Chess Championships**
3-6pm

Dear Parents,

On Sunday we celebrate All Saints day. The feast of All Saints extends to all holy men and women, known and unknown who have lived in communion with Jesus who now enjoy Beatification in heaven with God the Father. The saints in Heaven who intercede on our behalf through our prayers, are those whose lives inspire us on a daily basis to follow their example. Their love and prayer encapsulate us encouraging us to live our lives whereby Christ is the centre of our existence in our relationships with others. On November 2nd [All Souls day] we pray for all the souls in Purgatory who have died in union with God, who are being purified by God's love as they await full communion with Him in Heaven and eternal life

If your child is not returning to Christ the King in 2016, please inform the school office in writing within the next fortnight. This will allow us to organise class groupings for next year. Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Tomorrow the children will participate in the annual walkathon. The children will be leaving the school grounds in five-minute intervals from 11:15am, two grades at a time. The children will be issued with a bottle of water and then begin their walk down to Donne Moore Reserve. Two teachers and parent volunteers will accompany each grade. Children with asthma are to carry their puffers with them. In the event of wet weather a push notification will be issued through our Skoolbag App by 8am on Friday morning. **If you have not already done so, please download the Skoolbag App onto your phone prior to Friday morning to ensure you receive the message.**

This week we have welcomed our new 2016 Kindergarten children to school as they begin their transition programme. Each day a small number of next year's cohort have been welcomed into our Kindergarten learning space working with Miss Vella and Mrs Barrett who have prepared several activities and tours of our school, assisting our new students assimilate to our school community. Thank you to Miss Vella, who has co-ordinated this year's transition programme. Her Kindergarten experience and organization has contributed greatly to the success of this year's programme. I have had the pleasure throughout the week of meeting our new students each day as they have visited my office for a Q&A session about our school and my role as principal. We look forward to our 2016 Kindergarten cohort joining our CTK community early next year.

Last Saturday evening our school and parish community celebrated Father Eric's 90th birthday with mass and supper. It was a wonderful occasion where both current and past parishioners came together to acknowledge our founding Parish priest Fr Eric Burton. There were many highlights including the beautiful liturgy and tribute to Fr Eric reliving through photographs his life as our parish priest for some forty five years and the role he played in the development of our parish. The evening concluded with the cutting of his birthday cake and the singing of a tribute song written in his honour. Congratulations and thank you to the organizing committee and all concerned for such a memorable evening that celebrated and acknowledge the life and ministry of a great and humble pastor Fr Eric Burton.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Tony Hughes, Principal

2016 WALK-A-THON TOMORROW, FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER.

All children in Sports Uniform!!

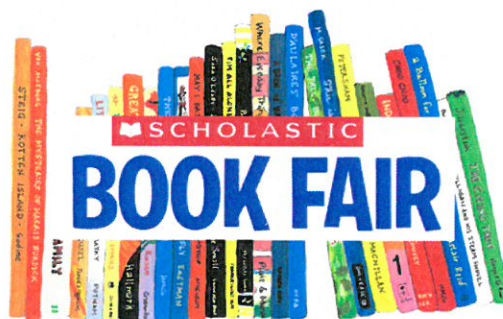
Library News

CHESS NEWS: CONGRATULATIONS KATHERINE (YR2)

Last Thursday Katherine (Year 2) represented Christ the King at the Interschool Infants Chess Tournament held at Belmore South Public School. Katherine played wonderfully well and came second in the overall competition. What a fantastic effort. We look forward to hearing great chess things from Katherine.

CTK Book Fair

Thank you to all the students and parents who supported our Book Fair this week, especially those families who have donated a book to the library. Orders should be complete by next week.



Sarah Cook, Teacher / Librarian

Our Sincere Sympathy

Please keep in your prayers the Wehbe Family (Mariana, Kinder) on the passing of her Grandfather last week,

He is now at peace with his loving God whom he served so faithfully.

Grant him eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine on him forever.



*Happy Birthday
for the remainder
of October to and
November:*



*Kinder Lucas A
Zachary T
Roland P
Luca P*

*Year 1 Sienna W
Jonathan L
Ella M
James L*

*Year 2 Hamish M
Tianna B
Caitlin B
Gabriella K*

*Year 3 Lucy S
Olivia B
Dane S*

Year 4 Abby W

*Year 5 Jayden C
Marissa Y
Kayla A
Mia B
Lachlan G*

*Year 6 Phillip M
Jarod W
Alisa D
Angelo R
Jakob R
Kjain D
Abhishai H*

*The School Office is
open
from 8.30am to
3.30pm.*



NEWS FROM THE P&F

Walkathon

The Christ the King 5KM Walkathon will be held THIS Friday 30 October. Thank you to all the wonderful parents that have volunteered to help on the day to make this event successful and most importantly, safe. There will be 2 parents walking with each Grade along with the teachers and an extra parent for Kindergarten and Year 3 (due to the size of the class). I will contact the parent helpers tomorrow with the details.

All Walkathon cards need to be returned to the office BEFORE Friday. If you are making a family donation and do not want your card returned with your child, please include your cash donation in an envelope and return to school.

Looking forward to a lovely, fun and energetic day.

Ice Block Friday

Thank you to all the Year 1 mum's that turned up last week. This week will be Year 2 parents turn to sell and the kids will be wanting a lovely cool iceblock after the 5km walk. We will need around 8 parents who can volunteer 30 minutes of their time at 1.20pm sharp to meet in the Hall Kitchen this Friday. Please contact either your Class Parent Rep if you are available to help.

As a heads up, Year 3 Parents will be responsible for Friday 6th November selling.

Warm Regards, Connie Este P&F President.

Band News

Great news!! We are very pleased to confirm that our Performance Band (senior band) will be 'touring' again early next month. Friday November 13 is the date and we plan to visit two other TSA schools to workshop and perform. Permission and information notes will be coming home via email and hard copy this week so please keep an eye out.

Are you interested in joining CTK band in 2016? Your child will have the opportunity to attend a short instrument demonstration concert at 9am on Friday November 13 (before we leave on 'tour') showcasing the various instruments available to learn in 2016. An information sheet will be sent home or you can contact TSA on 9651 7333 (www.teachingservices.com.au) for further information.

Band Members of the week (week 2):

Concert Band—Teana H & Jarod W

Performance Band—Mark W

Important Dates:

- Friday November 13, 9am— instrument demo concert & 'Band Tour'
- Friday December 11 (week 10) - Last Band Rehearsal for 2015

Steve Lavis
Music Director



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOOL OPAL CARD

The Minister for Transport and Infrastructure and the Minister for Education will announce the launch of the new School Opal card today, Thursday 29 October. The School Opal card will officially launch its new online application for relevant parents and students travelling in the Opal public transport region on Monday 2 November.

The application can be found at transportnsw.info/school-students

Just like current paper travel passes, the School Opal card gives eligible students free travel to and from school on school days. However, the School Opal card makes travel simpler, because now students don't need multiple application forms and passes if they use different transport operators within the Opal network.

Students with school travel passes this year will not need to apply for a School Opal card unless they are changing schools, campus, their home address or moving from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7.

Those students who do not need to apply will have a School Opal card sent to your school for the beginning of the first term in 2016.

More information will follow in the next few weeks to help students with the transition.

The Opal Team, NSW Government Transport for NSW



MARK IN YOUR DIARY

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| • Choir of Angels performance | <i>Monday 30th November</i> |
| • Yr 5 Camp | <i>Wednesday 2nd December — Friday 4th December</i> |
| • Surf Education Yrs 5&6 | <i>Monday 7th December</i> |
| • Yr 6 Graduation | <i>Wednesday 9th December</i> |
| • Yr 6 Motiv8 Fun day | <i>Thursday 10th December</i> |
| • Christmas Concert | <i>Friday 11th December</i> |
| • Changeover / Meet the Teacher day | <i>Monday 14th December</i> |
| • Swimming Carnival | <i>Tuesday 15th December</i> |
| • End of Year Mass / Awards / Farewell | <i>Wednesday 16th December</i> |

October – Month of the Holy Rosary

October is traditionally the month of the Holy Rosary, in which we are reminded of the importance of uniting our prayers with Mary, the Mother of God and being a witness of Jesus Christ as revealed by the mysteries throughout His life.

During the Month of October, please make some time to join together as a family to pray the Rosary.

Monica Vella , Religious Education Coordinator



HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE Skoolbag App YET???

Skoolbag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool. This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers everything they need to know about school news, newsletters, events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, school timetables and much more. No more lost papers in school bags!

To install it, just search for our school name "Christ the King Primary North Rocks" in either the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or on Windows.



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

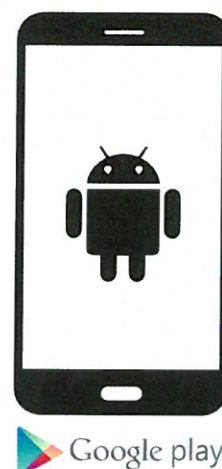
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

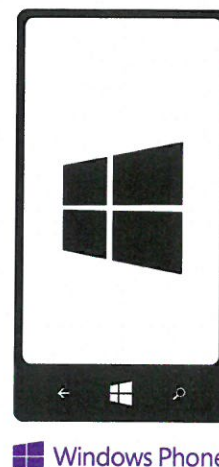


Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.





Catholic Education
Diocese of Parramatta

2016 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.**

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch(B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au. This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by your child's school**. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience".**

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

Currently only the Summer Sports of BASKETBALL, CRICKET, SOFTBALL & TENNIS are open and registrations close on Friday 30th October as these trials will be held in November 2015.

All other sport registrations will open on 2nd November for 2016 trials.

Please contact your school sports coordinator for any further information.

Margaret Thornton
Teaching Educator – Primary Sport
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta



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Diocese of Parramatta

2016 Team Sport Trials

Parramatta Diocese 2016 Information For Parents of **current Year 4**

and Year 5 students – Registration window open only for Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis

All correspondence to:

PDCPSSC

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Tel (02) 9677 4314

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mthornton@parra.catholic.edu.au

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Facebook: Primary Sport Parramatta Diocese

Dear Parents,

Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016. It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend**. To facilitate this, Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

Sport	Age Group	Trial Date	Registration closing date
AFL	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Basketball	Open boys & girls	17 th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Cricket	Open boys & girls	6 th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Diving	10/11yrs girls & boys & 12/13yrs girls & boys	Term One 2016	Registration via CSSS in 2016
Football (Soccer)	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Golf	Open boys & girls	Term Three 2016	Registration via CSSS in 2016
Hockey	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Netball	Open girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Rugby League	Open boys & 11yrs boys - NB. No State team selected for 11 yrs	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Rugby Union	Open boys	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Softball	Open boys & girls	18 th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Tennis	Open boys & girls	16 th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Touch	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the **SPORT** you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form". **Each sport has a different registration criteria.**

This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport and when completed, click SUBMIT.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by your child's school**. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience"**.

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

\$5.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for after school trials & \$8.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for half day and full day trials.

– This is to be paid upon registration at the trials once your child has been approved to attend the Parramatta Diocesan Trials.

Please note that the full day trials will be for boys cricket, boys soccer, boys rugby league & boys rugby union.

Due to the popularity of boys cricket, boys soccer and girls netball a maximum of 2 children only are eligible to trial from each school. Selection of the 2 boys and girls will be made jointly by the school sport coordinator and principal.

Half day trial for tennis and netball... all other trials will be held after school beginning at 4pm.

MACKILLOP TRIAL

It should be noted that the main purpose of the Mackillop trial is to select a team to compete at the NSW PSSA Championships. The Inter-Diocesan MacKillop Trial is not a competition although a round robin format is often used to facilitate the selection procedure.

NSW PSSA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Children who are successful at being selected in the Mackillop team will compete at the N.S.W. P.S.S.A. Championships. These championships involve three or four days of competition at various locations in NSW. Children selected in these teams may also be required to attend training sessions. At the NSW PSSA Championships a State team will be selected to participate at the School Sport Australia Inter State Exchange for some sports.

SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA

To be considered for selection in the NSW PSSA state team for participation at all School Sport Australia 12 Years & Under championships: Students must be turning between the ages of 10 and 12 in the year of competition i.e. Students turning the ages of 8, 9 and 13 in the year of competition are not eligible for NSW PSSA State selection.

Please note the following information:

- Parents are responsible for all transport and supervision arrangements and **must remain to supervise their child at the trial at all times.**
- Children need to generally be of representative standard.
- Attendance at training days, where applicable is compulsory.
- The selector's decisions are final.
- **Parents will need to make their own travel arrangements for children representing Parramatta at Inter-Diocesan MacKillop trials. This may mean travel to Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra, Wagga or Forbes.**
- Please be aware that the teacher conducting the trial and accompanying the team to the venue is a "Team Manager" ~ not a coach.

If you would like your child to participate in one of the Parramatta Diocesan trials **please complete the Team Online Registration Form** that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au ~ Click on "**REP SELECTIONS**" tab and scroll down to the **SPORT** you wish to register for and click on the "**REGISTER**" button below the heading "**PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form**".

NOMINATIONS close Friday 30th October 2015 for the sports of Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis
and entries close Friday 5th February 2016 for all other sports.

Kind Regards,

Margaret Thornton

Teaching Educator Primary Sport ~ CEO Parramatta

WEBSITE: www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au

BASKETBALL 2016 - PARRAMATTA Primary Sport TEAM Registration Form (PDCPSSC)

Thank you for your response. You will receive notification from your school closer to the date of the trial if your child meets or does not meet the criteria for trials.

This is the message that appears once the registration has been submitted correctly.

Click on "**REP SELECTIONS**" tab and scroll down to the **SPORT** you wish to register for and click on the "**REGISTER**" button below the heading "**PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form**".

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 Service NSW Office (formally RMS/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.

The Working With Children Check is FREE. 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 NSW Office of the Children's Guardian 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 this 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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Let your love blossom this spring with a weekend together. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Give the greatest gift, that of your time alone – invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! **20-22 November** Venue for Weekends: Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. To apply contact: Ardell & Bill Sharpe Tel. 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au
www.wwme.org.au www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit

OLMC Parramatta Mercy Scholarships Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta is now accepting applications for Mercy Scholarships for Academic Excellence and Music Excellence. Girls entering Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2017 are invited to apply. Visit the College website www.olmc.nsw.edu.au for more information.

OLMC Parramatta last year launched the Mercy Music and Performance Academy Parramatta Is your child interested in music or dance? The new Mercy Music & Performance Academy at OLMC Parramatta offers a range of tuition and workshop options for young people from Years 3 to Year 12. A survey is currently being conducted to understand the needs and interests of families in our local area – please help us create a program that best fosters musical and dance talent by completing the following survey www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/theacademysurvey. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. The survey will be open until November 6, 2015.

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE Where: In the Wesley Uniting Church grounds at 32 Showground Road, Castle Hill.
Dates/Times: **Friday November 6th 2015** (operating from **8:00am to 1:00pm**) and **Saturday November 7th 2015** (also operating from **8:00am to 1:00pm**). Sale items/Stalls will include Books, Records, CDs, DVDs, Christmas, Clothing, Electrical, Jewellery, Plants, Toys, Furniture, Manchester, White Elephant, Fine Art and China etc. We will also be providing tea and coffee during sale hours, together with a Sausage Sizzle for lunch on both days, and Bacon and Egg rolls for breakfast on Saturday morning. Enjoy the friendly atmosphere, and pick up a bargain (or two) knowing you are helping those families who need our assistance within the Hills area.

Tennis Coaching Programs Term 4 Various tennis coaching programs are available including- group, private and Anz Hotshots, catering for beginners to advanced standards. (North Rocks Royal Institute Courts) ***FREE** introductory lesson to new enrolments from Christ The King School in Term 4 2015. Enrolments and enquiries to Scott Gregson Tennis Advantage on 0414554612

Yoga Classes Yoga classes are available at North Rocks Girl Guides Hall with morning and afternoon classes available. Enquiries to Sylvia on 0402035494. All Christ The King mum's receive an introductory class for free.

ASTRONOMY NIGHT - Saturday 31 October – 8.00 pm – 10.00 pm

All Hallows Eve: Halloween in the Stars, legends of ghosts past - Many ancient stories and myths involve the stars in our sky, these patterns were watched by our ancestors and one in particular led to the starting of the Witches' Sabbath. We investigate the stars and the stories behind what we know today as Halloween. Many of these come from Celtic roots, the Celts marked the stars of the Pleiades and when they reached their highest point it was thought the boundary between the living world and the deceased could be crossed. The evening will also include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory's telescopes.

Fun for young and old alike. The first 50 paying people to show up in costume will receive a free Family Pass valid for 1 year.

Cost: Astronomy Nights: \$18 adults, \$12 child/concession and \$50
Workshops: \$15 per child/adult
Bookings are essential: Book and pay online: westernsydney.edu.au/observatory, What's On
Contact: Tel: (02)4736 0135 Email: r.mccourt@westernsydney.edu.au
westernsydney.edu.au/observatory
[www.twitter.com/uwsobservatory](https://twitter.com/uwsobservatory)
www.facebook.com/UWSObservatory

INGRID'S CRAFT CLASSES

If you are interested in learning Crochet, Knitting or Beading in the North Rocks area please contact Ingrid on 02 9872 1697 or 0413 721 083. ingwulf1@tpg.com.au

SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT REFLECTION DAY

CatholicCare Social Services are being funded by the Diocese to hold a Day of Reflection for those who have suffered and grieve the loss of their loved one who took his/her own life. All family members or friends are welcome to attend this day which is being held on **Saturday 14th Nov.** at St Joseph's Centre, 64 MacKillop Dr, Baulkham Hills, commencing at 10.00am and concluding at 4.00pm. The day will include time for sharing, prayer and quiet reflection, input and celebration of the Eucharist. Lunch provided. For registration call 02 99330222 or enquiries@ccss.org.au.



Sydney disposes of 48,000 tonnes of furniture at the kerbside every year. This is a wasteful trend that lowers property values, encourages rats and other vermin while young families, 'doing it tough' struggle to replace furniture and whitegoods when they break.

Council Cleanups

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It isn't every day a Musical like "Annie" comes to your local area and you can take your children to the Theatre for an affordable price. This November, Hills Musical Theatre Company are presenting this delightful iconic musical at Model Farms High School for your viewing pleasure. With a cast of 45 including 20 delightful orphans and of course the iconic Annie herself, and let's not forget "Sandy" this production will leave their audience singing songs like "Tomorrow" and "Hard Knock Life" for days to follow.

Kids love this musical. There were over 60 children audition for a role in this production and out of those 60 came two very special young ladies, who share the lead role of "Annie". Both Jasmine Sarkis and Abbey Thomas share a love of Theatre and this is their first major role in a Musical. They are both true professionals and looking forward to bringing "Annie" to the stage.

Dominic Augimeri and Julianne Horne return to the Hills Musical Theatre Company in the respective roles of Daddy Warbuck's and the evil Miss Hannigan. Coupled with a strong Ensemble of local actors, this show will delight audiences of all ages.

The show is running from November 6th-14th, with tickets and more information available at www.hillsmtc.com

