



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 1, Week 1
30th January, 2014

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TERM 1, WEEK 1

January

Thur 30

- * Danceclub 3.15—4.15pm

Fri 31

- * ALL STUDENTS IN SPORT UNIFORM

WEEK 2 Kindergarten begin

February

Mon 3

- * 'Tea & Tissue' cuppa for Kindy parents
- * LUNCH ORDERS BEGIN

Tue 4

- * Uniform Shop 8.30am—11.30am
1.30pm—3.30pm
- * Grade Sport Yr 1, Yr 5, Yr 6

Wed 5

- * CHOIR BEGINS 8am
- * Grade Sport Yr 2, Kindergarten, Yr 6

Thur 6

- * Grade Sport Yr 4, Yr 3
- * Danceclub 3.15—4.15pm

Fri 7

- * BAND begins 7.45am—returning members only.
- * SPORTS IN SCHOOLS AUSTRALIA (SISA) PROGRAM —all students in sport uniform
- * LUNCH ORDERS
- * ICE BLOCK DAY (after lunch) \$1-00
- * Welcoming BBQ for new families 5pm

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

- * Opening School Mass
Friday 14th February (tbc) 9.15am
- * Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 5th March

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Christ the King for the 2014 school year. We were pleased to see the excitement on the children's faces when they met up again with their friends and teachers. Thank you for the warm welcome that I have received from the many parents I have spoken to.

We look forward to welcoming the kindergarten children who will begin full school days next week. On Monday we invite our Kinder parents to wave their children off and move into the staffroom to share their stories with other parents over a 'tea & tissue' morning tea which will be organized by the Parents & Friends Committee, Cuppa Crew.

Welcome to all the new families in our school community. The children have already made friends and have happily settled into their learning spaces. We look forward to seeing all the new families at our Kindergarten & New Families Welcome Barbeque next Friday afternoon (7th February) at 5.00pm.

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A reminder that we will close the school perimeter gates at 9.00am and they remain closed until they are re-opened at 2.30pm each afternoon. This will ensure the children's safety and we can monitor the movement around the school grounds.

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I look forward to seeing you at our Opening School Mass on Friday 14th February (tbc). At this time we will be able to welcome and commission our Student Leaders as well as to give thanks for all the members of our community and their continued commitment to this school.

I hope you will join us in looking forward to an exciting year, with quality teaching and learning taking place, community working together to provide our children with the best learning opportunities possible.

Have a safe and blessed week,

Annelise Stockey, Principal

Religious Education News

As we begin our new school year, we pray that Christ be our light and ask for his blessing over us during the year ahead.

*Our Beginning of Year Mass will take place on Friday 14th February (tbc) at 9.15am.
A warm welcome is extended to all parents and carers to join us for this special celebration.
At the end of mass we will have the commissioning of our student leaders.*

New Families Welcome BBQ NEXT Friday, 7th February @ 5.00pm

To welcome all the Kinder families and any other new families to the CTK Community, we invite you to join us at our Welcome BBQ. This is a great opportunity for families to get together and be welcomed to our community. Our generous Parents & Friends Committee traditionally sponsor this event.
Drinks will be provided.

We look forward to spending this time with you and your family.

*It is tradition that the Kindergarten 2013 parents (now Year 1) generously volunteer their time to assist with the Welcome BBQ. Please contact Connie Este (P & F Committee) via the school office if you are able to assist.
We would love to see you around 4.15pm to help set up.*

FAMILY VISOR LABELS New Families to CTK

Family Visor labels will be coming home in Week 3. Please attach the laminated label to the left-hand visor when using afternoon drive thru. This will then allow the teacher to clearly see and call out your child's / children's names. If existing families require a new label please complete the slip located at the back of the newsletter and return it to the school office.

ADVANCED NOTICE: SCHOOL CENSUS DAY FRIDAY, 14th February, 2014

Friday, 14th February is School Census Day. All children should attend school on that day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If your child is absent on Friday 14th February, a note explaining the child's absence must be presented to the school teacher on the child's return on Monday 17th February.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education.

Thank you for your co-operation.

CTK IS NUT FREE We have an increasing number of children in our school who suffer from an anaphylaxis reaction to a certain foods etc. but in particular, nuts.

To assist in our duty of care for these children, direct nut products or products that list nuts as an actual ingredient eg. peanut butter, nutella are not permitted at Christ the King School.

Additionally, we will continue to ask that children do not share their food.

Coming home soon

* Student Information note	* Emergency Contact Information update note
* Lunch orders information / menu	* Term 1 School Calendar
* Walking to Local venues permission (Kindergarten—Year 2 + new CTK students)	

2014 Dates

TERM DATES FOR 2014 are :

Term 1 **Tuesday, 28th January** Staff
Wednesday, 29th January Yr 1-6 students
Wednesday 29th January—Fri 31st January
Kindergarten Assessment
Monday 3rd February—Kindergarten begin

LAST DAY OF TERM 1: Friday, 11th April

Good Friday, Friday 18th April }

Easter Sunday, Sunday, 20th April } Public Holidays

Easter Monday, Monday, 21st April }

Term 2 **Monday, 28th April** to **Friday, 27th June**

Term 3 **Monday, 14th July** to **Friday, 19th September**

Term 4 **Tuesday, 7th October** to **Friday, 19th December**

2014 TEACHERS

Kindergarten	Miss Monica Vella Miss Jessica Pala Mrs. Veronica Wiseman	<i>Religious Education Coordinator</i>
Year 1	Mr Anthony Matthews Mr Liam Shields	<i>Coordinator 2</i> <i>Coordinator 1</i>
Year 2	Mrs. Marie Manion Mrs. Joelynn Roberts	Miss Amanda Cassar
Year 3	Mrs. Kaylene Searson	Mr Patrick Vidot
Year 4	Mrs. Irene Flunt	Miss Kaitlin Schmid
Year 5	Mrs. Bernadette Walsh Mr Patrick Cairns Miss Laura Bonaccorso	<i>Assistant Principal</i> <i>Coordinator 2</i>
Year 6	Miss Helen Nafranowicz Miss Samantha Werner	<i>Sport Coordinator</i>

NEWSLETTER NEWS

The School newsletter is 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 these newsletters will need to collect them from the office.

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

These newsletters are also available for viewing on the School website.



Next Friday 7th February will be the start of an exciting sports program from Sports in School Australia.

The sporting program runs for 10 sessions across Term 1 and will focus on developing balance, coordination, hand and eye ball and batting skills, fitness and conditioning training, cooperative learning, and team building skills.

Each week a wide and varied range of resources will be provided to inspire, motivate and excite students. Due to SISA's large range of resources we are assured that students will be exposed to different resources every week.

Sports in School Australia staff are qualified Physical Education Teachers with a wide range of expertise in student development in primary schools.

All students will need to wear their sports uniform EVERY FRIDAY .

Happy January Birthdays to



January 2014

2nd	Miss Amanda Cassar Michael Blazevec
3rd	Daniel Lee
4th	Anthony Loulach
6th	Tadhg Murphy
9th	Ethan So Jared So Finn Thomas
10th	Miss Samantha Werner Katya Elchaar Ashton Bergan
11th	Bronwyn Kitson
12th	Matthew Kaddis
15th	Samuel White Adrian Beaini
16th	Charlotte Saul Aidan Mulder Brinleigh Grosvenor
17th	Alexander Richards
20th	Mrs Wendy Grima Lucas Sassen Emily Horne
21st	Ayden Gebran
25th	Jaydon Thurairatnam Lucinda Price

Happy Birthday this week to:

January

27th	Charlotte Baxter Isabella Le
29th	Elias Saad
30th	Miss Helen Nafranowicz

February

2nd	Joshua Georges Elle Daher
3rd	Hannah Dale Lily Baxter
4th	Marcus Britos
5th	Keira Lewis Tyler Mitchell
6th	James Sabbagh



**The School Office is open
from 8:30am—3:30pm**

SCHOOL FEES 2014

Please see below School Fees schedule for 2014. Details of school based fees, sibling discounts and the Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee are included for your information.

School Fees accounts will be sent home via the post on Friday 7th February.

Catholic Education

Diocese of Parramatta

Diocesan Tuition Fees Schedule 2014

Annual Diocesan Tuition Fee can be paid upfront at the start of the year or as three equal payments in Terms 1, 2 and 3. The fee is only charged for the first three (3) children currently enrolled in the diocese (in other words there is no additional Diocesan Tuition Fee for the fourth child attending a systemic school in the diocese or other participating Catholic schools - **see 'Sibling Discounts' below**). To work out how much the fee is for each child, check the table below.

The 2014 Annual Diocesan Tuition Fees are as follows:

ANNUAL FEES	No charge for 4th + children	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50%
Primary	Kindergarten	\$ 996	\$ 747	\$ 498
	Years 1-6	\$1,287	\$ 963	\$ 642
Secondary	Years 7-8	\$1,785	\$1,338	\$ 891
	Years 9-10	\$1,980	\$1,485	\$ 990
	Years 11-12	\$2,532	\$1,899	\$1,266
Temporary Residents	Years K-12	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650

The 2014 term rate for each of the first three terms is as follows:

TERM FEES	Charged in Terms 1, 2 & 3	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50%
Primary	Kindergarten	\$332	\$249	\$166
	Years 1-6	\$429	\$321	\$214
Secondary	Years 7-8	\$595	\$446	\$297
	Years 9-10	\$660	\$495	\$330
	Years 11-12	\$844	\$633	\$422
Temporary Residents	Years K-12	\$550	\$550	\$550

Diocesan Building Levy

All families with one or more children in a Parramatta Diocesan school or at St Dominic's College, Kingswood are required to pay the annual Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Building Levy. This levy has replaced the various building levies that parents previously paid to school building funds (managed by either parishes or schools). The **levy for 2014 is \$669 per family, payable in three equal instalments of \$223 payable in terms one, two and three.**

Annual Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee

The Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee for 2014 is \$1,650 per student, payable in three equal instalments of \$550 in terms one, two and three. The fee applies to new students on the following Visa numbers: 173, 401, 411, 416, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 426, 427, 428, 442, 457, 459, 476, 485, 497, 580, 600, 601, 651, 675, 676, 679, 685, 944, 956, 976 and 977 including where any of these are the preceding visas for families on bridging visas 010 to 090. Families charged this fee in 2013 will continue to be charged on a per family basis to the eldest student whilst the family has continuous current students.

Christ the King: School Based Fees 2014

RESOURCE FEE

We have an annual resource fee per child which assists the school to budget for the materials and resources used for the children's benefit. The 2014 fee is \$175.00 and is reviewed each year. The classroom items covered by this charge include paint, brushes, cardboard, art paper, craft materials, recreational reading books, Mathematics equipment and paper. Computer software and supplies also receive an allocation. Additionally this fee also provides the children with text books, exercise books, pencil cases, music folders and other stationery items that are required for the year.

TECHNOLOGY FEE

CTK's focus is on developing Technology throughout the school. This process involves the purchase of laptops, maintenance and software etc. There is an annual Technology fee of \$70 per family. This fee appears on your Term 1 account.

EXCURSION / INCURSION FEE

We have an annual excursion / incursion fee of \$55 per child which assists the school to budget for these events. The fee is reviewed each year. This fee covers all excursions and incursions e.g. Life Education, Book Week speakers etc. for the year and appears on your Term 1 account.

CARNIVAL FEE

We have an annual carnival fee of \$30 per child which assists the school to budget for our Swimming and Athletics carnivals. The fee is reviewed each year. This fee covers all carnivals for the year and appears on your Term 1 account.

Other CTK Fees for 2014

Other CTK school curriculum activities which incur fees include Athletics, Reading Eggs, Surf Education, Sports in Schools Australia (Term 1) and Dance Multisport (Terms 2, 3, 4), and camps etc. These activities vary from year to year.

Looking Good - SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATE: Is your child wearing the correct hat?

Thank you to all the parents who have taken a lot of trouble to prepare the children for school. The children look very smart in their uniforms which gives them a strong sense of identity and add to their positive self esteem as they take pride in their appearance.

A reminder that shoes need to be regulation school shoes (i.e. no high/chunky heels or soles that are bad for posture and could result in an ankle injury. For boys and girls, hair needs to be neat and tidy.

The official CTK school hat is the bucket hat which is available for purchase at the Uniform Shop. Please ensure your child has their hat with them everyday. CTK has a 'no hat, no play' policy.

Any variations to the uniform etc. are always questioned so should be accompanied by a note.



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
- * - Always have children leave the vehicle on the passenger side only.
- * - Always 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.

WELCOME

New families to CTK

Students in Years 1-6

We welcome 11 families and 13 new students to our CTK Community this year.

Year 1	Gabriela Baricevic Olivia Hayden Jayda Isaia Marcus Isaia Ethan Scully
Year 2	George Fitsakis

Year 3	Ella Isaia Nicholas Leung Makayla Mathie
Year 4	Mark Wahbe
Year 5	John Maroun Greg Michales Michaela Mitrakis

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 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.

LUNCH ORDERS BEGIN NEXT MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY

Our lunch orders are supplied by "Delilicious" Café and Deli, Oatlands. This service will be available on ***Mondays and Fridays only***, beginning next Monday 3rd February. A separate information note and menu/price list will be coming home with your children.

DANCE CLUB 2014

Due to it's continued success, the DanceClub afterschool dance program has re-commenced on Thursday afternoons beginning today, Thursday 30th January 2014 from **3:15pm - 4:15pm**. We will continue all year levels from kindergarten to Year 6. All enquiries to Gabrielle Russo: Email: gabrielledancefever@gmail.com Mob: 0424628119.

Dancefever would greatly appreciate the payment of \$90.00 be made up front for the 10 week Dance Program. Payments that are made by cheque will need to be made out to "**Gabrielle Russo**".

For enrolments, please complete the permission note (located at the back of the newsletter) and RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE with full payment.

Dancefever is looking forward to seeing you all again in 2014.

Celebrating Gifts and Talents

Congratulations to the following children who participated in the Weetbix Kids Tryathlon at Homebush on Sunday 19th January:

Owen Mitchell, Thomas Brennan, Eamonn Henderson, Marcus Henderson, Lily Baxter, Charlotte Baxter, Jakob Reid, Monique Brown & Tamsyn Brown

GOOD LUCK TO the following children who will participate in the Weetbix Kids Tryathlon at Woy Woy this Sunday 2nd February:

Dane Grosvenor, Skye Grosvenor and Hannah Dale

PARISH NEWS



Parish Mass times

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm					
Sunday Masses	8.00am, 10.00am and 6.00pm					
Weekday Masses	<i>Monday</i>	no masses	<i>Tuesday</i>	7.30pm	<i>Wednesday</i>	9.00am
	<i>Thursday</i>	9.00am	<i>Friday</i>	9.15am	<i>Saturday</i>	9.00am
Reconciliation	Saturday morning Rosary at 8.30am with Reconciliation at 9.30am and then at 4.30pm					

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



The Working with Children Check is 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.

PLEASE NOTE: Partial Completion of the above steps will not be accepted. Completion of only the CEO Module will not allow you to assist in the classroom

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.

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. **You will need** to present a copy of the RMS email 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.

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to another great year of learning and reading year in the Holy Faith Library. This year we will be focussing on reading for pleasure and information literacy skills to teach students how to become successful and critical uses of the internet. Library borrowing will commence by Week 4 so please ensure your child has their library bag each week, these bags protect the school's library resources and help your child to locate their books each week.

We are looking for parents and grandparents who are available to help re-shelve books in the library or to cover books at home. If you are able to help out on a Wednesday please drop a note into the office with your name and contact details or see the library staff. Thank you in anticipation for your continued support in the library.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2014

Congratulations to over 180 students from Christ the King who completed the PRC in 2013. This was a wonderful achievement although this year we would like to see every child complete the challenge. Kindergarten through to Year 2 need to read 30 books (25 from the challenge) and Year 3 to Year 6 need to read 20 books (15 from the challenge). More details will be coming home in the next week and your child's Personal Reading Log will be distributed by the class teacher. **Please note that I will not be giving out PRC log in details until the beginning of Term 3.** Remember to keep a record of each book title, author and PRC ID on your child's Personal Reading Log. Books that have been read over the Christmas holiday can be included. The Holy Faith Library has a large collection of labelled PCR books for each of the age groups and your local library also supports the PRC.

2014 Subscriptions

This year Christ the King will again be subscribing to various online databases and tools to supplement your child's learning. These online subscriptions involve a rollover process that will be completed over the next few weeks. Passwords will be issued as soon as possible.

SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS Term 1 lessons begin in Week 3. Registration forms available next week.

This program will take place on Wednesday afternoons from 3pm—4pm in the Holy Faith Library, **beginning on Wednesday, 12th February (Week 3)**. This program is independently run by the Sydney Academy of Chess. *Please note that priority is given to children who are genuinely interested and are old enough to benefit from the program.*

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games. Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

Sarah Cook, Teacher Librarian/LTST

FAMILY VISOR LABELS

FAMILY NAME _____

Please list children

DanceClub

Term 1 2014

Email: gabrielledancefever@gmail.com

Gabrielle Mob: 0424628119

I give my child _____ Year _____ permission to participate in the Dancefever afterschool program in Term 1, 2014.

☐ YES, I have enclosed Term payment of \$90-00.

Parent Name: _____ Signed _____

Mobile: _____ Email Address: _____

The Fr Colin McKay Institute of Counselling, established in 1969, offers a course designed to develop skills in personal growth, communication, parenting and general counselling principles. Participants can learn new skills in dealing with daily personal challenges and the issues that arise within families, the school environment and in the workplace. It is conducted on Tuesday evenings within the school term between 7.30pm – 9.45pm at Holy Cross College, Victoria Road, Ryde commencing on Tuesday 4 February 2014. An information pamphlet is available from the school office. For enquires please contact:

Michael Hill - 9869 3774 or 0410 774 432;

Carol Harding - 9639 0096 or 0411 022 478;

Jannelle Carlile - 0431 598 004 (Mon – Fri between 7.00 & 9.00 p.m.); or

Email: counselling1969@gmail.com

Go4Fun

is a FREE program that is run through the local Health Service. The program has been specifically designed for children aged 7-13 years who are above a healthy weight. A parent or carer must attend each session with their child. The program runs for 10 weeks after school. An Information flyer is available in the office.

ROSELEA FOOTBALL CLUB

Registration Day 2nd February 2014. Carlingford Bowling Club. Small-sided games (non-competitive) U6, 7, 8, 9. Comp teams, Seniors & Super League. Girls only comp. All games played in local Gladesville / Hornsby district. Local training grounds. Info pamphlet available from the school office.

Tennis Coaching

Enrolments for after school tennis coaching are now being taken. Various tennis coaching programs are available including- group, private and MLC Hotshots, catering for beginners to advanced standards. *FREE introductory lesson to new enrolments from Christ the King School in 2014. Enrolments and enquiries to Scott Gregson Tennis Advantage on 0414554612 (North Rocks Royal Institute Courts)

Oakhill College Enrolments 2015

Applications for enrolment into **Year 7 2015** will close on **Friday, 21st February, 2014** and enrolment for girls into **Year 11 2015** will close on **Friday, 9th May, 2014**. Parents who wish to apply for enrolment of their sons in Year 7 and/or daughters in Year 11 at Oakhill College in **2015**, and who have not yet submitted a form, are requested to contact the Registrar before the closing dates. Contact: Mrs Maryanne Maree (Registrar) 9899 2288 or registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au

UWS PENRITH OBSERVATORY Astronomy Night – Saturday 8 February (8pm – 10pm)

SUPERNOVAE, A LIFE AFTER DEATH Supernova are the explosive death that occur in certain types of stars. Here we will look at the different types of supernova, their effect on the universe and how they impact us.

This night not only includes the multimedia presentation but also a 3D astronomy movie and viewing of the night sky through the University's computerised telescopes. Our program will run regardless of the weather.

Cost: \$15 adult, \$10 child/concession and \$40 family. **Bookings are essential:** Book online: www.uws.edu.au/observatory, What's On . **Enquiries:** Phone (02)4736 0135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au

CARLINGFORD COUGARS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB

Registration Day 1ST & 8TH February 2014. Westfield North Rocks. **COME & TRY NIGHT 14TH FEB @5.30PM** Roselea Oval Carlingford, FREE sausage sizzle. Information pamphlet available from the office. Information 0426 200 181