



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 2, Week 1

28th April, 2016

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2016 Term 2, Week 1

Thursday 28th April

- * PE : 3/8, 4/10, Yr 5
- * Year 6 Parent Committee meeting 9am in the Staffroom

Friday 29th April

****Wanderers shirts and stripes may be worn over uniforms****

- * Band (all students) 7.45am (sharp)
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * Band groups during the day

Term 2, Week 2

Monday 2nd May

- * SPORT PROGRAM
All students in sport uniform
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * Cool Kids Music 3-4.30pm

Tuesday 3rd May

- * MATHS CLUB 8am
- * Uniform Shop 8.30-11.30am
1.30-3.30pm
- * PE : Yr 1, 2/5, 3/7, 4/9
- * Diocesan Cross Country

Wednesday 4th May

- * Choir 8am
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * PE : Kindy, 2/6, Year 6
- * Chess 3-4pm
- * Mother's Day Gift wrapping night from 7.30pm. Any assistance would be appreciated.

Thursday 5th May

- * PE : 3/8, 4/10, Yr 5
- * Mother's Day Stall 9.15-11.00
All gifts \$7-50
- * DanceClub 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 6th May

- * Band (all students) 7.45am (sharp)
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * Mother's Day Liturgy
- * Band groups during the day

Sunday 8th May

- * Happy Mother's Day

Dear Parents

Welcome back to school for the start of Term 2. I trust you enjoyed the break with your family and friends and the beautiful Autumn weather. As we commence a new term, take the time to sit down with your children evaluate their efforts for last term and set a few simple learning goals for the next ten weeks. As we move into the next few weeks of the term students will be completing various assessments in order for teachers to compose Semester One Reports.

'If you love me you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we shall come to you and make our home with you' (John 14:23,27). These words so beautifully expressed in this Sunday's Gospel encourage us to reflect on the loving relationship we share with Our Heavenly Father. God is inviting us to share in the love which is God's very own life: the love that is given by the father, the love that is received by his children, the love that is the union of the God with us all. The truth is that God is a communion in love, and God wants to grace us all by drawing us to an intimate sharing in this communion. It is of the very nature of God to keep offering love. Fr Michael Fallon MSC suggests that nothing we have ever done, nothing we could ever do, could change that. What we are asking is that we might remember this offering and open our hearts to receive it, and keep on offering ourselves to be loved.

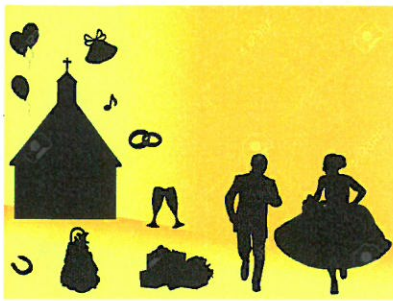
Students in Years 3 and 5 will sit the NAPLAN examinations during week three of this term. The literacy and Numeracy tests will run from Tuesday 10th-Thursday 12th May with results and reports being available to schools and parents mid term 3. This year, NAPLAN has been aligned to the Australian Curriculum: English and the Australian Curriculum: Mathematics. Items in the tests will be based primarily on knowledge, understanding and skills gained from the prior year. As in previous NAPLAN tests, a small percentage of additional content from the year of testing and following year of testing will be included. This is to ensure the range of items in the test allows all students to demonstrate their capability.

Late last term I had the great pleasure of accompanying our year 6 students and their teachers on their field trip to Canberra. Following a term of studying democracy, federation, the country's various levels of government and our Australian electoral protocols, our senior students consolidated their learning by visiting our Australian capital city. Over the two days we visited Parliament House, The Australian Electoral Education Centre, Questacon and the Institute of Sport. Our Year 6 young men and women proved to be worthy ambassadors for our school, through the way they behaved and interacted amongst themselves and those with whom they met over the two days. A special thanks to Mr Matthews, Miss Brady and Mrs Hermens who gave of their time to organize and attend the trip over the two days. Congratulations and thank you to all concerned.

In order to celebrate The Western Sydney Wanderers participation in this Sunday's A-League Grand-Final against Adelaide, students who are supporters of the Wanderers will be allowed to wear their Wanderer's supporter shirts and stripes over their uniforms tomorrow {Friday}. We wish the Wanderers the very best as they seek their first premiership this weekend.

Who Do We Sing For? We Sing for Wanderers!

Have a great week! Tony Hughes, Principal



Wedding Congratulations

Best wishes from all at Christ the King to Miss Monica Vella (Year 2 class teacher) and Mr. Myles Burley on celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage during the holidays. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Burley upon her return to school in Week 3!!!!

CTK WINTER UNIFORM - TERM 2 CHANGEOVER

There will be a grace / change-over period for the first 2 weeks of Term 2 depending on the weather. During this time, children may wear either their summer or winter school uniform.

COMING HOME SOON

- Term 2 Curriculum Overview
- Term 2 School Calendar

Please keep in Your Prayers

✝ Prayers are requested for Miss Rebecca Keen (Year 1) and her Family on the passing into eternal life of her maternal grandmother over the holiday period.

She is now at peace with Her loving God whom She served so faithfully. Grant Her eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine on her forever.



On Tuesday the school community commemorated Anzac day with a liturgy that focused on our community remembering those who gave their lives for their country. During the liturgy the congregation prayed for world peace and harmony, co-operation and respect among all nations, religions and creeds. Thank you to the parents and friend who joined us for the celebration as well as the teachers and students who prepared the ceremony.

The Ode

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.
We will remember them.*



Happy Birthday for the remainder of April to



Kinder Abigail V

Year 3 Mitchell R

Happy Birthday for the month of May to

Kinder Benjamin K
EvaRose B
Evie W
Sarah D
John-Paul R
Matthew R

Year 1 Lucas H

Year 2 Eden H
Amarlie S
Max R

Year 3 Liam A
John N

Year 4 Joshua K
Danielle N
Elle D
Olivia I
Jason Z

Year 5 Ryan B
Isabella M

Year 6 Rita N
Jasmyn P
Juliette H
Hunter H

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

10th—12th May

- NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5

Sunday 15th May

- Yr 6 attending Sunday Mass

Friday 20th May

- Staff Development / Pupil Free Day

Monday 23rd May

- Staff Development / Pupil Free Day

Monday 18th July

- Staff Development / Pupil Free Day



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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Gospel of Luke—daily prayer and reflection

At Christ the King School we greatly value daily prayerful reading of Holy Scripture.

We acknowledge the significance that reading the narrative of Jesus Christ sequentially has in developing a deep faith and love of Jesus. This is also an opportunity to be revealed the true mission and message of Jesus Christ, assisting each of us to recognise and accept our call to live and spread the Gospel values within a contemporary world.

The students at Christ the King School will be reading an online Bible, Bible Gateway at www.biblegateway.com and using the Contemporary English Version. This online version has been approved by the Bishop's office, which has been chosen as it uses appropriate language for Primary aged students. You are welcome to use the online Bible or your own Bible at home. Each week in the Christ the King School Newsletter and the Christ the King Parish Bulletin, the weekly readings will be published.

This week the school community began the Term with these readings from the Gospel of Luke.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday
1	April 25, 2016 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	April 26, 2016 Luke 1: 1-4 Luke 1	April 27, 2016 Luke 1: 5-25 An Angel Tells about the Birth of Jesus	April 28, 2016 Luke 1:26-38 An Angel Tells about the Birth of Jesus	April 29, 2016 Luke 1: 39-45 Mary Visits Elizabeth

Please join the Christ the King community in prayerfully reading the Gospel of Luke for Week 2.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday
2	May 2, 2016 Luke 1: 46-56 Mary's Song of Praise	May 3, 2016 Luke 1:57-66 The Birth of John the Baptist	May 4, 2016 Luke 1: 67-80 Zechariah Prais- es the Lord	May 5, 2016 Luke 2: 1-7 The Birth of Jesus	May 6, 2016 Luke 2: 8-21 The Shepherds

We hope you all take this opportunity to join us as a Catholic community in prayer and reflection of the Gospel of Luke.

Monica Burley, Religious Education Coordinator

Mother's Day Gift wrapping night and Mother's Day Stall

We will need many volunteers for the Mother's Day gift wrapping evening and stall, so if you can donate some of your precious time it would be most appreciated.

The wrapping of 650 gifts will be NEXT Wednesday evening 4th May in the Hall from 7.30pm where we could use 20 sets of hands for 2-3 hours.

All Class Parent Representatives are asked to assist on this evening as well as any other available parents.

The Mother's Day Stall will be held NEXT Thursday 5 May from 9.15am till approx. 11.00am.

We need sellers and cashiers (approximately 12 mums).

All gifts will be \$7-50. Students may purchase 2 gifts each.

Any enquiries please contact Cindy Watihenu 0403 130 639 or Jacinda Abood 0408 165 292.

Mother's Day Liturgy

FRIDAY, 6th May at 9.15am

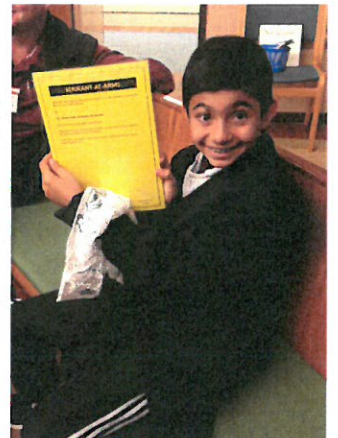
We all cherish our Mothers. We would like you all to come to celebrate the gift of Mothers with a special liturgy on Friday 6th May at 9.15 am.

You are all then welcome to enjoy a cuppa and morning tea and then visit your child's classroom/s to share the wonderful learning that is taking place.

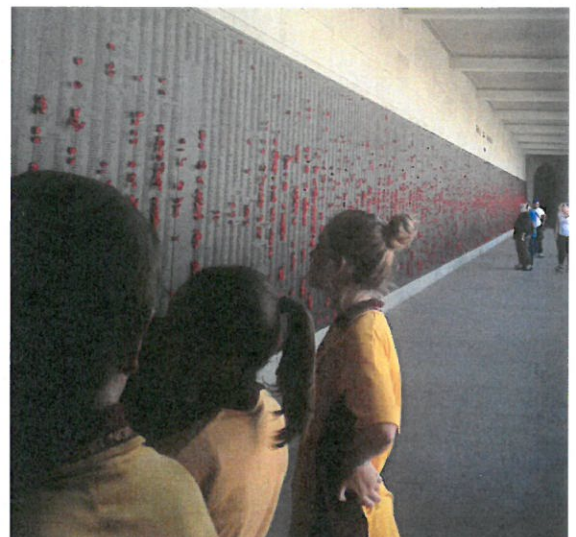
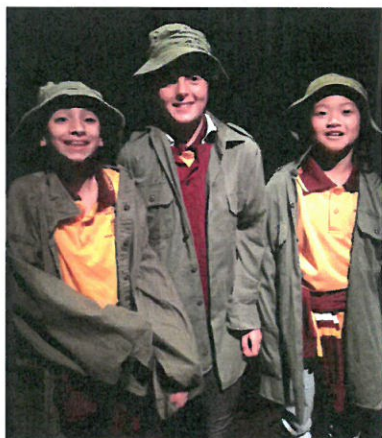
Year Six Canberra Trip 2016

On Thursday the 7th of April 2016, Year 6, along with Mr Hughes, Mr Matthews, Miss Brady and Mrs Hermens set off to our nation's capital, Canberra. It was an early start to the day, leaving school at 6:30am for the long drive to Canberra. We had a very busy two days, with our itinerary leaving no room for dawdling!

We visited **Parliament House**, where the students participated in a role-play where they took on the roles of various Members of Parliament and enacted the passing of a bill. We also had a guided tour of The House of Representatives and the Senate.



At the **Australian War Memorial**, the students spent some time investigating and dressing up in the "discovery zone" before participating in an informative guided tour. We spent some time in the tomb of the unknown soldier, viewing the various exhibits and hearing stories of fallen soldiers. To finish off our visit we participated in a moving last post ceremony, where our two school captains Juliette and Anthony, laid a wreath beside the pool of reflection.



After dinner, our day continued with a guided tour of the **Australian Institute of Sport**. Year 6 loved the activity centre where they were able to test their abilities against the best, playing games that tested their skills in jumping, running speed, chin ups, rowing, shooting and more!



On Friday morning we woke up bright and early for a 6:30am breakfast followed by some outdoor games, before packing up and getting back on the bus for another big day. We took a walk to look at the **National Flags Display** before visiting the **Electoral Education Office** at Old Parliament House. Here, the students learnt about the electoral process in Australia and held a mock election for our favourite fruits.

Our trip came to end with a visit to **Questacon**, where the students explored every level in great detail, particularly enjoying the level dedicated to spiders of all kinds and having a go at the infamous freefall.

After two event filled days and many hours on the bus, we arrived back to school on Friday night. Well done to all our Year Six students, who were thoroughly engaged and motivated throughout the two days, demonstrated their knowledge of Australian Democracy whenever quizzed and asked thought provoking questions at every turn.





AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR NATIONAL CAPITAL EXCURSION

Students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20-00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme towards those costs. This contribution will be directly paid to the school. We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program. We hope that the excursion was a rewarding experience for all students.

LUNCH ORDER NEWS

NEW WINTER MENU has been sent home

Please note price changes for some food items

LUNCH ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Our lunch orders are supplied by "Delilicious" Café and Deli, Oatlands. This service is available on ***Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.***

A separate information note and menu/price list has been sent home with your children. Orders must be received by the Office before 9.15am.

This is an optional/independent service provided by Delilicious for our families at Christ the King.

Please remind your child if they have a lunch order in their bag.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

BROCHURES HAVE BEEN SENT HOME.

Orders and payment ARE DUE BY NEXT THURSDAY 5TH MAY.

Please note: purchases are purely optional. Please ensure all order forms are correctly completed as Scholastic Australia will not accept any incorrectly completed orders.

For any enquiries please contact Mrs. Koic via the school office.

BAND NEWS

Band commences TOMORROW FOR ALL band members both senior and Junior.

Important Band Announcement

Beginner Band – will commence first week back next term (April 29) so all Beginner Band members should arrive at school from 7:35am for a 7:45am start. Meet in the school hall and bring your instrument and Accent On Achievement Book.

Performance Band – selected senior students have recently been nominated to participate in 2016 CTK 'Performance Band'. This band is mainly comprised of year 5&6 students. Parents will receive an email from Mr Lavis with details about this ensemble.

Performance Opportunity – Performance Band has been invited to compete in the St Madeleine's Kenthurst Country Fair 'Battle Of The Bands' on Sunday May 1. A note with further details has been emailed home this week. Please contact Mr Lavis (steve@teachingservices.com.au) for further information.



Next Monday 2nd May will be the start of an exciting sports program from SISA (Sport in Schools Australia).

The sporting program sessions run through Term 2 and will focus on Athletics.

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 MONDAY.

DANCE CLUB 2016

Due to it's continued success, the DanceClub afterschool dance program re-commenced last Thursday and will continue every Thursday afternoon from **3:15pm - 4:15pm**. Dance Club is available for students from Year 2 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.

SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS Term 2 lessons have begun. 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 2 lessons have begun.

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.

Chess lessons are available to all students with priority given to students with an understanding of the game.

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.

ADVANCED NOTICE—PUPIL FREE DAYS

This term, teaching staff will be involved in two consecutive professional learning days on **Friday 20th May and Monday 23rd May**. On both of these days the staff will be working on our Numeracy, Literacy and formation goals and how they impact on the children's learning throughout 2016.

Please put these dates in your calendar as they are pupil free days where there are no classes on both days.

LIBRARY NEWS

2016 STORYTELLING COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS in YRS 5 & 6

Australian Storytelling Guild (NSW) Inc

FREE ENTRY

What to submit. A video storytelling performance of a **published** or well crafted **original story** that takes between 2 and 6 minutes to present.

Students are encouraged to tell the story in their own words to capture the essence of the story rather than learn the story word for word. For this competition we are not accepting poetry or rhymed stories.

Conditions of entry

- Storytellers may be filmed performing either in front of a live audience or directly to the camera
- Filming should show the performer in a full body or half body shot so that the arms and hands are visible
- Stories are to be told, not read
- The story is to be no longer than 6 minutes
- Consideration should be given to pace and tone of voice, expression and gesture
- Please send your video file on a USB stick to The Australian Storytelling Guild (NSW)

Deadline All entries must be postmarked by **Friday 6th May 2016** or earlier.

Visit <http://www.storytellersnsw.org.au/special-projects.html> for more information

SPORT NEWS

Next Tuesday 3rd May, 48 children will be representing CTK at the Diocesan Cross Country trials which will be held at Sydney Motorsport Park (formerly Eastern Creek Raceway).

The school community wishes these students all the best for this next level of competition and we look forward to hearing about their day.

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 important information as soon as it happens example: school news, event reminders, cancellations 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.

PARISH NEWS



PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday Masses 8.00am, 10.00am

Weekday Masses

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

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

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.



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. Both the CEO Module and the NSW Working With Children Check must be completed to finalise your clearance.

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 with a WWCC Number which states 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

A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience for married couples – 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. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! **Week-end date: 24-26 June at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW**

Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Bill and Ardell Sharpe on 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT SCHOENSTATT, MULGOA

† **May 7th Reflection Day for Women - Presented by Sr. M. Isabell Naumann.** The topic is: "Give me a Drink (Jn.4:7) – Charity and Mercy". All women are invited to attend this day where we will reflect on the gifts of God's merciful love and charity. Cost: \$25, BYO Lunch (Morning/ afternoon tea provided). The day will include Holy Mass and the opportunity for reconciliation.

Info at: E: movtooffice@schoenstatt.org.au or Ph: 4773 8338 – Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

† **May 13th to 15th Discover – Self-discovery weekend for Young Women (18-35)** A self-knowledge weekend on identity and personality, dignity, womanhood, personal ideal, vocation and mission. Early Bird offer open until 1st of May. Contact Sr Julie via email: juliebrcar@gmail.com or call 0408 7380334 - Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

† **May 22nd Annual Marian Pilgrimage** - Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

Commencing at 10 am with Mass at 10.30 am all are welcome. 2.00 pm Eucharistic Procession from the Valley and Final Benediction at the Shrine. Alternative Program with the Anointing of the Sick and Elderly at the Shrine. **This is a special year for pilgrimage with our "Holy Door of Mercy".** Bring your picnic lunch, chairs and rug. Hot food, tea and coffee are available.

Details available on FB Events: "Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre" and at our website: www.schoenstatt.org.au or call the office on 4773 8338