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'Inspired by the Spirit, we are a strong community, supporting and leading learners in a safe and inclusive environment.'

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday and Wednesday evening we held our Family Faith Nights for our Prep and Year 1/2 classes. Family Faith Nights are offered to families of children in Years Prep – 2. We acknowledge that parents are the first faith educators and these sessions are an opportunity to grow in faith together, helping to facilitate faith education for the whole family. We always try to make the nights as interactive as possible so that families can fully engage with each other.



YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP

Our 5/6 students returned from a very successful camp experience in Canberra. They thoroughly enjoyed the camp; visiting the different museums, exhibitions and political and electoral buildings. The opportunity to be away from home for 4 nights was also a valuable experience for the children. In this week's newsletter, we have included some of the children's thoughts on their Canberra visit. I would encourage you to take the time to read these.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed to the cost of the camp, funding \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. We are grateful to the Government for this contribution.

COHR TALENT SHOW

Tomorrow afternoon we will be holding a Talent Show in the hall commencing at 2pm. This opportunity was mentioned to students at the end of last term and we now have a number of children who are prepared to share their talents with everyone at school. The talent show is non-competitive; it is simply an opportunity to share their talent. All children will be attending and parents are welcome to come along also.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Sarah Counihan (5/6 teacher) for initiating this opportunity and also to Jon Bode (our Performing Arts teacher) for spending a number of lunchtimes dedicated to meeting with the children and working through the process of fine tuning the acts.



SPEECH PATHOLOGY SUPPORT

Last week we welcomed a Speech Pathologist, Maria Morais, from VersaLearn to our school team.

Maria will work one day a week offering support in Oral Language, Phonological Awareness, Communication and Social Skills. She will aid staff to identify students who may need further assessment and target their needs within the classroom and small group additional intervention programs. We look forward to seeing these programs up and running in the near future.



SCHOOL INTERVIEWS

Thank you to those parents who made appointment times to meet with our teachers to discuss the learning progress of our students. For any parent who is yet to meet with their child's teacher I would certainly encourage you to make a mutually convenient time to have this discussion. Teachers can be contacted via email or a phone message can be left and the teacher will get back to you.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2020

Enrolments for Prep 2020 are now being received at the office. If you have a child commencing next year and haven't returned an enrolment form, would you please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Any grade 6 students wanting to apply to a Government Secondary school for 2020 can collect an application form from the office. These completed forms need to be returned by tomorrow.

Baby News

Congratulations to the Sourris family on the safe arrival of their son, Steven. James (Year 4) is a very proud brother!



WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Woolworths Earn & Learn is coming back to your local store from 1st May – 25th June. A single sticker will be given to a customer with every \$10 spent in a single transaction at Woolworths Supermarkets, Woolworths Metro and Woolworths Online. We are not necessarily promoting people having to shop at Woolworths, but if you do we'd appreciate your support. Please only return FULL sticker sheets to the office.

THANK YOU

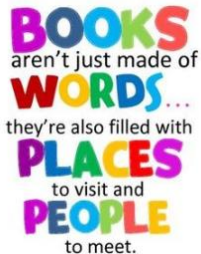
A special thanks to all our parents helpers who assisted at the Mother's day Stall last Friday. Once again, we had a good number of parents helping which is sincerely appreciated. The children really enjoy this opportunity to buy something for their mum, grandmother or special person in their life.

Brendan Welsford
Principal

From Our School Captains

Hello this is Jack and Sienna, welcome back to Term 2

Already, this term has been busy and exciting for all students. There have been many celebrations and events. For example, Year 5-6 Camp to Canberra, Year 1-2 Excursion to the Melbourne Museum Excursion, Family Faith Nights, Mothers' Day, Years 3-6 Cross Country and Interschool Sports for the senior level tomorrow.



On behalf of the school we would also like to thank Mrs Wakeling and Lorraine for setting up and running the book fair this year. We are so lucky to have a great variety of books to choose from!

A **BIG** thank you to all the parents helping out with the many events in our school; we are so lucky to have so many parents helping out!

We think this reflection is fitting to acknowledge the special women in our lives...

Think of a time when this special woman in your life was very patient with you.

Think of a time when this special woman in your life was very kind and generous to you.

Think of a time when this special woman in your life was very proud of you and was excited about your achievements.

Think of a time when this special woman in your life was proud of you for being honest and telling the truth.

Think of a time when this special woman in your life helped you to keep going with something even when you wanted to give up.

Think of a time when this special woman in your life forgave you and kept loving you.

Stay Healthy, Stay Safe and Have a Great Day

Term 2 Dates

Thursday 23rd May – Eucharist Family Faith Night 7pm (Yr 4)

Tuesday 21 May – Cross Country

Saturday 25th May – Eucharist Commitment Mass SH @5.30pm or COHR @7.00pm

Friday 31st May – Interschool Sports

Wednesday 5th June – Hot Dog Lunch

Wednesday 5th June – P.A. Meeting @7.30pm

Monday 10th June – Public Holiday (Queen's birthday)

Thursday 13th June – Eucharist Walk-through Mass

Friday 14th June – Winter Gala Day

Saturday 15th June – Confirmation Commitment Mass SH @5.30pm and COHR @7.00pm

Wednesday 19th June – Eucharist Reflection Day

Friday 21st June – School Disco

Mon 24 – Fri 28th June – Wellbeing Week

Friday 28th June – End of Term 2

5/6 Canberra Reflections



On the 28th of April, we, the 5/6s, went to the capital city of Australia, Canberra.

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Over 3 days, we went to attractions and learning centres around the city to help accelerate our learning, while using the other two days to travel to and from Canberra. At Canberra, we went to places such as the Royal Australian Mint, the National Capital Exhibition (NCE), Questacon, Parliament House and the Australian War Memorial. At camp we learnt about major parts in Australia's history, starting with Federation in 1901. We also learnt about what it meant to be a democracy, as well as being informed about the Australian Constitution. Overall, camp was a great experience. It enabled us to learn more about Australia's history, ways, values and opportunities. After camp, we all had a better understanding of the country we live in.

Vinay Raghavan (5/6C)

On Monday the 29th of April the Year 5/6's headed off to Canberra for a five day adventure. Everyone was excited for the camp ahead. It was a long 10 hour trip, but we finally arrived at the campsite. One of the things I enjoyed was going to the War Memorial. We did quite a few activities, such as learning about what it was like when the war was going on. Questacon by night was also another highlight for me. I especially enjoyed going on the six metre drop slide.

The Canberra camp was a great opportunity to spend time with my friends and have lots of laughs with them.

Jordan Palermo (5/6C)

Camp was amazing!!! I really enjoyed it. One of my most memorable moments about camp was the 6 metre drop slide I went on at Questacon. Another memorable moment was spending time with all my friends. We all had a great time and were super tired after camp. Canberra was amazing and I would definitely go back.

Sophie Brewer (5/6CM)

The most unforgettable part of Canberra was The National Gallery of Australia. All of the art pieces had an engaging story behind them, I not only learned about Canberra, but I learned a thing or two about my friends, I even made some new buddies! Canberra has been the most whimsical camp I've ever been to.

Melanie Anderson (5/6CM)

The trip to Canberra this year was something to remember. We saw many places that have and still do shape Australia as a nation. The way that our capital was chosen, made and has grown overtime was simply amazing to learn. The places we visited helped us to learn what Canberra does for the country and how the Australian Government works. Some of the places we visited are where some of the most important people in the country live or work. Other places are essential for the running of the country and others educate many people about history, art and science. The country could not work without Parliament House as it creates rules for all of us. The Australian War Memorial is not to run the country but to remember those who have given their lives for our country.

Written by Jack Allan (5/6C)



Pope's prayer intention for May

Pope Francis' evangelisation prayer for the month of May is for the Church in Africa: 'That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent'.

The May Pope Video will soon be available on [The Pope Video](#) website.



The [prepared prayer intentions](#) for all of 2019 are available on the Pope's Prayer Network. The prayers alternate between universal intentions and evangelisation intentions.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Save the Date

We will be holding our school disco on Friday 21 June in the school hall. More information to come out closer to the date.

School Banking Volunteers

If you are able to spare an hour of your time on a Tuesday morning, we would appreciate a few people to assist with our School Banking. Please contact the office if you are able to assist.

Cake Stall / Sausage Sizzle for Election Day (Saturday 18th May)

Paper plates have been sent home for donations of cakes, slices and biscuits for our cake stall on Saturday. Please keep in mind FRESH CREAM, CUSTARD or any items which need to be refrigerated. If nuts are included, please clearly write this on a label. Donations can be delivered to school on Friday or Saturday.

We have a few spots available on the roster to assist on Saturday with the sausage sizzle and cake stall. If you could spare a couple of hours to help, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are not coming into school before Friday, you can contact the office and they will add your name to the roster.

COHR Swimming Program for 2019

When: Monday 9 September - Thursday 19 September

Where: Ashburton Pool and Recreation Centre

Who: All students from Prep to Year 6

Travel: Students will travel to and from on a bus

Cost: Prices are included in the school fees



Initial preparation has begun with session times to be finalised over the next few weeks. There are nine sessions culminating in a Water Safety fun time in the final session.

- Caps are optional
- Long hair needs to be tied back (tight hair band please)
- Goggles are required and necessary

In the meantime, it is a good opportunity to encourage your child to practise changing their clothes independently. We aim for all students to dress/undress themselves and to look after their swimming items independently. There will be teachers and staff members available to assist as required. There are allocated change rooms for our school students on the premises.
There will be more information and details updated throughout the terms.

Please feel free to contact me if you have further questions.

Thank you,
Michella Pradel

Parents and families are welcome to watch the classes from the side of the pool - there is no set charge unless you decide to use the pool facilities and have a swim.
It is important to take note of the 'Watch Around Water' initiative which is mandated at the centre.

BOOK FAIR THANK YOU to all families that visited and supported our Lamont Book Fair. Our 2019 Book Fair has been a HUGE success! This year we went with a locally based company and we were impressed with the quality of books that were available, a good mix of Australian published books as well as current and latest releases. It was a great opportunity for parents to view the books on offer whilst parent/teacher interviews were held. Overall, your contributions in purchasing books has contributed to a very generous commission for our school with over \$700 worth of new books that will go into our library. Our students will certainly enjoy these new books!



PRC - Premier's Reading Challenge

We are now 3 months into the PRC, remember we have until September to read and record our books read. Prep - 2 need to read 30 books and 3 - 5 need to read 15 books. You can log into PRC and add your books read and we'll verify them. We already have a few students who have completed the challenge! Here are the log in details again –



STUDENT LOGIN

Go to <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc/> click on Student Login

The username for all children begins with coh_____

P – 4 usernames are christian name & first letter of surname

5 – 6 usernames are initial of christian name and full surname

The password for all children is similar and ends with 3166 eg: _____3166

P – 4 passwords are christian name & first letter of surname

5 – 6 passwords are initial of christian name and full surname

(no spaces and all lower case – eg: coh_____ OR coh_____ & kwakeling3166)

Username: coh_____

Password: _____3166

Any questions please ask or email us.

Thank You

Karen Wakeling - Librarian/ICT: kwakeling@cohroakeast.catholic.edu.au

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES & CYBER SAFETY AT COHR

Digital Technologies provides opportunities for students to apply practical skills and processes when using technologies to create innovative solutions that meet current and future needs. Check out this infographic describing the differences between ICT Capability and Digital Technology to better understand how technology-based subjects have changed.

CYBER SAFETY

As part of our Digital Technologies program, all students participated in a Cyber Safety session in the last week of Term 1.

The focus of these sessions were as follows:

Prep:

- To begin to identify what personal and private information is
- To begin a discussion about the importance of being safe online

Grade 1/2:

- To understand that some information about yourself is special because it makes you unique
- To discuss why you should never give out your personal details online

Grade 3/4:

- To identify what personal information is safe to put online
- To describe and use strategies in situations where you feel uncomfortable or unsafe online

Grade 5/6:

- To understand how social media platforms and other internet sites are interconnected
- To identify different digital practices and levels of visibility and participation



COHR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES ON TWITTER

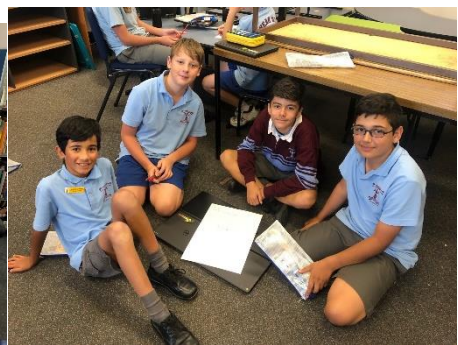
If you would like to learn more about our Digital Technologies at COHR feel free follow [@cohrgtorrisi](https://twitter.com/cohrgtorrisi) on Twitter.



CARDBOARD BOXES/MATERIALS NEEDED

Later on this term the 1/2s will be designing and constructing their own digital systems. If you have any spare cardboard boxes (of any size) or any other recycled materials (e.g. cardboard tubes, bubble wrap etc) that you do not need and think would be appropriate, they would greatly appreciated.

Georgina Torrisi and Karen Wakeling



ASHBURTON POOL AND RECREATION CENTRE



“Are You Watching Your Child?”

**The Watch around Water program is now operating at
ASHBURTON POOL & RECREATION CENTRE**

Watch Around Water has been developed to ensure every child is adequately supervised whilst visiting public aquatic facilities.

Is your child under 10 years of age?

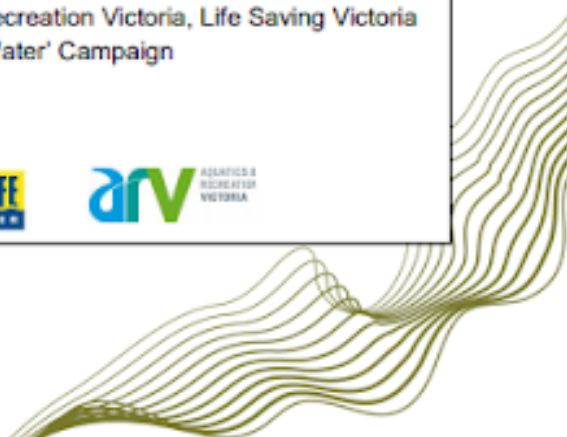
If so they must be accompanied into the facility and constantly supervised while in the facility. This means you must position yourself to have a clear view of your child and be free of distractions.

Is your child under 5 years of age?

If so they must be constantly supervised within arms reach while in the facility.

Please be aware that an unsupervised child will be removed from the water.

Watch around Water is supported by Aquatics & Recreation Victoria, Life Saving Victoria and the 'Play it Safe by the Water' Campaign





16th May 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Brendan Welsford

Principal