



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 4, Week 3

24th October, 2013

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WEEK 3

Fri 25

- * 7.45am Band
- * Lunch Orders
- * Yr 4 attending Parish Mass & 5/12 Reconciliation
- * **ICE BLOCK DAY \$1-00 AT LUNCHTIME**
- * Whole School assembly presented by Year 3 including Band demonstration for new members 2014
- * **Pink Ribbon Ladies Evening**

Sun 27

- * Stage 2 Parish Mass followed by Parish BBQ

WEEK 4 Kindergarten 2014 Orientation

Mon 28

- * Lunch orders
- * **SCHOOL PHOTO ABSENTEE DAY**
- * **DANCE FEVER** All students in sport uniform
- * **BOOKFAIR 8.30—3.30 Library**

Tue 29

- * Glee Club 7.50am Senior Vocal
8.20am Senior Dance
Junior classes held throughout the day
- * Uniform Shop 8.30am—11.30am & 1.30pm—3.30pm
- * **BOOKFAIR 8.30—3.30 Library**
- * Fete Craft Club (Kinder) 1pm—2pm in the Library

Wed 30

- * **DANCE FEVER**—Yr 4 make-up lesson
- * **Choir 8am**
- * **BOOKFAIR 8.30—3.30 Library**
- * Chess Club 3-4pm
- * **BAND / CHOIR EVENING 7PM**
- * **FIRST RECONCILIATION—2ND PARENT MTG 7pm in the Church**

Thur 31

- * Fete Craft Club (Yr 1) 1pm—2pm in the Library
- * Danceclub 3.15—4.15pm

November

Fri 1

- * 7.45am Band
- * Lunch Orders
- * **FEAST OF ALL SAINTS**
Whole School Mass 9.15am

CHANGES TO THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thanks for your patience

The School newsletter is now delivered via email on Thursday afternoons. Please ensure the school has your most current email address.

Please note: Families who do not have access to an email facility and/or prefer a hard copy of the newsletter will need to collect the newsletter from the office.

Hard copies of newsletters will be available for collection by either yourself or your child each week from the office.

The newsletter is also available for viewing on the School website.

SCHOOL PHOTO ABSENTEE DAY—NEXT MONDAY 28th October

If your child was absent on School photo day, they have the opportunity to have their photo taken next Monday, 28th October at 9am.

Please ensure that children wear their **full school summer uniform** i.e. no jewellery, maroon hair ribbons, neat hair, no nail polish, no make-up, practise smiling.

Photo envelopes are available from the Office.

EVERY CHILD MUST HAVE THEIR OWN ENVELOPE.

CORRECT PAYMENT ONLY—NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN

Family Photos may also be taken at this time. Family photo envelopes are available from the office.

Please note: the school office does not hold cash and therefore will not be able to supply any change.

Children will also need to bring their sport uniform to change into for their usual Dance Fever class on this day.

REMINDER

Ice Block Day

TOMORROW, Friday, 25th October

\$1

**BRING YOUR MONEY AND
PAY ON THE DAY**

All Kindergarten helpers are asked to arrive at the Hall by 1-15pm. Volunteers from other grades are most welcome.

MARK IN YOUR DIARY / TERM 4

- * Year 5 Camp Wed 13-Fri 15th Nov
- * CTK 40th Anniversary Mass 9am Thursday, 21st Nov
- * 2013 CTK Annual Fete Friday, 22nd Nov
- * 2014 Swimming Carnival Tuesday, 17th December
- * End of Year Mass, Wednesday 18th December

ARE YOU LEAVING CTK AT THE END OF THE YEAR

If you have children in Kindergarten to Year 5 and will be leaving our community at the end of the year, could you please notify the school office (if you have not already done so) in writing so that future grade numbers can be calculated and anxious families on our waiting lists can be offered a place.

Carnival Book Fair 2013

On Monday the 28th through to Wednesday 30th October (Week 4) the Holy Faith Library will be hosting a Carnival Book Fair. This is an excellent opportunity:

- To promote reading for pleasure with your children
- For parents and grandparents to purchase Christmas gifts
- For families to purchase a book to donate to the library (a donation sticker will be placed in the book acknowledging your generosity and your child will be given the opportunity to borrow the book first)
- For the library to purchase new resources with the commission we earn on the sales.

The focus for library donations and commission this year will be on non-fiction books and titles recommended in the new English curriculum.

Students will bring home a flyer advertising the Book Fair today. Please note that the purchase of books is optional.

Students will be given the opportunity on Monday to view the Book Fair and possibly take note of books they may wish to purchase. Parents are asked to send in money or a cheque (made payable to Carnival Book Fairs) in an envelope or complete the credit card information on the back of the Wish List with your child on Tuesday and Wednesday when students will be able to purchase their book. Every attempt will be made to ensure your child gets the book they want but we sometimes run out of popular titles on the day in which case an alternative can be purchased, the book can be placed on back order or your money returned.

Parents are invited to view the Book Fair on Monday afternoon 2.45 pm— 3.45 pm, and Tuesday and Wednesday 8.30 am – 3.30 pm.

If you are able to assist on either Tuesday or Wednesday for an hour or so please email the school, northsrock@parra.catholic.edu.au In the subject line place Book Fair Helper and in the message including your name and day and times available.

Sarah Cook, Teacher / Librarian

Please keep in your prayers



Prayers are requested for Mrs. Kelly-Hosking (PE Teacher) and her family on the passing into eternal life of her mother last Thursday.

We ask you to keep Mrs. Kelly-Hosking and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Grant her eternal rest O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her for ever.

Happy Birthday this week to

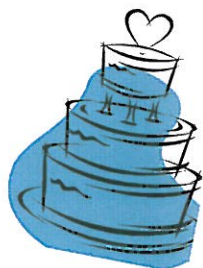


- 25th Kathryn White
Alexander Bozanic
James Georges
Jamelia BouAbdallah
- 26th Alexander Lim
- 27th Michaela Iuliano
- 28th Mrs Anne-Marie Parsons
Diego Torres
Austin Roia
- 29th Lauren Federer
- 30th Mrs Joanne Barrett
- 31st Nathan Moussa

Please update Calendar

Year 1 Assembly

Due to unforeseen circumstances this assembly has been reschedule to Friday, 6th December (Wk 9) not Friday 15th November as shown on the school calendar.



Wedding Congratulations

Our congratulations to Mr Cairns (Yr 5 teacher) and his fiancé Anna who will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage this weekend.

I know you will join with me in wishing Patrick and Anna all the best for their wedding day and their new life together.

CHRIST THE KING BAND & CHOIR

Invite you to join us for a night of music.

Date:	WEDNESDAY, 30th October
Time:	7:00pm (students to arrive by 6:45pm)
Venue:	Mary MacKillop Hall
Dress:	Summer Uniform

We hope you can join us!

Please note—if any band members are unable to attend the concert, please contact Mr Lavis as soon as possible at steve@teachingservices.com.au

Years 2 to 6—REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFICATES

These forms will be sent home this week

Each year we recognise the children in our school who have participated in extra curricular activities. These certificates will be sent home with children in Week 9.

These forms will be sent home this week, additional copies will be available from the Office.

Please note: Even if your child **did not** participate in any extra-curricular activities this form needs to be returned. Please tick the first box and put a line through the attached form, sign it and return it to your child's teacher.

We ask for your promptness in returning the completed form to your child's teacher by **FRIDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER**. Certificates for forms received after this date may not be possible.

UNIFORM SHOP 2013

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 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.

SPORT NEWS

Last Wednesday Christ the King had 4 students represent their school and Mackillop at the NSW PSSA Carnival at Homebush. These students represented their school with some outstanding efforts.

Junior Boys 4 x 100m relay

Our relay team (Daniel Bertolissio, Marcus Younis, Nathan Hall, & Anthony Younis) delivered a tremendous performance. In their first heat the team came 1st with a time of 58.98 sec. This time qualified them for the semi-finals consisting of 2 heats. The team came second in their heat with a time of 58.42 seconds. This time qualified them for the finals in which the team came 8th overall in the State with a time of 58.41 seconds. The Christ the King community is extremely proud of their performance, particularly on a very long and hot day. What a great achievement!

Boys 9yrs 100m dash

Daniel Bertolissio also had the opportunity to run in the 100m heats and semi finals on Wednesday. He then qualified for the finals on Thursday. Daniel delivered an outstanding result coming 1st in the Finals making him the State Champion for a second year in a row. He ran an amazing time of 13.82 seconds which is also his personal best time. Congratulations to Daniel.

Boys 8yrs 100m dash

Our youngest team member, Marcus Younis, ran in the 100m heats and semi finals on Wednesday. He qualified for the finals on Thursday, achieving an outstanding result of 6th in the State at a time of 15.20 seconds. Congratulations to Marcus.

The above boys have put in a fantastic effort and should be commended.

A special thanks to Donna Bissett for supporting the relay team and helping them train for this event!



P & F NEWS

FUN'raising NEWS Commencing this Friday 25th October we will be selling Iceblocks at lunch for **\$1.00 each**. Kindergarten helpers are requested to assist with this Ice-block day. Can helpers meet in the Church Hall at 1.15pm.

GENERAL

Environmental Lunch Bags are still available. Wallets for \$10.00, Insulated all Rounder for \$12.00 and Updated Laminated Name Tags for \$1.00, please consider these especially for lunch orders.

If you would like to purchase the 'Perfect Lunchbox' recipe book please forward \$30.00 per book to the school office with your child's name, class and number of books required.

Yours in fun, Nowell Moussa and Melina Gozzi

CHRISTMAS GINGERBREAD DECORATING NIGHT Monday 16th December

The Social Committee are organising a Gingerbread House decorating night. Flyer coming home soon with more details!!!

FETE—CTK CRAFT CLUB

The Craft Club will continue next Tuesday, 29th October (Kinder) and Thursday 31st October (Yr 1) in the Library. Students from those grades only will be offered the opportunity to come along and enjoy making a range of Christmas themed items which will then be offered for sale at the fete with proceeds to go to the school for the purchase of resources for the classrooms and the playground. We feel this offers a great way for the students to get involved in raising funds for our school while learning some new skills and enjoying time with their friends and classmates. If you are able to assist please come along between 1pm and 2pm. All help would be greatly appreciated. Alison Baxter, Fete Coordinator alisonbaxter@live.com

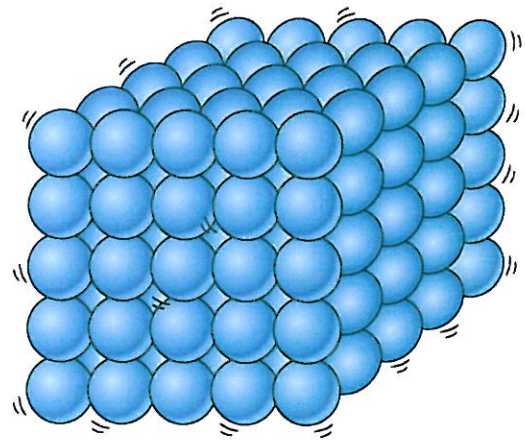
Year 5 are Change Detectives!

This term Year Five have been learning about how substances change from one form to another. This week we looked at solids, liquids and gases. We acted out the relationship between particles in each of these forms and the transformation from solid to liquid to gas with the application of heat...

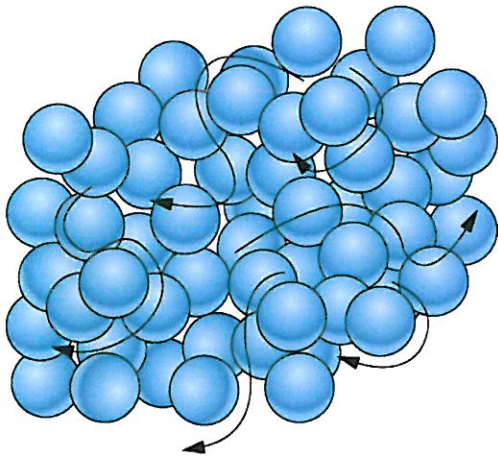
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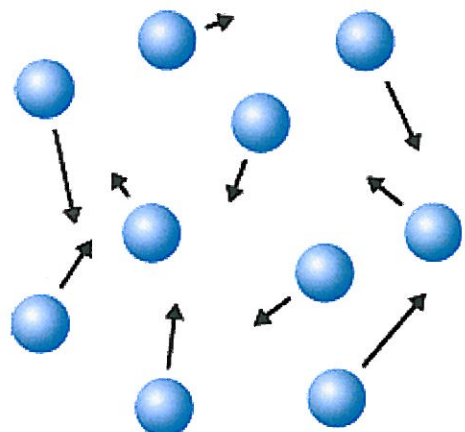
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Gases



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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					

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### FIRST RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

Children in Year 2 or older, who have not yet received First Reconciliation are invited to participate.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated at **4pm on Saturday, 30th November 2013**. The program will run for a period of 4 weeks leading to your child's First Reconciliation.

*All parents are asked to attend the next meeting which will be held on:  
Wednesday 30th Oct at 7pm in the Church.*

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PARISH BBQ SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER

Christ The King students from years 3 & 4 are hosting the Sunday 10am mass this Sunday 27th October.

After the service the parish will be providing a **FREE** bbq for the kids, teachers and families as well as parishioners in our great community.

So come along and join in the fun and celebration of our youth in our school.

There will be yummy sausages, drinks and ice cream for the kids and *maybe adults too* (if you behave)

You will also have time to play and hang out with friends and make new ones too.

Tell all your friends to be there and mum and dad too....

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### Christ the King Parish Christmas Eve Children's Mass Performance

It's time to start planning for Christmas!

We need children to participate in the Parish Christmas Eve 6pm Family Mass. Over the last few years children from the parish have performed a retelling of the Christmas story with song, dance and drama (usually with a touch of comedy). This is a beautiful way for you and your family to celebrate the joyous news that Christmas brings.

As such we are looking for actors, young singers and older children for a choir or to lead the singing.

Children will be required to attend rehearsals during Children's Liturgy (10am Mass) in November and December. There will also be rehearsals from 11am-12 midday after Mass in December.

Auditions and casting will take place on Sunday 20th October during Children's Liturgy.

Should you wish your child to participate in this performance, please email me with your child's name, grade and a contact phone number.

A commitment needs to be made for your child to attend all the rehearsals and the performance evening. It is especially important that they can make the 11am-12pm rehearsals in December.

For more information contact Sarah Cook or email Erica Rheinberger

[erica.rheinberger@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:erica.rheinberger@syd.catholic.edu.au)



## Pink Ribbon News



This Friday at lunch time we are having a lolly guessing competition. See if you can guess how many jelly beans are in the jar! Each guess is 50c. The winner will be announced at the 2pm assembly this Friday 25th October. Also there will be Pink Ribbon merchandise available for sale from 3pm at the school if anyone is interested.

Our Pink Ribbon Ladies Night is to be held this Friday the 25th October from 7-10 pm at the Mary Mackillop Hall. It will be a fun night of champagne and finger food with many raffle and lucky door prizes. Thank you to everyone who has bought tickets and we look forward to seeing you on the night.

Thank you to Nowell Moussa and Marianne Dwyer for coordinating the Jelly and Ice-Cream day last Friday. All the children enjoyed their lunch time treat. Also a big thank you to the Mum's who helped make and sell the jelly. Our total efforts for the day came to \$830.30.

Many thanks to Alison Murphy who organised the volunteers to help sell Pink Ribbon merchandise and raffle tickets at Westfield's North Rocks. Also a huge thank you to the generous volunteers who donated their time in the last two weeks.

This week a wonderful group of ladies from the Pink Ribbon Committee made over 1000 pink lamingtons. It was a tremendous achievement. All ordered lamingtons have now been delivered as of this afternoon. Thank you to all the families who have bought these lovely boxes of pink lamingtons. In total we sold 160 boxes.

Please return all Pink Ribbon raffle books either sold or unsold by Friday the 25th October. This raffle will be drawn at our Ladies Night on Friday 25th October. This raffle forms the major fundraising for our Pink Ribbon Event. We appreciate your support in making this a success and thank all the families who have bought tickets.

### **Sponsor:**

Nelson Brown: Sales Consultant

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# Pink Ribbon 2013 Major Raffle



**1st Prize** Yellow/White Gold hooped earrings each featuring a single diamond. Valued at \$550 from Gabriel Jewellers, Castle Hill donated by the Ozer Family

**2nd Prize** Debit Credit Card valued at \$500 donated by the Kaltoum Family

**3rd Prize** Doyle's voucher for a three course meal for 4 people donated by the Croxford Family

**4th Prize** Nikon camera with accessory pack valued over \$300 donated by the Georges Family

**5th Prize** Pure Hair Pure Body Package valued over \$200 including Personal Hair & Beauty products donated by the Elchaar's

**6th Prize** Gold Class voucher to the value of \$150 donated by the Warner Family

***\$2 per ticket***

*Christ the King School, North Rocks  
proudly supports Pink Ribbon Day*

Raffle drawn at the Christ the King  
Pink Ribbon Ladies Night  
Friday 25th October 2013

We thank you in advance for all your support. All proceeds the CTK Pink Ribbon committee raise go towards supporting breast cancer research for prevention and cure. For further information you can contact Kathleen Spurr 0414701137 (Pink Ribbon Coordinator)



## Celebrating Gifts & Talents

Congratulations to Olivia Sassen & Tianna Bertolissio (Kindergarten), Cameron Khadi (Yr 2) & Lucy Khadi (Yr 3) all competed in the Metropolitan West Regional Gymnastics competition on Sunday 13 October 2013.

Olivia Sassen (Kinder) - Individually Olivia achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Bronze) in the individual Beam event, 6<sup>th</sup> in Floor & 13<sup>th</sup> overall. In the team events Olivia achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Beam, 4<sup>th</sup> in Floor & 5<sup>th</sup> Overall.

Tianna Bertolissio (Kinder) – Individually Tianna achieved 4<sup>th</sup> place in Floor, 10<sup>th</sup> in Vault & 10 overall. In the team events Tianna achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Beam, 4<sup>th</sup> in Floor & 5<sup>th</sup> Overall.

*This was Olivia and Tianna's first ever competition, they both competed with great excitement and commitment.*

Cameron Khadi (Yr 2) – Individually Cameron achieved 1<sup>st</sup> Place (Gold) in Beam, 1<sup>st</sup> Place (Gold) in Floor, 7<sup>th</sup> in Vault, 7<sup>th</sup> in Bars & 4<sup>th</sup> overall. In the team events Cameron achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> place in beam, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Floor & 4<sup>th</sup> overall.

Lucy Khadi (Yr 3) – Individually Lucy achieved 6<sup>th</sup> place in Beam & 10<sup>th</sup> in Floor. In the team events Lucy achieved 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Vault, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Beam, 4<sup>th</sup> in Floor, 5<sup>th</sup> in Bars & 5<sup>th</sup> Overall.

*All the girls participated with great enthusiasm and zest, their enormous efforts at training has rewarded them all with great results.*

Congratulations to Monique Brown (2/5) who broke the club record in the under 9s shot put at Little Athletics with a throw of 6.44m.

## CHILD PROTECTION—CEO PARRAMATTA MODULE & THE NEW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK



The Working with Children Check is now a **three step process** which includes Completion of the CEO Online Child Protection Module and Completion of the 'new working with children check' through the NSW Commission for Children website. Applicants will then need to present the completed documentation at their local Roads & Maritime Service (RMS) Office (formally RTA) for screening which completes the check.

1. It is a Diocesan requirement that any parent volunteering at Christ the King School complete the Child Protection training module.

This training is to be completed online at :

<http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au>

CTK will receive email notification when you complete the CEO module.  
The Child Protection module **MUST** be completed every 2 years.

2. When module has been completed go to: **www.kids.nsw.gov.au** and follow the links to complete the 'new working with children check'. A Working With Children Check is a prerequisite for anyone in child-related work. It involves a national criminal history check and review of findings of workplace misconduct.

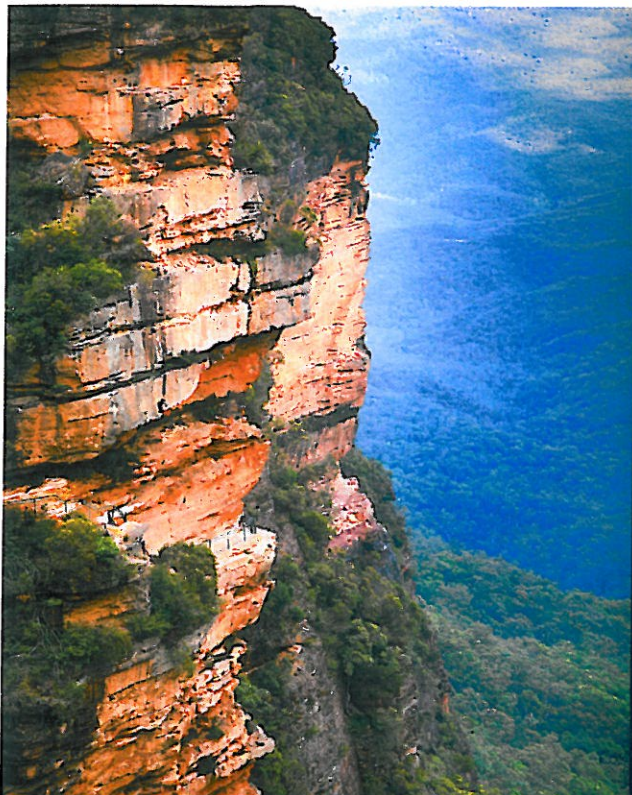
Only paid workers in child-related work are required to pay the \$80 fee for a five year clearance. This equates to \$16 per year, the lowest in Australia (together with Victoria).

*The Working With Children Check remains free for:*

- Volunteers and students
- Potential adoptive parents
- Authorised carers
- Adults who reside in the home of:
  - an authorised carer
  - a family day care service provider
- a home-based education and care service provider.

3. Once the RMS check has been completed you will receive an email which will state that you have clearance to work with children. A copy of the RMS email will need to be presented to the school office to complete your Working with Children Check. **Only then** will you be cleared to work with the children in the school.





## Catholic Diocese of Parramatta **Bushfire Appeal**



The Catholic Diocese of Parramatta has launched an emergency appeal to assist people who have been impacted by the New South Wales bushfires.

One person has died and over 300 homes have been lost or damaged including the homes of staff and families from St Thomas Aquinas parish & school community and St Columba's High School.

Donations to the emergency appeal can be made through CatholicCare Social Services Parramatta **[www.ccss.org.au](http://www.ccss.org.au)**

Cheques can be made payable to CatholicCare Social Services - Bushfire Appeal and mailed to:

**Bushfire Appeal, PO Box 2023, North Parramatta, NSW, 1750**

Parishes and schools who would like to make a donation can send a cheque or deposit funds via:

**BSB 062315**

**Account: 901486**

**Account Name: 5243 S2-Disaster Relief Appeal**

*Please give generously  
and keep all those affected in your thoughts and prayers*



**ST MONICA'S FETE** SATURDAY 26TH OCT. 9AM—3PM 10 Daking Street, North Parramatta. Chocolate Wheel, International Foods, Craft, Entertainment, Trash & Treasure, Toys, BBQ, Coffee, Showbags, Lucky Dip, Treats, Devonshire Tea, Slot Cars, Face Painting & lots more.....

**Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta** is now accepting applications for Mercy Scholarships for Academic Excellence and Music Excellence. Girls entering Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2015 are invited to apply. Visit the College website [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au) for more information.

**GKR Karate** – Are you interested in learning more about Karate? Are you keen for your child to learn self defence? Do you want to increase your fitness? Did you know that karate can help a child build confidence and self esteem? If you have any interest in finding out about local classes and costs please do not hesitate to contact Kerrie Collier 0414 465 416. Karate is for everyone!

**LITTLE FLIPPERS MOBILE SWIM SCHOOL**

We come to you to teach swimming in the confidence of your OWN pool. All swimming instructors are Austswim or Swim Australia Qualified. For information contact: Jacqui Stone 0421 205 929.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**: A relationship enrichment weekend for married couples. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . Your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again!

Weekend date: 8 – 10 November at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW

Bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435 or [wsharpe@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wsharpe@bigpond.net.au)

Information: website [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

**THE AFTERNOON SHIFT** at Hills Community Aid, Baulkham Heights. **Free activities** The Afternoon Shift is a space for families to come together free of technology and other everyday interruptions. Each week we provide activities for families with children from 5-12 and their parent/s. Information pamphlet available from the office. For further info contact Mici 9639 8620 Or [cdw2@hca.org.au](mailto:cdw2@hca.org.au)

**AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR OPEN DAY** All school aged girls are invited to come along to the AGC Open Day for more. The Open Day will be held on Sunday 27th October and gives girls the opportunity to join in a free class and attend an information session. Phone 9922 6733 for more info.

**WESLEY FAMILY CENTRE** Family Support Programs, Community Development, Financial Counselling Services and Expressive Therapy Services. Many programs available with services running in many suburbs. Examples include: Triple P Parenting Program, Anchor Program—Connect Kids, Music Playschool, Go \$ Fun— NSW Health, Streetsmart @ Paws in the Park, Mum's Parenting & Timeout Group, Separation & Divorce, Being a Great Dad in a Fast Paced World, Bullying, Peer Relationships & Parenting and lots more. Information pamphlet available from the office.

**GET IN2 FUN—MILO CRICKET** There's no better way to spend a day than with new friends learning how to play cricket! With the MILO in2Cricket program, girls and boys get to learn awesome skills, play exciting games and have great fun. NORTH ROCKS PARK @ 5-6pm every Friday until 13/12. Register online or at the grounds. Registration \$60. [in2cricket.com.au](http://in2cricket.com.au) For further enquiries please contact Nathan Middleton [n.middleton.117@gmail.com](mailto:n.middleton.117@gmail.com)

**North Rocks Netball Club Registration Day** AT: Don Moore Reserve Tiernan Ave North Rocks Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2013 -- 10am to 2pm

Enquiries to [wiggys46@optusnet.com.au](mailto:wiggys46@optusnet.com.au) Or Fay Briscoe 9871 2896

**STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED**

On the last Tuesday of each month CatholicCare Solo Parent Ministry invites those who have been separated or divorced to an evening for sharing and support. The emphasis is on personal development, growth and goals for a hope-filled future. Shared personal experiences are prompted by the questions: "How well are you stepping beyond? What do you want to step beyond? What are you currently stepping beyond? What is stopping you from stepping beyond? What have you learned as you keep stepping beyond?" Venue: CCSS centre 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. When: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October. Time: 7.30 – 9.30. Cost: \$5.00. Registration: [soloparentministry@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentministry@ccss.org.au) or Ph. 99330205.

**Loreto Normanhurst is holding its biennial Spring Fair on Sunday 27th October 2013** from 10am-4pm. It is a traditional country-style fair held on the school oval and its surrounds. This year, a Spring Fair Fun Run will start the day at 9am. Highlights of the Loreto Normanhurst Spring Fair 2013 include: • Fun Run • Farmers Market • Kindifarm • Pony rides • Face painting • Carnival rides • International Food • Silent Auction • Major Raffle • Live music and entertainment and other fair favourites...Devonshire tea, cakes, gelato, fairy floss, macarons, dippin' dots, coffee, Aussie BBQ, craft, flowers & plants, secondhand books, retro & vintage wares, vintage clothing, jewellery, gift baskets, tombola, chocolate wheel and plenty of parking.

The cost for unlimited rides on the day is \$35, however, we extend to you an offer to pre-purchase armbands for \$30. This can be done online at <http://www.trybooking.com/DODS>. Registrations in advance are essential for the Fun Run and can be made online at <http://trybooking.com/DKXZ>. We hope to see you there.