



**Term 4**

**Week 2**

**16th October, 2014**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**OCTOBER**

Fri 17th	● Crazy Sock Day
Mon 20th	● Year 3 Penrith Lakes
Tue 21st	● Year 3 Penrith Lakes ● Basketball Gala Day
Thu 23rd	● 8:30am - Year 4, Youth Eco Summit
Fri 24th	● Kindergarten - Toy Workshop ● PRG - Haunted Halloween Howler Disco
Sat 25th Sun 26th	● PRG Family Portraits
Tue 28th	● School Photos

**NOVEMBER**

Wed 5th	● 7:00pm - Kinder 2015 Parent Information Meeting
Mon 10th	● Staff Development Day

Dear Parents,

In this day and age it is a very difficult role, being a parent. No one teaches you how to be a parent. We often watch others, model ourselves on some, attempt some trial and error but often we question our approach to raising children. This is a normal part of parenting. The following story is 'food for thought'.

**The Test Kitchen Of Life**

A child was complaining to his father about how difficult life was. The father said nothing, but took his child to the kitchen and put 3 pots of water on to boil. He added carrots to the first pot, eggs to the second and coffee to the third.

After all three items had cooked, he put them in separate bowls and then asked his child to first cut into the carrots, then the eggs and finally to smell the coffee.

"What does this mean?" the child asked.

"Each food," replied the father, "teaches us something about facing adversity, as represented by the boiling water."

"The carrots went in hard but came out soft and weak, while the eggs went in fragile but came out hardened. But the coffee changed the water into something better."

The father then asked, "Which will you be like as you face life? Will you give up, become hardened or transform adversity into triumph?"

"You are the chef of your own life, so what will you bring to the table?"

This message from this story is very clear. As parents you need to teach your children to take on challenges in life, and to persevere and remain positive as they work through them. Resilience is a quality that our children can only develop through experiencing conflict and adversity. Of course we need to be there to support them through their difficult times, but we also need to let them 'be the chef of their own lives.'

Enjoy the week ahead,  
Kindest regards,

Mrs Maree Tonnet  
Acting Principal

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Dear Parents,



### **Faith Formation**

#### **First Reading**

Is 45:1.4-6

I am the Lord, there is no other.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R. v.7

#### **Second Reading**

1 Thes 1:1-5

Paul greets the Thessalonians.

#### **Gospel**

Mt 22:15-21

Render to Caesar what is Caesar's.

#### ***A beginning point for discussion of this week's Gospel with children:***

In today's Gospel who are the people who planned to trick Jesus?

What did the Pharisees say to Jesus?

What did Jesus say to them?

Jesus says that we can serve God and serve our country at the same time.

We can be good Australians by respecting others. How do we show respect for all people?

How can we serve God by being a good Australian?

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### **Catholic Culture**

**Corpus Christi Parish**-Please, don't forget to make coming along to mass each weekend a priority. We have three masses over the weekend: Saturday Vigil 6pm, Sunday 7:30am & 9:30am. Children's Liturgy during Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9:30am mass most weeks for children 4-10 years of age.

**Sacramental Program**- for those parents of students in Year 3 who are interested in their child participating in the preparation program for the Sacrament of Reconciliation there will be a Parent Meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2014, in the School Hall at 7:30pm.

### **Social Justice- PENRITH COMMUNITY KITCHEN**

Please remember to send any donations of new toiletry items for men and women for the Christmas collection. Items such as body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, wipes and hairbrushes would be appreciated. There are many people in our local community that would benefit greatly from these donations. We hope to gather all donations by the end of Week 3, ready to present to Penrith Community Kitchen in the next few weeks.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS - Continued

### **CRAZY SOCK DAY- FRIDAY 17th OCT 2014**

This Friday will be Crazy Sock Day. Students are encouraged to wear crazy socks with their normal school uniform for a GOLD coin donation. All donations received will go towards Catholic Mission.



We really appreciate the support of our families with these social justice appeals. Your generous donations impact greatly on people in our local community as well as in communities overseas (Catholic Mission) who are in need.

Thank you for your continued support,

**Mrs Monique Boyer**  
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

## CURRICULUM NEWS

### **2014 International Competitions and Assessment for Schools (ICAS)**

Congratulations to all of our students who entered the English Competition for 2014. You should have received your certificate of participation this week. Congratulations to the following students who received an **Award** at this week's assembly:

#### **Year 3**

Tara Tjahjadi (Credit)

#### **Year 4**

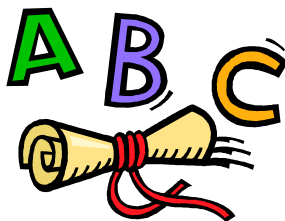
Adam O'Connor (Merit)  
Joanna Simeon (Merit)  
Anthony Camilleri (Credit)  
Victoria Olarra (Distinction)

#### **Year 5**

Noah Kelly (Merit)  
Avalon Macphail (Merit)  
Christine Muscat (Merit)  
Zachary Hansen (Credit)  
Jessica Yates (Distinction)

#### **Year 6**

Matilda Dib (Merit)  
Alannah Hader (Merit)  
Rebecca Hocking (Merit)  
Trent Whitbread (Credit)  
Nicholas Camilleri (Credit)  
Megan Cooper (Credit)  
Monique Dries (Credit)  
Shannon Mohanraj (Distinction)



**CURRICULUM NEWS - Continued****PLAYGROUND AWARD**

Aleisha Moore - 1E

**MERIT AWARDS - WEARING SCHOOL UNIFORM WITH PRIDE**

Ebony Farrugia - KB

Korban Mayo - KE

Jayla West - KG

Dkon Dries - 3E

Rafel Hazeem - 3G

Olivia Palamara - 6E

Mia Bryant - 6B

Maegan O'Connor - 6G

Miranda Thompson - 1B

Cooper Greatrex - 1E

Charlotte Wilson - 1G

Noble Laryea - 4B

Alexis Tan - 4E

Joshua Hackett - 4G

Evie Gilmore - 4G

Madison Rattenbury - 4G

Flynn Murray - 2G

Thomas Bond - 5B

Matthew Tempone - 5E

**100% ATTENDANCE FOR TERM 3**

Georgia Blackman - KB

Mikaylah Elks - KB

Isaiah Gabb - KE

Bailey Carter-Demps - KG

Conner Pryke - KG

Cooper Greatrex - 1E

Emily Matthews - 1E

Lachlan Pryke - 1G

James Dixon - 2B

Lucas Galea - 2B

Douglas McAlpine - 2E

Jack Edwards - 2G

Nate Galea - 2G

Tahlia Grant - 2G

Abbe May - 2G

Harrison Smith - 2G

Madison Voutt - 2G

Sophia Chicharro - 3B

Olivia Hayes - 3B

April Monteleone - 3B

Kyle Urban - 3B

Ezekiel Gabb - 3E

Jack Melito - 3G

Nathan Pauling - 4B

Baillie Rosa - 4B

Jonathan Cole - 4E

Anais Easthorpe - 4E

Daniel Panitz - 4E

Joanna Simeon - 4E

Jessica Buzzi - 4G

Olivia Dixon - 4G

Corey Dunn - 4G

Kiarnah Klukow-Leavey - 4G

Katie Rose - 4G

Joel Galea - 5B

Stephanie Hayes - 5B

Alexis McAlpine - 5B

Joshua Morgan - 5B

Shaun O'Sullivan - 5B

Aiden Xiberras - 5B

Lucas Chicharro - 5G

Christine Muscat - 5G

Patrick Rose - 5G

Ryan Slaughter - 5G

Braedyn Urban - 5G

Brody Grech - 6B

Samuel Mallows - 6B

Brandon Micallef - 6B

Claire Palamara - 6B

Kaden Smith - 6B

Gryphen Vickers-Evan - 6B

Trent Whitbread - 6B

Luke Attard - 6E

Lewis Looschelder - 6E

Lachlan McKay - 6E

Olivia Palamara - 6E

Finlay Bellamy - 6G

Cameron Harband - 6G

Awein Mawein - 6G

Maegan O'Connor - 6G

Jasmyn Papworth - 6G

Gemma Pauling - 6G

Deakin Rizzo - 6G

## TEACHERS ARE LEARNERS TOO

This week the Year 4 teachers were able to meet with our Teacher Educator for Numeracy, Kerry Giumelli. They worked on fine tuning their programmes and Numeracy Block to support the children in their understanding of Mathematical concepts.

Mrs Anderiesz, Mrs Bosworth and Mr Manton attended a Professional Development Day unpacking the Science and Technology Syllabus for the new Australian curriculum in preparation for its implementation in 2015.

Mrs Moore, Mrs Woodhead, Miss Ahern and Mrs Calderwood attended a Professional Development Day on the implementation of the Early Years Data Assessment which is administered across the diocese every year.



## BUS PASS FOR INFANTS STUDENTS PROGRESSING TO YEAR 3, 2015

Transport NSW requires a new application form for free travel from students who are progressing from year 2 to year 3.

For your child to be eligible to receive a free bus pass next year they must live inside the 1.6km radius of the school.

To reduce the risk of your child not having a pass at the beginning of the new year, could you please complete a new application form.

### LOST OR DAMAGED BUS PASS

If you have lost or damaged your bus pass and require a replacement, you will need to purchase a new one online at [www.busways.com.au/travelling\\_with\\_us/school\\_bus\\_passes](http://www.busways.com.au/travelling_with_us/school_bus_passes) or alternatively by visiting one of the bus depots.

## ATTENDANCE

### "Be on Time for 5 to 9"

A reminder to families of the importance of arriving on time for learning to start at 8.55am each day - late arrivals effect all students' learning. I have also noticed some students arriving well before duty begins at 8.25am. Except in exceptional circumstances students are not to arrive at school before duty commences. Many thanks for your co-operation in managing the arrival of your child/ children each day!



## STUDENT VALIDATION FORMS

A reminder that Student Validation forms are due back on Friday 24/10/2014

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

### Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Order envelopes were sent home Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

Sibling order envelopes are available from the School Office.

### Important Information

- Every student must have their own sealed envelope ( even if payment is in another family member's envelope)
- Correct money is required as no change is Available
- Formal uniform only – No sports uniform
- Orders are not accepted at school after Tuesday 28th October



**NOTES DISTRIBUTED  
THIS WEEK**

- Basketball Gala Day - Selected Children
- Haunted Halloween Howler Disco
- Kindergarten 2015 Parent Information
- Kindergarten - Toy Workshop-CSIRO Incursion
- PRG Family Portraits
- Touch Football - Selected Children

**UNIFORM SHOP - WEDNESDAY**

8.30am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 3.30pm

- \* **Pre-paid orders** – These orders can be handed in at the school office at any time but will be processed on Wednesdays ONLY.
- \* **Label all items** -To ensure all items are returned to their owners - PLEASE clearly mark all items with your child's name.
- \* **Exchanges/Refunds** – All items must be in original condition with all packaging including tags attached. A Receipt is required for any faulty item or refund.

**\*\*\*\*PLEASE KEEP YOUR RECEIPTS\*\*\*\***

**Term 1 Week 3 Reminders**

<b>Monday</b>	Year 3 Penrith Lakes Excursion
<b>Tuesday</b>	Year 3 Penrith Lakes Excursion Assembly 2:20pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Uniform Shop 7:30pm - Parent Meeting - Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Thursday</b>	Year 4 Yes Conference
<b>Friday</b>	Student Banking Kindergarten Toy workshop - Incursion PRG Haunted Halloween Howler Disco Award Stamping
<b>Saturday</b>	PRG Family Portraits
<b>Sunday</b>	PRG Family Portraits

