



# Christ the King, North Rocks

**Term 3, Week 7**
**28th August, 2014**

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**Week 7**
**Fri 29**

- \* **SPRING FAIR MUFTI DAY**  
Donate a plant or a bottle for the Fair.
- \* **Year 5 Bathurst Excursion**
- \* **BAND 7.45am**
- \* **Lunch Orders**
- \* **GYM PROGRAM - Parents invited**

**Week 8**
**Mon 1 September**

- \* **Lunch Orders**
- \* **Junior Glee 3.00-4.00pm**

**Tue 2**

- \* **Senior Glee 7.45-8.45am**
- \* **Maths Club 8.00-8.30am**
- \* **UNIFORM SHOP**  
8.30am—11.30am  
1.30pm—3.30pm
- \* **GRADE SPORT Yr.1, Yr.2, Yr.5**
- \* **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 7.30PM**

**Wed 3**

- \* **CHOIR 8am**
- \* **GRADE SPORT Kinder, Yr.2, Yr.6**
- \* **Chess 3.00-4.00pm**
- \* **Father's Day wrapping night 7.30pm**

**Thur 4**

- \* **Rugby 7's Gala day**
- \* **FATHER'S DAY STALL**
- \* **GRADE SPORT Yr. 3, Yr. 4**
- \* **DANCECLUB 3.15-4.15pm**
- \* **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 7.30PM**

**Fri 5**

- \* **FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST**
- \* **Stage 2 Touch Gala day**
- \* **BAND 7.45am**
- \* **Lunch Orders**
- \* **GYM PROGRAM Sport uniform**

Dear Parents,


**National Literacy & Numeracy Week**


**This week we celebrated National Numeracy and Literacy Week across Australia.**

**PARENT LITERACY WORKSHOP**

Thank you to our parents and carers who attended the Parent Literacy Workshop yesterday afternoon.

It was a wonderful opportunity for parents to reflect on and share their own experiences of reading and to compare it to how their children learn to read at Christ the King today.

Throughout the workshop parents and carers were provided with tips and suggestions of how best to guide, reward and promote reading with their children at home.

*Many thanks to Mr Matthews and Mrs. Parsons for their valuable and experienced input into the workshop.*

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**Sacrament of Confirmation**

*Next week students will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation ceremony which promises to be a wonderful occasion as the children receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.*

*As a community we extend our best wishes and congratulations to these children and their families who will gather on Tuesday & Thursday evenings to receive this Sacrament.*



## PARISH NEWS

### Parish Mass times

**Saturday Vigil** 6.00pm

**Sunday Masses** 8.00am, 10.00am and 6.00pm

### **Weekday Masses**

**Monday** no masses      **Tuesday** 7.30pm

**Wednesday** 9.00am      **Thursday** 9.00am

**Friday** 9.15am      **Saturday** 9.00am

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

## **SMOOTH SUNDAY PARISH BBQ**

**It's on again Christ The King parish BBQ after 10am mass  
THIS SUNDAY 31st August.**

**Come along and share with our families some quality time and great yummy  
freashly cooked sausages to celebrate our great CTK community.**

**Enjoy our BBQ and have a smooth time meeting other wonderful members of  
our great parish and school community.**

**Enjoy the fun and support our parish and school before the Spring Fair in two  
weeks time.**

**Can't wait to see you there..**

***Peter Elchaar JP  
Parish Council***

### Prayers are requested

*Please keep in your prayers the Roia Family (Austin Yr 5).*

*Over the past three weeks the Roia Family have lost two Great Aunties and a Great  
Uncle. Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine on them forever.*

### Celebrating Gifts and Talents

We wish the following students the very best of luck as they head into their  
grand final in the Balmain Junior Rugby League representing the Carlingford  
Cougars this weekend.

Congratulations to:

**Year 5:** Will Carroll, Nicholas Kelly, Mark Anthony Merhi, Jarod Wimalaratne

**Year 6:** Samuel Abraham, Benjamin Bounassif, Eric Dwyer, Daniel Hall, Daniel  
Spurr

### Grade Events

#### Year 6 Lunch

Year 6 lunch is planned for Friday 5th September at the Baulkham Hills Sports  
Club at 1.00pm. Please RSVP Natalie Conway on 0404 878 940.



## *Happy Birthday this week to:*



### August:

**28th** Noah Kite  
Ava Bebawy

**29th** Louis Rivera

**30th** Jack White

**31st** Christian Elchaar  
Libby Beasley

### September

**1st** Jordan Moses  
Patrick Elliott  
Jayden Wahbe

**2nd** Julius Hoekstra  
Nicole Travers

**3rd** Nicholas Cerrone

**6th** George Fitsakis

### MARK IN YOUR DIARY

- \* **BOOK WEEK PARADE**  
Wednesday 10th September
- \* **STAFF DEVELOPMENT /  
PUPIL FREE DAY**  
Friday 19th September
- \* **CTK WALKATHON**  
Friday 24th October
- \* **Yr6 Graduation Mass**  
Thursday 11th December
- \* **Yr6 Graduation Dinner**  
Saturday 13th December



## **ADVANCED NOTICE – MARK IN YOUR DIARY**

### **Father's Day Breakfast**

**Friday 5th September**

**7.45am—8.45am**

**Everyone welcome!**

Helpers are needed at  
this morning event.  
If you are available to  
assist, please contact  
Tanya Wehbe on  
0412 135 933.

**See more information  
inside this newsletter.**



# Gymnastics Program



## Invitation to Parents

Dance Fever Multisport would like to extend an invitation to parents to watch their children participate in their gymnastics program TOMORROW, **Friday August 29<sup>th</sup>** (Week 7).

The gymnastics program is held in the Parish Hall. The roster for the program is below.

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|-----------------|--------|
| 8:45am-9:25am   | Year 6 |
| 9:25am-10:05am  | Year 5 |
| 10:05am-10:45am | Kindy  |
| <b>RECESS</b>   |        |
| 11:15am-11:55am | Year 2 |
| 11:55am-12:35pm | Year 3 |
| 12:35pm-1:15pm  | Year 1 |
| <b>LUNCH</b>    |        |
| 2:00pm-2:40pm   | Year 4 |

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### Sport News

Congratulations to all students who represented Christ the King at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival last Friday. All students are congratulated for being selected for Diocesan and for demonstrating great sportsmanship throughout the day.

A special mention to the Junior Boys Relay Team for breaking the Diocesan Record and Daniel Bertolissio for being awarded the title of Junior Boys Age Champion!

We congratulate the following students who have been selected to represent the Parramatta Diocesan Athletics team at Mackillop: Lucas Sassen, Marcus Younis, Monique Brown, Hunter Hosking, Daniel Bertolissio, Nathan Hall and Joshua Georges. We wish all competitors the best of luck.

Samantha Werner, Sport Coordinator

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### UNIFORM SHOP 2014

**TUESDAYS 8.30AM—11.00AM**  
**1.30PM—3.30PM**

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

Parents are most welcome to place an order through the office. FULL PAYMENT must accompany all orders. The Uniform Shop can accept cash or cheque (made payable to Christ the King). Eftpos facilities are able to be accessed through the School office for Uniform orders.

**The Uniform Shop Price List is now available on the Christ the King School web site.**

Go to [ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au](http://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.

## **NEWS FROM THE P&F**

### **Father's Day**

**The Father's Day wrapping night will be NEXT WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> September** in the Church Hall from 7.30pm. We will be needing around 25 or so volunteers to help with wrapping over 600 Father's Day gifts and also some of the Chocolate Wheel prizes for the Spring Fair. If you can help at any stage, please pop into the hall. We appreciate all the help we can get, and ultimately, so do all our children who we do this for.

**The Father's Day stall will be held on THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> September** from 9.30am – Recess. Again, we need a dozen or so mum's to help with selling on the day. We will be set up in the hall from 9am and we generally finish at recess as teachers bring their classes through very efficiently. Please text me if you can help on either day (0400 308 570).

**The Father's Day gifts this year will all be "confectionary" based and will be \$7.50 each including gift bag and card.** There will be 6 different options being: - (dads, please look away!)

Licorice Bucket

Rocky Road Bag

Liquor Truffle Box

Mixed Nuts in Glass Jar

Spearmint Leaves Jar together with small box of Fudge

Teddy in Box with Shortbread biscuits

Children will be escorted up in their classes with their teachers from 9.30am onwards to make a purchase. Students will be able to purchase 2 gifts each if they wish. Could you please ensure the students have their money on the day. All gifts will be held in the classrooms – unopened – until the end of the day. Please note, students will not be allowed to "consume" anything they have purchased at school.

**The students that are at the Rugby 7's Gala day on Thursday 4th Sept will be able to pre-order which item/items they would like.** Could you please forward an envelope with your name and order written on the front and your money inside and forward to the school office between now and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and your gift will be labelled and put aside awaiting collection on the Friday. **If there are any other students that will not be available to attend the stall** on Thursday with their classes, you are invited to do the same procedure listed above.

**The Father's Day breakfast will be on FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> September from 7.45am – 8.45am.** Big thanks to Tanya Wehbe for all her efforts. I'm sure it will be a wonderful morning for the dads as we send them to work with a lovely hot breakfast roll and coffee.

### **Raffle Ticket selling at Westfield North Rocks**

Our raffle tickets were a huge success last weekend at Westfield all due to the parents that volunteered in one hour shifts to help. The kids were fantastic and proved to outsell any parent on the day. Thank you to the following children:- Raphael and Rebecca Cheung, Stephanie Este, Isabella Wimalaratne, Jack White, Thomas Samany, the Cerrone kids, Jenna Gillespie, Juliette Hughes, the Chan kids, the Kinaan sisters, Isabella and Max Murray, Ameliah Louise, Isabella Milic, Adrian Puglisi, Rebecca Kasemsri, Gaby Novak, Annalise Richardson, Kiera Wainwright, Olivia and Max Ryan and Cameron Este. Thank you to the parents that helped out and apologies if I have forgotten any students.

This weekend raffle tickets will be sold after all of the 4 masses. If any children are available to help for 20 minutes or so after each mass, please make your way to the foyer of the church to the co-ordinator who will be there with booklets.

There has been such a great show of community spirit the last couple of weeks with all facets of the Spring Fair organisation. No matter how small your contribution, and how much time you are able to give, everything has been appreciated and ultimately, our school and parish will greatly benefit.

Thank you to All!

**Connie Este, P&F Committee**



## FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

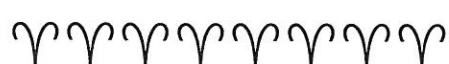
NEXT Friday 5th September from 7.45–8.45am  
we will be celebrating "Fathers" at Christ the King.

### **THE COLA AREA WILL BE OPEN FOR PARKING**

We invite Dad's to our school oval to begin the day with a hot bbq breakfast (with coffee and juice) coordinated by the P & F Committee. Breakfast will be followed by a Celebration liturgy at 9.15am after which Dad's are then invited to visit the classrooms to read with their child.

The children are very much looking forward to sharing this time with their fathers and we appreciate the re-organizing that goes with attending these events.

We hope you can join us.



### *Dad's breakfast message from the Social Committee*

The Social Committee know how much Dad's love their bacon, eggs and sausages, so that's what we have organised for breakfast at our Father's Day Celebration.

*A gold coin donation on the day will assist with covering the cost for this scrumptious treat.*

*Tanya Wehbe, Father's Day Breakfast Coordinator  
CTK P & F Committee*

## YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO US.

### PLEASE TAKE CARE WHEN TURNING INTO AND DRIVING THROUGH THE SCHOOL IN THE MORNING

**Morning Drop-Off** Parents are reminded that when dropping off their children in the morning the following guidelines apply:

- \* Supervision of children begins at **8:15am**
- \* **Always drive less than 5km per hour within the school grounds**
- \* Be aware of the traffic flow of the other cars around you (this is a busy time of morning for everyone and extra care should be exercised)
- \* **Don't STOP on the pedestrian crossing**
- \* **The Kiss and Drop area is for Drop Off Only.** If you need to get out of the car please park your car in a designated parking spot
- \* Always have children leave the vehicle on the passenger side only
- \* Children **MUST** use the crossing.

Only park in **designated** parking spaces around the hall, never on the top playground unless there is a major school function, and only then after 9.00am as latecomers may still be walking across the playground.

**We thank you in advance for your continued support and care.**

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## LIBRARY NEWS

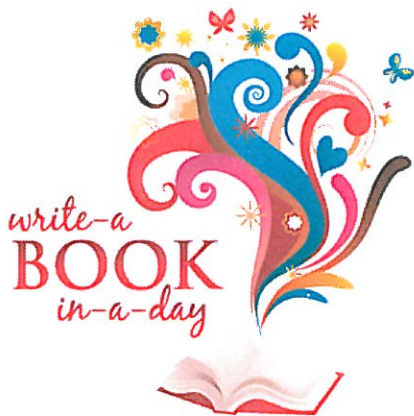
### CELEBRATING LITERACY & NUMERACY WEEK: BOOK PARADE WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER

This year's Book Week theme is "Connect to Reading". You may wish to follow the theme by connecting to your past or culture by dressing in traditional clothing or as your favourite book character.

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

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

## WRITE A BOOK IN A DAY 2014



Write a book in a day was many things; fantastic, happy, emotional and challenging. We would recommend it for those who want to challenge their writing skills in a competitive fashion. It improves how you work in a group situation. In the competition, you are chosen to 'perform' as a group where discourse and fighting is not an option. Our books were written for the children at Westmead Children's Hospital which made us feel pleased because we know that we are making children laugh and feel happy when they are going through a tough time. The best part was writing a book for all those children who are sick.

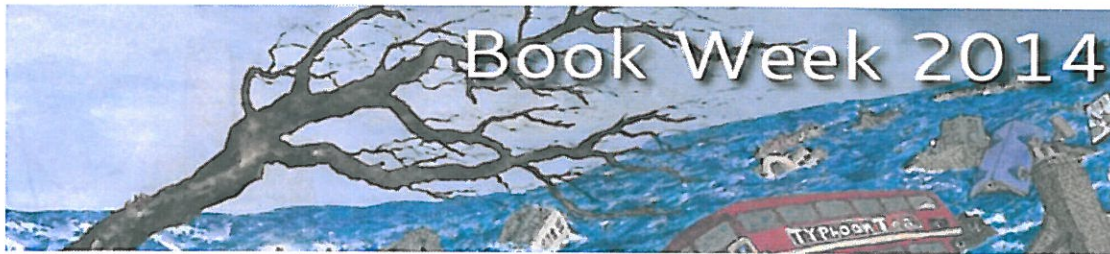
"It is a fun and exciting experience and I enjoyed it VERY MUCH. I rate the competition 5/5 stars! (If that is possible!)"

*Nathan Moussa-participant*

"Write a book in a day can be summed up in 3 words; competitive, thrilling and FUN. I would recommend it to anyone who can pick up a piece of paper. I would DEFINITELY rate it 5/5 stars. (If that is even possible!)"

*Alyssa Lubrano-participant*





## Year 3 Recount of Book Week Worlds Apart Performance

Today, CTK saw a show called "Worlds Apart". It showed us some shortlisted books for Book Week. The main performers were Edward, Molly, Reg and their mums. Molly lives in 1914 and at the same time Edward was living in 2014.

It was Molly and Edward's birthday and they both got an old box. When they opened the box they could see each other.

But they could not speak to each other so they used letters to communicate.

With the books they got as a present Molly found out about the future and Edward found out more about the past. At the end we asked questions and there was a quiz about the show.

*Olivia Ryan*

I just saw "Worlds Apart". The first part of the show was set in 1914 and 2014. There was a girl named Molly and a boy named Edward. They both turned ten on the same day. They both got a writing set with ink and paper. But that was only the start, when they opened the box they could see each other. But they couldn't communicate with each other. So they used their writing set. By the end they both knew that the future holds a better life.

*Ella Dalton*

The Story was about "Worlds Apart". There were two kids that lived in the same world but in different years. The characters were Edward and Molly.

They were both turning ten. They lived at the same address but one hundred years apart.

For their birthday they got a box and when they looked into the box at the same time they could see each other.

Edward always had problems on his mind and he was always thinking about what could happen tomorrow.

Molly was always thinking about if her dad would come back home from the war. So she communicated by writing a letter to Edward.

Molly wrote to Edward that he shouldn't worry about the future.

Edward wrote to Molly and told her that her dad would come back safely from the war.

*Felix Chan*

When the performance, Worlds Apart started I was excited and it was funny and I laughed. There were two ten year olds, Edward and Molly who lived in the same home but one hundred years apart.

They both got the exact same box on their birthdays, because their birthdays were on the same day. They communicated by using their writing sets that they both got for their birthdays. They both helped each other and made each other's future feel brighter.

*Ryan Bounassif*

Last week in the hall there was a performance based on Book Week 2014. The story was about a boy named Edward and a girl named Molly who lived 100 years apart. They both lived at the same house with the same birthday. At the same time they opened one box that they both received for their tenth birthday. When they opened it they saw each other but realised they couldn't hear each other. They found a way to communicate by writing letters to each other.

Molly has a brother Reg and a father who was fighting in World War One. Reg wanted to join the army to find where his father could be. Molly didn't want Reg to leave so he asked Edward if he could research and find out if her father will be okay and will be coming home soon.

Edward realises that he doesn't need to worry about the future because he needs to focus on the present.

The box was sent away to help other people.

*Cameron Khadi*

### *Year 5— Worlds Apart was a Blast!*

Worlds Apart was a blast  
About the future and the past  
A treasure box in the same house  
But one hundred years apart

Molly and Edward  
On an adventure  
Exploring the past and future  
Which created a lovely picture

Molly's dad at war  
Edward did the research  
The more they found out  
The more hope they saw

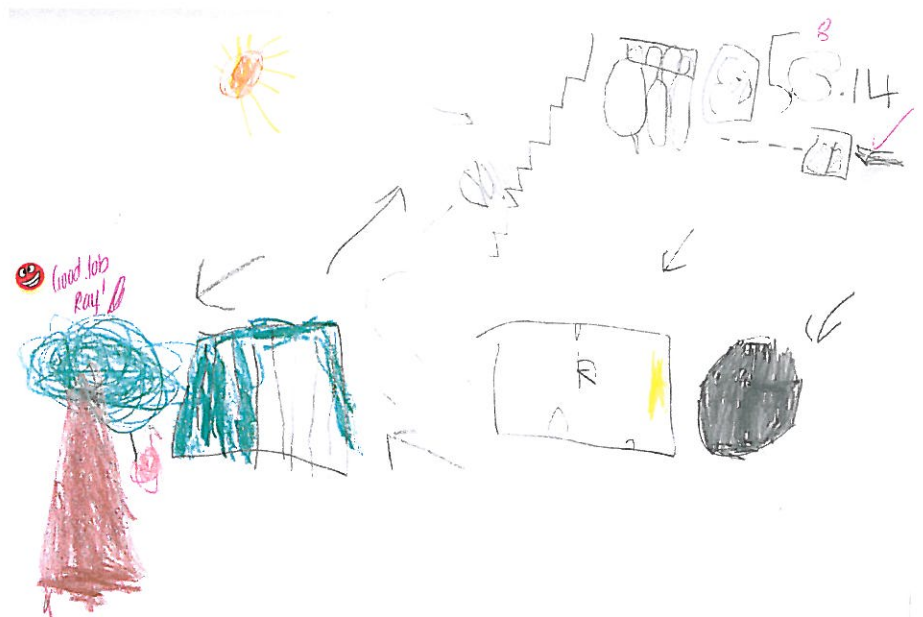
With letters for communication  
Together they created ..... a friendship

Then the box was gone  
Their friendship lived on  
No more worries about the future  
They will never forget each other

*By Amelia, Lucinda and Lara Year 5*



The Kindergarten children in Mathematics have helped Marvin the Martian to navigate around Christ the King by creating him special maps.

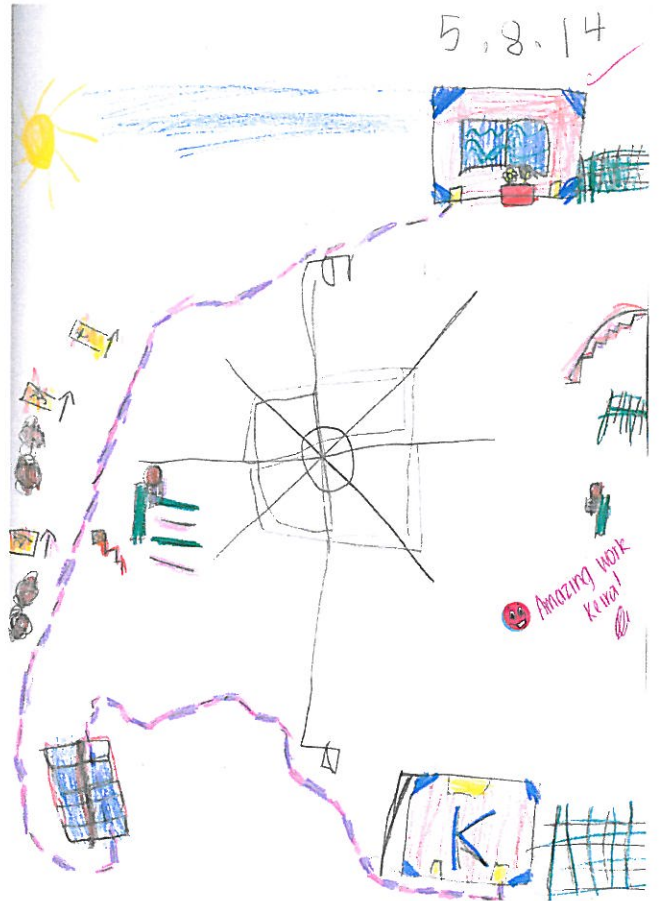


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Great map Sophia!



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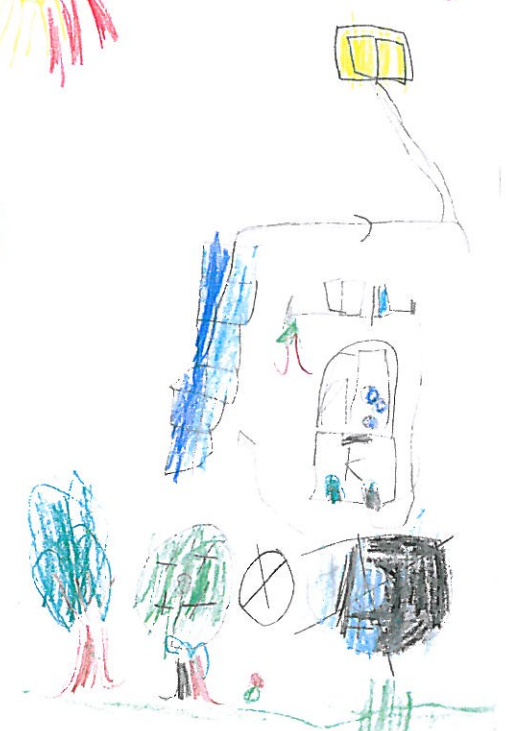


Amazing work Kunal!

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Well done Nicholas!



Here are some of Kindergartens maps!



## ***Tournament of Minds 2014***



On Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2014, our Tournament of Minds team competed in the Sydney West Regional Finals at the University of Western Sydney, Kingswood Campus.

The team who represented CTK included Tamsyn Brown, Alyssa Lubrano, Daniel Spurr and Angelina Wehbe of Year 6 and Marcus Georges, Alex Nielson and Jakob Reid of Year 5.

Our team's first challenge was the Spontaneous Challenge, held at 2pm. The challenge involved viewing a photograph of an unidentified object that was found by archaeologists, followed by the creation of a message to send to Homebase detailing what the object is, where it was found, what it is used for and why it should be preserved...all in 25 words or less! And in no more than 5 minutes!! The feedback we received from the Spontaneous Challenge was extremely positive as the main criterion of this challenge was to work productively in a team, which we were certainly able to do.

We moved straight from the Spontaneous Challenge to another building in the University to perform our 'International Court of Justice' Long Term Challenge at 2:40pm. Our TOM team presented their drama confidently and accurately, which we knew they would after the intensive practice sessions of the past weeks.

At the conclusion of all challenges, we made our way to the main Lecture Theatre for presentations. For each category only one winner was awarded, with a special 'Honours' award for second place. For our category, Social Sciences, Christ the King was awarded Honours for our efforts throughout the day!

Congratulations to all members of our Tournament of Minds team for their time, skills and effort over the past 6 weeks; we are extremely proud of you all! A warm thank you is also extended to our team parents for their support throughout the program.

