

Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 2. Week 2

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Term 2, Week 2

Fri 9

- * BAND 7.45am
- Lunch Orders

Mother's Day Liturgy 9.15am

- * SPORT PROGRAM—ATHLETICS
 all students sport uniform
- Mother's Day Luncheon 11.30am

Sun 11

Happy Mother's Day

Week 3

Mon 12

- * ALL STUDENTS IN WINTER UNIFORM
- Lunch orders
- * Yr 6 Infinite Potential Excursion
- * Junior Glee 3.00-4.00pm

Tue 13

- * UNIFORM SHOP 8.30am—11.30am 1.30pm—3.30pm
- * MATHS CLUB Yrs. 4, 5, & 6 8am
- Senior GLEE 7.45-8.45am
- * NAPLAN Yr 3 & Yr 5
- * GRADE SPORT Kinder, Yr1, Yr2

Wed 14

- * Choir 8am
- * NAPLAN Yr 3 & Yr 5
- * GRADE SPORT Yr. 2, Yr. 5, Yr. 6
- * CHESS 3-4pm

Thur 15

- * NAPLAN Yr 3 & Yr 5
- * GRADE SPORT Yr. 3, Yr. 4
- * Yr 2 Excursion—Rouse Hill
- * DANCECLUB 3.15-4.15pm

Fri 16

- * **BAND** 7,45am
- * ATHLETICS all students sport uniform
- * Lunch orders

Sat 17

CTK TRIVIA NIGHT 7pm

Dear Parents,

Tomorrow, Christ the King will be celebrating Mothers with a Liturgy and open classrooms. It is a wonderful opportunity for your children to express their feelings for their mothers/mother figures in their lives.

I look forward to seeing you at our celebrations tomorrow.

I would also like to encourage you to attend the Mother's Day luncheon organized by the P & F. I know it will be a fun time for all.

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So far this year we have held and attended many sporting events, with many more to come.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all the parent helpers who have supported our students during these events. Your positive involvement and support for Miss Werner as the Sports co-ordinator and the CTK staff is greatly appreciated.

At CTK we value our sporting events as we do all the other events our children are involved in. We are fortunate to be able to offer opportunities for our children to participate in a wide variety of activities. We believe that our children are talented in so many different ways and strive to cater to all these gifts and talents throughout their time here at Christ the King.

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I thank all the parents and members of the Parish who have volunteered to work on the "Spring Fair".

We are looking forward to organizing a fun filled day. As the event will now be held on a Saturday afternoon, many more of your friends and family members will be able to attend throughout the day. We will send more information out to you as the year progresses but in the meantime please keep Saturday, 13th September free.

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Next Saturday 17th May, the school and Parish will be holding their first joint event. Our Trivia night will be an evening of fun and relationship building with our Parish community. Members of our staff will be attending and looking forward to showing off our vast (trivia) knowledge. I invite you to come along and either form your own table of friends / family or join a table and meet new people.

Annelise Stockey Principal



"Mothers are a Gift from God"

This is an acknowledgement that our Mothers, in so many ways, are one of the most precious gifts that God has given to all of us. We learn so much from the role modelling and care our Mothers give us. The unique qualities of our own mothers, whether by God's side or with us, are indeed special and we give thanks to Our Lord for their committed care and love in our lives.

Mother's Day Liturgy

9.15am, tomorrow, Friday 9th May

We at Christ the King know how special our mothers are. We would like you all to come to celebrate the gift of Mothers with a special liturgy tomorrow at 9.15 am.

You are all then welcome to visit your child's classroom/s to share the wonderful learning that is taking place.

Mother's Day Luncheon

TOMORROW, Friday, 9th May

El-Phoenician Restaurant from 11.30am Enquiries contact Belinda Abdallah on 0421 997 998.

*********** Mother's Day Ritual: In whatever way Mother's day is celebrated in your family, take * some time to thank and bless your Mother. Perhaps at the end of the day, gather round a meal with your Mother, light a candle or two and each family member can say what it is that you value and appreciate about your Mother. Having done so, stand in a circle around your Mother, each placing your hand upon her shoulder or head as you bless her. * The blessing that would most deeply touch your Mother would be the blessing that you ********* write as a family. *********

A Prayer for those without their Mothers:

God of compassion and of tender mercy, we remember today our Mother who is no longer with us.

We ask you to bring comfort and healing to us as we grieve and pain at the loss and separation of our Mother.

May time bring us, through your grace, peace and understanding of all that we struggle to accept in our lives.

We make this prayer in your name, O God of Love. Amen.

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We wish you a happy Mother's Day!

2014 Dates

Term 2 Tuesday 29th April to Friday, 27th June

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

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

See the information flyer coming home today!

CTK TRIVIA NIGHT

A School & Parish Social Event

Saturday 17th May From 7.00pm

\$10 per head.

BYO Drinks & Table Nibblies

Bring your gold coins for fun games & prize draws

Why not form a team and reserve your table (8 people).

Email team or organiser name to jsaul@bigpond.net.au

Individuals and on-the-night bookings welcome. For further details ring Jeff Saul on 0418 662 912

A great night of fun and friendship.

An important fundraising event!

SCHOOL PHOTOS MONDAY 26th May (Wk 5)

Our School Photos will be held on Monday, 26th May 2014.

Parents are asked to ensure that children wear their **full school winter uniform** i.e. clean black school shoes, no jewellery, maroon hair ribbons, neat hair, no nail polish, no make-up, practise smiling.

School Photo envelopes are coming home soon.

EVERY CHILD MUST HAVE THEIR OWN ENVELOPE.

Family Photo envelopes will soon be available from the office and only upon request.

Happy Birthday this week to:

May

10th Joey Bovino

Gabby Bovino

Matthew James

Danielle Nassif
13th Elle Doueihi

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

CTK Community Trivia
 Night

Saturday 17th May

- * School Photo Day Monday 26th May
- Queen's Birthday Public
 Holiday Monday 9th June
- * ICAS Writing
 Monday 16th June
- ICAS Spelling
 Tuesday 17th June
- * First Eucharist Masses 21st / 22nd June
- * CTK ATHLETICS
 CARNIVAL Friday 27th June

Coming home soon

- Term 2 Curriculum overview
- Term 2 Calendar

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Cadbury chocolate fundraiser.

There are still a few families who have not returned their money.

Could you please return any monies collected or unsold chocolates by next week so we can finalise the fundraiser.

Thank you for your support, Rita Koic,

(Marcus Koic - Year 3)

CTK Spring Fair

Last night saw the first of our spring fair meetings. It was well attended with representatives of both our parish and school communities. Lots of ideas were thrown around with many new possibilities as the fair is taking place during the day.

Our CTK Spring Fair will be held on Saturday 13th September from 10am till 3pm.

Our next meeting will be on Monday night 2nd June at 7.30pm in the school library. We would love you to join us.

At this stage we are hoping to attract some sponsors for our Major raffle and chocolate wheel. If you have any contacts with business that you think may be able to help us please let us know asap. We have some great packages in the pipeline!

We will continue to keep you informed of how we are going and opportunities for everyone to join in where they feel they can.

Many thanks, Marianne Dwyer 0418 641 412 on behalf of the 2014 Spring Fair Committee

Sport News

Change of sport days for Week 3 due to NAPLAN

Tuesday 13th May

Kindergarten, Yr. 1, Yr. 2

Wednesday 14th May

Yr. 2, Yr. 5, Yr. 6

No changes to Thursday 15th May

Diocesan Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who represented Christ the King at the Diocesan Cross Country at Eastern Creek Raceway on Tuesday. All students performed extremely well, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and supporting fellow teammates throughout the day.

I wish Teana Hodgers, Skye Grosvenor, Hunter Hosking, Nathan Hall and Marcus Younis the best of luck as they continue on to represent the Parramatta Diocese.

Thank you to Bernadette Walsh and all parents who assisted and supported throughout the day.

Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day

A final reminder to all boys participating in the Stage 3 Gala Day to return their permission notes by tomorrow, Friday, 9th May, 2014.

Good luck

Good luck to Jaycob Anjoul and Anthony Younis who are in Canberra representing the Diocese at the Mackillop Boys Football Trials this week.

CONGRATULATIONS

Students from Year 5 submitted entries to the Rotary Club 'My Mum, My Friend' Mother's Day poetry competition. Congratulations to the two winners selected by Rotary-Will Carroll and Lucinda Price.

My Mum, My Friend

Mum mum she is so fun Even when she comes home from her run. Glaring at other mums, you are the best one.

My Mum my friend till the very end. Not only do you mend but you show me the latest trends.

My Mum shows me the way every single little day.

Every day I pray and say, how lucky I am to have her as my Mum.

Will Carroll

My Mother My Friend

My Mother my Friend There by my side. My Mother my Friend loves me with pride. My Mother my Friend my jeans she mends. My Mother my Friend who fixes my hems. My Mother my Friend can't survive without a latte. My Mother my Friend has to have one before she'll partay! My Mother my Friend My Mother my Friend Her love for me WILL NEVER END!

Lucinda Price

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.

CATHOLIC OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE SERVICE UPDATE

We have been advised that the opening of CTK's OOSHC (Out of School Hours Care Centre) is still timetabled for Term 3, 2014. An inspection and approval visit of the grounds together with a parent survey will be conducted in the first part of Term 2. Further information on COSHC enrolments and fees will be provided to families after the survey results have been assessed. COSHC intend holding an Enrolment and Parent / Carer Information session at the school in the latter part of Term 2, 2014 in preparation for the opening of the COSHC service at the beginning of Term 3, 2014.

LIBRARY NEWS

Write4fun Schools Poetry and Short Story Competition 2014

Congratulations to Nicole Travers in Year 2 for her poem "The Night Before Easter". Nicole's poem has been short listed to win first prize and will be published in the write4fun publication 'Write as Rain'.

It was the night before Easter and I lay in my bed
While hundreds of Easter Eggs danced in my head.
Would they be big or gooey or nice?
Would they be covered in sugar or spice?

I closed my eyes an tried hard to sleep
But no matter how hard I just couldn't dream.
All of a sudden I heard a small mutter.
I jumped out of bed and threw open the shutters.

I looked out my window and what did I see?
It was the Easter Bunny smiling at me.
Go back to bed and try hard to sleep.
What's that I see—you mustn't peep!

If you don't sleep you won't be surprised
With hundreds of Easter Eggs before your very eyes.
Then just like that the Easter Bunny was off
With a smile and a wave, a skip and a hop!

NICOLE TRAVERS YEAR 2

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DAY PILKEY AUSTRALIAN TOUR 2014.

Author of the Captain Underpants Series, Dav Pilkey is visiting Australia this year as a part of the Sydney Writer's Festival. The incredibly talented Dav Pilkey dreamed up - and doodled - his Captain Underpants character when he was just eight years old, and will be appearing at two fun-filled shows guaranteeing action, thrills and laughs galore:

- Friday May 23, The Concourse Concert Hall, Chatswood
- Saturday May 24, Riverside Theatres, Parramatta

Bookings via www.swf.org.au/captain-underpants/

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CHESS NEWS

This Friday four students will begin the NSW Junior Chess League Primary Schools Competition. This will involve them competing against other schools in the district each Friday after school for 10 rounds. Good luck to Kavin Sivanathan, Alexander Chan, Luke Zaraga and Daniel Lee.

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.

An updated Uniform Shop Price List is now available on the Christ the King School web site.

Please note: Due to supplier price increases there have been increases on the CTK Uniform Shop price list.

New prices apply from 30th April 2014.

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.



CRESTED SCHOOL BADGES

School badges are now available for purchase from the Uniform Shop for \$5-00 each. Purchase is optional.

NEWS FROM THE P&F

Lunch Bags

Please consider purchasing a lunch bag or wallet (especially for pies, sausage rolls and winter foods). It makes it much easier to collect on lunch order days and makes it much easier for the Coffee Shop to bag your order and organise the money. Please grab a form from the office or contact me on my mobile 0400 308 570 or email clbeste@bigpond.net.au. Prices are as follows: - Insulated All Rounder is \$13 and the Lunch Wallets are \$11. They are hygienic, washable and environmentally friendly. Consider buying one as a gift for a friend from another school. They are a big hit.



General

The Cadbury fundraiser is nearing the end. Thank you to all the families that supported this fundraiser. It is now time to close off all the accounts. Could you please ensure you return all your chocolate money to Rita Koic via the office ASAP.

Thank you to all the students that have ordered and purchased their "Ribbons and Bows". If anyone still needs to order, please do so via a form from the school office. The bows come in bagged sets of 2 at a cost of \$10 per set and a set can be two different colour combinations if you wish. If you look around the playground you will see many girls with their beautiful bows. There is also a sample in the office if you would like to have a look. Please help support this school fundraiser buy buying a set of these bows.

Looking forward to giving you a Mother's Day update next newsletter with many thank you's to be passed around.

Kind Regards,

Connie Este, P&F Chairman

CTK COMMUNITY NEWS

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE Where: In the Wesley Uniting Church grounds at 32 Showground Road, Castle Hill. Dates/Times: Friday May 9th 2014 (operating from 8:00am to 3:00pm) and Saturday May 10th 2014 (operating from 8:00am to 1:00pm) Sale items/Stalls will include Books, Records, CDs, DVDs, Clothing, Electrical, Plants, Toys, Furniture, Manchester, White Elephant, Fine Art and China etc.

We will also be providing tea and coffee during sale hours, together with a Sausage Sizzle for lunch on both days, and Bacon and Egg rolls for breakfast on Saturday morning.

Enjoy the friendly atmosphere, and pick up a bargain (or two) knowing you are helping those families who need help within the Hills District, through the Hills Family Centre.

Parramatta Library is happy to present to your school community 2 great events—
"The Architects Chair" & Author talk with Rachel Johns —

Diamond in the Dust: A Night with Rachael Johns Date: Friday 9th May 2014. Do you love reading romance? Do you love reading Australian rural romance? Do you watch those great Australian TV shows depicting love and the outback? If so you will love bestselling author, Rachael Johns, who will be speaking about her Outback romance books including her latest book 'Outback Blaze'. Wine and cheese will be served on the night. Location: 1b Civic Place, Parramatta Library Time: 6-7.00pm Cost: \$5.00 Bookings: Required: 9806 5159

The Architects Chair—Reusing what you've got; a sustainable approach to renovating Parramatta Library In conjunction with Australian Institute of Architects Date: Saturday 10 May. Join us in the architects chair to discuss practical ways to introduce great design elements into your own home and urban landscapes. Architect Susan Plowman shares her own experience in creating a sustainable home from her fibro housing commission home in Telopea. See how she has kept it small and sustainable with a few simple measures that are achievable in every home. A short presentation is followed by a relaxed discussion over a cuppa. Location: Parramatta City Library, Civic Place, Parramatta Time: 10am – 11am Cost: Free Bookings: Required: 9806 5159. Walk –up's welcome

For bookings please contact Parramatta Library 9806 5159 or for more information www.parracity.nsw.gov.au

<u>UWS PENRITH OBSERVATORY Astronomy Night – Saturday 10 May (7pm – 9pm)</u> MUMS & KIDS ASTRONOMY NIGHT - WOMEN IN ASTRONOMY AND ASTROBIOLOGY Dr Carol Oliver, Associate Director of the Australian Centre for Astrobiology (ACA) at the University of New South Wales, is guest speaker for this special night. She is currently leading two major education and research projects – The Mars Lab and the Smart Science Initiative. This night not only includes Dr Oliver's talk 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 emailr.mccourt@uws.edu.au (Mon, Wed, or Thurs). Office Hours: Mon, Wed and Thurs 8.30 am - 3.00 pm

SUPPORT FOR THOSE WHO ARE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED The Solo Parent Ministry is now taking registrations for their next Post-Separation Recovery Program (commencing on May 14th) This is an excellent 7 week Program to assist you work through many of the issues that you face as you negotiate your way through the loss, pain and challenges following the break-down of your marriage relationship. It will be held at Blacktown from 7.30pm – 9.45pm for 7 consecutive Wednesdays. Cost \$80.00. For further details and registration Ph. 99330205 or contact soloparentministry@ccss.org.au

OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour Discover rich tradition and cutting edge education at OLMC Parramatta during an Open Morning Tour on May 19. In this special 125th anniversary year, join us for a tour of the College before enjoying a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team. The College is now enrolling for 2015 and 2016.

Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au or phone 8838 1263 to reserve your place or obtain further information.



ANNULMMENT INFORMATION NIGHT Each year the Catholic Tribunal Staff and CatholicCare Solo Parent Ministry present Information Sessions to help people understand how the process of Annulments in the Catholic Church is conducted. Questions are answered on details such as the length of time it takes, the cost, the role of witnesses, the number of interviews required, the grounds for an Annulment, how to start the process, etc. The evening is open to anyone at all who is interested in gaining more information about the Annulment process in the Catholic Church. Venue: CCSS Centre, 2 A Villiers St. Parramatta. Date: Tues 20th May. Time: 7.30 – 9.30. Cost: \$5.00. Registration: soloparentministry@ccss.org.au or Ph. 9933 0205. Later in the year we will advertise more details of the same Seminar to be held in Springwood on 14th October.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a Marriage Enrichment experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! Weekend date: 13 – 15 June at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435 or www.wwme.org.au

FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITY THURSDAY 19TH JUNE 6.30-8.30PM Warringah Mall Library FREE, but bookings essential at Jessica.hagen@warringah.nsw.gov.au or phone 9942 2354. Information from the office.

Hills Community Aid has updated their leisure learning groups to include:

Teen Sewing – A beginners class for youth aged 12 - 20 who would like to learn how to sew. All patterns supplied for class. Participants will need a sewing machine (Room at Learning in the Hills for machines to be stored), fabric and other items. \$95 for eight week term on Monday's 4 - 6pm.

Cupcake Decorating – A beginners class for children & youth aged 8 – 18, learn how to make decorations for cupcakes and birthday cakes. Cost includes items required to make decorations each week. \$95 for eight week term on Wednesday's 3.30 – 5.30pm.

Hills Community Homework Group is a free homework group for children & youth in years 5 - 12. Meet on Monday's 4 - 5 or 5 - 6pm at Vinegar Hill Memorial Library, Nena Terry Room.

For further information about Teen Sewing or Cupcake Decorating please ring Learning in the Hills 9639 7918 or line-hills@hca.org.au. A copy of our term 2 calendar is available at www.hca.org.au. For further information about Hills Community Homework Group please contact Hills Community Aid 9639 8620 or micib@hca.org.au.

<u>TENNIS COACHING</u> 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)

Children's Meditation & Body Movement Workshop

Mount St Benedict Centre 449b Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills. (Entrance via Hull Rd)

This fun workshop for children 5 - 12 years will bring awareness to mind and body with simple meditation techniques. The children will be held in a loving and supportive space as we explore:

How to use breath for calming; Muscle relaxation (great to help with sleep); Simple yoga poses; Creative activities to build confidence and understand emotions.

Date: Saturday 31 May, 1.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Facilitators: Fiona Borland & Vicki O'Leary are experienced practitioners in this field

Cost: \$30.00 per child, sibling discount available

Bookings by : Monday 26 May 9484 6208 or email: mtstbenedict@bigpond.com

40th Border Music Camp to be held in Albury / Wodonga from Sunday 29th June to Saturday 5th July.

Border Music Camp is a week-long residential camp for around 240 musicians of all ages, from beginners to advanced students. Musicians play in one of six large ensembles, experiencing rehearsals and tutorials each morning under the guidance of the Camp's skilled staff.

For a week students will live and breathe music. Their playing will be guided by our conductors and tutors, superb musicians who are themselves excited and passionate about music. In the afternoon students can choose from a number of small groups in the 'elective' sessions where they will experience a wide variety of music which can include e.g. jazz; choir; big band; Celtic or string ensemble; experimental music. The conductors and tutors assist students to learn new ideas and gain experience. Border Music Camp also hosts a 'Composer in Residence'. As many students as possible have the exciting opportunity to play new music, written especially for their ensemble.

Students have a choice of living in at the Camp or attending for mornings only or short or long day sessions.

This year's Camp will conclude with public concerts on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th July.

The closing date for applications is Friday 7th June. Further information including this year's brochure and application form are available on the website at www.bordermusiccamp.org.au

Please direct enquiries for the Camp to the Student Administrator Ms Margie Gleeson on M: 0412 711 819 (a.h.).

Border Music Camp has a number of scholarships available to assist students where financial constraints would otherwise prohibit attendance at the Camp.

The Hills Shire Youth Ambassador's Open Mic Night

THE COMPETITION Show off your talents by entering this year's Open Mic competition. Whether it's singing, poetry, monologues, magical tricks or comedy acts, you're welcome to come along.

HOW IT WORKS A winner and runner up from each category will be awarded on the night to progress to the final.

WHERE Centre Court, Middle Level, Castle Towers

CATEGORIES Junior (6-12 years) & Senior (13-18 years)

Heat 1 Thursday 29 May 2014 | Heat 2 Thursday 12 June 2014 | Heat 3 Thursday 19 June 2014

[Limited heat spaces available]

FINAL Thursday 17 July 2014

PRIZES Prize money to be won at the heats and final.

Heats: Winner — \$100, Runner Up — \$50

Grand Final: \$300 per category

For more information and to enter contact Council on 9843 0555 or email events@thehills.nsw.gov.au