

Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 1, Week 6

2nd March, 2017

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Term 1, Week 6

Friday 3rd March

- Performance Band 7.45am (existing students from 2016 only)
- * Lunch Orders
- * **Band groups** for new and existing students throughout the day
- Ice Blocks—Yr2 helpers needed for today please.

Term 1, Week 7

Catholic Schools Week

Monday 6th March

- Sport Program All students in sport uniform
- * Lunch orders
- Cool Kids Music Club 3-4.00pm

Tuesday 7th March

- * Uniform Shop 9.30am—3.30pm
- * PE : Year 5, Year 2, Year 1

Wednesday 8th March

- * Writing Club 8am
- * Lunch Orders
- * Maths Club 1.30-2.00pm
- * PE: Year 3, Kindergarten
- * Chess 3.00—4.00pm
- Parra Rugby League Trials B'town

Thursday 9th March

- * Choir 8am
- * PE: Year 4, Year 6, Year 1

Friday 10th March

- Performance Band 7.45am (existing students from 2016 only)
- Lunch Orders
- Catholic Schools Week Liturgy
 9.00am followed by morning tea
 and OPEN DAY. New families for
 2018 enrolment will be taken on a
 tour through the school
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Dear Parents.

Next week Christ the King will join with Catholic Schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week.

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of what we do, but also what happens in our schools every day.

Next Friday 10th March, we will celebrate with a liturgy on the bottom playground from 9am followed by morning tea and the opportunity for our new prospective parents to CTK to tour the school with our Year 6 student guides.

We look forward to celebrating with you next week.

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Lent comes around each year and presents us with its usual challenge to take stock of our lives, to see more clearly what is in our hearts.

Lent is a time for spiritual renewal, a time to deny ourselves the luxuries of life so we can focus on greater issues. What is my place before God? How can I improve my relationships with others?

Lent, then, is a season for others.

Sunday's Gospel from Matthew gives us hope. Satan's attempts to shift the priorities of Jesus away from the will of the Father fail, simply because Jesus refused to play God. Instead, he clung to the mission of serving God. He inspires us to do the same.

Dear Lord, as I begin my journey toward spiritual growth, help me to look deep within myself and let go of the old and embrace the new life that comes from you.

Friday Welcoming BBQ

Last Friday afternoon was a wonderful event as we welcomed the Kindergarten parents and New Families to our Parish/School Community with a well attended and enjoyable BBQ.

My thanks and appreciation to the many generous parents who kindly assisted on the evening, preparing food, serving drinks, cooking the BBQ and cleaning up. You truly communicated the spirit of Christ the King. Many thanks to the student leadership team for their presence and representation as they welcomed parents and also assisted in the many aspects of the evening. The Kinder and new children thoroughly enjoyed the time with friends and parents in their new environment.

Have a wonderful week. Bernadette Walsh

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

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Friday 10th March

Catholic Schools Week Liturgy 9.00am—9.30am

The Community of Christ the King invites parents, friends, neighbours and their families to join us for a liturgy and morning tea. This liturgy will be followed by Open Classrooms for families of new enrolments for 2018.

Open Day from 9.45am—10.45am

The Community of Christ the King invites new families to join us for our liturgy (beginning at 9am), morning tea and a guided tour to our learning areas.

9:00 am	Liturgy Begins
9:45 am	Students return to their classrooms / Parents and visitors enjoy morning tea on the Basketball court
10:00 am	Parents and Visitors will be given a guided tour by our Year 6 Leaders to the open classroom as a fishbowl experience
10:40 am	Thank you for joining us. Parents and Visitors are asked to promptly leave the site to enable students to go out to recess.
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This is a fantastic opportunity to acknowledge the achievements of our school community. We would also like to celebrate with members of our parish and the wider Catholic community. I encourage you to participate in this spirit of celebration.

10:45 am

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Please note: that this will be an opportunity to see learning in action and this time is not to be used as a teacher / parent meeting.

Christ the King North Rocks

2017 Open Day 9.00-10.45am Friday, 10th March

Liturgy,

Morning tea,

visiting learning areas

and guided tours by



our Year 6 students for new 2018 families.

The Community of Christ the King North Rocks

invites parents, friends, neighbours and their families to join us for a Liturgy, morning tea and a visit of our Learning Areas. Year 6 Students will be offering guided tours for new families.

Enrolment packages will be available on the day.

When: Friday, 10th March Liturgy begins at 9:00am

Where: 2 Statham Avenue, North Rocks.

Come along and join us for an Introduction to Our School Enquiries to: northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au







STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM 2017

School Captain Hannah Abood School Captain William Kaddis

School Prefects Ciara Murphy

Amelia Papworth Antonios Bou Abdallah

Cameron Khadi Stephanie Tran Isaac Elchaar

Isabelle Boumelhem

Felix Chan

Colour Houses

DARUG-RED MADDOCK-GREEN BURTON-BLUE AYLWARD-YELLOW Nicholas Roppolo Brianna Coorey Ella Isaia Holly Stone

Abby West Cameron Este Kiera Wainwright Marcus Younis

PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

6.00pm

Sunday Masses

8.00am, 10.00am

Weekday Masses

Monday no masses Wednesday 9.00am Tuesday Thursday

7.30pm 9.00am

Friday

9.15am

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

Parish Pastoral Council News

At our recent Parish Pastoral Council meeting we formed 5 sub-committees, four of which are seeking additional members. We would like to invite all parishioners to consider joining one of them. These sub-committees work to implement the Parish Pastoral Plan and to plan initiatives within the Parish. They generally meet 6 times per year in the evenings.

If you would like to join a sub-committee or to receive more information, please contact Fr Ian, any member of the PPC or the relevant contact person listed below:

Promoting our Faith: Deacon Tony Hoban tony.hoban@optusnet.com.au

Parish Life and Community: Darren So and Erica Rheinberger

soejd@hotmail.com AND rheinberger.erica@gmail.com

Youth and Young Adults: Brad Vergano bradvergano@gmail.com

Social Justice: Jon Manasan jon.manasan@gmail.com

"CTK KingsMen" have scheduled their second get together NEXT Tuesday 7th March at Baulkham Hills Sports Club from 7pm.

Come along and meet like minded fathers of our community and share a meal and drink in a relaxed and casual environment.

For more information please contact Peter or just come along on the night, bring a mate with you for a greater experience.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Peter Elchaar JP, KingsMen 0408 678 922

Happy Birthday for the month of March to



Kinder Hamish M Anthony S Scarlett S Zachary B

Year 1 Dylan G Alibree T Isaac R George L

Year 2 Joel A
Filumena L
Mackenzie M
Joseph S
Lilly W
Ranbir S
Ethan B
Ben H

Marc C

Year 3 Grace K Amelia B Gabriel M

Year 4 Mia F Amelia F Harry P Zara C

Year 5 James D
Dane N
Matea N
Christopher S
Mikayla A

Year 6 Felix C
Mark M
Olivia R
Jackson W
Matthew C
Hannah A
Joseph M
Monique B

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

Thur 23rd—Fri 24th March

 Year 6 visiting Canberra

Wednesday 29th March

 First Eucharist Parent Information night

Friday 31st March

• CTK Cross Country Carnival

Thursday 6th April

- Holy Week Liturgy Friday 7th April
- Easter Hat Parade
- Last day of Term 1



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

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EVERY DAY MATTERS

Missing just two days a month from school amounts to four weeks of lost learning a year.

That's a whole year of lost learning from Kindergarten to Year 10. Monitor attendance trends regularly to make sure absences aren't adding up.



every learner every day

How can you promote a healthy attendance culture in your school?

Visit www.parra.catholic.edu.au/everylearnereveryday to find out more.





What's happening in Year 4?

In Year 4 we have been learning about creating descriptive texts using figurative language. Below is one of the texts that we have constructed as a class.

If it had of been 65 million years ago it would have been alright to think that a giant egg being on my lawn would have been normal. But it wasn't, it was 2017. I called out to Mum and Dad but no one answered. I called out to my sister and brother and again no one answered. Mr. Lonergan's dog, Buster, was barking non stop. I had to find out what was happening outside.

I slightly pushed open the back door to peek to see if anyone was around. That was odd, Buster was in the yard, the fence was crumbled in between the two houses. As I searched around the yard I finally saw it. A giant egg just sitting there pulsating with a bright green glow coming off of it. It was three times the size of me and as wide as a tank. I was terrified.

The next thing I heard was police sirens. Police cars screamed down the street as I slowly stepped down into the backyard. The sirens stopped as I made it to the bottom. Police officers are now in my backyard, standing right next to me. Police pick me up and carry me into a police car in a hurry. I kicked and screamed as I was dragged into the back of the paddy wagon by two police officers.

"What is happening? Why am I here?" I demanded.

"Please be patient Murphy, you need to come with us." Detective Sargison said. "All of your questions will be answered when we get you safe."

"Where is my family? Why is there an egg in my yard?" I screamed at the two detectives.

"Just wait, you will find out soon enough." answered Detective Robertson.

I sat in the back seat for what seemed like an age, I was still wondering what had happened to my family. I realised that I needed to be patient but I was so nervous that I almost wet myself. We finally stopped at a set of traffic lights. I looked left, I looked right, no one was around. All of a sudden a loud engine flew over the top of the police car. The car shook and trembled as the engine got louder and louder. The glass shattered as another flying object flew over the top of the car. The police officers grabbed their radio to try and find out what was happening in the middle of this farming town. There was only static on the radio.

"We must go quick, we aren't stopping, we must get to the next bunker, we are not safe." Detective Sargison ordered Detective Robertson to drive.

"What about Murphy, his parents and family are on the other side of town. The closest bunker for us is only two miles away." Detective Robertson replied.

"There is no way that we can get Murphy safe without harming ourselves."

I was so scared at what was happening around me. I didn't know what to say or how to react. I just had to do what the police officers were saying. Maybe it had something to do with the egg or maybe it had something to do with the fence. Maybe Buster saw something back at the house that could explain all of this, but he's a dog; he can't give me any answers.

As we approached the bunker a few soldiers were standing outside armed with large guns. I was so scared that I just followed the two detectives. As we approached the door of the bunker a loud explosion could be heard off in the distance. One of the power poles had fallen to the ground. The lights flickered before finally stopping and turning off, there was now no power. A large squeal could be heard through the air. It was a piercing sound that hurt everybody's ears. We fell to the floor in pain from the noise. Nobody knew what it was, where it came from or what it wanted to do.

We were ushered into the bunker by the guards hastily. As I entered I noticed that there was little rooms around the bunker. I couldn't see much due to the power being out but everyone was running around and looked very frightened. What was a seven year old going to be able to do to help?

Finally after almost an hour of chaos the power returned. I thought this would be great but in fact it was possibly the worst thing that happened today. The news report had started to show the true extent of what was happening outside. One of the news reports was filmed out the front of what used to be my house. My house was now flat, the rubble was everywhere. Smoke and burnt out pieces of my house filled the background of the news report. The egg that was mysteriously found earlier in the day could be seen. It was no longer pulsating green instead it was cracked.

The footprints that could be seen on the outside of my house indicated to me that it was not a small animal that hatched from the egg. Maybe that was the reason I needed to get to safety. But why in this bunker? Surely they could have taken me to my family. All of a sudden a tremble was felt through the ground. Everything on the bunker's walls fell to the floor. Another tremble followed as the sound of what was approaching grew closer and closer.

The little window that would allow me to see outside showed the true extent of what damage was done. Slowly it approached the bunker. Each step made the ground shake. I didn't know what to do. Everyone else in the bunker was not focusing on what was outside the window. They were all looking at their screens trying to come up with a solution to the potential problem. But little did they know that the problem was just outside the window.

I screamed at the sight of this creature. It was dark. That was all I could make out from the distance it was away from me. Everyone rushed to see what was wrong. I got pushed out of the way behind all of the soldiers as they looked out the window. Finally they moved out after the Captain ordered them to do something. I did not know what it was but they all grabbed what they needed. I tried to get another look at the creature as it got closer and closer. I noticed horns on its back. It had red wings laced with a hard shell. It was the most terrifying thing I had ever seen. Quickly a beam of light shone through the bunker.

The soldiers quickly tried to escape the bunker in formation in order to protect us inside. The door slammed shut as they were all outside now. Who knew what would happen? Detective Sargison told me to follow him away from the action of what was happening outside. I quickly followed in his footsteps as loud noises like fireworks could be heard. I was led down a tunnel into another room where I was the only person.

"You'll be safe here" Detective Sargison said "This spot is so far underground that whatever happens you will be fine. Do not come out until I come and get you. I am the only person that knows you are here. Here are some chips and bottles of water to get you through. I will be back as soon as possible."

Detective Sargison left me behind the door. All I could do now was wait.

I waited for what seemed like an age. I had finished three bottles of water and had eaten those chips. Detective Sargison finally returned. He was sweaty, his clothes were torn but he was safe. This meant that it must be safe.

"Murphy, I need your help, we don't know what it is, we don't know where it came from but we do know it is over. The rest of the bunker is completely destroyed."

"What about any other bunkers, like where my family are?"

"We will have to investigate but I know there is a lot of damage to the other parts of town."

Detective Sargison, two soldiers and I jumped into a truck that was still working. We didn't say a word as we drove away from the bunker looking at everything that happened in the battle.

The drive was long but when we finally got to the bunker in Peterstown it seemed like everything was ok. Soldiers guarded this bunker as well, they hadn't heard the news yet of what had happened at our bunker.

They opened the door and let people out. I could see all my neighbours but still couldn't find my parents or my siblings. Finally I heard a voice.

"Murphy, is that you?"

I turned around and looked to see who called out to me. I couldn't see through the crowd but I knew who it was. I swung around and looked but still can't find that voice. I was picked up from behind and it was my dad.

My mum and sister quickly followed. My brother was a little bit slower but he finally got through the crowd. We had a great hug together.

"I think it's time to go" Mum said, obviously not knowing what had happened.

"Mum, our house is ruined, it's been destroyed, we don't have a home to go back to....."



Illustrated by Jayda I.

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

Registration forms HAVE BEEN SENT HOME (to students from Years 3-6). Strict guidelines must be adhered to when registering your child for these competitions. Please take note of closing dates as NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Registration forms are due to the Office by FRIDAY 17TH MARCH.



2017 Responsible Use of Technology Agreement

Technology Acknowledgements MUST be completed by NEXT THURSDAY 9TH MARCH.

Year3 to Year 6: GO TO: https://goo.gl/forms/6BF8wwimG2WxD9c83
Kindergarten to Year 2: https://goo.gl/forms/AOHS2X9OMHSTTMeV2

Dear Parents

Please make completion of this Responsible Use of Technology Google Form a priority.

Please complete this form with your child. This will provide you with an opportunity to discuss your child's safety and appropriate use of technology with them.

All students have been introduced to their response form at school. If the form is not completed by 9th March, your child will not be able to use the School Technology.

Sarah Cook Teacher Librarian

Primary School Chess teams Competition 2017

Organised by the NSW Junior Chess League, the competition is run during Term 2 on a Friday after school. Teams of four players compete against local schools on a home and away basis beginning when the away team arrives, usually by 3.30 pm. The competition relies on parent participation, a roster is made up covering transport and supervision of your child's team.

This competition is open to all students who can play chess not only the Wednesday afternoon club. If your child is interested in playing in this after-school chess teams competition and you can help, please collect an information letter and form from Mrs Cook or the school office.

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TERM DATES FOR 2017

Term 1 Last Day Term 1—Friday 7th April

	Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Easter Monday,	Friday, 14 th April } Sunday, 16 th April } Public Holidays Monday, 17 th April }
Term 2	Monday, 26 th April Anzac Day, Wednesday 26th April	School begins Tuesday, 25th April} Public Holiday to Friday, 30th June

Term 3 Tuesday, 18th July to Friday, 22nd September

Term 4 Monday, 9th October to Friday 15th December

SPORT NEWS

DIOCESAN SWIMMING NEWS

Congratulations to Brinleigh G, Eden H and Dane G for competing in the Diocesan Swimming Carnival on Monday at Blacktown. Brinleigh and Dane have now qualified for the MacKillop trials that will take place on Wednesday, 22nd March at Sydney Olympic Park. We wish them well in their events.





DIOCESAN SOCCER REPRESENTATIVE TRIALS

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to take part in the Parramatta Diocesan Soccer Representative Trials: Mickey B., Teja F., Marcus Y. and Isabelle Z. This event was meant to take place on the 2nd of March but due to the inclement weather this has now been postponed and yet to be confirmed on the new date.

Cross Country ADVANCED NOTICE 31st March

Year 2 students (turning 8 this year) to Year 6 attending. Kindergarten, Year 1 & remaining Year 2 students stay at school

Please note: NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY

The CTK Cross Country carnival will take place on FRIDAY 31ST March at Don Moore Reserve.

On the day, all students attending must wear their full sports uniform, running shoes, sun screen and a hat. Students will also be required to bring a bottle of water to rehydrate after their race. Students must also have their fruit break, recess and lunch on this day.

We are in need of parent volunteers to ensure the successful running of the carnival. A student information form will be coming home soon. If you are able to assist, please indicate this on the form. Thank you in anticipation of your assistance.

Aaron Debrincat, Sport Coordinator

CTK SWIMMING CARNIVAL (held in 2016 for 2017) AGE CHAMPIONSHIPS MEDAL PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

We have had a few enquiries from parents regarding the date of the Presentation Assembly for the Age Championship medals for our Swimming Carnival (which was held in 2016 for the 2017 year).

The medals have been ordered and are due for delivery soon.

A skoolbag notification with all details will be sent to parents once the medals have been received and all assembly arrangements have been finalised.

We thank you for your understanding and patience.

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.

HAVING ISSUES WITH THE Skoolbag app



Skao bager 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
- Complete all fields 4.
- In the last field you need to tap and then you can sign with your finger on your phone screen 5.
- 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.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS IMPORTANT: CHANGE TO OPENING HOURS—NEXT TUESDAY 7TH MARCH 9.30am-3.30pm

(odd weeks on school calendar) 9.30am-3.30pm TUESDAYS (even weeks on school calendar) 8.30am—2.30pm

The Uniform Shop is open on TUESDAYS each week with alternative 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 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.

Ice Block Friday One ice block per student. \$1-00

ICEBLOCK day will continue TOMORROW, Friday 3rd March with the Year 2 parents running the sales for this week.

Ice Blocks are \$1 each and each student can only receive one ice block. Please inform the office if you do NOT wish your child to purchase an ice block or please ensure that your child has their money on the day to avoid any tears. As a heads up, Year 3 parent helpers will be needed for next weeks Ice block day (Friday 10th March). Please meet me at 1.20pm in the Hall.

Ms. Lucy Kruger, Ice block coordinator

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 <u>ALL</u> PARENT VOLUNTEERS <u>INCLUDING THOSE WHO</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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 www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the 'Volunteers and Contractors-Click here' image (halfway down page on the right hand side).

This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 1—Volunteer Form and follow the steps

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 School / 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.



www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the 'Volunteers and Contractors-Click here' image (halfway down page on the right hand side). This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 2—Complete the Online Training Module

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: www.parra.catholic.edu.au and follow Step 1 above
- 2. Wait for confirmation email
- 3. On receipt of the confirmation email follow Step 2 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Oakhill College Year 7, 2018 and Year 7, 2019 Enrolments

Applications for enrolment into Year 7, 2018 will close on Friday 17th March, 2017 and enrolment into Year 7, 2019 will close on Friday 18th August, 2017. Parents who wish to apply for enrolment of their sons in Year 7 at Oakhill College, and who have not yet submitted an Application for Enrolment, are requested to contact the Registrar before the closing dates on 9899 2288 or registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au



GILROY CATHOLIC COLLEGE 17-37 Marie Street CASTLE HILL NSW 2154

Welcomes families to our Annual "Open Evening for Year 7 2018" on Wednesday 8 March 2017

CollegeTours will be conducted from 5.00pm-6.00pm and re-commence at 7.00pm-7.30pm.

Opening address by the Principal commences at 6.15pm in the Brother Damien Harvey Hall.

Enrolment Packages will be available on the night for children currently in Year 6 2017.

Expression of Interest forms will be available for other families with younger children (e.g. Year 5).

Gilroy Catholic College focuses on quality education within the nurturing environment of a faith community.

Gilroy is a Technology rich learning environment.

We aim to develop competent and confident young people who can think critically and make decisions informed by Catholic values.

Pastoral care is central to the organisation and operation of the College and endeavours to ensure that all students are able to recognise the dignity of their relationship with others.

Applications close: 10 May 2017.

You will be contacted mid Term 2 if you are successful to attend an interview.

For further information visit our website or Phone: 8853-8200 or Email: gilroy@parra.catholic.edu.au

MARIST COLLEGE EASTWOOD OPEN DAY

Sunday 5 March from 12 noon - 3:00pm

Come along and have an enjoyable and informative afternoon.

Enrolments are now being finalised for Year 7 2018 and applications for 2019 and 2020 are being taken. Please download enrolment form via our website

www.mce.nsw.edu.au



Expanding beyond what we know we can be











Monday, 6 March, 2017 | 4.00pm to 6.00pm





Schoenstatt Shrine Open Times: The Shrine is open 7 days a week, 365 days a year, 7am to 8pm, for quiet personal prayer and reflection. Come and enjoy the peace and grace of the Shrine and our beautiful rural surroundings. You are always welcome to bring your family and friends and share lunch in the grounds. Mount Schoenstatt. 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Please contact the center if you have any guestions on 4773 8338.

Retreat Day for Families - Time for Us to prepare our Hearts for Lent. Sunday 5th March, 2017: 11am Holy Mass in the Family Hall followed by BYO Picnic, 1.30pm Input for Adults and Programme for Children, 3pm Prayer followed by Afternoon Tea. Free Event but Registration essential: www.trybooking.com/251605

Shrine Time in 2017 - Young Adults 18-35 When: 4th Sunday of every month 2017, 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by social gathering. What: 1 Holy Hour with prayer, reflection, meditation, praise & worship. 2017 is devoted to Praying for Vocations and Devotion to Mary as per our Holy Father's intentions for the next WYD. Why: Mary, honoured as the Mother Thrice Admirable, offers 3 graces in the Shrine, this monthly event is a unique opportunity to experience them regularly: * Discover your HOME in the hearts of Jesus and Mary * See breakthrough TRANSFORMATION in your life * Get your spiritual boost to be an authentic WITNESS.

Formation for Young Adults 18-35 - Love of Mary, Love of the Church, Love of the Mission of Christ When: 3rd Sunday of every month 2017 What: 12pm - Lunch - bring a plate to share, followed by formation and prayer - concludes by 3pm Why: Want to know what it means to be human? Want to become an authentic Christian? If Yes, then join us for formation in the Schoenstatt Spirituality.



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52ND ANNUAL **COUNTRY FAIR**

121 Arcadia Road, Arcadia 12th March 2017

- Plants

- White Elephant
 Jumping Castle
- Sweets
- Hot/Cold Drinks
 Face Painting

- BBQ · Choc. Wheel
- Farm Produce
- Merry-go-round Fancy Goods

- Raffles
- Cakes Select Market Stalls
- Tours of the Monastery 11:00am / 12:00pm / 1:00pm / 2:00pm

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We will be hosting some fun and educational activities, in conjunction with the Australian War Memorial, from Monday 17 to Friday
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