Dear Parents,

The staff here at Christ the King have been working together to write your children’s school reports and planning the parent/teacher interviews which are to take place in Weeks 8/9. These meetings are opportunities for you to share in your children’s learning experiences and a time to ask the questions that you wish to be answered regarding your child’s learning and well-being. It is always important to speak to the teachers about any concerns you may have and especially to clarify any thoughts you may have about the class routines, structures or learning that takes place concerning your child.

**Semester One Reports**

Mid year reports together with Comparative Data (Years 1-6) will be coming home at the end of Week 8. We wish to advise that reports will be posted directly home. Please ensure the school has your most up-to-date mailing / contact details.

**Parent/Teacher Interviews  Weeks 8 / 9**

An on-line appointment booking system will be used for Semester 1 Parent / Teacher interviews.

More information coming home soon.

Have a great week,

Annelise Stockey, Principal

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**Debating News**

Last Friday’s Interschool debate was a double win! Congratulations to the affirmative team; Eilish Murphy, Bridie Croxford, Sinead Grosvenor and Alice-Angel Javian, and the negative team; Joseph Nasr, Patrick Nasr, Brendan Mitchell and Jack Oliver.

Both teams successfully won their case, *That homework is a waste of time*.

Our next debate is in Week 8, when we argue against St Madeleine’s, *That it is more fun to go to a camp than a resort*
ICAS
SCIENCE SKILL ASSESSMENT

When: Wednesday 5 June
Time: 8:00am sharp - as the assessment takes 55-60 minutes
Where: Library
What to bring: 2B Pencil, eraser, sharpenner

LAST CHANCE TO BUY YOUR ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2013!

This is your last chance to purchase the new Entertainment Book for this year! They are packed with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for the best restaurants, cafes, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel & much more. Selling for $65, you'll receive $15,000 worth of valuable offers that you can use right away, up until June 2014. I have a limited numbers of books left for the Sydney, Sydney North & Sydney Greater West areas.

Plus the good news is that your book purchase goes toward our school fund-raising. The more we sell the more we raise so ask family and friends as well! Order forms were sent home before the holidays or extra order forms are available from the office. Complete the order form & send to the office. I will organise your book to be sent home through your child's classroom. Book purchases can also be made online & books sent via the classrooms.

Any queries please contact Selina Roppolo on 0410 562 768.

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.

SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNTS

A reminder that Term 2 School fees are due next Monday, 3rd June.

Thank you to the many families who have finalised this term’s account.

If you have not as yet finalized this account, please make payment a priority.

Payment may be made by cash, cheque, Eftpos, BP\pay & Post bill pay.

If you have any enquiries regarding your account please contact Mrs. Ritchie in the office.

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

• Year 1 Mum's dinner Thurs, 27th June
• CTK WALK-A-THON Fri, 28th June
• CTK Athletics Carnival Tue 16th July
• 2013 CTK Annual Fete Fri, 22nd Nov
• 2014 Swimming Carnival Tue, 17th Dec.
SPORT NEWS

Sporting Acknowledgments
Various sporting achievements may be acknowledged over the course of the term at some of our Friday assemblies. Due to time constraints within the assembly these will be spread out over several assemblies throughout the course of the year.

Cross Country
Good luck to:

Hunter Hosking    Samuel White    Skye Grosvenor
Daniel Hall     Nathan Hall    Jade Pond
Brendan Mitchell

These students are currently preparing for the NSW CPS CCC Cross Country on the 15th June.

LOST PROPERTY
Our lost property container is overflowing with hats, jackets, food containers etc. Sadly, there are even some new tracksuit jackets in there with no names.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL CLOTHING ITEMS ARE LABELLED.

This will ensure items are quickly returned to the correct student.

Please check the lost property basket (lower playground—glass double doors) when you can. These items will be donated to the Uniform Shop after the end of term if they are not claimed.

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

CTK Playgroup—The playgroup is an informal gathering of parents and their pre-school children who meet from 9.00-11.00am each Friday during school term. Contact: Aileen Beaini 0400 704 717.

FUN‘RAISING COMMITTEE NEWS

Cadbury Fundraiser Update

We still have several boxes of The Natural Confectionary Co. jellies to be sold to finish off our Cadbury Fundraiser for this year. Each box contains an assortment of 20 bags (snakes, party mix etc), at $3 per bag. Please indicate on the form below if you’re able to take a box to sell to family, friends or work colleagues - let’s finish off Term 2 with a bang!!  Many thanks for your support.

Rachel Elliott

SOFT JELLY LOLLY DRIVES

Name of Student: ____________________________  Grade: ________________

Parent Name: ________________________________

Contact Phone Number: _______________________

I would like one SOFT JELLY LOLLY BOX to sell and will return $60 to the school office in a timely fashion.
CONSIDERATION

Please consider the class of children learning who are often easily distracted by parents coming to the classroom unannounced wanting to see a teacher during the course of the day. Not ignoring emergencies, most matters could possibly wait until a meeting time has been arranged. In the afternoons teachers still have the responsibility and duty of care of your children until after school dismissal procedures have been finished.

A mutually arranged time to meet via a note or a phone call through the office allows teachers to be able to give their full attention to you, as this is not possible while trying to teach and manage a class or if they are needed on After-School duty. Your co-operation in this area is very much appreciated in providing the best possible learning for your child. All parents must visit the office first during classroom hours. DO NOT GO straight to the classrooms. Thank you for adhering to this required policy and procedure.

LIBRARY NEWS

Chess News

Last week CTK hosted round 3 of the NSW Junior Chess League competition against Beecroft Public School. All four matches were extremely close with Christie Davies winning her game. Our team continues to get stronger each week, well done. Thank you to Mrs Hodgers for supervising this week’s round. Good luck to Marko Wong, Joshua Pemberton, Christie Davies and Kavin Sivanathan this week.

Toy and Game Expo Chess Challenge 2013

A Chess Tournament in 3 Divisions run by Sydney Academy of Chess, in conjunction with the Toy and Game Expo.

Divisions & Dates

- Under 8 – Saturday, 8th June
- Under 12 – Sunday, 9th June

Venue - Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW (near Olympic Park Station)

Registration for the 2013 Chess Challenge is now open! Go to http://www.toyandgameexpo.com.au click on What’s On and then Tournaments and Competitions. Entries close on Wednesday 5th June, 2013.

Cost - $30 per child per tournament. The entry fee allows the participating child and one accompanying adult to enter the premises on the day.

Schedule - Registration is at 10am on the day of each tournament. Round 1 begins at 10:30am. Prize giving will commence at approximately 2:30pm. There will be short breaks between each round.

Format - Each tournament is a 7-round ‘Swiss’ competition. This means that all players play 7 games and no-one is ‘knocked out’ of the tournament. Where eligible, children may enter multiple divisions.

- The time limit is 15 minutes per player per game.
- Entries are limited to a maximum of 120 players per tournament.

These tournaments will be JCL rated.

Prizes - Trophies will be given for: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Places. There will also be encouragement medals based on age and/or rating. All participants will receive a certificate of participation.

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2013

The PRC finishes mid-August. Students should be more than half way through the challenge by now. I will be handing out log in details early next term. Please see me if you are having trouble or want help choosing books. Remember that your local library also promotes the PRC. Happy reading!

Sarah Cook, Teacher Librarian/LTST

CHILD PROTECTION

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:


When module has been completed go to: https://check.kids.nsw.gov.au/volunteer-declaration.php

to complete the Volunteer Declaration form. This form needs to be completed online, PRINTED and signed. Photo ID is required to be sighted when returning the completed declaration to the school office. This declaration is retained by the school in a secure confidential location. Once the school receives your signed declaration, you are able to assist in classroom activities.

The Online Child Protection training module needs to be completed every 2 years.
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.

WHAT’S ON IN JUNE -  UWS PENRITH OBSERVATORY
UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY  Great Western Highway, Werrington North (Building AO)
Family Astronomy Night - Saturday 1 June -  (7pm – 9pm)
Supermassive Black Holes and the Unified Model – Why do only some galaxies contain very active cores due to their super-massive black holes? Why do they look so different?

Family Astronomy Night - Saturday 15 June  (7pm – 9pm)
How to Create a Star – This talk is about stellar evolution: from normal stars to hyper-novas

These nights not only include the multimedia presentation but also a 3D astronomy movie and viewing of the night sky through the University’s 0.6 metre and 0.25 telescopes. Our programs run regardless of the weather.

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

THE GREAT MOSCOW CIRCUS
5-23 JUNE  ROSEHILL GARDENS RACECOURSE.  Various session times.  Information pamphlets available from the school office.

WHIZZ KIDS WORKSHOPS
Is your child gifted, talented, intelligent, curious, creative and filled with promise? WE CAN HELP YOU! An invitation to participate in a series of new and innovative workshops at UTS. Creative Teaching—Dynamic Learning!

2013 Program Dates: June15/16 and October 19-20.  Cost is $90 (+GST) per day or $165 (+GST) per weekend. Time:9.30am-3.30pm (Saturday and/or Sunday) Workshop Categories: Year 3/4 and Year 5/6. For further information please contact [www.inspirationeducation.com.au](http://www.inspirationeducation.com.au) or 1300 677 336. Brochures are also available at the School Office.

DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM
Each year CatholicCare Solo Parent Ministry offers an Information night for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding on how to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with Lawyers so as to minimize your legal fees and how to protect your rights regarding family assets. This night is being held on Wed 12th June at 7.30pm at CCSS Centre, 51-58 Allawah St, Blacktown. Guest Speaker: Mr Richard Brading, (Solicitor at Wesley Legal Service, Castlereagh St.) Further details and registration:  soloparentministry@ccss.org.au or Ph. 99330205

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:
A 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:  14 – 16 June at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW Bookings:  Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au  Information: website [www.wmme.org.au](http://www.wmme.org.au)

Free English classes in Castle Hill
The Northern Sydney Institute, part of TAFE NSW, is starting free Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) classes in Castle Hill. New migrants may be eligible for 510 hours of free English lessons and childcare. Please contact the Hornsby AMEP Office on 9472 1995 or email amep.nsi@tafensw.edu.au for more information.
**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.

**North Rocks Tennis School**
Enrolments available for Term 2 coaching. For more information please contact John Hassett on 9872 6097 or 0408 414 881

**Gregson’s Tennis Coaching**
After school tennis coaching enrolments are now being taken, catering for beginners to advanced standards. Group and Private lessons and Junior competitions available. Enquires and bookings to Scott on 0414554612

The MLC Tennis Hotshots tennis program is also being conducted catering for students from 5 years of age.

Enquires and enrolments to Scott Gregson on 0414554612 or sg370@bigpond.com

**The Performance Studio**
Quality Training in all aspects of the Performing Arts. Information pamphlet from the school office. Enquiries: 9896 5559.