



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 3, Week 9

15th September, 2016

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Term 3, Week 9

Thursday 15th September

- * PE: 3/8, 4/10, Year 5
- * **SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH DAY**
- * **DanceClub** 3.15-4.15pm
- * Year 1 Mum's Night Out

Friday 16th September

- * **BAND 7.45am (all students)**
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
registration forms due to Parish Office

Sat 17th / Sun 18th September

- * **BAND CAMP**
- * **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
candidates are presented at weekend Masses

Term 3, Week 10

Monday 19th September

- * **SPORT PROGRAM**
All students in sport uniform
- * Lunch Orders
- * **MacKillop Athletics**—Good luck to all
- * **Cool Kids Music** 3.00-4.30pm

Tuesday 20th September

- * **Uniform Shop** 8.30-11.30am
1.30-3.30pm
- * **PE: Yr 1, 2/5, 3/7, 4/9**

Wednesday 21st September

- * **CHOIR** 8am
- * Lunch Orders
- * **PE: Kindy, 2/6, Year 6**
- * **Chess** 3-4pm
- * **WAKAKIRRI GRAND FINAL**

Thursday 22nd September

- * **PE: 3/8, 4/10, Year 5**
- * **Primary Schools Chess Tournament**: good luck to all students participating
- * **DanceClub** 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 23rd September

- * **MAKE UP LESSON-SPORT PROGRAM**
All students in sport uniform
- * **BAND 7.45am (all students)**
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Stage 3 Touch Gala day**
- * **LAST DAY TERM 3**

Dear Parents

This Sunday's Gospel features the parable of the Dishonest Manager. The theme of this parable revolves around what are the genuine riches an individual attains in one's life. Jesus speaks of shrewdness and foresight exhibited by the steward in the parable in dealing with a critical business deal that is developing into a financial crisis. Jesus, through the parable expresses a concern that we avert spiritual crisis through the practice of our faith and foresight. Jesus is pleading with us that if we expended as much foresight and energy to spiritual matters which have internal consequences in our lives as much as we do to attaining earthy riches which can have negative knock-ons in our lives we would be better off. We are reminded in today's Gospel that we are all servants of God and all that we own and possess belongs to him. God provides us with many gifts and in return he wants us to share these gifts with others. This will allow us to treasure in our lives what is most important. What does your heart treasure the most in life?

With two thirds of the year now behind us, it is time to establish the 2017 Spring Fair Co-ordinators and committee for next year's event. The CTK Parish Council has 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. *After several weeks of advertising for convenors from both the school and parish in both the school and parish bulletins, Fr Ian and I have had no response to our request. We are approaching a critical stage of the planning process where we need to set a date and book rides for next year's event.* 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 Friday evening we were entertained by our most talented students at our annual band and choral recital. Both our concert and senior bands as well as our school choir showcased the pieces they had been working on over recent months before a packed hall of very proud parents. The presentation was a tribute to both the students and their teacher's commitment, hard work and passion for their music. A special vote of thanks for the work of Mr Steve Lavis and the staff of Teaching Services Australia who run our band programme and Mrs Dymna Collignon who prepares and conducts our school choir.

Next Wednesday our Wakakirri troupe are off to perform in this year's Grand Final series of the competition. We wish our students, Mrs Collignon and Mrs Kelly- Hosking the very best of luck as they compete with nine other schools from across the state that showcases the creative talents of students through dance drama and music. We look forward to many of the students' family and friends being part of the audience next Wednesday evening.

Have a great week!

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.

	Sept. 12, 2016	Sept. 13, 2016	Sept. 14, 2016	Sept. 15, 2016	Sept. 16, 2016
9	Luke 14: 7-14 How to be a Guest	Luke 14: 15-24 The Great Banquet	Luke 14: 25-33 Being a Disciple	Luke 14: 34-35 Salt and Light	Luke 15: 1-7 One Sheep

Please join the Christ the King community in prayerfully reading the Gospel of Luke for Week 10.

	Sept. 19, 2016	Sept. 20, 2016	Sept. 21, 2016	Sept. 22, 2016	Sept. 23, 2016
10	Luke 15: 8-10 One Coin	Luke 15: 11-32 Two Sons	Luke 16: 1-13 Dishonest Manager	Luke 16: 14-18 Some Sayings of Jesus	Luke 16: 19-31 Lazarus and the Rich Man

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

TERM DATES FOR 2016

Term 3	Monday 18th July	to	Friday, 23rd September
Term 4	Monday 10th October	to	Friday, 16th December

UNIFORM SHOP 2016 **TUESDAYS 8.30AM—11.30AM and 1.30PM—3.30PM**

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

Parents are most welcome to place an order through the office.

FULL PAYMENT with 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 website. 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.

*Happy Birthday for
the month of
September to*



Kinder Caitlin W
 Katerina K
 Luke Z
 Max P
 Troy N
 Leo R

Year 1 Jonathan S
 Cameron L
 Toby L
 Peter B
 Michael H
 Christian M
 Harry V
 Kaia T

Year 2 Jayden W
 Nicholas S
 Laura D

Year 3 Patrick E
 Henry A
 Jacob D
 Jasmin C

Year 4 Julius H
 Georgen F
 Hee Soo L
 Anisha HB
 Alexandra M
 Matthew W

Year 5 Gabriela N
 Olivia M
 Cameron K
 Christopher M
 Amy T

Year 6 Thea P
 Alannah B
 Skye G

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

Sunday 2nd October

- Daylight savings begins

Monday 10th October

- First day Term 4

Sunday 16th October

- Year 1 at Parish Mass

Wed 19th October

- Kindergarten 2017
Parent Information night

Friday 16th December

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

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



WAKAKIRRI

AUSTRALIA'S ULTIMATE PERFORMING
& CREATIVE ARTS CHALLENGE FOR SCHOOLS



The Wakakirri Grand Final will be held
NEXT WEDNESDAY 21st September at the
Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre, Homebush.

Information received from Wakakirri regarding public ticket purchases is as follows:

Ticket price: \$36

Public sale date: 13th September 2016

Box office: Ticket Direct 1300 798 550

Parking: P3 is the closest parking station to the venue at a cost of \$5 per hour to a maximum of \$25 per day. From time to time other major events are held around the park therefore road closures may be in place and parking will be a flat rate of \$25 per day.

Visit: <http://www.sydneyolympicpark.com.au/maps>

Accessibility: for Wheelchair access within the facility please contact the venue on 9714 7600 for more information.

Timeline for the evening Wednesday 21st September

6.30pm – Red Carpet Event

7.00 pm (sharp!!!) – Wakakirri begins

OFFICE TRANSACTIONS

Please note that the office **WILL NOT BE ABLE** to accept any **CASH** transactions after next **Wednesday 21st September**.

BPay, Eftpos and Credit facilities will still be available for outstanding Uniform Shop purchases, Sport fees and any outstanding school fee payments up until 3:00pm on Friday, 23rd September.



International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Years 3 – 6 University of N.S.W Initiative



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 English competition have been received.

42 students participated. Excellent results were received with 1 High Distinction, 2 Distinctions and 7 Credits & 4 Merits.

Congratulations to all students who participated.

English Achievements

High Distinction Year 5 *Amelia Papworth*

Distinction Year 3 *Alec Mitchell*
Year 4 *Abigail Saliba*

Credits Year 3 *Isabella Yeomans*
Year 4 *Julius Hoekstra, Alessia Georges, Bronwyn Kitson, Tahlia Moses,*
Lauren Lubrano
Year 5 *Ria Singh*

Merit Year 4 *Robert Cho,*
Year 5 *Hannah Abood*
Year 6 *Kyarah Bouchahine, Thea Prasetya*

LIBRARY NEWS

Primary Schools One-Day Chess Teams Tournament

The Hills District division will be held next Thursday 22nd September at North Rocks Public School. Thank you to the students who have returned their permission form.

For this day the students will need:

- Students to arrive at CTK by 8.30am to leave all together at 8.45am
- Full Summer Uniform with hat to be worn
- Packed recess and lunch with a drink to be brought in a small backpack
- Students will return to CTK in time for normal dismissal

Any question can be directed to Mrs Cook via email : northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au

Mrs Cook, Librarian

Fair Dinkum

Christ the King celebrated book week by watching a play called Fair Dinkum all about the benefits of reading and how the messages can affect our lives.

The story started with a young girl called Tilly (Matilda) and her friend Wayne. Wayne carried around a bag full of untruthful things, fear and anxiety. The bag got too heavy for him to carry so he threw it in the billabong, which was Tilly's favourite place. So when she came to read at the billabong Wayne said that it wasn't safe anymore, but Tilly wouldn't let Wayne's crazy idea get in the way of her reading!

A small bunyip inside Wayne's bag fed on worries and bad thoughts and wanted to take over the billabong! Wayne spread rumours around town, and as he told each person, a new part of the rumour was added. When Tilly first encountered the bunyip it was very small and only hopping in the bag to get around, however the bunyip grew and grew until it was a ferocious creature ready to take over the billabong!

Tilly had a great idea that she got from reading a book named Mr Huff, which was about a boy called Bill who ignored and disliked Mr Huff. Once Bill realised that Mr Huff was just as miserable and lonely as he was, he took Mr Huff everywhere he went and they soon became friends. Matilda realised that they needed to think of good happy thoughts and to think positively to get rid of the bunyip.

As Tilly sang Waltzing Matilda aloud, Andy the swagman from Waltzing Matilda magically appeared and helped Tilly to create a plan to get rid of the bunyip for good. They used the messages of the books to get rid of him and it worked! They used happiness, bravery, hope and optimism. The monstrous creature wailed in pain, for he was collapsing to the ground and the town's complication was resolved.

I can definitely tell that CTK thoroughly enjoyed fair Dinkum because of our attentive listening and great behaviour while Jessica (Tilly) and Matt (Wayne) were performing!

Lauren L Yr 4

Fair Dinkum

At Christ the King, Australian heritage book week was going on and we watched a play (by Jessica and Matt) about the power of books and how they can help us.

Jessica's character was mostly Matilda (Tilly) and Matt's character was mostly Wayne.

Wayne was a worry wart that carried his worries and fears in a big bag. Wayne's bag got too heavy for him to carry so he threw it away in a billabong. The billabong was actually Matilda's favourite place to hang around and read. Matilda was having a perfect time reading the book "Perfect". It was about a boy and his siblings having a perfect day. The little boy magically appeared from the book and told Tilly all about his day. Then he vanished back into the book.

Tilly was on her way home and suddenly something popped out of Wayne's bag. It was a strange creature that had been feeding on Wayne's bad thoughts and fears, and whenever someone's afraid he gets bigger and bigger.

"Get away from my billabong !!!" said the weird creature.

"Who's there?" shouted Tilly.

The monster screeched out " I am the bunyip of this billabong! Get away from my billabong!"

Tilly refused to leave, so the bunyip chased her out of the billabong. As she reached home she told Wayne all about the mysterious bunyip. When Wayne heard one word of what she said, he screamed in dread and spread the rumour all over town. The rumour got worse and worse each time someone told someone else. Back at Matilda's house, Matilda was reading Mr Huff. Mr Huff was a book about another little boy named Bill who had an enormous storm cloud following him and grew when he was sad. Bill was angry with Mr Huff but looked on the bright side, held his hand and played him and Mr Huff transformed into a happy cloud . Wayne appeared and told Tilly about the onion invading the town. (It was the rumour!)

Tilly didn't believe him and told him it must have been a rumour but Wayne was still fighting. Matilda was so mad that she split up. Matilda was thinking about her grandfather and how he sang Waltzing Matilda to her and then suddenly a jolly swagman appeared from nowhere.

"G'day mate" he exclaimed.

Tilly was shocked at first but then finally got used to him. She explained how she found the bunyip. Andy the swagman helped Matilda get rid of bunyip. When they went back to the billabong the bunyip was ten times bigger than before. They used the positive messages from the books to destroy him. 'Suri's Wall' which was hope, 'The White Mouse' which was bravery, 'Mr Huff' which was optimism and 'Perfect' which was happiness.

So Andy waved goodbye and Wayne forgave Matilda. That was when the story finished. We all thought it was enjoyable and funny. It was the BEST!!!

By Anisha Hati Baruah Year 4



HAVING ISSUES WITH THE Skoolbag app

If you find you are not receiving messages or have lost your alert ping, sometimes it is just a matter of removing and re-installing the app. System updates sometimes cause these minor issues.



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.

GRADE EVENTS

YEAR 1 MUM'S NIGHT OUT

Date: TOMORROW, Friday 16th September

Time: 7pm

Venue: Bella Vista Hotel

For any further enquiries, please contact Natalie Bertie on 0414 425 077.

CELEBRATING GIFTS AND TALENTS

Congratulations to Mikaela Bourke (Year 6) for placing 5th on floor at her gymnastics State Qualifier Competition. She will now compete at the Level 3 State Championships in October. Good luck Mikaela.

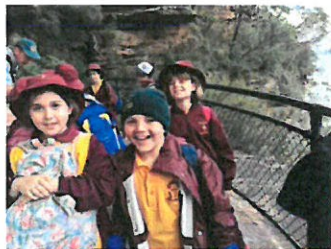
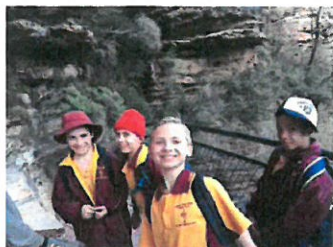
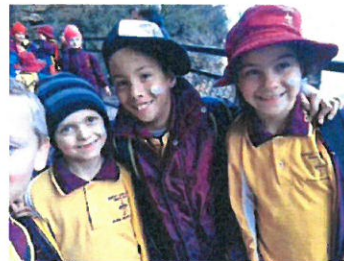
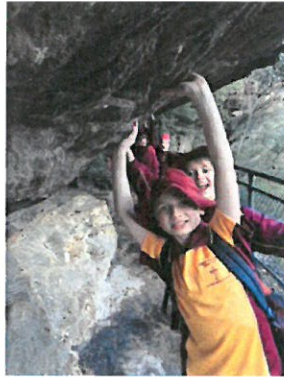
Year 3 Blue Mountains Excursion

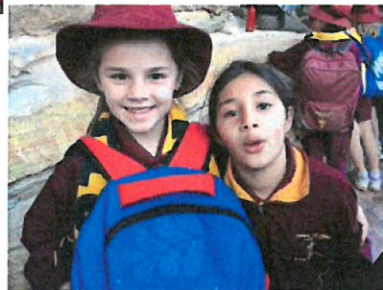
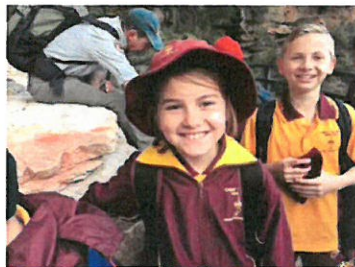
As part of our learning in Geography Inquiry this term we went on an excursion to the Blue Mountains.

We visited Wentworth Falls and the Three Sisters and learnt about how important it was to protect these natural environments, as well as how the Blue Mountains are similar and different to North Rocks.

Below we captured some of the fun adventures we went on!







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>

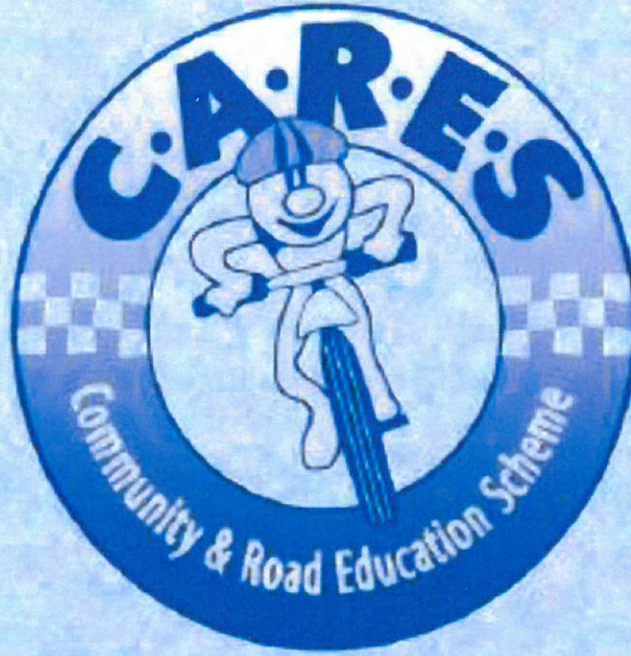
This information was advised in your confirmation email towards the bottom of the page and can be easily missed. The link provided in your confirmation email from the Child Protection Team Catholic Education Office Parramatta was incorrect. Please use the abovementioned link.

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.



AUTO PLACE X PETER BROCK DR, PROSPECT

TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2016

10AM – 2PM

Come along during the school holidays and ride in
a safe environment with real traffic lights.

Bring your own bike and helmet

Face Painting (gold coin donation)

Parking is on site and free

Bring a picnic

Sausage sizzle and drinks

Adult Supervision required

Gates will not open until 10:00am

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CatholicCare is here for you

Below are just some of the services we provide;

- Disability services under NDIS
- Keeping Kids in Mind and Rollercoasters – programs for separated parents and their children
- Cool Kids – a skills based program that teaches children (6-12yrs) and their parents how to better manage the child's anxiety
- Counselling services – for all stages and circumstances of life, including grief, gambling and financial counselling
- Triple P and other parenting courses
- Marriage counselling and support
- Natural Fertility Services



Contact us today

📞 (02) 8822 2222 🌐 www.ccss.org.au

👍 us on [f](https://www.facebook.com/CCSSParramatta) CCSSParramatta

We run a number of other social services in the community which include

- Family Daycare
- Refugee Settlement Services
- Homelessness service for teen mothers
- Indigenous community hub
- Volunteer based service for the elderly



We have created www.inspir8.com.au which aims to inspire, reassure and encourage primary age children in Years 3 – 6

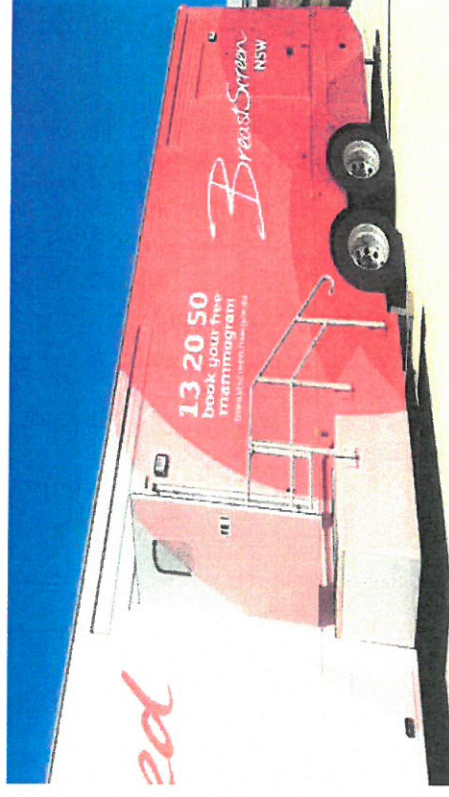
OFFICE LOCATIONS: Blacktown, Emerton, Orchard Hills, Parramatta, Penrith, Springwood

BreastScreen van at

North Rocks

SHOPPING CENTRE

The **BreastScreen Van** will be located at North Rocks Shopping Centre from **24/9/16 - 14/10/16**



BreastScreen is for all women aged 40 years and over, but especially for women aged 50-74 years
Phone **13 20 50** to make an appointment for your **FREE** screening mammogram

BreastScreen
NSW

BCI sunflower
clinic



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

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP VINCENT LONG OFM CONV

Dear friends,

As the Catholic Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, the safety of children and other vulnerable people is our priority and a continual part of our ministry. The Diocese of Parramatta has systems of accountability and support to keep children and other vulnerable people safe. We continue to learn from mistakes of the past to improve our response today and into the future.

I am committed to ensuring our agencies and services in the Diocese of Parramatta are child safe environments. This includes having a rigorous recruitment screening and selection process for employees and volunteers. It includes having services and systems in place that identify behaviour of adults posing risks to the safety of those in our care. It includes ensuring we adhere to the legal requirements of New South Wales and Australia in responding and reporting any abuse. It means having a clear process for receiving, reporting and responding to any allegation or complaint that relates to the abuse of a child.

Within our services, children and vulnerable people must have a voice to inform our practices. These practices and systems within this Diocese extends to all its services and agencies including schools, CatholicCare Social Services, parishes, agencies and ministries.



This commitment cannot be done alone and I welcome the engagement of those who have experienced abuse in teaching us the way forward. We rely on our close working relationships with government and non-government agencies to always improve our approach to protecting the vulnerable.

All crimes against children and other vulnerable people are unacceptable. Any person with concerns or allegations of a criminal nature should report them directly to the NSW Police. If anyone has information or concerns about abuse they wish to bring to the attention of the Diocese this should be brought to the Diocesan Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards.

An outline of relevant contacts and sources for further information and support, or how to make a report, is included in this brochure.

I invite the people of the Diocese of Parramatta to work with me through our processes to ensure our Diocese is a safe environment for our children and vulnerable people. This is at the heart of our ministry now and for the future.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv
Bishop of Parramatta

Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards (OSPS)

OSPS provides support and oversight to Catholic schools, parishes, CatholicCare Social Services and all other ministries of the Diocese in relation to practice and compliance in protecting children from abuse.

Its key functions are:

- Advice to ministry leaders
- Education and prevention
- Outreach and support services to survivors of abuse
- Liaison and co-ordination of initiatives with other Dioceses
- Management of legal compliance including reports to external authorities
- Investigations into allegations made against Church personnel
- Liaison with government agencies including NSW Ombudsman, NSW Police, Family and Community Services, NSW Office of the Children's Guardian
- Audits and reviews

For further information, or to report any concerns about the Diocesan response to safeguarding children, please contact the Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards on (02) 8838 3419, safeguarding@parra.catholic.org.au or www.safeguarding.com.au

Reparations

The Diocese of Parramatta has available an internal process for individuals who were affected by sexual abuse from someone within the Diocese to apply for some form of reparations (pastoral or financial).

An independent panel of professionals assesses such applications. Further information may be obtained from (02) 8838 3419 or safeguarding@parra.catholic.org.au

Healing & Support Team - Diocese of Parramatta

This service is available to any person who has been affected by childhood abuse by someone in working in the Diocese. The professional staff in this team work to assist with immediate needs for counselling or other therapeutic support and make appropriate referrals.

They may also support individuals in their decision in what to do with their complaint. This includes assisting a person to report an incident. The Healing & Support team may be contacted through (02) 8838 3400.

CatholicCare Social Services - Diocese of Parramatta

CatholicCare Social Services - Diocese of Parramatta offer various services in family support and counselling. They may be contacted on phone (02) 8822 2222 or visit www.ccss.org.au

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta

For Catholic Schools: The Child Protection Information Line 1300 661 015 is available for families who would like more information about protocols or support services in Catholic schools run by the Diocese of Parramatta.

Please also visit www.parra.catholic.edu.au for more information.

Reporting

Child abuse is a crime. Anyone with concerns or allegations of a criminal nature are encouraged to report them directly to NSW Police through Crime Stoppers at 1800 333 000.

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Child Protection and Safeguarding Vulnerable People



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CTK COMMUNITY NEWS

St Bernadette's Primary School—CASTLE HILL

St Bernadette's Castle Hill are celebrating 60th Anniversary Celebration.

Past Students, teachers, families, friends and parishioners are all welcome!!

22nd October 2016—Novotel Sydney—Norwest 1 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills 6.30-11.30pm

\$75.00 per person includes food, Beverages and entertainment. [Bookings: www.sbchpf.com](http://www.sbchpf.com) Enquiries: sbchpf@gmail.com

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

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.

Emmaus Productions are undertaking a fundraising initiative to help The Good Samaritan Foundation

NEW LOCAL OP SHOP SUPPORTING THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOUNDATION

Josephine's Emporium has recently opened in Thornleigh and according to experienced Op Shoppers, it is an Op Shop lover's paradise with a wonderful collection of girls and women's clothing, accessories and jewellery.

For bargain hunters you'll love browsing through our wide range of Bric a Brac. There is something for everyone!

This new Op Shop is one of the not-for-profit works of *Emmaus Productions* and the *Mary Brown Memorial Foundation*, set up by Monica Brown and the local Brown family of Thornleigh. Proceeds from the profits of the Op Shop will go to *The Good Samaritan Foundation*, a work of the *Sisters of the Good Samaritan Australia* (<http://goodsamsfoundation.org.au/>)

Josephine's' Emporium is located above the hairdresser's saloon at 8D Station Street Thornleigh and is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am - 4pm. For more information, phone 0432160322.

Mercy School Holiday Music Workshops Ages Year 3—Year 12

Vocal Workshop—The Big Sing!! If you love singing and would like to improve your skills, this is the workshop for you. We will explore vocal skills and singing techniques and focus on training for exams. We will explore and develop vocal production, breathing, pitch and tone. **Monday September 26th @ 9am-3pm**

Percussion Workshop—The Big Bash!! If you are a keen drummer or percussionist, then this workshop is not to be missed. Led by professional drummers, the workshop covers many facets of the art form. Students will learn about the origins of drumming, technique, reading, hand drumming, the drum kit, orchestral percussion and even create their own original piece of music. **Tuesday September 27th, @ 9am-3pm**

Venue: Christina Creede Music Centre at Our Lady of Mercy College, Ross Street North Parramatta

Cost: \$75 per workshop plus GST (GST excluded for current OLMC students)

Bookings essential: olmc.nsw.edu.au/the-academy/apple-now or call 02 8838 1288



NSW Department of Primary Industries will be holding a free community Fishing Day on Sunday October 16th at Peter Depena Reserve, Dolls Point (Botany Bay).

The event is open to ALL ages and will be a great family day out, with free fishing, stalls, a kids activity corner, giveaways and more.

Additional information can also be found at our website

<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/recreational/resources/go-fishing-nsw>



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PENRITH OBSERVATORY?

Please find below our list of events for September and October. We have some special programs coming up as well as our usual fun stuff for the school holidays. As always, bookings are essential.

Cost for Public Astronomy Programs:

\$18.00 Adult

\$12.00 Child/Concession

\$50.00 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

Children under 3 years of age free.

\$15.00 per person for hands-on workshops

http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on

September	Astronomy Night – THE LIVES OF STARS
Saturday 17	How do stars form and what happens when they die?
7 pm – 9pm	The night will include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory's telescopes.
Thursday 29	Hands-on Workshop – ROCKETS
10 am – 12	Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Make and launch your own paper rocket and model rockets being launched. Program includes a short presentation, a 3D astronomy movie and SAFE and viewing of the sun through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost \$15
October	
Thursday 6	Hands-on Workshop – ROCKETS
10 am – 12 pm	Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Make and launch your own paper rocket and model rockets being launched. Program includes a short presentation, a 3D astronomy movie and SAFE and viewing of the sun through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost \$15
Saturday 8	Astronomy Night – GRAVITY (AND WONDER); AT PENRITH OBSERVATORY
7pm – 9pm	Have you ever wondered about gravity? What is this invisible force that stops us from flying off into space as our planet rotates? How does the Moon stay in orbit around Earth? Why is the gravity of a black hole so strong? Join us for answers to these questions and more in our special <i>Gravity (and Wonder)</i> event in association with the Penrith Regional Gallery & The Lewers Bequest. 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 the observatory's telescopes.
Saturday 22	Astronomy Night – 'STARGAZING IN THE GARDEN', A PUBLIC PROGRAM WITH PENRITH REGIONAL GALLERY FOR GRAVITY (AND WONDER)
6.30pm – 9.30pm	Where art and science meet. Join us for a special <i>Gravity (and Wonder)</i> event being held at the Penrith Regional Gallery & The Lewers Bequest. Penrith Observatory's new portable planetarium will be onsite and members from the Western Sydney Amateur Astronomy Group will have telescopes available to share the wonders of the night sky with guests.