

## Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 4, Week 5

5th November, 2015

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#### Term 4 Week 5

#### Fri 6th November

- \* Band 7.45am
- \* Year 6 Parish Mass
- \* Lunch Orders
- \* All Students in Sports Uniform
- \* Ice Blocks at lunch. Yr. 3 Helpers to meet at 1.20pm
- \* CTK Chess Championships 3-6pm

#### Term 4 Week 6

#### Mon 9th November

- \* Lunch Orders
- \* Cool Kids Music Club 3.00-4.30pm
- \* Tue 10th November
- \* Uniform Shop

8.30am—11.00am

1.30pm—3.30pm

- \* Maths Club 8am
- \* Stage 2 & Stage 3 League Tag Gala day.
- \* Grade Sport Kindy, Yr. 3, 5/11

#### **Wed 11th November**

- \* Choir 8am
- \* Remembrance Day Liturgy
- \* Grade Sport 1/3, 2/5, 4/9, Yr. 6
- \* Chess 3-4pm

#### Thur 12th November

- \* Grade Sport 5/12, 4/10, 2/6, 1/4
- \* Dance Club 3.15-4.15pm
- \* Sacrament of Penance 5.30pm & 7.30pm

#### Fri 13th November

- \* **Band** 7.45am
- \* Lunch Orders
- \* Kindy Calmsley City Farm Excursion
- \* Band instrument demonstration concert 9am
- \* All Students in Sport Uniform
- \* Ice blocks at lunchtime. \$1: please ensure your child has their ice block money Yr. 4 helpers to meet at 1.20pm

#### Dear Parents.

In this Sunday's Gospel we are reminded that God, through the Holy Spirit has bestowed upon us various gifts and talents that we are generously encouraged to share with the wider community. The subject of St Mark's writing this week is a poor widow who believed she had very little to offer others, but gave to the community what she had. Our first impression may be to compare others contributions to the somewhat small contribution she made. What impressed Our Lord, was that without shame or false humility she gave all she had. This is the model Jesus is presenting to us all. There are many ways in which we can give to our community other than through the contributions of money or possessions. There are many gifts other than material items that we can share. Love, compassion, friendship and empathy just to name a few, are all Catholic Christian values that have been shared down through the generations of our faith over the years. Let us continue to share these with those who we interact with each day as God our Father has done since the beginning of time.

Thank you to all members of our school community for your patience over the last seven weeks in regards to the closure of the Burradoo gates due to the refurbishment of the driveway, footpaths and retaining walls. Following a facilities audit several months ago the Catholic Education Office determined that the retaining garden walls and surrounding paths needed to be refurbished. We are grateful to our head office for funding these much needed maintenance works.

Last Friday under sunny skies our children took to the pavements of North Rocks and participated in the CTK Walkathon. This fundraising activity also provided all participants an opportunity to take part in an every day healthy activity called walking which many of us take for granted. After making our way down to Don Moore Reserve, two laps of the park and returning back to school tired but happy, we all felt better for the experience! We now encourage all students to collect the money pledged by your sponsors and return it to school by the end of next week. Special thanks to Connie Este who coordinated the event with her many helpers who assisted with supervision and marshalling on the day. It was certainly a healthy and fun way in which the children directly assisted in raising funds for our school community. Congratulations and thank you to all concerned!

As we move into the final weeks of the year teachers are completing the marking of their students' assessments and writing semester two reports. As a community I would like thank them for their efforts in completing these end of year tasks in assessing and reporting on your child's progress throughout the second half of this year. Reports will be distributed to parents during week ten of this term.

As you all would appreciate safety is our major priority each afternoon at our "Pick Up and Kiss" zone. In order achieve this, staff, students and parents need to play their role in ensuring we all depart our school grounds safely. Today we have practiced and reviewed with the children and teachers the dismissal procedures and discussed what is expected. I would encourage all our parents to be alert whilst driving on the playground picking up your children each afternoon. This includes **NOT** using your mobile phone for any reason whilst driving. It is both dangerous and not a good example to set for our children. Your assistance and co-operation with this matter will be greatly appreciated and ensure the safety of our children each afternoon.

Have a great week.

Tony Hughes, Principal



#### Sincere Appreciation and Thanks

This week we farewell Mrs. Bev Hermens who has been teaching Year 2 this year whilst Mrs. Roberts has been on maternity leave. Mrs. Hermens has worked closely with Miss Cassar and Mrs. Manion and during this time has assumed the teaching responsibilities for the grade. We are very grateful for her professionalism and dedication and wish her well in the future.

#### **MARK IN YOUR DIARY**

- Yr. 4 Parents Dinner
- Feast of Christ the King Mass
- Choir of Angels performance
- Yr. 5 Camp
- Surf Education Yrs. 5&6
- Yr. 6 Graduation
- Yr. 6 Motiv8 Fun day
- Christmas Concert
- Changeover / Meet the Teacher day
- Swimming Carnival
- End of Year Mass / Awards / Farewell Wednesday 16th December

Thursday 19th November Friday 20th November Monday 30th November Wed 2nd Dec-Fri 4th Dec Monday 7th December Wednesday 9th December Thursday 10th December Friday 11th December Monday 14th December Tuesday 15th December

#### **Library News**

#### **Chess News** CTK Chess Championships 2015

This Friday, 6th November the CTK Chess Championships 2015 will be held in The Holy Faith Library from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.Good luck to all students entered.

#### Sydney Writers' Festival We Need Your Stories

Sydney Writers' Festival is looking for stories about the everyday lives of children aged 5 to 18 from all across Greater Western Sydney. The stories can be submitted in written form, as an audio recording or as a story in pictures.



Launched by Sydney Writers' Festival and Children's Laureate Jackie French in 2014, My Story documents the changing face of children in one of Sydney's biggest and most diverse regions.

A selection of the stories has been published at swf.org.au/my-story as part of our Children's Festival of Moving Stories. We will continue to add stories to the website in the coming years, creating an archive of the changing lives of children across Western Sydney.

For more information and how to submit, visit swf.org.au/my-story.

Sarah Cook, Teacher / Librarian

#### Happy Birthday for November:



Kinder Luca P Zachary T Roland P

Year 1 Sienna W Jonathan L Ella MJames L

Year 2 Hamish M Tianna B Caitlin B  $Gabriella\ K$ 

Year 3 Lucy S Olivia B Dane S

Year 4 Abby W

Year 5 Jayden C Marissa Y Kayla A Mia BLachlan G

Year 6 Phillip M Jarod W Alisa D Angelo RJakob RKjain D Abhishai H

#### **GRADE EVENTS**

#### Yr. 4 Parents Night

Mark this date in your diary: Thur 19th Nov Cedars At The Rocks

More info coming home from your Class Parent Representatives

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





**11 NOVEMBER 2015** 

Christ the King will be gathering for prayer for Remembrance Day as a community next Wednesday 11th November from 10.30am.

On the 11th November 1918, the Great War, World War I ended. It was a war that embraced most nations on earth. The war ended with an armistice:

a truce on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month

Date:

November 11, 2015

Venue:

Mary MacKillop School Hall

Time:

10:30-10:45 am

CTK Families are welcome to join us for this solemn assembly.

Students may wear their Scouts, Brownies or Cubs uniforms.

#### Remembrance Day Prayer

God our Father, your Son Jesus gave up His life to free us from the power of sin and death.

He showed us that the greatest love is in giving up one's life for others.

Today we remember those who fought and died for our freedom. We ask you to bless and console them together with their families.

Help us to understand the sacrifices they made in leaving their loved ones to face the horrors of war. May we never forget their generosity.

May your Holy Spirit give us the courage to resist evil in all its forms and show us how to be peacemakers through prayer and action, lest we forget those who fought, suffered and died that we might have the freedom and peace we enjoy today.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



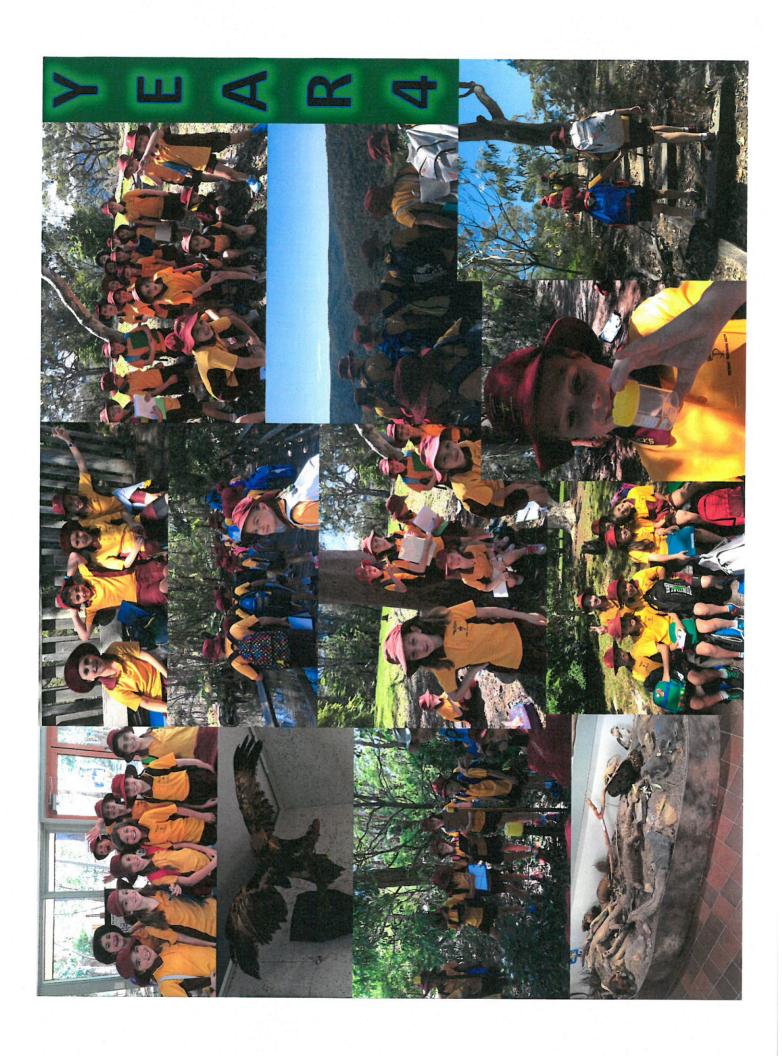
On the 12th of October Year 4 visited Ku-ring-gai National Park. We left school at 9:00am and travelled by bus, it took 55 minutes which is a pretty long drive, however we enjoyed the time with our friends.

our North Rocks area, which included an amazing and very powerful owl. We then saw a bush turkey outside getting ready to mate as it was building a giant nest. Brad and Kate explained Once we arrived at the park we met Brad and Kate our tour guides and teachers for the day. Our day began in the volunteer information desk where we were shown animals that live in the reason and process around the bush turkeys nest which we found very interesting because he looked like he was just making a mess.

to our land and area. Last destination on this trail was the lookout where we stopped to have We then walked along a trial spotting more interesting animals and trees that are significant

were like what the Indigenous people did to tell stories and record history) and finally walked At this point we were exhausted but sad to leave as our adventure ends back on the bus for looked at some famous trees where Captain James Cook once walked, we walked in silence animals that can be found in the park, we spent some time doing carving drawing (which Next, we started a new path that would lead us to our last destination. On this trail we through the magical Fern Gully, we stopped to search and collect different insects and a very steep and rocky path to our final destination the Botany Bay Bridge.

By: Year 4



#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOOL OPAL CARD**

The Minister for Transport and Infrastructure and the Minister for Education has announced the launch of the new School Opal card. The School Opal card will officially launch its new online application for relevant parents and students travelling in the Opal public transport region on Monday 2 November.

The application can be found at transportnsw.info/school-students

Just like current paper travel passes, the School Opal card gives eligible students free travel to and from school on school days. However, the School Opal card makes travel simpler, because now students don't need multiple application forms and passes if they use different transport operators within the Opal network.

Students with school travel passes this year will not need to apply for a School Opal card unless they are changing schools, campus, their home address or moving from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7.

Those students who do not need to apply will have a School Opal card sent to your school for the beginning of the first term in 2016.

Information to CTK students already holding a bus pass will be sent home shortly.

The Opal Team, NSW Government Transport for NSW



#### **SPORT NEWS**



#### Cricket

Good luck to Lucas Sassen and Luca Sacca who will be competing in the Parramatta Diocese Cricket Trials this Friday 6th November.



#### League Tag Gala Day

-Best of luck to the CTK students who will be participating in next Tuesday's League Tag Gala held at Doyle Ground, Buller St, Parramatta.

Could we please have any CTK socks and/or CTK playing shirts from this year's gala days be returned by next Monday  $9^{th}$  November.

Patrick Vidot, Sport Coordinator

#### **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

Do you realise that the Uniform Shop is only open for 5 more days before the end of the year?

We are waiting on a delivery of short sleeved boys shirts but all other items are available for purchase before the end of the year. Boys shirts are expected in mid-December. Orders can be taken and shirts will be sent home as soon as they arrive.



#### **HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE Skoolbag App YET???**

Skoolbag 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 papers in school bags!

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.









#### 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 81 Phone and Windows 81 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 81 and 10 devices



**Windows Phone** 



#### **NEWS FROM THE P&F**

#### Walkathon

Congratulations to all the Students, Teachers and Volunteer parents that participated and completed the Christ the King Walkathon last Friday. It was a warm day but the children where energetic, orderly and well behaved as they made their way up to the Don Moore Park and back for their 5km trek.

Thank you to the parent volunteer's that helped walk with the different grades and supported me in the organisation of this event. Renay Hall, Belinda Abdallah, Ros Foley, Mel Sassen, Melissa Brennan, Aileen Beaini, Michelle Nielson, Danielle Delord, Jacinda Abood, Bill Kafkis, Lara Hosking, Shalu Cerrone and Anna Michales. It is because of parent helpers like yourselves, that these events can be made possible. Thank you for your support (as always). Thank you also to the ladies that helped hand out waters at the back gate so the kids remained hydrated.

Many families have returned their student cards with either their sponsorship or a family donation. Thank you so much to these timely families. It makes counting and banking so much easier.

To all the students that are yet to hand back their walkathon sponsorship, could we have all monies back by the end of next week please (Friday 13th) so that the accounts can be finalised and signed off. This is one of the bigger fundraisers for Christ the King and all your contributions go towards resources for our school and our children. No matter how big or small your contribution is, every cent helps. Could you please ensure that all monies are returned to the office in a timely fashion.

#### Ice Block Friday

Thank you to all the Year 2 mum's that turned up last week after the walkathon to help sell ice blocks to the masses. This week will be Year 3 parents turn to sell. We will need around 6-8 parents who can volunteer 30 minutes of their time at 1.20pm sharp to meet in the Hall Kitchen this Friday. Please contact your Class Parent Rep if you are available to help.

As a heads up, Year 4 Parents will be responsible for Friday 13th November selling.

Please ensure that your child has their ice block money as there will be no more "freebies" handed out from now on and we would prefer no tears. Many children have been buying 2 ice blocks as it has been extremely hot in the past. Please let the office know if your child cannot purchase ice blocks as children are very creative when trying to source money from friends.

Warm Regards

Connie Este, P&F President.

#### **Band News**

**Great news!!** We are very pleased to confirm that our Performance Band (senior band) will be 'touring' next week. Friday November 13 is the date and we plan to visit two other TSA schools to workshop and perform. Permission and information notes will be coming home via email and hard copy this week so please keep an eye out.

Are you interested in joining CTK band in 2016? Your child will have the opportunity to attend a short instrument demonstration concert at 9am on Friday November 13 (before we leave on 'tour') showcasing the various instruments available to learn in 2016. An information sheet will be sent home or you can contact TSA on 9651 7333 (www.teachingservices.com.au) for further information.

#### **Important Dates:**

- Friday November 13, 9am—instrument demo concert & 'Band Tour'
- Friday December 11 (week 10) Last Band Rehearsal for 2015

Steve Lavis
Music Director



## 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

\*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch(B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website <a href="www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au">www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au</a>. This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by your child's school**. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience".** 

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

Online registrations for Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis have now closed. Registrations for all other sport 2016 trials are now open.

Please contact your school sports coordinator for any further information.

Margaret Thornton
Teaching Educator – Primary Sport
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta



### 2016 Team Sport Trials

All correspondence to:

#### **PDCPSSC**

Aengus Kavanagh Education & Equity Centre PO Box 215, Rooty Hill 2766 Tel (02) 9677 4314 Mobile 0408 278 918

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## Parramatta Diocese 2016 Information For Parents of current Year 4

and Year 5 students - Registration window open only for Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis

Dear Parents.

Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016. It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.** To facilitate this, Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

Sport	Age Group	Trial Date	Registration closing date		
AFL	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		
Basketball	Open boys & girls	17th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015		
Cricket	Open boys & girls	6th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015		
Diving	10/11yrs girls & boys & 12/13yrs girls & boys	Term One 2016	Registration via CSSS in 2016		
Football (Soccer)	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		
Golf	Open boys & girls	Term Three 2016	Registration via CSSS in 2016		
Hockey	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		
Netball	Open girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		
Rugby League	Open boys & 11yrs boys - NB. No State team selected for 11 yrs	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		
Rugby Union	Open boys	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		
Softball	Open boys & girls	18th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015		
Tennis	Open boys & girls	16th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015		
Touch	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016		

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website <a href="https://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au">www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au</a> ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form". **Each sport has a different registration criteria.** 

This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport and when completed, click SUBMIT.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by your child's school**. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience".** 

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

\$5.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for after school trials & \$8.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for half day and full day trials.

This is to be paid upon registration at the trials once your child has been approved to attend the Parramatta Diocesan Trials.

Please note that the full day trials will be for boys cricket, boys soccer, boys rugby league & boys rugby union.

Due to the popularity of boys cricket, boys soccer and girls netball a maximum of 2 children only are eligible to trial from each school. Selection of the 2 boys and girls will be made jointly by the school sport coordinator and principal.

Half day trial for tennis and netball... all other trials will be held after school beginning at 4pm.

#### MACKILLOP TRIAL

It should be noted that the main purpose of the Mackillop trial is to select a team to compete at the NSW PSSA Championships. The Inter-Diocesan MacKillop Trial is not a competition although a round robin format is often used to facilitate the selection procedure.

#### NSW PSSA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Children who are successful at being selected in the Mackillop team will compete at the N.S.W. P.S.S.A. Championships. These championships involve three or four days of competition at various locations in NSW. Children selected in these teams may also be required to attend training sessions. At the NSW PSSA Championships a State team will be selected to participate at the School Sport Australia Inter State Exchange for some sports.

#### SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA

To be considered for selction in the NSWPSSA state team for participation at all School Sport Australia 12 Years & Under championships: Students mus be turning between the ages of 10 and 12 in the year of competition i.e. Students turning the ages of 8, 9 and 13 in the year of competition are not eligible for NSWPSSA State selection.

Please note the following information:

- Parents are responsible for all transport and supervision arrangements and must remain to supervise their child at the trial at all times.
- Children need to generally be of representative standard.
- Attendance at training days, where applicable is compulsory.
- The selector's decisions are final.
- Parents will need to make their own travel arrangements for children representing Parramatta at Inter-Diocesan MacKillop trials. This may mean travel to Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra, Wagga or Forbes.
- Please be aware that the teacher conducting the trial and accompanying the team to the venue is a "Team Manager" ~ not a coach.

If you would like your child to participate in one of the Parramatta Diocesan trials please complete the Team Online Registration Form that can be accessed via the website <a href="www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au">www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au</a> ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form".

NOMINATIONS close Friday 30th October 2015 for the sports of Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis and entries close Friday 5th February 2016 for all other sports.

Kind Regards,

#### Margaret Thornton

Teaching Educator Primary Sport ~ CEO Parramatta

WEBSITE: www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au



BASKETBALL 2016 - PARRAMATTA Primary Sport TEAM Registration Form (PDCPSSC)

Thank you for your response. You will receive notification from your school closer to the date of the trial if your child meets or does not meet the criteria for trials.

This is the message that appears once the registration has been submitted correctly.

Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form".

#### **UNIFORM SHOP 2015**

#### 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.

#### 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 Service NSW Office (formally RMS/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.kidsguardian.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.

The Working With Children Check is FREE. 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).

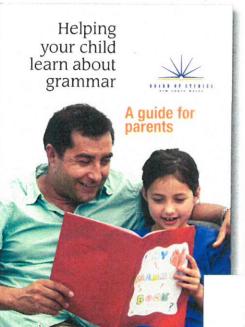
The Working With Children Check remains free for:

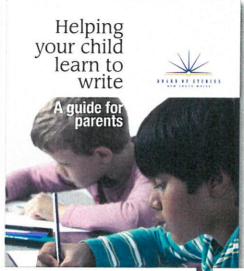
- Volunteers and students
- Authorised carers

- Potential adoptive parents
- 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 NSW Office of the Children's Guardian 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 this 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.



# ACHING & DUCATIONAL AND ARDS NSW NEW RESOURCES GUIDES FOR PARENTS





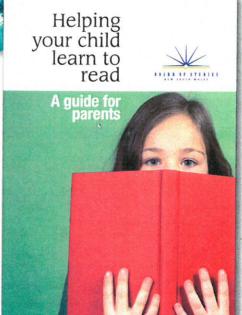
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\$16.20 incl. GST each book

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All 4 BOOKS for \$52





- New resources are now available to support parents, as schools begin the implementation of the new Australian and NSW syllabuses for English and Mathematics.
- These four guides provide comprehensive and practical support for parents in relation to grammar, reading, writing and mathematics.
- The guides will enable parents to participate in their children's learning in a more informative way, as they work in partnership with teachers to provide quality education.

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OLMC Parramatta Mercy Scholarships Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta is now accepting applications for Mercy Scholarships for Academic Excellence and Music Excellence. Girls entering Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2017 are invited to apply. Visit the College website <a href="www.olmc.nsw.edu.au">www.olmc.nsw.edu.au</a> for more information.

<u>OLMC Parramatta last year launched the Mercy Music and Performance Academy Parramatta</u> Is your child interested in music or dance? The new Mercy Music & Performance Academy at OLMC Parramatta offers a range of tuition and workshop options for young people from Years 3 to Year 12. A survey is currently being conducted to understand the needs and interests of families in our local area – please help us create a program that best fosters musical and dance talent by completing the following survey <a href="www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/theacademysurvey">www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/theacademysurvey</a>. Your assistance if greatly appreciated. The survey will be open until November 6, 2015.

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE Where: In the Wesley Uniting Church grounds at 32 Showground Road, Castle Hill. Dates/Times:

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If you are interested in learning Crochet, Knitting or Beading in the North Rocks area please contact Ingrid on 02 9872 1697 or 0413 721 083. ingwulf1@tpg.com.au

#### SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT REFLECTION DAY

CatholicCare Social Services are being funded by the Diocese to hold a Day of Reflection for those who have suffered and grieve the loss of their loved one who took his/her own life. All family members or friends are welcome to attend this day which is being held on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov**. at St Joseph's Centre, 64 MacKillop Dr, Baulkham Hills, commencing at 10.00am and concluding at 4.00pm. The day will include time for sharing, prayer and quiet reflection, input and celebration of the Eucharist. Lunch provided. For registration call 02 99330222 or enquiries@ccss.org.au.

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It isn't every day a Musical like "Annie" comes to your local area and you can take your children to the Theatre for an affordable price. This November, Hills Musical Theatre Company are presenting this delightful iconic musical at Model Farms High School for your viewing pleasure. With a cast of 45 including 20 delightful orphans and of course the iconic Annie herself, and let's not forget "Sandy" this production will leave their audience singing songs like "Tomorrow" and "Hard Knock Life" for days to follow.

Kids love this musical. There were over 60 children audition for a role in this production and out of those 60 came two very special young ladies, who share the lead role of "Annie". Both Jasmine Sarkis and Abbey Thomas share a love of Theatre and this is their first major role in a Musical. They are both true professionals and looking forward to bringing "Annie" to the stage.

Dominic Augimeri and Julianne Horne return to the Hills Musical Theatre Company in the respective roles of Daddy Warbuck's and the evil Miss Hannigan. Coupled with a strong Ensemble of local actors, this show will delight audiences of all ages.

The show is running from November 6th-14th, with tickets and more information available at www.hillsmtc.com

