Dear parents, children and friends

This is the last newsletter for the term and it is hard to believe that ten weeks have passed. Yesterday the Year 5/6 classes presented the Easter story through the performing arts. They did a wonderful job but not without much hard work and commitment. Special thanks go to our music teacher, Amanda de Kuyver, Assistant Principals, Carol Hoare & Angie Letizia for their work with the students. They helped the students develop an understanding of the events they were portraying and of how to present these essential truths with sensitivity and great audience impact.

Whilst reflecting on Term One, I was reminded of the many ways the staff spend time to ensure that the children in our care begin to understand the world around them. Events like yesterday’s Liturgy, the swimming carnival, Kindy afternoon teas, assemblies, leadership events; all take weeks to organize.

Thank you to our teachers and parents/caregivers alike for the commitment to quality conversations at the parent teacher conferences over the past two weeks. When we work together, share similar goals and communicate regularly, we can make a great difference to the achievement of our children. It is the partnership between parents and the school that is such an important element in enabling learning to occur. I remind all parents that teachers have your child’s best interests at heart even when they need to explain some things about your child that can be difficult to accept. If you are informed that the child’s behaviour is not only preventing him or her from learning, but that it is also disturbing others, then you must do something about it. Every child should be able to learn in a calm and orderly environment.

Easter occurs in the middle of the two week break. This is seen as the most important event for Christians. It is why we believe what we believe. Experiencing some of the church’s traditions at this time gives your child an increased understanding of our Catholic faith. By attending the Holy Thursday service, the children who have made their First Communion or those who are preparing for their First Eucharist, will begin to see why this sacrament is of such significance to us.

I will be away on Long Service Leave for the first four weeks of Term 2. In my absence, Carol Hoare will be your principal. I wish all our families a safe holiday, a happy and Holy Easter and I look forward to seeing you all again in late May.

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Congratulations to all of these wonderful sports people!

Caitlin J – Runner Up
Mathew J
Under 6 Boys Champion
Sienna G
Under 7 Girls Champion

Tom R

Tom at States the other weekend. The competition was very tough but he came 4th in Long Jump, missing out on bronze by 1cm with a jump of 4.57. He finished in the top 8 for discus. In his last event he threw the javelin so well and finished in 2nd place winning his first individual state medal.

Best wishes

Helen O’Toole
Principal
Do Not Be Afraid

The words “Do not be afraid” appear 366 times throughout the whole of the Bible - as though it is a daily message for each day of a leap year. “Do not be afraid” is a very basic message of the Bible. The angel tells Mary not to be afraid when she is asked to be the mother of Jesus. Joseph is told not to be afraid, but to take Mary as his wife, and the shepherds in the fields were told not to be afraid.

Jesus calls Simon Peter to follow him, telling him not to be afraid. When Jesus walks on the water towards his disciples in their boat, he sees what they are like and says: “Have courage, don’t be afraid, it’s me!”

Jesus says: “No one is forgotten in God’s sight. There’s no need to be afraid, because you are precious. Don’t worry about the future.” When Jesus rises from the dead, he says to his friends: “Don’t be afraid. I leave you my peace.”

Let’s pause for a moment in silence, remembering that God calls each of us by name and tells each of us not to be afraid. Let’s pause for a moment and each simply repeat those words in silence a few times -
Religious Education News

Palm Sunday
As we near the end of Lent, we celebrate Passion (Palm) Sunday. At the beginning of the liturgy, we receive palms in memory of Christ’s triumphal entry into Jerusalem. As a symbol of triumph the palms point us towards Christ’s resurrection. The white robes worn on Sunday remind us of our Baptismal garments and the palms suggest their triumph over sin and death through the waters of sin and Baptism.

During this lead up to our Easter celebrations, try to take time to talk to your family about the sorts of things you can do to help others during Holy Week.

Time-Table for the Easter Triduum

St Jerome’s Parish Community welcomes everyone for the Easter Celebrations

Holy Thursday:
7pm Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper and Washing of the Feet followed by Adoration until midnight.

Good Friday:
10am Stations of the Cross
3pm Celebration of the Lord’s Passion

Holy Saturday:
7 pm Vigil Mass
(No Morning Masses)

Easter Sunday:
8 am, 10am & 6pm Mass

Trial of iPads /Tablets in Year Four and Six in Term Two

The past eighteen months have seen some dramatic changes to the ICT capabilities of the school. We have upgraded our wireless system, enabling fast and reliable access to the internet. This has opened up huge possibilities, allowing simple and easy access to mobile technology from anywhere in the school and hall. The improved ease of access to the internet for research purposes and the many applications available to support learning, are helping to provide the students with a stimulating and engaging learning environment. Currently we have five iPads in each classroom and a loan arrangement for another ten, which are shared among all classes in each block.

In response to this we trialed a program of ‘Bring Your Own Mobile Device’ (iPad or Tablet) to school in Five Green during Semester Two, 2013. Overall, this proved to be quite successful and as such, we expanded this trial in 2014 to include all Year Five classes, with tablets being brought in on three days each week. This has proved to be a huge success with teachers delighted with the trial and hoping to extend the number of days students bring their devices to school to five days a week in Semester Two.

As a result of the success of the trial in Year Five, in Term Two this year, it has been decided to extend this trial to allow those students in the Year Four and Six classes who have access to such devices to bring them to school for use as directed by their teacher/s on the assigned days.

Cybersmart Parent Workshop on Internet Safety – Date for parents Tuesday 10 June 6-7:30pm - All welcome!

As part of its Cybersmart Outreach program, the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA), delivers free internet safety awareness presentations for parents, teachers and students. Presentations provide valuable information about the risks confronting children online, and offer tools and tips to help make their internet experiences safe and positive.

Internet safety presentations cover topics including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, illegal content, inappropriate contact, identity theft, grooming and predatory activity
- tips to help children stay safe online.

Students and teachers will also take part in separate PD on the same day.

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Canteen News
Phone Number 9499 9510
Roster 2014

Monday 28 April  
Christine Mooibroek

Tuesday 29 April  
Tanya Quintiliani
Kat Armstrong

Wednesday 30 April  
Diana Bucat
Sandra Ratta

Thursday 1 May  
Lisa McElroy
Julie Gorman

Friday 2 May 
Angela Mirco
Victoria Rose

A new winter menu for terms 2 & 3 was sent home today. Please check your child's bag. (If all else fails, you can collect another copy next term!)

Please destroy all old copies of menu to avoid any confusion. Please check the daily specials carefully, because incorrect orders may revert to a cheese sandwich.

Enjoy your Easter break.

Renate, Michelle & Yvonne.
Canteen Team

Former Student – Oliver Goss

Just liked to share with everyone that a former St Jerome’s student Oliver Goss is playing in the US Masters Golf tournament that starts tomorrow! He has qualified as an amateur which allows him the opportunity to play against the world best! You can follow coverage on 7mate!

Regards

Scotty

Uniform Shop
Opening Times
Monday  8.15am to 3.30pm
Thursday  8.15am to 3.30pm

Dear Parents
The end of the school term is upon us! To continue with our series on speech and language difficulties, this week we are talking about auditory processing difficulties. We certainly hope that you have enjoyed our contributions to the school newsletter over the past term. We will be continuing the series next term.

What is an Auditory Processing Difficulty?
Auditory processing is the brain’s ability to make sense of the sounds it hears – ie to process, analyse, interpret and respond to the sounds that it hears. Children who have difficulty with auditory processing often have normal hearing, but the brain is unable to fully process the sounds that it hears, and distinguish between sounds. Auditory processing difficulties are typically diagnosed by an audiologist after a child is 6 years of age.

Students who have auditory processing difficulties may have trouble:

1) following instructions in busy environments such as the classroom (performance in quiet environments or in one-on-one situations is often better)
2) difficulty remembering information they have heard, such as all of the important events in stories; or new words
3) difficulty hearing the difference between sounds eg thinking the vowels ‘e’ and ‘a’ sound the same
4) difficulty identifying words that rhyme
5) difficulty breaking a word into syllables or individual sounds
6) difficulty understanding the relationship between sounds and letters.

Please note that auditory processing difficulties are only one explanation for the above difficulties; however if you are concerned regarding your child’s performance in these areas, it may be useful to speak to a speech pathologist and / or an audiologist.

Happy holidays everyone! See you next term!
From the team at Talk the Talk Speech Pathology

Patricia Forbes
Speech Pathologist / Practice Manager
Talk the Talk Speech Pathology
0421 212 412
talkthetalk@optusnet.com.au
The St Jerome's P&F warmly invites you all to attend our Mother's Day Mass

When:  Friday the 9th May 2014
Time:   9am in the church, followed by morning tea in the hall
Cost:   $10.00 per person

RSVP: Please enclose your slip and exact money in an envelope and leave in the P&F box at the front office, on or before the 6th May 2014.

**As this is a fully catered event, we advise that late acceptances are not possible**

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Name: ___________________________
Class and Name of Eldest Child: ___________________________
Amount Enclosed: ___________________________
Number of Tickets: ___________________________
Signed: __________________________ Dated: ________________

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School Banking

A big thank you to all our bankers, it can be really busy at times and we appreciate your patience while waiting in line. Just a reminder to use the drop off box if we are busy and you cannot wait. The deposit books will be returned to the children via the classroom pigeon holes.

School Banking is held in the uniform shop between 8.15am and 8.45am Tuesday mornings.

Please feel free to pop into the uniform shop on Tuesday morning if you have any questions about the program.

Thank you
Kylie David

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Book Club

Apologies to the Children who have not received their orders.

I am working with Scholastic to sort this for you all.

I will be in touch over the holidays.

Many thanks
Gail Del Bianco
0407342141
Community News

Holiday Hoop Time Camp

Who: 6 to 14 year olds (no basketball experience required)
Where: Wally Hagan Basketball Stadium
        Starling Street, Hamilton Hill
When: April 14th - 17th 2014
        9am - 3pm
(Child minding available before and after camp, please book in advance)

What: Basketball/Multiple Sports/Water Fun
      Fantastic coaches and a great time
Canteen: open during camp

Cost: $120 x 4 days 35 x 1day (pay before April 7th to receive $15 discount)
$10 discounts per additional sibling or $10 discount for first time campers.
Additional sibling & first time camper's discounts cannot be used together.
Contact: development@cockburncougars.com or 93359101

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TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2014 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Spain and Colombia will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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WA SQUASH FAMILY HOLIDAY FUN

*Free Easter Egg*
WA Squash is running School Holiday Family Fun on Tuesday 15th April, 2014 from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. at Hilton Squash and Fitness 9337 1032.
Only $5.00 each, including all equipment.
*All participants will receive a free Easter Egg.
Share the fun. 0418932389.

Cockburn Junior Football Club

We are currently looking for new members in the following years
Pre-Primary, Grades One, Two and Three
Training Tuesdays 4.30 pm Davilak Oval
Reduced Auskick Fees of $50
If your child is interested in playing please contact:
Darryl Power on 0401 990 906 or Michelle Alford on 0421 215 242

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Building Resiliency
Coping Skills for you and your child

Tuesday May 6th
Presented by Terry Andrews-Senior Psychologist Non Government Schools Psychology Service

6pm-8pm
6pm for tea, coffee and biscuits
Christ the King Primary School
87 York Street
RSVP 2 May
## WINTER CANTEEN MENU
**TERMS 2 & 3 2014**
**ST JEROME'S CANTEEN 9495 9510**

### Available Daily Column
(Sandwiches are made with 1 slice & 1 wedged slice)

- Chicken Sandwich - G $3.20
- Tuna Sandwich - G $3.10
- Ham Sandwich - G $3.00
- Cheese Sandwich - G $2.70
- Egg/Carried Egg Sandwich - G $2.80
- Salad Sandwich - G $2.90
- Ham & Cheese Sandwich - G $3.40
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sandwich - G $3.60
- Vegemite & Cheese Sandwich - G $2.60
- Margarine Sandwich - G $1.60
- Plain Round Roll - G $1.40

### TO ADD SALAD
Basic salad includes lettuce, carrot & tomato
- $0.80

### TO ADD ROLL
- $0.80

### TUESDAYS
**Daily Specials (WED & FRI ONLY)**
- Hamburger or Chicken or Fish Burger
- G $4.20
- Cheeseburger
- A $3.60
- Fish and Wedges
- A $4.30
- Nachos
- A $3.40
- Nuggets in a Bucket
- A $3.40
- Toasted feta & spinach flatbread
- G $4.20

### MORNINGS RECESS ITEMS
- *Please note that not all items are available every day*
- *Recess CANNOT be pre-ordered*

### WEDNESDAY
- Hot Chicken & Mayonnaise Roll
- smi $1.80 G lge $3.50
- Hot Dogs with Sauce
- smi $1.80 A lge $3.50
- Lasagne or Spaghetti Bolognese
- G $4.10
- Pasta Salads - See list for pricing

### SALAD TUBS
- "Tubs include lettuce, carrot, tomato, bean & a slice of bread"

- G $4.90
- G $4.60
- G $4.40
- G $3.00

### THURSDAYS
- Chicken Pops, Corn & Wedges
- A $4.00
- Ravioli Napolitana (Bee)
- G $4.10
- Mexican Cheese
- G $4.10
- Hot Potato (Baked Beans & Cheese)
- G $3.90
- Mexican rice, beans, sour cream
- G $4.80

### FRIDAYS
- Spaghetti Bolognaise or Lasagne
- G $3.40
- Pizza - Cheese & Bacon
- G $3.80
- Pizza - Meat Lovers
- A $3.30
- Pasta Pops
- A $13.10-

### Drinks & Misc.
- Flavoured milk 300ml - Chocolate
- G $2.10
- Chocmilk, Banana, Caramel, Strawberry
- Light Yoghurt (Strawberry)
- G $2.00
- Hot milk 30ml
- G $1.30
- Chocolate yoghurt
- G $2.00
- Bottled Water (Plain) 600ml
- G $1.60
- Juice Boxes (100% 250ml)
- (Apple, Orange or Tropical)
- A $1.60
- Nude juices (100% 250 ml)
- (Apple, Tropical, Lemonade)
- A $1.80
- LOL Cars
- A $2.20
- (Raspb, Black currant, Pechie, Tropical)
- Fruit Tubes
- G $2.00
- Up and Go's (Vanilla & Chocolate)
- G $1.80

### Canteen Information
- G = Green rated foods (healthier everyday choices)
- A = Amber rated foods (Limit intake and choose carefully)

### NEW NEW NEW NEW
**SURPRISE LUNCH PACK**
Available any day
$6.50

Includes Cheese or vegemite sandwich, juice box, mini bar OR fruit muesli bar and a surprise gift.

(ideal for a birthday treat)