

## Christ the King, North Rocks 6th April, 2017

Term 1, Week 11

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#### Term 1, Week 10

#### Friday 7th April

- **ALL IN SPORT UNIFORM TODAY**
- **NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE**
- Performance Band 7.45am: all students
- **EASTER HAT PARADE 9AM**
- Band groups throughout the day
- YEAR 6 BBQ FUNDRAISER Sausage

#### **Sunday 9th April**

**PALM SUNDAY** 

#### Term 2, Week 1

#### Monday 24th April

STAFF DEVELOPMENT / **PUPIL FREE DAY** 

#### Tuesday 25th April

**ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY** 

#### Wednesday 26th April

- Anzac Day Liturgy 11:15am in the Church
- **Lunch Orders**
- PE: Year 3, Kindy
- Chess 3.00-4.00pm

#### Thursday 27th April

PE: Year 4, Year 1, Year 6

#### Friday 28th April

- **Lunch Orders**
- Performance Band 7.45am : all students
- Band groups throughout the day

#### Mark In Your Diary

- Tue 9-Thur 11th May Naplan: Year 3 & Year 5
- Wed 10th May Mother's Day gift wrapping night
- Thur 11th May Mother's Day Stall
- $\Rightarrow$ Fri 12th May Mother's Day Liturgy
- Tue 23rd May **ICAS Digital Technologies** (registered students only)
- Mon 12th June Queen's birthday Public Holiday
- Fri 16th June  $\Rightarrow$ Athletics Carnival

Dear Parents.

Easter is the greatest feast in the Christian calendar and celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ

Today our students from Kindergarten to Year 6 took part in a Holy Week Liturgy. 'We Remember.' A reflective experience about the joys, suffering, arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus from the perspective of Jesus' mother, Mary.

The students took the audience on a journey as they reenacted significant events in the life of Jesus including the last supper and the washing of the feet, the betrayal of Jesus, his death and resurrection.

The celebration of Jesus' resurrection at Easter is the most significant tion for our school community. It is at the heart of what we believe as Christians that Jesus died and rose again so that we might have the promise of eternal life.'

#### mmmmmmm Easter Hat Parade

Tomorrow we will continue our celebration of Easter with an Easter Hat the school oval where the children will parade in classes, their Easter Hats to all their peers, teachers and parents.

Children are invited to wear their sport uniform with their hand-made creation on the day.

We hope you can join us at 9:00am on the School Oval to celebrate this fun Easter event as a whole school community. In the event of wet weather, the parade will go ahead within the classrooms

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As you prepare your children to return to school for a Term 2 please ensure that your children attend school in accordance with expectations in appearance and uniform.

Hair is a very important aspect of your child's appearance. Children must have appropriate haircuts. Coloured or dyed hair is not permitted, nor should hair be cut in steps or stairs, or have any other symbols, lines or patterns. Long hair needs to be tied back. Maroon, yellow or white ribbons or scrunchies are permitted. No rat's tails or mohawks are permitted. Short hair needs to be of a consistent length, no shorter sides. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

It is hard to believe that this is the last week of Term 1. The term has gone very quickly. Thank you to all our students, families and staff who have helped out at school in so many varied and different ways over the Term. I thank you all for your continuing support.

Best wishes to everyone for a happy and holy Easter and an enjoyable and restful two

We look forward to commencing the new term with you on Wednesday, 26 April.

Have a wonderful week. Bernadette Walsh

## PBS4L

# Positive Behaviour Support for Learning







#### At CTK we speak and act with kindness.

During this week CTK has been learning about ways that we can speak and act with kindness. We have been discussing in our learning groups about how we can be more like Jesus by using kind words when speaking with others and making choices which help others to feel good and happy.



I can speak and act with kindness with my teacher.



I can speak and act with kindness by saying thank you to someone who has helped me.



I can speak and act with kindness on the playground with my friends.



I can speak and act with kindness in the classroom when working.



I can speak and act with kindness by saying please when I ask for something.

I can speak and act with kindness by saying excuse me when I need to interrupt someone.





I can speak and act with kindness by saying hello when I see a friend or a teacher.

# If you ever forget to speak and act with kindness

You can say sorry for what you have said or done.

You can take responsibility for your own choices.

You can have some quiet time to think about how you could make a better decision next time.



#### **PARISH NEWS**

The Parish of St Patrick's Cathedral invites parents with their children to avail themselves of an opportunity to attend an exhibition of an 'Exact Full Sized Replica of the Shroud of Turin'.

The exhibition will close at 5pm THIS Saturday 8th April. The Shroud exhibit will be located in St Patrick's Cathedral Hall which is adjacent to the Cathedral and will be available for viewing from 10.00am to 5.00pm each day.

For any families interested in attending, please be aware that this exhibition is given in the form of a walk through 'self tour' where you are invited to have a visual encounter with this most profound relic of Christ's passion and death. A Cathedral volunteer will be on hand to answer questions with regard to the Shroud replica.

#### CTK PARISH—HOLY WEEK MASSES

Sunday 9th April Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am

Thursday 13th April Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm

Friday 14th April Stations of the Cross 10:00am

Friday 14th April Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00pm

Saturday 15th April Reconciliation 3:00pm—4:00pm

Saturday 15th April Easter Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 16th April Easter Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am

#### Alpha is Coming to CTK - 1st May @7pm!

Alpha is a series of sessions running over 7 weeks, exploring the basics of Christian faith and allowing participants the chance to ask questions and share their point of view. Each session begins with sharing some food to get to know each other; watching a talk designed to engage and inspire conversation; and ending with discussion in a small group to share thoughts and ideas. All are welcome, wherever they may be on their journey. Each Monday evening will run for approximately two hours from 7pm until 9pm.

For those who attended Alpha last year, the talks are slightly different so there will be the opportunity to discover something new. It would be wonderful to see previous participants invite family and friends along this time around to enjoy the Alpha experience firsthand.

To find out more or to express your interest, please contact Rachel Elliot at relliottaus@gmail.com or 0411 821 027.

#### **GOODBYE Ice Block Friday**

Thank you to the many parents that assisted with Ice blocks this term. Ice block Friday will return in Term 4. Our appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Kruger for coordinating this special treat for the students.

#### **Library News**

#### Premier's Reading Challenge 2017

All students should be well on their way with reading for the PRC. Holiday time is a great time to catch up on books you love and read a couple of books from the challenge. Remember your local library also has PRC books you can borrow.

# Year 5 celebrates Harmony Day

Year 5 Celebrated the end of our first PBL project yesterday with a Harmony Day celebration. Students shared their work with all students and teachers at Christ the King in the morning and then with their parents and the community in the afternoon.

Students dressed in their traditional outfits, brought in a plate of food to share that reflects their heritage, parents and community performance were present and finally students shared their iMovies with all involved.

It was a great day had by all.



















#### ADVANCED NOTICE—PUPIL FREE DAY

On the first day of term 2, teaching staff will be involved in a Professional Learning day on **Monday 24th April**.

On this day the staff will be working on our Literacy program and the children's learning throughout 2017.

Please put this date in your calendar as there are no classes on this day.

#### ANZAC PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 25th April

For Term 2, students will begin on WEDNESDAY 26TH APRIL.

#### OFFICE TRANSACTIONS - Friday 7th April

Please note that <u>cash</u> transactions through the Office have finalized for Term 1.

Bpay, Eftpos and Credit facilities will still be available up until 3:00pm on Friday 7th April.

#### **UNPAID SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNTS ARE NOW OVERDUE**

A reminder that unpaid School Fee accounts are now overdue. Please make payment of this account a priority.

Thank You.

#### **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

**IMPORTANT: CHANGE TO OPENING HOURS FROM TERM 2** 

EVERY TUESDAY 8.00am—12:30pm

The Uniform Shop is open for trading every TUESDAY from 8:00am—12:30pm.

Parents are most welcome to place an order through the office.
FULL PAYMENT with all orders.

The Uniform Shop can accept Eftpos (credit & debit [not American Express]), cash and cheque (made payable to Christ the King).

The Uniform Shop Price List is available on the Christ the King School website. 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.

NEXT TRADING DAY: TERM 2, WEEK 2 - Tuesday 2nd May

#### CTK WINTER UNIFORM - TERM 2 CHANGEOVER

There will be a grace / change-over period for the first 2 weeks of Term 2 depending on the weather. During this time, at parent discretion, children may wear either their summer or winter school uniform.

Please ensure whichever uniform your child wears, it is the full uniform, i.e. not girls summer uniform with tights or boys shorts with long sleeved shirts. Thank you.

#### Happy Birthday for the month of April to

Kinder Georgia B Veneka K Brandon L Oliver P

Callan M Year 1 Nicholas K

Abigail V

Year 2 Mariana W Stephanie P Claire R

Dominic B

Year 3 Sarah F

Year 4 Kiara P Ella W Sienna K Ignatius L Mitchell R

Year 5 Isabelle Z

Year 6 Abigail K Owen M Patrick Z Isabella H



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





#### **SPORT NEWS**

#### **Cross Country Congratulations and Thanks**

I would like to say a big thank you to all of the parents that were able to come up to Don Moore Reserve and assist in the running of the day. Without your help and support a day like that could not have been run.

Congratulations to those students who competed in the Cross Country races throughout the day. It was great to see so many students try so hard to make it through to the Diocesan Carnival to be held next term. A lot of students ran times that were eligible to compete at the next carnival but due to restrictions we are only able to take 6 students for each race. Notes and details for those students selected will be sent home for the carnival at Sydney Motorsport Park, Eastern Creek which will be held on Tuesday, 2nd May.

#### **Student Achievements**

This term we have had many students be successful in furthering their sporting achievements and competing in trials for a variety of sports. I would like to congratulate those students who did qualify for the MacKillop teams.

Soccer:

Marcus Younis

AFL:

Cameron Este

Cricket:

Lucas Sassen

Rugby League:

Anthony Al-Yammouni

Netball:

Monique Brown

Basketball:

Monique Brown

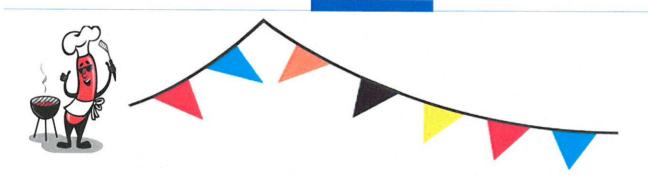
State Swimming:

Bringleigh Grosvenor

Dane Grosvenor

Congratulations also to Isabella Yeomans has qualified for the Australian National Championships in Gymnastics which will be held in June this year.

We would like to wish all of these students the best of luck as they compete in the next level.



# SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY

A reminder that the Year 6 Graduation Committee will be hosting a delicious sausage sizzle for the children TOMORROW, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April

The meal deal includes:

A freshly cooked sausage in a roll a 600ml bottle of water and a Zooper Dooper ice block (served at lunch time)

The Year 6 committee have kindly organised Zooper Dooper ice blocks for all students even if they did not order a meal deal. We thank them for this special treat for the students.



The Anzac tradition was forged on 25 April 1915 when the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula.

#### This year marks the 102nd Anniversary of ANZAC Day.

It marked the start of a campaign which lasted eight months and resulted in some 26,000 Australian casualties, including 8,159 who were killed or died of wounds or disease. The bravery and spirit of those who served on the Gallipoli Peninsula shaped a legend, and so the 'Anzac' became a part of the Australian and New Zealand lexicon. In 1916, the first anniversary on the landing was observed in Australia, New Zealand, England and by troops in Egypt. That year, 25 April was named 'Anzac Day'. By the 1920's, Anzac Day ceremonies were held throughout Australia and the states had designated Anzac Day as a public holiday. Commemoration of Anzac Day continued throughout the 1930's and 1940's with World War II veterans joining parades around the country.

Over the ensuing decades, returned Australian servicemen and women from conflicts such as Malaysia, Vietnam, Korea, East Timor, Iraq and Afghanistan as well as peacekeepers and veterans from allied countries, now march proudly in the parades.

You are warmly invited to attend our CTK ANZAC Day Liturgy.

Children from Scouts, Cubs, Brownies, Joeys etc. may wear their uniform on the day.

When: Wednesday April 26, 2017

**Time**: 11:15 am

Venue: Christ the King Church

We look forward to reverently celebrating ANZAC Day Liturgy as a community. We hope you can join us.



#### 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 important information as soon as it happens example: school news, event reminders, cancellations and much more.

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.

#### HAVING ISSUES WITH THE Skoolbag app



If you find you are not receiving messages or have lost your alert ping, sometimes it is just a matter of removing and re-installing the app.

System updates sometimes cause these minor issues.

#### USE YOUR Skoolbag app TO NOTIFY YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL



- 1. Open Skoolbag app
- 2. Click on eForms
- 3. Select Absentee Form
- 4. Complete all fields
- 5. In the last field you need to tap and then you can sign with your finger on your phone screen
- 6. Press Submit

This will send an instant email to the school to advise your child's absence.

This document is now legally acceptable as an Absentee Notification as the form is signed. You will <u>not</u> need to send in an additional note when your child returns to school.

This eForm on the Skoolbag App is not to be used for extended Family leave.

- Request for Family leave (1-10 days) must be emailed to the Principal. If travelling overseas, an itinerary must accompany this application.
- For Family leave over 10 days, an Application for Extended Leave must be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to departure. *If travelling overseas, an itinerary must accompany this application.*

#### CHANGES TO STUDENT LEAVE APPLICATIONS: COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) has procedures and guidelines in place to achieve high standards of student attendance in collaboration with parents. Parents are required by law to ensure that children aged between 6 and 17 attend school.

Schools are required to monitor and keep a register of student attendance and explained absences.

#### Requirements for Exemption from attendance for student absence and travel

1-5 days absence: Parents must notify the school principal by mail or email (written) at least 2 weeks before leave date <u>however</u>, if travelling overseas an Application for Extended Leave form must be completed. Copies of travel documents must attach this application (for overseas travel only).

**5-100 days absence (whether travelling in Australia or Overseas)**: Parents must complete and submit the Application for Extended Leave form at least 2 weeks prior to commencing leave (Copies of travel documents must accompany this application whether travelling in Australia or Overseas). If approved the Principal issues a Certificate of Extended Leave. If the principal declines this application (i.e: it is not within the best interest of the child to take leave and be absent from school), a letter notifying parents that the application has been declined would be forthcoming.

#### PARENT VOLUNTEERS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

New directive from the Diocesan Office 25th May 2016

#### BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES - NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY <u>ALL</u> PARENT VOLUNTEERS <u>INCLUDING THOSE WHO</u> <u>ALREADY HAVE A CURRENT NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.</u>

Please note: Until both the 'Volunteer Form' and the 'Module' have been completed, parents will not be able to assist in any capacity as a volunteer within the school. (The school receives notification when you complete each section).

'Building Child Safe Communities' is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. It is now a requirement that <u>all</u> volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form that confirms expectations in relation to behaviour whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centres. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

**Volunteers** – please click on 'Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers' by accessing the **form** via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage <a href="www.parra.catholic.edu.au">www.parra.catholic.edu.au</a>, then click on the 'Volunteers and Contractors-Click here' image (halfway down page on the right hand side).

This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 1—Volunteer Form and follow the steps

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted.

- Your details will be maintained confidentially in a central database
- A copy of your confirmation will then be emailed to the School / location where you are volunteering to be kept on file.

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

A reminder that you once you receive your confirmation email, you will need to complete the Child Protection Module.



www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the 'Volunteers and Contractors-Click here' image (halfway down page on the right hand side). This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 2—Complete the Online Training Module

Once you complete this online module the school will receive notification that it has been completed and you will be cleared to volunteer.

#### Therefore in brief:

- 1. To complete form go to: www.parra.catholic.edu.au and follow Step 1 above
- 2. Wait for confirmation email
- 3. On receipt of the confirmation email follow Step 2 above to complete Child Protection Online Module
- 4. Wait for confirmation email
- 5. The School will receive an email confirming that you have completed both steps and are now cleared to volunteer.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support of Catholic Education.

#### **CELEBRATING GIFTS AND TALENTS**

Congratulations to Isabella Yeomans, who achieved some fantastic results at a recent Acrobatic Gymnastics Competition - Level 6 Women's Pair - 1st Balance, 1st Dynamic, 1st overall.

Isabella has qualified for the Australian National Championships coming up in June. Well done Isabella.

Congratulations to Monique Brown (Yr 6) on coming 2nd at the NSW State Championships in February and 10th at the Australian Track and Field Championships last weekend in the U/14 Womens Javelin Throw. Well done Monique.

#### **TERM DATES FOR 2017**

Term 2 Monday, 24th April Staff Development / Pupil Free day

> Tuesday. 25th April Anzac Day \ Public Holiday

Wednesday 26th April School begins

Friday, 30th June

Term 3 Tuesday, 18th July to Friday, 22nd September

Term 4 Monday, 9th October Friday 15th December to

#### **CEDP FINANCIAL SYSTEM GOING LIVE AT CTK IN TERM 2**

The Financial System which is currently in use at the Catholic Education Office Parramatta (CEDP) is now in the process of being rolled out to all schools within the Diocese. This rollout will occur over the course of 2017. Christ the King is due to go live in Term 2. We ask for your patience and understanding as we begin using this new financial package.

As a result, the Uniform Shop must now have an afternoon Administration period so from Term 2, this will mean that the trading hours for the shop will be from 8:00am to 12:30pm each Tuesday. Orders can still be placed and paid for directly through the Office with completed orders being sent home with your children after they have been filled.

Thank you for your understanding.

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### SAVE THESE DATES

#### Mother's Day Wrapping Night

MANY HANDS, MAKE FOR LIGHT WORK!!! And we need many hands please for wrapping on Wednesday 10 May (Term 2, Week 3) from 7.30pm in the Hall. Come for as long as you can as the more helpers the quicker we can work our way through the gifts. Please, no children or students thank you. Everyone's time is valuable so whatever time you are able to give will be most appreciated.

#### Mother's Day Stall

The Mother's Day Stall will be held on THURSDAY 11 May (Term 2, Week 3). If you are free to help with selling on this day, could you please meet in the hall at 9.30am in the morning. We need roughly 12 helpers to run the payment and gifts tables and the bagging table. The majority of the helpers will be needed from 9:30am. We envisage that the stall will be finished by approximately 12pm. More information coming home soon.

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

<u>Schoenstatt Shrine</u> Open Times: The Shrine is open 7 days a week, 365 days a year, 7am to 8pm, for quiet personal prayer and reflection. Come and enjoy the peace and grace of the Shrine and our beautiful rural surroundings. You are always welcome to bring your family and friends and share lunch in the grounds. Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Please contact the centre if you have any questions on 4773 8338.

Grace & Silence Retreat Day for Young Women (17 to 30 years), 8th April, 2017 OR 10th June, 2017 Open your soul and allow God to speak to your heart. 9.00 am - 4.30 pm for General Retreat Day 9.30 am - 4.30 pm for Vocation Discernment to Marriage & Family, Single Life or Consecrated Life. Cost: \$30 includes morning tea, warm lunch, afternoon tea and materials.

To register or for more information contact Sr M Julie - juliebrcar@gmail.com or phone: 0408 738 334

Stations of the Cross - Good Friday, 14th April at 10am Pray and walk the Stations of the Cross from the Valley to the Shrine at Mount Schoenstatt. Bring your family and church group to reflect together on Jesus's journey, on the way to His Cross.

Please arrive early as the walk to the valley can take 5-10 minutes. For further information please call 02 4773 8338 or email: info@schoenstatt.org.au

Time for Us - to go on a date - An Evening for Married Couples to Dance, Dine and Pray Saturday 29th April OR Saturday 3rd June An opportunity for couples to foster their relationship. The evening will unfold with a short input on male leadership followed by a lesson in ballroom dancing, fine dining and prayer. The evening commences at 5pm and concludes 10pm, Investment: \$150 per couple.

To register or for more information contact Sr M Julie - juliebrcar@gmail.com or phone: 0408 738 334

Time for Us to prepare our Hearts for marriage - Weekend for Engaged Couples 9th - 11 June OR 6th - 8th June

These weekends aim to compliment pre-marriage courses to allow engaged couples to prepare their heats so that they may give a total, free and faithful "YES" to their future spouses and contribute towards a fruitful marriage. The inputs and times of prayer and silent reflection will foster the preparation of your heart so that you may be a gift to your spouse and receive your spouse as a gift. Investment: \$200 per person (includes accommodation, all meals, linen and materials. To register or for more information contact Sr M Julie - juliebrcar@gmail.com or phone: 0408 738 334

Discover Retreat for Young Women (18-35) - 5th to 7th May OR 21st to 23rd July, 2017

A self-discovery weekend on identity and personality, dignity, womanhood, personal ideal, vocation and mission. Friday, 7.30 pm to Sunday 5 pm, Student \$170, employed \$200. To register or for more information contact Sr M Julie - juliebrcar@gmail.com or phone: 0408 738 334

Annual Marian pilgrimage - All Welcome - Sunday, 21st May 2017 "The Shrine - Oasis of Faith, Hope and Love"

10 am: Welcome, confession available before Holy Mass in the Family Hall.

10.30 am: Pontifical High Mass with Most Rev. Vincent Long OFM, Conv. DD, Official launch for the 50th Anniversary of the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine. Recommissioning of Pilgrim Mother Coordinators.

2.00 pm: Eucharistic Procession with four alters from the Valley to the Shrine, finishing with Final Benediction. Alternative program-Anointing of the Sick & Elderly at the Shrine.

LUNCH: Hot Food, Tea & Coffee available - or BYO. This is an outdoor event, please bring your won chairs & Rugs. Children are encouraged to come dressed in white with a basket of petals for the procession. For further information contact: pilgrimmother@bigpond.com or phone 02 4773 8338.



Free Tickets - Booking Now - Spirit of Anzac Experience International Convention Centre Sydney: 15 – 27 April
We will be hosting some fun and educational activities, in conjunction with the Australian War Memorial, from Monday 17 to Friday 21 April 2017. Various sessions will take place throughout these dates. Whether you are a family or a large group, you will be able to tour the exhibition, participate in craft sessions, explore artefacts and learn more about service men and women from the First World War. Please visit the website for details. <a href="www.spiritofanzac.gov.au">www.spiritofanzac.gov.au</a> It really is a not to be missed, once-in-a-life-time experience.

THINK CLUB SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM 19th—20th April. 9am—3:30pm. Sydney Boys High School Moore Park Experiential workshops for the inquisitive, problem-solving, creative and capable primary school student. Our one day, hands-on workshops are enjoyable, fun and interesting. Information pamphlet available from the office.

| Caturday 0           | WHAT'S ON AT PENRITH OBSERVATORY IN APRIL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| Saturday 8<br>April  | Public Astronomy Night – The Building Blocks of Planets                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 7pm – 9pm            | Making a planet is a lot like putting together a puzzle, you require many small pieces to come together to complete the larger picture. We look at the smaller objects found within our solar system and how they form into larger objects. We cover all types of small celestial bodies with a focus on the Rosetta Mission and future NASA programs. |
|                      | Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome area and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting)                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Friday 21 April      | Hands on Workshop – Rockets                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 10am – 12pm          | Lots of fun for children ages 4 - 12. Build and launch paper rockets using compressed air and watch a demonstration of a real rocket launch.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                      | Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome area and SAFE viewing of the Sun through a specialised telescope (weather permitting)                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Saturday 22<br>April | Public Astronomy Night – Space Junk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 7pm – 9pm            | Orbital debris is circling around our planet. How did it get there, why do we care and what can we do about it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                      | Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome area and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting)                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Cost for Public      | Astronomy Programs:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| \$18.00 Adult        | \$12.00 Child/Concession \$50.00 Family (2 adults + 2 children) Children under 3 years of age free.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| \$15.00 per perso    | on (children and accompanying adults) for hands-on workshops                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| BOOKINGS ARE         | ESSENTIAL <a href="https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on">https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on</a>                                                                                                                                                              |



#### 1-Day Pop-up Workshops - APRIL 2017

Thursday April 20, 2017 - 9am-3pm - Big Sing Attention all singers! If you love singing, would like to try singing, or would like to improve your singing, then this is the workshop for you. The Big Sing will explore vocal skills and refresh singing techniques through a range of exercises and songs which are designed to explore and develop vocal production, breathing, pitch and tone.

Bookings are essential - bookings close Wednesday March 29, 2017.

Friday April 21, 2017 - 9am-3pm - Big Bash Attention drummers and percussionists! If you're a young and inspired drummer/percussionist, then this workshop is not to be missed. Students will learn about origins of drumming, technique, reading, hand drumming, the drum kit, orchestral percussion and even create their very own original piece of music. The 1-day course caters for the beginner to intermediate skill levels so if you're interested please get in contact to book your place! **Bookings are essential - bookings close Wednesday March 29, 2017.** 

Friday April 21, 2017 - 9.30am-3.30pm - Autumn Strings Join leading instrumental practitioners in this 1-day workshop for student musicians who play Orchestral String instruments at the following approximate levels:

Violin - AMEB Grade 1-5 Viola - AMEB Grade 1-3

Cello - AEMB Grade 1-4 Double Bass - AMEB Grade 1-3

The focus of the workshop will be ensemble technique, small ensembles and performance technique, culminating in a short concert showcasing the pieces that have been developed throughout the day.

Bookings are essential - bookings close Wednesday April 5, 2017.

Venue Christina Creede Music Centre, Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta, Ross St, North Parramatta (Enter via Gate 3)

Age Year 3 - Year 12

Cost \$75 per workshop (current OLMC students) or \$75 plus GST per workshop (non OLMC students)

Bookings are essential. Book online at: <a href="http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/the-academy/apply-now">http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/the-academy/apply-now</a> Enquiries: <a href="mailto:music@olmc.nsw.edu.au">music@olmc.nsw.edu.au</a> or 02 8838 1288