



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 3, Week 5

18th August, 2016

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Term 3, Week 5

Friday 19th August

- * **BAND 7.45am (all students)**
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Assembly hosted by Year 6.**
2pm. All welcome

Term 3, Week 6

Monday 22nd August

- * **SPORT PROGRAM**
All students in sport uniform
- * **Lunch Orders**
- * **Cool Kids Music 3.00-4.30pm**

Tuesday 23rd August

- * **Book Parade 9-9.45am**
gold coin donation to Children's Oncology Foundation
- * **Uniform Shop 8.30-11.30am**
1.30-3.30pm
- * **PE : Yr 1, 2/5, 3/7, 4/9**

Wednesday 24th August

- * **CHOIR 8am**
- * **Lunch Orders**
- * **Yr 4 Reconciliation**
- * **PE: Kindy, 2/6, Year 6**
- * **Chess 3-4pm**
- * **Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony**

Thursday 25th August

- * **PE: 3/8, 4/10, Year 5**
- * **DanceClub 3.15-4.15pm**
- * **FATHER'S DAY STALL—GIFT WRAPPING NIGHT 7-30pm**

Friday 26th August

- * **BAND 7.45am (all students)**
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Debating CTK 'v' St Madeleines 9.45am**
- * **Assembly hosted by Year 4.**
2pm. All welcome

Saturday 27th August

- * **Sacrament of Confirmation—presentation of Certificates at Mass**

Sunday 28th August

- * **Sacrament of Confirmation—presentation of Certificates at Mass**
- * **Year 5 at Parish Mass 10am**

Dear Parents

Continuing on the theme of 'how we live our lives' from last Sunday's readings, this week Luke's Gospel is focussed on the people of the time constantly asking Jesus: "How does one enter through the narrow door to eternal life in Heaven?" Jesus replies that it is simply not enough to hear Him preach. It is about doing something with the direct reference to how you have lived your life. How have you loved and treated your fellow brothers and sisters? Have you allowed the word of God to engage you in your daily life? These are some of the many questions that we as followers of our Lord need to reflect upon on a daily basis.

Late last year following the Parish/School Spring wrap up meeting for the 2015 event, it was decided that the next CTK Spring Fair will be held in 2017. As we move into the second half of this year, it is time to establish the Spring Fair Co-ordinators and committee for next year's event. At last week's CTK Parish Council meeting it was decided that we require one co-ordinator from the school community and one from the wider parish community. We are also seeking volunteers to take on various committee roles over the next 12 months to assist our co-ordinators in bringing this event to reality. This is a major undertaking that requires the support of both the school and parish communities working together raising funds for both the school and parish for major maintenance and improvement projects that will benefit our CTK students and parishioners. If you are interested in taking on the co-ordinators role or a spot on the organising committee or require more details about the roles please contact me via email [ahughes@parra.catholic.edu.au]. I look forward to hearing from you.

Last Monday led by our Year 6 students, the school community participated in our Olympic Spirit Day. A great day was had by all who took part in a variety of fun activities with the emphasis on participation, co-operation and enjoyment. Our Year 6 students are to be congratulated and commended for the way in which they led the activity groups. The manner in which they organised and planned the day, their engagement with the other students in their groups on the day and the spirit in which they entered into the initiative was exemplary. A special thank you to Mr Matthews and Miss Brady for co-ordinating the activities and for working with the senior students leading up to the day. Well done, thank you and congratulations to all concerned!

Last Friday night was a great night for our students at the disco. Thank you to all those students and families who attended. A special thank you to our Parent Disco committee who coordinated the evening. Well done! It was a most well organised and executed event from the early planning stages to the night itself. *Thanks ladies - you did a great job and we are very much appreciative of your efforts!* Thank you also to our CTK staff who attended the evening. The giving of your family time for our students is greatly appreciated. A great school community event. Well done to all concerned!

Since the closure of Burradoo gates late last term for maintenance and the plumbing issues, I have reviewed with staff the afternoon pick up procedures for this exit. After surveying students to determine the number of children who are picked up from the Burradoo gates each day, it was decided to increase afternoon supervision by one teacher. One teacher will be responsible for supervising the children sitting in the Kinder playground area and one teacher to supervise the gate and the pick up protocol. **In the interest of safety, all children who use the Burradoo gate are to be collected by an adult from the gate itself. No children are to be called down to a parked vehicle.** Your assistance in this road safety matter will be greatly appreciated by all members of our community.

Tony Hughes
Principal

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 have 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 are 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 and 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 read these readings from the Gospel of Luke.

	August 15, 2016	August 16, 2016	August 17, 2016	August 18, 2016	August 19, 2016
5	Luke 11: 29-32 A Sign from God	Luke 11: 33-36 Light	Luke 11: 37-54 Jesus Condemns the Pharisees and Teachers of the Law of Moses	Luke 12: 1-3 Warnings	Luke 12: 4-7 The One to Fear

Please join the Christ the King community in prayerfully reading the Gospel of Luke for Week 6.

	August 22, 2016	August 23, 2016	August 24, 2016	August 25, 2016	August 26, 2016
6	Luke 12: 8-12 Telling Others About Christ	Luke 12: 13-21 A Rich Fool	Luke 12: 22-31 Worry	Luke 12: 32-34 Treasures in Heaven	Luke 12: 35-48 Faithful and Unfaithful Servants

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

Sacrament of Confirmation *next Wednesday 24th August 7.30pm*

As a community we extend our best wishes and congratulations to the children and their families who will gather on Wednesday evening to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

*"And by this we know that He abides in us,
By the Spirit which He has given us."*

1 John 3:24

May you be blessed with the wisdom and strength of the Holy Spirit as you go forth to share the love of Jesus Christ.



Happy Birthday for the month of August to



Kinder Hugo A
Peter A
Matthew R
Olivia K

Year 1 Selena E
Giselle L
Karylle W
Phillip A
George D

Year 2 Sophia R
Louis R
Christian E

Year 3 Sophia M
Thomas C
Jessie L
William P
Max R
Ava B

Year 4 Antonia S
Joshua C
Teja F
Ida H
Marie B
Mickey B

Year 5 Nicholas R
Rebecca K
Antonios B
Ashleigh C
Ella D
Alessia G
Brianna C
Grace D
Makayla M
Luca S

Year 6 Lucy K
Evelyn D
Mia G
Raymond Y

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 31st Aug

- Father's Day Stall
 - Yr 4 Excursion
- (Yr 4 will purchase Father's Day gifts on Thur 1st Sept)

Thursday 1st Sept

- Book Week Performance (school event only)

Friday 2nd September

- Father's Day Celebrations

Wednesday 7th Sept

- Yr 3 excursion

Friday 9th September

- Kinder excursion
- Choir & Band Showcase

Thursday 15th September

- Yr 6 BBQ Fundraiser

Friday 23rd September

- Last day Term 3

Friday 16th December

- Yr 6 End-of-Year Parent / Child dinner

DEBATING

Congratulations to the following Year 6 children who participated in the fourth debate for 2016 against St Bernadette's Primary School, Castle Hill.

Affirmative: Madison Ghalloub, Marissa Younan, Mykaylah Bouchahine and Elizabeth Ozer
Negative: Teana Hodgers, Daniel Bertolissio, Mikaela Bourke and Isabella Yacoub

The topic for the debate was *"It is harder to be the youngest child"*. Both teams had some strong arguments and included many examples from their own experiences to back up their team's ideas. They spoke confidently and were very supportive of one another throughout the process. Both teams did very well and were successful in winning their debates!

The next debate is next Friday 26th August at 9:45am against St Madeleine's Primary School, Kenthurst.

The topic for the debate is *"It is better to solve problems on Earth than explore Mars."*

We wish all students participating in this debate the best of luck.

A big thank you to Mr Gerard Abood, for adjudicating on behalf of Christ The King throughout the debating competition and for providing essential constructive feedback to the students.



USE YOUR Skoolbag app TO NOTIFY YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

1. Open Skoolbag app
2. Click on eForms
3. Select Absentee Form
4. Complete all fields
5. In the last field you need to tap and then you can sign with your finger on your phone screen
6. Press Submit

This will send an instant email to the school to advise your child's absence.

This document is now legally acceptable as an Absentee Notification as the form is signed. You will not need to send in an additional note when your child returns to school.

This eForm is not to be used for extended Family leave.

- Request for Family leave (1-10 days) must be emailed to the Principal. *If travelling overseas, an itinerary must accompany this application.*
- For Family leave over 10 days, an Application for Extended Leave must be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to departure. *If travelling overseas, an itinerary must accompany this application.*



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.

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.

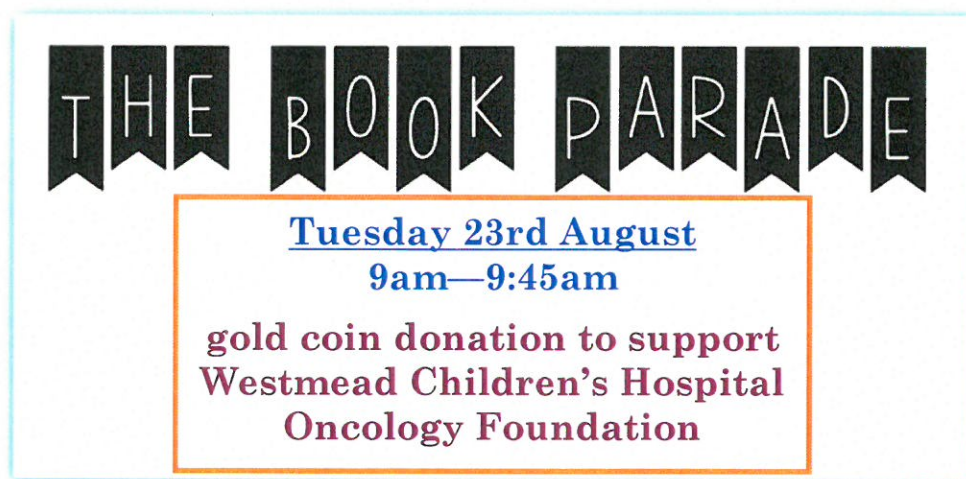
Premier's Reading Challenge 2016

The 2016 Premier's Reading Challenge finishes TOMORROW, 19th August. All books must be entered by this day. Congratulations to those students who have already entered their books into the website.

CTK CELEBRATES BOOK WEEK 2016

Here are a few of the activities that will be occurring at CTK to celebrate 'BOOK WEEK'.

Australia: Story Country



This year's Book Week theme is "Australia: Story Country". You may wish to follow the theme by dressing up in traditional Australian clothes or the traditional dress of your family's background - every family has a story to tell! Of course you can dress as your favourite book character.

Please do not hire outfits or go to any expense. This is a simple fun event to highlight book week. Your child will come to school in his / her costume and remain in it all day. A change of clothes should be provided if necessary as some costumes may be uncomfortable to stay in all day!

Parents are welcome to join us for the book parade which will be held on the oval from 9:00am until approximately 9:45am.

Once again this year we are asking students to bring a gold coin donation on the day which will go to "Westmead Children's Hospital Oncology Foundation" to support research into childhood cancer.

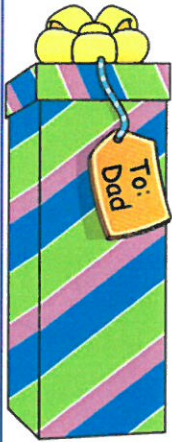
Thursday 1st September, 2016 Book Week Performance :

Preform! Educational Musical – Fair Dinkum

Celebrating the Children's Book Council's 2016 theme 'Australia: Story Country', students will attend a performance called ***Fair Dinkum***. Fair Dinkum is an action packed, fun filled adventure that encourages children of all ages to consider **how significant books can be**. Not only as a means of entertainment and escape, but as a way of **informing their understanding of the world around us**. There will an Infants and Primary performance in the hall. (Please note: this is a school event only, not open to families).

Mrs Cook, Teacher/Librarian

FATHER'S DAY UPDATE



Father's Day Wrapping Night

MANY HANDS, MAKE FOR LIGHT WORK!!! And we need many hands please for wrapping **NEXT THURSDAY 25 AUGUST from 7.30pm** in the Hall.

If you can assist for any amount of time, we will have some drinks and nibbles on offer.

Please, no children or students thank you. Everyone's time is valuable so whatever time you are able to spare will be most appreciated.

Father's Day Breakfast

The Father's Day Breakfast is scheduled for **Friday 2nd September commencing at 8am**. An information note was sent home yesterday. For catering purposes, please RSVP by **NEXT FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST**.

Cameron and the boys from Beef Bullion have kindly agreed to cook up the BBQ breakfast for us. Parent helpers for this event will be needed between 7.45- 8.45am. If you are able to assist, please note this on the return slip.

The Father's Day breakfast will be followed by a celebration liturgy at 9.00am.

The morning will conclude by 9.30am.

Father's Day Stall

The Father's Day Stall will be held on WEDNESDAY 31ST AUGUST.

As Year 4 will be away on an excursion that day, they will be able to purchase their Father Day gifts on Thursday 1st September.

Further information regarding the Stall will be sent home soon.



Year 2's Fun at the Olympic Spirit Fun Day

August 15, 2016



Elastics Fun

It was so fun to
jump over the elastics
and be with our
friends at the
Olympics Spirit Fun
Day.

Jonathan L

Potato Sack Race

It was really funny to
jump in the sacks. A
few people fell over,
but luckily no one was
hurt.

Adrian B





Egg and Spoon Race
I loved racing our friends in the egg and spoon race. The trick to winning is walking fast but carefully, to not drop your egg.

Talia Y

Javelin Throwing
We had to try to throw the javelin into the square to score four points. It was really hard because the wind was blowing.

Jayden W



Volley Ball Balloon
We had to serve the ball to the the other team and return the ball without letting it touch the ground. It was really tricky when the ball went low to hit it up in time. We had so much fun.

Stephanie E



International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) provide an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation.

The results for the Spelling competition have been received.

32 students participated. Great results were received with 3 Distinctions, 5 Credits & 4 Merits.

Spelling Achievements

<u>Distinction</u>	Year 4	<i>Julius Hoekstra, Lauren Lubrano</i>
	Year 5	<i>Amelia Papworth</i>
<u>Credits</u>	Year 3	<i>Alec Mitchell, Isabella Yeomans</i>
	Year 4	<i>Isabella Le, Bronwyn Kitson</i>
	Year 5	<i>Ria Singh</i>
<u>Merit</u>	Year 4	<i>Aidan Mulder, Dane Nielson, Alessia Georges</i>
	Year 5	<i>Alexander Lim</i>

Congratulations to all students who participated.

PARISH NEWS



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The process of initiation for children into the parish community of the faithful is celebrated in three sacramental moments: Baptism, first reception of the Eucharist and Confirmation.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a prerequisite for First Eucharist (for children in Year 3 and above) and will begin with a Parent Information Evening to be held in our parish church on **Wednesday, 7th September**, commencing at **7.30pm**. The program will be explained and any questions answered as well as enrolment forms distributed.

All children (whether they attend Catholic or State schools) in our parish, prepare for the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Year 3 and above), First Eucharist (Year 4 and above) and Confirmation (Year 5/6 and above) in a program that is **parish based** (not school based) and **family centered**.

This is a significant step in your child's journey of faith. **It is important for parents/guardians to attend this meeting.** Children are not required to attend this initial meeting.

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.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

New directive from the Diocesan Office 25th May 2016

BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE A CURRENT NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

Please note: Until both the ‘Volunteer Form’ and the ‘Module’ have been completed, parents will not be able to assist in any capacity as a volunteer within the school. (The school receives notification when you complete each section).

‘Building Child Safe Communities’ is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. **It is now a requirement that all volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form** that confirms expectations in relation to behaviour whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centres. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

Volunteers – please click on ‘[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers](#)’ by accessing the **form** via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au>, then click on ‘Child Protection Training Forms’ (halfway down page on the right hand side).

Then click on ‘[Volunteer Form](#)’ (halfway down page).



You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted.

- Your details will be maintained confidentially in a central database
- A copy of your confirmation will then be emailed to the location where you are volunteering to be kept on file.

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

A reminder that you once you receive your confirmation email, you will need to complete the Child Protection Module which can be found at this link.

<http://ceo-web.parra.catholic.edu.au/asp/volunteerscpmodule/module1/index.htm>

This information was advised in your confirmation email towards the bottom of the page and can be easily missed. The link provided in your confirmation email from the Child Protection Team Catholic Education Office Parramatta was incorrect. Please use the abovementioned link.

Once you complete this online module the school will receive notification that it has been completed and you will be cleared to volunteer.

Therefore in brief :

1. To complete form go to: <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au>
2. Wait for confirmation email
3. On receipt of the confirmation email go to the link above to complete Child Protection Online Module
4. Wait for confirmation email
5. The School will receive an email confirming that you have completed both steps and are now cleared to volunteer.

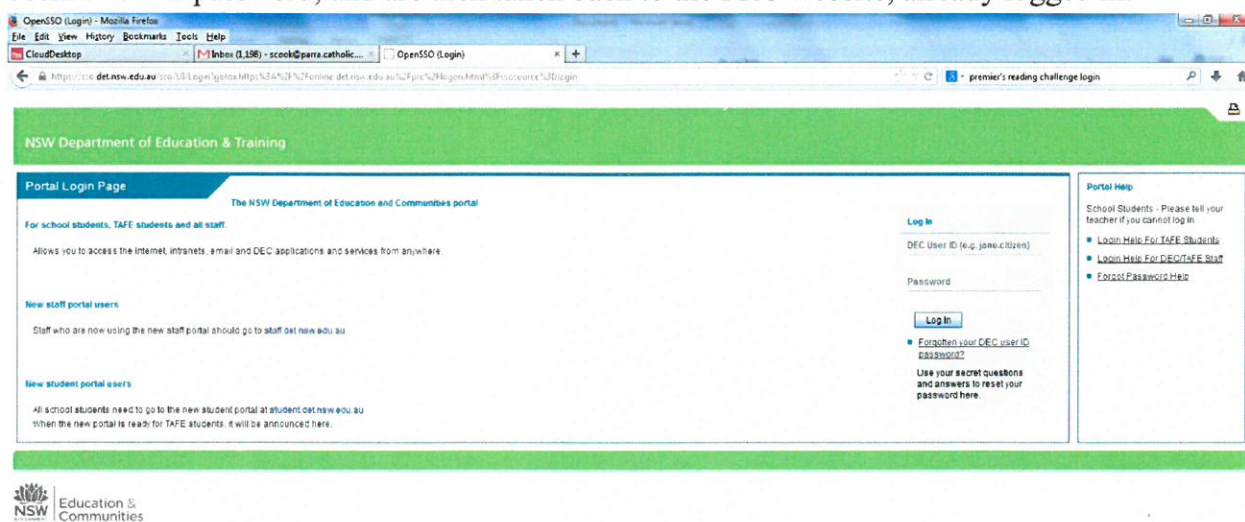
We thank all volunteers for their continued support of Catholic Education.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE 2016

The PRC finishes on the 19th August 2016. All reading records must be entered onto the website by this date. I will then have one week to validate all student records. Student passwords have been issued this week. You must go to the PRC website NSW (just type premier's reading challenge into your web browser and make sure you are on the NSW site) and login using your child's username and password, the log in tab is on the left side of the page. Please note the password is case and space sensitive, login exactly as the details show.

Login page

You will be directed to the Department of Education's Portal Login Page, where you enter your PRC username and password, and are then taken back to the PRC website, already logged in.



Once you have logged on you should be able to see your child's name at the top right of the page. You will be prompted to complete a brief survey.

On the left of the page click on the Student Reading Records tab and the **Personal Student Reading Record for your child should open.**

Using your child's personal reading record (in their diary or homework book) enter the PRC ID into the correct box then click add. The book should enter. If you do not know the ID you can enter the book by title or author.

Once the required number of books have been entered a box will indicate that you have finished the challenge. I will then need to validate the record and certificates will be issued at the end of Term 4.

PLEASE SEE ME OR ASK YOUR CHILD TO SEE ME (DURING SCHOOL AT LUNCH TIME) IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS.

Students who need some help completing the challenge should see me immediately to get the books required.

Mrs Sarah Cook

PRC Coordinator

CTK COMMUNITY NEWS

What's on at Western Sydney University, Penrith Observatory in August 2016

Saturday 27th August 7pm—9pm Astronomy Night (Topic to be announced—check website in August)

The evening will include a presentation, a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through telescopes (weather permitting).



Catherine McAuley Westmead Enrolments for Year 7 2018

There will be three Open Mornings specifically for Year 7 2018 enrolments on:

Tuesday 6th September, Wednesday 19th October and Thursday 17th November 2016 : 9.15 – 11am

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2018.

Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on one of our three upcoming school tours especially for Year 7 2018 applicants but open to any year group.

These mornings will give interested parents and students the opportunity to tour our school on a normal school day. You will be able to view our school grounds and facilities, go into classrooms and meet our students and teachers. Enrolment packs will be available on the day. To book places for a school tour on one of these tour mornings please contact our School Reception on 9849 9100.

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! **Weekend date: 23-25 September at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings online at nswbookings@wwme.org.au or Bill and Ardell Sharpe on 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au**

OAKHILL COLLEGE BASKETBALL CLUB ENROLMENTS

2016/2017 SUMMER COMPETITION

Are you in Year 6 and enrolled at Oakhill College in 2017? Joining the Oakhill Basketball Club is a great way for any of the boys at your school that may be attending Oakhill College in 2017 to play local comp basketball in the Hills District Summer Comp at Hills Sports Stadium, Fred Caterson Reserve, Castle Hill. This is a great opportunity to get together and meet some new friends before you start at the College.

Games are played on Tuesday nights. We are placing teams together for the Summer Comp commencing Term 4, 2016 and Term 1, 2017. Players will be placed in U/14's comp competing against boys their own age.

Enrolment forms will be available on the Oakhill College website under "Sports / Basketball". Enrolment forms should be submitted to the Oakhill Basketball Club by return email no later than Friday, 2 September, 2016.

Please note that we do our best to place all boys into an Oakhill Team, depending on the number of boys enrolled. We also welcome parents who wish to volunteer as Coaches and Managers for these teams.

For enquiries, please contact Rachel or Melissa at oakhillcollegebasketball@gmail.com or on mobiles Rachel 0407 501 007 or Melissa 0401 152 899.

THINK CLUB—EXPANDING YOUNG MINDS **TUE 27TH—WED 28TH SEPT. 9AM—3.30pm.** Sydney Boys High School Moore Park Sydney.

Think Club provides experiential workshops for the inquisitive, problem-solving, creative and capable primary school child. Our one day, hands-on workshops are enjoyable, fun and interesting. Workshops include: Riotous robotics, Creature Keepers, Slimy Science, Master Mind, Fascinating Forensics, Programming Prodigies, Actor's Academy, Magical Minecraft and Marvellous Movie Making + lots more. Pamphlets available from the Office. Visit www.thinkclubaustralia.com



PARLIAMENT NSW—FAMILY FUN DAY **FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER 10AM—3PM FREE EVENT**

Following a successful day last year, NSW Parliament House will again be opening its doors to the public again this year for the **Family Fun Day**. From 10.00am to 3.00pm, visitors, families, friends, all are welcome to come in and experience Parliament through a range of free family-friendly fun and educational activities such as Photo and dress-up opportunities, mystery object guessing competition, roving historical characters and tours of the Legislative Chambers and media room.

HILLS HORNETS TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION **SPRING COMP. KELLYVILLE** starts from 12th Sept 2016. Info pamphlet available from the school office.



Celebrate Family Fun day with the Parliament of NSW

Children from 5 to 12 years

Friday 7th October 2016 from 10 am -3 pm

Fun activities at this year's Family Fun Day. Photo and dress up opportunities, tours of the Legislative Chambers, mystery object guessing competition, roving historical characters, art and other displays.

Sausage sizzle on the day- (minimum charge)

Free Event: Enquiries (02) 9230 2047 & dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au



Parliament of NSW is located on Macquarie Street, in the Sydney