



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 3, Week 8

3rd September, 2015

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2015

WEEK 8

Friday 4th September

- * *Fathers Day Breakfast & Liturgy from 8am.*
- * *All welcome*
- * Band 7.45am
- * Lunch Orders
- * Stage 2 Touch Gala day (Boys and Girls)
- * **Stage 3 Touch training CANCELLED**
- * Sports Program: all in sport uniform
- * *Choir & Band Showcase 6pm*

WEEK 9

Monday 7th September

- * Lunch Orders
- * Cool Kids Music Club 3-4.30pm

Tuesday 8th September

- * Uniform Shop 8.30-11.00am
- * 1.30-3.30pm
- * **Sushi orders due today**
- * **Maths Club 8am**
- * PE : Yr 3, 5/11, Kindy

Wednesday 9th September

- * Choir 8am
- * PE: Yr6, 4/9, 1/3, 2/5
- * Chess 3-4pm

Thursday 10th September

- * **Sushi lunch day**
- * PE : 5/12, 4/10, 2/6, 1/4
- * Yr 4 Reconciliation
- * Dance Club 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 11th September

- * Band 7.45am
- * Lunch Orders
- * Yr 4 attending Friday Mass

Saturday 12th September

- * **SPRING FAIR**
9.30am—3pm

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

- * **Make-up gymnastics lesson**
Monday 14th September
- * **WAKAKIRRI GRAND FINAL**
Thursday 17th Sept
- * **Stage 3 Touch Gala day**
Friday 18th September
- * **LAST DAY TERM 3**
Friday 18th September

Dear Parents

In my first week as principal, I have been warmly welcomed and reminded of the wonderful community that is Christ the King North Rocks. Over the years I have had the privilege of being a member of the Parish community, a teacher and R.E.C at the school as well as being a parent whose son attended CTK. Being appointed Principal of CTK is a great honour and responsibility that I will fulfill to the best of my ability in collaboration with staff, parents, students and the wider parish community. I look forward to meeting and working with you all in the years ahead in continuing the great Catholic education tradition that our community is renowned for.

In the Gospel this Sunday St Mark reveals yet again the mercy and compassion our Lord had for the people of his time during his ministry on earth. Mark explains that Jesus was not a "wonder worker" but a compassionate and loving man whose love and mercy for others was second to none. In the healing of those struck down by illness and disease, Jesus empowered them all to be strong in their faith and give thanks to God for all he had provided. We too are called in a similar manner, through our Baptism and Confirmation to be touched by the love of God and the gifts of the spirit in going forth, strengthening our faith in proclaiming the word of God. We are encouraged to live out our Christian values in our relationships with others each day, by being disciples of mercy and compassion.

Congratulations to Alexander Bozanic [Yr 6], our representative in yesterday's eastern semi-final of the Diocesan Voice of Youth public speaking competition, who made it through to the grand-final. Seven semi-finalists spoke on a variety of thought provoking topics, with only three students proceeding through to the grand-final on Monday 14th September. Alexander's speech titled "Behind the Curtain" explored his passion and involvement in musical theatre. We wish Alex all the very best for Monday week. Thanks also to our year 6 students who attended the semifinal. They were a great audience and wonderful ambassadors for our school community.

With just over a week to go to our Spring Fair, I encourage you all to get involved and answer the call for volunteers to assist with set up, assisting on a stall on the day and cleaning up. We need your help, even if it can only be for a short time. Please take the time to consider helping at some stage and complete the volunteer form (included in this newsletter) and return it to the school office ASAP. Thank you in advance to our Spring Fair convenors, the stall co-ordinators and those of you who have already volunteered to help. Please remember that all proceeds raised go back into making Christ the King school and parish a better place to be.

Have a great week everyone!

Tony Hughes, Principal

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

TOMORROW, Friday 4th September from 8.00am
we are celebrating "Fathers" at Christ the King.

THE COLA AREA WILL BE OPEN FOR PARKING.

We invite Dad's to our school oval to begin the day with a hot bbq breakfast
(with coffee and juice) coordinated by the P & F Committee together with
parent volunteers.

Breakfast will be served from 8am—8.45am and will then be followed by a
Celebration liturgy at 9.00am.

The morning will conclude by 9.30am.

Congratulations to our Wakakirri Team!

We are now on our way to the Grand Final.

Thursday 17th September 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start

Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre

THIS GRAND FINAL EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL SCHOOL FAMILIES

In order for us to sit as a school, ticket orders & payment **MUST BE RECEIVED BY 3PM TO THE OFFICE BY NEXT MONDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER.** No late orders will be received by the School after this time. Ticket orders forms for families (other than Wakakirri families) interested in attending this performance are available from the office.

For ticket purchases after this time, you will need to purchase them yourself ONLINE. Ticketek purchases will be available from Wednesday 9th September.

CHRIST THE KING

NSW Sydney Division 1



A WRINKLE IN TIME

Meg goes searching for her lost father through 'a wrinkle in time'. She finds herself on an evil planet where all life is ruled by the Mind Controller. Meg has to summon her inner courage to face what lies ahead.....

"Fantastic journey and great original concept" Ian Knowles

Teachers Name: Lara Kelly-Hosking
Dympna Collignon



PERFORMANCE AWARDS

- Artwork on sets
- Set change
- Use of signature item
- Well-Rehearsed performance
- Characterisation
- Spirit of Wakakirri
- Creative use of materials award

STATE AWARDS

- Best Imaginative Story Award
- Performing at Awards night

Year 6 Debating 2015

Over Terms 2 and 3, a group of dedicated Year 6 students participated in six debates in the Hills Cluster Debating Competition. A number of the topics proved challenging, such as "Teachers can be replaced by technology", as well as fun debates including "Green is better than red". Our debaters were successful a number of times this year, however the skills practiced in the lead up to the debates, as well as during the debates, were valued most by all. These skills included - organisation of time, research for topic understanding, critical thinking skills, voice projection and engagement of audience. Congratulations to all members of our Year 6 debating team, you should be proud of your efforts and results this year.



GRADE EVENTS

Dear Year 3 Mums, Dads, Kids and Grandparents,

Now that the weather is warming up a bit, we thought you may be interested in a Year 3 picnic in these next school holidays. Details are as follows:

Date: Wednesday 30th September (2nd week of the holidays)

Time: 10.30 am to 1.30 pm

Address: Don Moore Reserve, Tiernan Avenue North Rocks. Directions are on this map.

<http://www.whereis.com/nsw/north-rocks-2151/yellowld-LN036001100619083>

What to bring: a picnic lunch, picnic blanket, drinks, bats, balls, bikes, helmets and sunblock/hat.

Everyone is most welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

NB. If it is raining, we will postpone.

Michelle Travers and Tania Kinaan, Year 3 Class parent representatives

TERM DATES FOR 2015

Term 3 Tuesday, 14th July to Friday, 18th September

Term 4 Tuesday, 6th October to Friday, 18th December

Happy Birthday for September to:

Kinder Kaia T
Jonathan S
Harry V
Michael H
Toby L
Cameron L
Christian M
Peter B



Year 1 Nicholas C
Laura D
Jayden W

Year 2 Henry A
Patrick E
Oscar L
Oliver C
Jasmin C
Jacob D

Year 3 Matthew W
Julius H
Hee Soo L
Alexandra M
Nicole T
Georgen F
Anisha H

Year 4 Gabriela N
Olivia M
Christopher M
Cameron K
Amy Trofa

Year 5 Skye G
Thea P
Alannah B

Year 6 Ewan M
Christian Z
Elizabeth S
Alex N
Jordan M



The School
Office is open
from 8.30am to 3.30pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Gospel of Mark—daily prayer and reflection

At Christ the King School we greatly value daily prayerful reading of Holy Scripture.

We acknowledge the significance in reading the narrative of Jesus Christ sequentially has in developing a deep faith and love of Jesus. This is also an opportunity to be revealed the true mission and message of Jesus Christ, assisting each of us to recognise and accept our call to live and spread the Gospel values within a contemporary world.

The students at Christ the King School will be reading an online Bible, Bible Gateway at www.biblegateway.com and using the Contemporary English Version. This online version has been approved by the Bishop's office, which has been chosen as it uses appropriate language for Primary aged students. You are welcomed to use the online Bible or your own Bible at home. Each week in the Christ the King School Newsletter and the Christ the King Parish Bulletin, the weekly readings will be published.

This week the readings from the Gospel of Mark were:

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday
8	August 31, 2015 Mark 15:6-15 The Death Sentence	September 1, 2015 Mark 15:16-21 Soldiers Make fun of Jesus	September 2, 2015 Mark 15:22-32 Jesus Is Nailed to a Cross	September 3, 2015 Mark 15:33-41 The Death of Jesus	September 4, 2015 Mark 15:42-47 Jesus is Buried

Please join the Christ the King community in prayerfully reading the Gospel of Mark for Week 9.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday
9	September 7, 2015 Mark 16:1-8 Jesus is Alive	September 8, 2015 Mark 16:9-11 Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene	September 9, 2015 Mark 16:12-13 Jesus Appears to Two Disciples	September 10, 2015 Mark 16:14-18 What Jesus' Followers Must Do	September 11, 2015 Mark 16:19-20 Jesus Returns to Heaven

We hope you all take this opportunity to join us as a Catholic community in prayer and reflection of the Gospel of Mark.

Monica Vella, Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH NEWS



WANTED! Stage 3 Clarinetists and Flutists!

Christ the King Parish is seeking musicians from Years 5 and 6 to join the music ministry and play at every second 10am Sunday Mass. Students who are willing to share their talents and support the CTK Parish every second week will be supported and mentored by current musicians to learn set musical pieces over time. Practice sessions will take place at 9:15am before the scheduled 10am Mass. Please contact Therese Davies if you are available to serve with the musical ministry at awtjdavies@yahoo.com.au. We look forward to experiencing the joy of Christ the King's musical talents at our Parish Masses in the near future.

Skoobag App



Skoobag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool. This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers everything they need to know about school news, newsletters, events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, school timetables and much more. No more lost paper in school bags!

Christ the King now has our own Skoobag iPhone, Android and Windows App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent community. We are asking parents to install our Skoobag School App. To install it, just search for our school name "Christ the King Primary North Rocks" in either the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or on Windows

PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE ATTACHED LETTER.



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

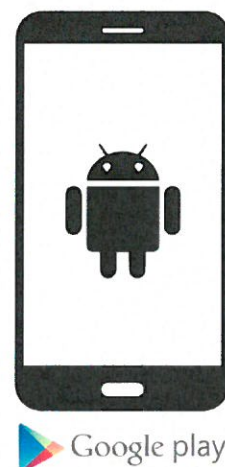
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

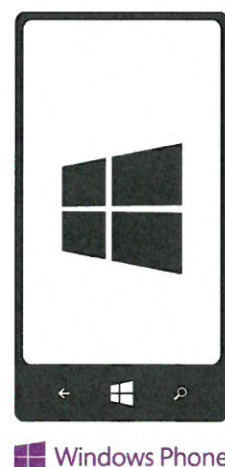


Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.



Voice of Youth 2015

Congratulations to Alexander Bozanic (Year 6) who will be going through to the Voice of Youth Grand Final on Monday 14th September at St Paul's College, Greystanes.

Alexander gave an enthusiastic, dynamic and entertaining speech that captured the audience's imagination. His performance gave us all an insight into what goes on behind the scenes for actors as they prepare for a performance, the thrill of performing and that sense of elation once it is successfully completed.

This is an amazing achievement by Alexander because he has been selected from a pool of students from 54 Western Sydney Catholic Schools who take part in the Voice of Youth competition.

Congratulations Alexander and we all wish you the best for the Voice of Youth Grand Final. The Christ the King community is very proud of your achievement!



SUMMER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER from Week 9

Given the warmer weather we are starting to experience, summer uniforms may be worn from next Monday, 7th September depending on the weather **but most importantly at the discretion of parents.**

Please ensure whatever uniform your child is wearing it is the correct complete version of that uniform e.g. NO summer dress with tights / NO trousers with short sleeved shirts.



International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) provide an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation.

The results for the Writing competition have been received.

28 students participated. Great results were received with 2 Distinctions and 7 Credits & 6 Merits. Congratulations to all students who participated.

Writing Achievements

Distinction

Year 4 *Ria Singh*

Year 6 *Marcus Georges*

Credits

Year 3 *Dane Nielsen, Isabella Le*

Year 5 *Jared So, Marcus Henderson, Kayla Azar*

Year 6 *Alexander Bozanic, Alex Nielsen*

Merit

Year 3 *Tadhg Murphy, Lauren Lubrano, Robert Cho*

Year 5 *Samantha Emeish, Thea Prasetya*

Year 6 *Christopher Tran*

BAND NEWS



Thanks again to those parents who emailed ahead of time to let us know their children would be absent due to Touch Gala Day training, this allowed us to modify our morning rehearsal and maximise the learning for those students left behind. There are still a few students each week who are absent without an explanation from their parents, though, and we urge these parents to either email (steve@teachingservices.com.au) or write a short note to let their band teacher know. Besides the planning and courtesy we also have a duty of care obligation and student need to know if a student is legitimately absent or whether they have been dropped off at school but not attended rehearsal.

Fathers Day Breakfast – our combined bands will be entertaining dads and guests on the back playground from 8am this Friday at the *Fathers Day Breakfast*. Dads, if you are hoping to have breakfast with your son/daughter this Friday morning it would be great if they could be done eating before 8am and we would love you to stick around and hear them perform. Students are to meet Mr Lavis & Miss O'Connor in the hall before 7:45am to help move equipment for an 8am start.

Band & Choir Showcase—don't forget our band/choir showcase concert this Friday night from 6pm. We look forward to seeing you all there!!!

Band Member of the week (week 6):

Concert Band Owen M

Performance Band Jakob R

Important Dates:

- * **THIS Friday September 4, 6pm—Band/Choir Showcase, both bands (MacKillop Hall)**
- * **Saturday September 12, Spring Fair Band Performance, both bands.**

CTK COMMUNITY NEWS

WARRAH LIVING LEARNING GROWING COMMUNITY OPEN DAY

Warrah is delighted to announce our second Community Open Day to be held on **Saturday September 12**. The Warrah Community open day is a great family day out. There will be live music, an art exhibition, boutique markets, biodynamic and organic produce for sale, farm tours, an international food stall and organic bbq.

20 Harris Road Dural www.warrah.org

CATHERINE McAULEY WESTMEAD School Open Morning

Tuesday 3rd November 2015 **9.15-11am** Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome. Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking. [Enrolments for Year 7 2017](#)

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2017. Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on either of our two upcoming school tours especially for Year 7 2017 applicants but open to any year group.

NO1 DRAFT PICK BASKETBALL CAMP BASKETBALL NSW

With school holidays beginning in a few weeks, No1 Draft Pick is gearing up for another basketball camp! Run by NBL Hall of Fame star and Sydney Kings legend Steve Carfino, the week-long camp is sure to be filled with top-notch coaching, a focus on skill development, and plenty of fun.

The camp will run from Monday Sept. 28 to Friday Oct. 2, with time slots for ages 7-18, and all levels (beginner, intermediate, advanced) are welcome. Contact 0432 500 255 for more information or inquiries. Registration form available from the office. Don't miss out on a great opportunity to learn from one of the best! Megan Miller. No1 Draft Pick Representative 0432 500 255

BUBBLEDOME SCHOOL HOLIDAYS [Info pamphlet with registration details](#)

- Minecraft Tekkit 24-25 Sept Masada College, Standard & Advanced
 - Girls only Movie Making Ages 6-11 22-24th September Knox Grammar
 - Minecraft Movies & Animation 22-25th Sept Knox Grammar, Standard & Advanced
 - Minecraft Inventions & Challenges Ages 5-10 22-24 Sept, Knox Grammar
 - Minecraft Robotics Ages 8-12 24-25 Sept Masada College
- www.bubbledome.com. 1800 11 55 62. 6.00am—2.30pm

THE MACARTHUR NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION is open from **Saturday August 29** until **September 25**. Hosted by the three Macarthur councils, the competition aims to **raise awareness of your local environment and its native plants and animals**. Although they ask that images be of the Macarthur area, **the competition is open to all people** and they have asked us to spread the word. **A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE COMPETITION** - The competition themes include Waterways, Flora and Fauna, Nature Up Close and Environmental Impact. - Two age categories of Young People (15 years and under) and Open (16 years and over). - For the new generation of photographers, the Nature Snap category calls for images taken on a smart phone, tablet or iPod, with simply online entry making it the perfect way to share your favourite shots. - There are great prizes for winning images. Detailed information and entry form available from the school office.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING SATURDAY RUGBY??

NSW Rugby Union in conjunction with the Sydney Junior Rugby Union is seeking interest from individual players to run a Saturday competition in Sydney for the 2016 season

Ages groups we are looking for are from U10s to U18s in boys and girls, so register your interest below



REGISTER
HERE

or go to

<http://forms.iotformpro.com/form/52293170828963>



SIZZLING SEVENS

SYDNEY - BLACKTOWN

22nd September U7- U12

9am-3pm - \$69 (inc Sportspack)

To register visit nswrugby.com.au





Spring Fair Stall Volunteers

We are looking for Volunteers to help at a variety of Spring Fair stalls on September 12, 2015. If you are able to help for just one hour from 9:30 – 3:00pm, please complete the form below and return it the School Office asap.

Name:

Child's name & class:

Email address:

Home phone number/Mobile:

Preferred Stall:

Preferred hours: