



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 4, Week 2

20th October, 2016

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Term 4, Week 2

Thursday 20th October

- * PE: 3/8, 4/10, Yr 5
- * Dance Club 3.15- 4.15pm
- * NSWPSSA Athletics SOPAC

Friday 21st October

- * BAND 7.45am (all students)
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * Yr 2 Featherdale Wildlife Park
- * Yr 4 at Parish Mass 9.15am
- * KINDER 2017 TRANSITION DAY 1
Group 1 9.15am—10.45am
Group 2 11.30am—1pm
- * Ice Blocks at Lunchtime \$1
- * Chess Championships 3pm-6pm

Term 4, Week 3

Monday 24th October

BOOK CLUB DUE TODAY

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

Tuesday 25th October

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

Wednesday 26th October

- * Choir 8am
- * Lunch Orders
- * PE: Kindy, 2/6, Year 6
- * Chess 3-4pm

Thursday 27th October

- * PE: 3/8, 4/10, Yr 5
- * Dance Club 3.15- 4.15pm

Friday 28th October

- * BAND 7.45am (all students)
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * KINDER 2017 TRANSITION DAY 2
Group 2 9.15am—10.45am
Group 1 11.30am—1pm
- * ICE BLOCKS AT LUNCHTIME—\$1
- * Whole School Assembly
presented by Yr1 including Band
demonstration concert 2pm

Dear Parents

Sunday's readings have a lot to say to those of us in positions of power in society, but it has a lot to say to all of us. Fr Michael Fullen reflects upon several aspects of our lives that remind us of three things which we can do if we wish to contribute to the building of a just society. We can check our judgments of others, correct any harshness and pray to experience something of the compassion of the heart of Jesus. We can humbly acknowledge our own faults and check ourselves if ever we find ourselves looking down on others. Finally, we can get in touch with the deep yearning in our hearts and remember that everyone has this same yearning, whether we know it or not. God wants everyone to know his love and to turn to him in repentance. Over the next week, let's take on board these three aspects of our lives and see if we can contribute to the building of a better community.

Last Friday many of our Diocesan schools were represented at the annual Mission Mass and Expo celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral. Following mass, our CTK representatives, Anthony, Juliette, Hannah and Ethan enjoyed lunch mixing with students from other schools visiting the various exhibits highlighting the mission activities of our Diocese. The session finished with a presentation from Catholic Mission Australia. Mrs. Burley and I would like to thank our students who accompanied us and the manner in which they conducted themselves. They indeed were great ambassadors for our school.

Since returning to school last week it has been brought to our attention that there has been a substantial outbreak of head lice. Earlier this week information was distributed to over three grades on the best way of treating the condition. It would be greatly appreciated by all members of our community if families are diligent in checking their children's hair and ensuring any outbreaks are treated appropriately.

It is my great pleasure to announce that Mrs. Erin Wynne and Miss Marie-Louise Tcherkezian will be our kindergarten teachers for 2017. We are indeed blessed to have two very passionate and talented teachers welcome and work with our new Kindergarten students in their first year of their primary schooling. Last night our 2017 Kindergarten parents attended an information evening in preparation for commencing schools. Our new Kindergarten children over the next four weeks will participate in their transition / orientation programme with their teachers as they prepare for their first day of school in early February 2017.

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.

	Oct. 17, 2016	Oct. 18, 2016	Oct. 19, 2016	Oct. 20, 2016	Oct. 21, 2016
2	Luke 18: 15-17 Jesus Blesses Little Children	Luke 18: 18-30 A Rich and Important Man	Luke 18: 31-34 Jesus Again Tells about His Death	Luke 18: 35-43 Jesus Heals a Blind Beggar	Luke 19: 1-10 Zacchaeus

Please join the Christ the King community in prayerfully reading the Gospel of Luke for Week 3.

	May 9, 2016	May 10, 2016	May 11, 2016	May 12, 2016	May 13, 2016
3	Luke 2: 22-35 Simeon Praises the Lord	Luke 2: 36-38 Anna Speaks about the Child Jesus	Luke 2: 39-40 The Return to Nazareth	Luke 2: 41-52 The Boy Jesus in the Temple	Luke 3: 1-20 The Preaching of John the Baptist

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

Gifts and Talents

Congratulations to Isabella in Yr 3 for competing in the Acrobatic Gymnastics section of Gymnastics Australia's National Clubs Carnival, held in Bendigo, Victoria on 22nd-25th September. Isabella competed in the Level 5 Women's Pairs division where her and her partner took out the silver medal in both of their competed routines, plus overall silver. Well Done Isabella!!

RETURNING TO CHRIST THE KING IN 2017? Students from Kindy to Year 5

If your child is not returning to Christ the King in 2017, 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.

*Happy Birthday for
the month of October
to*



*Kinder Jake F
Daniel O
Anthony P
Lara K*

*Year 2 Zahra K
Alanna D
Pennie M
Talia M
Isabelle B*

*Year 3 Emma M
Aden B
Chloe H
Isabella Y
Jamelia B*

*Year 4 Robert C
Isabella M
Clarisse T
Giselle K
James G*

*Year 5 Ria S
Alexander L
Andrew E*

*Year 6 Nathan H
Nicholas S*

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

Friday 4th November
KINDER 2017 ORIENTATION DAY 1
All students 9am—12pm

Friday 11th November
KINDER 2017 ORIENTATION DAY 2
All students 9am—12pm

Friday 18th November
- Feast of Christ the King

Wed 23rd November
- Yr 5 Personal
Development Night

Friday 2nd December
- Christmas concert

Tuesday 6th December
- Year 6 Graduation
Ceremony

Wed 7—Fri 9 December
- Year 5 Camp

Thurs 15th December
- Swimming Carnival

Friday 16th December
- End of Year Mass

Friday 16th December
- Yr 6 End-of-Year
Parent / Child dinner

LIBRARY NEWS

SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS Term 4 lessons have begun. Registration forms still available

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 4 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.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB Brochures have been sent home and orders are due back **on MONDAY 24th OCTOBER 2016**. As all orders are processed in one day, please double check your online order before submission or your paper order for accuracy before forwarding it with full payment to the office in a clearly marked envelope. Scholastic Australia will not accept any incorrect orders.

This will be the last Book club order for the year. Remember Books make great Christmas presents and all orders will help raise money for the school library.

Sport News

Congratulations to all the Stage 3 Boys and Girls who represented Christ the King at the Touch Gala Day on the 23rd of September. It was a great day had by all. 2 Boys and 1 Girls team attended the day playing 5 games each.

Further congratulations to the Girls team who won their division. Well-done Girls.



SCHOOL / REPRESENTATIVE ACTIVITIES

A note was sent home with all students on Monday regarding School Representative Activities. Could you please complete this form with your child. We ask for your promptness in returning the completed form to school by **tomorrow Friday 21st October**.

These certificates will be sent home with your child's school report.

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.

TERM 4 SCHOOL CALENDAR

The Term 4 Calendar has been emailed home. Please keep in mind every effort is made to have firm dates and publish these as early as possible. Changes beyond our control sometimes need to be made. Please be assured as much notice as possible is given if this occurs.

CTK Chess Championships 2016

The Christ the King Chess Championships will be held THIS Friday 21st October from 3.00pm to 6.00pm in the Holy Faith Library.

The tournament will be run as a Swiss, with approximately 6-7 games. This means that all children play in all the rounds and no one is knocked out. There will be trophies awarded for the highest 3 scorers, medals presented as age prizes, as well as a perpetual trophy for the school with the name of each year's winner engraved on it. Each child playing will also receive a participation certificate. There may also be other encouragement awards, depending on the number of entries.

Good luck to all students registered to play in this event.

ADVANCED NOTICE : YEAR 5 PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT NIGHT **WEDNESDAY, 23rd November**

As part of Year 5's Personal Development program this term: 'Growing and Changing, we will be holding an information/ activity night as an introduction to the unit.

Both students and parents are invited to attend.

When: Wednesday 23rd November 2016

Time: 6:30pm

Where: Year 5 classroom

The information evening will be run by Mrs Christine Martin.

Mrs Christine Martin is an Accredited Fertility Educator from Natural Fertility Services, CatholicCare, Sydney.

We hope you can join us.

Ice Block Friday **All Ice Blocks will be \$1.00**

ICE BLOCK DAY will continue next Friday 28th October (Week 3). We will need around 8 parents from Year 1 to assist for about 30 minutes on this day. Please meet at 1.20pm in the Hall Kitchen to help with the selling. Please contact either your Class Parent Rep or myself on 0401 648 864 if you are available to help.

Many thanks,
Lucy Kruger
Ice block Coordinator



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.



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 Maths competition have been received.

45 students participated. Excellent results were received with 1 High Distinction, 2 Distinctions and 14 Credits & 5 Merits.

Congratulations to all students who participated.

Maths Achievements

High Distinction

Year 6 *Mykaylah Bouchahine*

Distinction

Year 3 *Alec Mitchell*

Year 6 *Kyarah Bouchahine*

Credits

Year 3 *Henry Abood, Ignatius Lo, Harry Papworth*

Year 4 *Dane Nielsen, Isabella Le, Tahlia Moses, Lauren Lubrano, Aidan Mulder, Tadhg Murphy*

Year 5 *Amelia Papworth, Olivia Ryan, Stephanie Tran*

Year 6 *Lachlan Gebran, Daniel Bertolissio*

Merit

Year 3 *Noah Gebran*

Year 4 *Marie Beaini, Julius Hoekstra*

Year 5 *Owen Mitchell*

Year 6 *Karl El-Sabbagh*

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.

2017 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Any Primary students enrolled in Parramatta Diocesan Schools in Year 5 and 6 in 2017 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four of 2016 (Summer Sports - Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis) and Term One/Two in 2017 (Winter Sports - AFL, Football, Hockey, Netball, Rugby League League, Rugby Union & Touch).

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 2017 be invited to attend.**

Parramatta Diocesan trials in 2017 will be held in the following sports:

*AFL (boys), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), & 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 2017 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"**.

Please ensure that the **SUBMIT button has been pressed upon completing the form and notification email will be sent to the parent/guardian listed on the form confirming this expression of interest has been received.**

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.

Summer Sports Registrations close Friday 28th October 5pm.
Winter Sports Registrations close Friday 3rd February 5pm.

Please contact your school sports coordinator for any further information.

Yours In Sport,

Margaret Thornton

Teaching Educator – Primary Sport

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Facebook: Primary Sport Parramatta Diocese

2017 Team Sport Trials

Parramatta Diocese 2017 Information For Parents of **current Year 4 and Year 5 students**

– Registration window open only for AFL, Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis

Dear Parents,

Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2017 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2016 and in 2017. 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 2017 be invited to attend**. To facilitate this, Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

Sport	Age Group	Trial Date	Nominations Open	Registration closing date
AFL	Open boys & girls	15 th February 2017	Open 13 Oct 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017
Basketball	Open boys & girls	15 th November 2016	Open 13 Oct 2016	Friday 28 th October 2016
Cricket	Open boys & girls	11 th November 2016	Open 13 Oct 2016	Friday 28 th October 2016
Diving	10/11yrs & 12/13yrs girls & boys	Term One 2017	Nominations Open in 2017	Registration via CSSS in 2017
Football (Soccer)	Open boys & girls	2 nd March 2017	Nominations Open in 7 Nov 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017
Golf	Open boys & girls	Term Three 2017	Nominations Open in 2017	Registration via CSSS in 2017
Hockey	Open boys & girls	6 th March 2017	Nominations Open in 7 Nov 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017
Netball	Open girls	14 th March 2017	Nominations Open in 7 Nov 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017
Rugby League	Open boys & 11yrs boys – NB. No State team selected for 11 yrs	15 th March 2017	Nominations Open in 7 Nov 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017
Rugby Union	Open boys	28 th April 2017	Nominations Open in 7 Nov 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017
Softball	Open boys & girls	16 th November 2016	Open 13 Oct 2016	Friday 28 th October 2016
Tennis	Open boys & girls	21 st November 2016	Open 13 Oct 2016	Friday 28 th October 2016
Touch	Open boys & girls	29 th March 2017	Nominations Open in 7 Nov 2016	Friday 3rd February 2017

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 2017 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 to your school once your child has been approved and confirmed 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. Discretion can be sought.

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 NSWPSSA 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 NSWPSSA 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 NSWPSSA 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 NSWPSSA 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".

SUMMER SPORTS NOMINATIONS close Friday 28th October 2016 for the sports of Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis.

WINTER SPORTS NOMINATIONS close Friday 3rd February 2017 for the Sports of AFL, Football, Hockey, Netball, Rugby League, Rugby Union & Touch

Information regarding the team sport trials can be found on the Primary Sport website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au and the **Primary Sport Parramatta Diocese Facebook**.

Good luck to all athletes as they progress through the School Sports Pathway.

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".

PARISH NEWS



NORTH ROCKS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT is an annual community event run by local churches. This year the Carols will be held on Friday 16th December from 5pm - 9pm. The event continues to get bigger and better each year and is looking for sponsorship partners to ensure it continues to grow. This is a great way for businesses to advertise while supporting their local community. For more information, please see the attached page at the end of the newsletter.

CHRISTMAS EVE 6PM FAMILY MASS – Children's Liturgy

All children of CTK parish, CTK school and other local schools are invited to be a part of the 6pm Christmas Eve Family Mass at Christ the King on 24th December. Pre-schoolers up to Year 6 children are all welcome. No special talents are required.

The only requirement is a commitment to attend Children's Liturgy during 10am Mass in November and December, and some rehearsals 11am-12pm in December.

We also would like some adult volunteers who have some talent, interest or expertise in art and craft who may be able to contribute by making some simple backdrops and decorations.

Please contact Erica Rheinberger by emailing rheinberger.eric@gmail.com with your child's name, school grade and age, and a contact phone number.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PENRITH OBSERVATORY?

Event for the remainder of October. 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

OCTOBER	
Saturday 22nd	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.



Catherine McAuley Westmead Enrolments for Year 7 2018

The final Open Morning remaining specifically for Year 7 2018 enrolments is on:

Thursday 17th November 2016 Time: 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 two 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.

Sisters of St Joseph Retreat Centres 2017.

Living Contemplatively Retreats, Sabbaticals and Programs and other opportunities for nourishing the spiritual 2017.

Registration for weekend 4,6 or 8 day retreats are available. If you require any information regarding these retreats please email frontdesk@stjosephscentre.org.au or a brochure is available from the school office.

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE

Where: **In the Wesley Uniting Church grounds at 32 Showground Road, Castle Hill.**

Dates/Times: **Friday November 4th 2016** (operating from **8:00am to 1:00pm**) and **Saturday November 5th 2016** (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 refreshments (tea, coffee and cake) 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.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to current roadworks on Showground Road, there will be **LIMITED** or **NO** parking on either side of Showground Road. Parking on the north side of Showground Road will be possible in (part of) Kentwell Avenue, Worthing Avenue or Castle Street, whilst on the south side parking will be possible in Cheriton Avenue or Cecil Avenue

YOUNGER WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP

CCSS Solo Parent Services' Younger Widowed Support Group is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The Support Group is for men and women widowed at a younger age whether you are a parent or not. **Next gathering:** Tuesday 18th October. **Venue:** DAC, 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. **Time:** 7pm – 9pm **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or Email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

CCSS Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group, is held on the last Tuesday of each month for those navigating their way through a separation or divorce. **Next Gathering:** 25th October **Venue:** CCSS Centre, 38 Prince St, Blacktown. **Time:** 7.30pm – 9.30pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

Gravity (and Wonder); At Penrith Observatory

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 *Gravity (and Wonder)* event in association with the Penrith Regional Gallery & The Lewers Bequest. Evening includes presentation, 3D movie, tour of the dome and 0.6m telescope and telescope viewing (weather permitting).

Bookings are essential

http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on November 19th 8pm-10pm

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A self-knowledge weekend
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from Friday 7:30pm
to Sunday 5pm

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A Place of Grace!**

230 fairlight road
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Price (all included)

early birds (up to 15th Oct)

student: \$160

employed: \$180

after 15th October

student: \$180

employed: \$200

sponsorships available

REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL

Contact:

Sr M. Julie Brcar

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Grace & Silence

Retreat Days

for Young Women 2016 at Mt Schoenstatt

Saturday 3rd September and Saturday 29th October

9:00am - 4pm for General Retreat Day

9:30am - 4pm for Vocation Discernment

to Marriage & Family, Single Life or Consecrated Life

Cost: \$30 includes morning tea, warm lunch, afternoon tea and materials

To Register or for more information contact Sr M Julie juliebrcar@gmail.com



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Twin share accommodation,
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accommodation, \$ 50.00
including Lunch and Tea/Coffee
throughout the day.

Starting with Mass Saturday
morning and finishing with Mass
Sunday afternoon.

Reconciliation and Spiritual
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Weekend Retreat for Christian
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Sat. 29th Oct. 08:00

Sun. 30th Oct. 15:00

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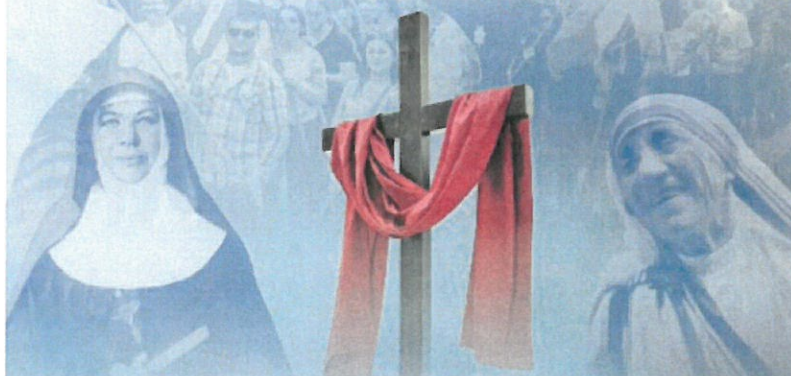


WAY OF MERCY

8 AUGUST - 13 NOVEMBER 2016

EXPERIENCE THE LOVE AND MERCY OF GOD

with THE CROSS OF MERCY and THE RELICS of
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Celebration Date, Time and Venue

Friday 4th & Saturday 5th November - Mt Schoenstatt

FRIDAY

6pm to 10pm Adoration and Reflection in the Shrine.

SATURDAY

9am Stations of Mercy from the Valley to the Shrine or Anointing of the Sick in the Shrine.

11 am Holy Mass, celebrated by Bishop Vincent Long

Afterwards Lunch available or BYO for an enjoyable afternoon on the grounds of Mount
Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre





CONTACT(S)

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BACK TO *McAuley Day*

SUNDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2016, 12 NOON – 4.30PM

All past students, staff, parents and friends of Catherine McAuley Westmead (formerly known as Catherine McAuley Girls High) are invited to return to school to celebrate our 50th anniversary.

Golden Jubilee Mass to
commence at 12 noon,
Morley Centre,
Catherine McAuley Westmead
Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen
OFM Conv DD
Bishop of Parramatta

Following Mass enjoy a 'trip down
memory lane' with memorabilia,
displays, hospitality and performances.

Further information please contact
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