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*Lord,
 Today I thought again
 About what You did
 for us on the cross.
 When I think of Your
 great love
 I am overwhelmed.
 And there is nothing
 I can say except
 Thank You,
 Thank You,
 Thank You,*

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to you all as we begin Term 2. I hope you and your families enjoyed the holiday and Easter break and are now recharged for a new term.

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIONS

Over the next couple of weeks all classes will be investigating the meaning of ANZAC DAY as an important day in our history. Yesterday six senior students attended a Monash Schools Service at Central Reserve Glen Waverley, coordinated by the Rotary Club. As part of the service a wreath was laid at the Cenotaph by our school captains This was an lovely experience for the children and teachers.

Next Monday morning (24th April) the school community will join together to pray, remember, and reflect on the sacrifice of men and women who serve and served our nation in times of war and peace. This will take place at 9.00am. Parents are most welcome to join us at this service.

In addition to these two services we have also been offered a free incursion on May 22 titled 'Dogs at War' a puppeteer show.



PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS/STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Interviews and conferences will be held in **next week - Wednesday 26th April and Thursday 27th April**. Notices were sent home at the end of last term which gave you your pin and username in order to book a time through the PTO site.

Bookings can be made through PTO online as follows.:

- Go to the COHR website, www.cohroakeast.catholic.edu.au
- Click on the PTO icon (located on the home page under the Annual Report button).

- Enter your surname/log in and PIN which will be sent home tomorrow

We would ask that all parents make an appointment time as we see this as a valuable opportunity to discuss the learning taking place at school.

Please be reminded that school concludes at 2.30pm of Wednesday 26th and normal finishing time on Thursday 27th.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Winter uniform is expected to be worn after ANZAC Day. Students are certainly welcome to wear the winter uniform if the weather is cool however we would expect that all children transfer to the winter uniform by April 26th.

SPORTING NEWS

In Term 1 the Year 3-6 students were given the opportunity to train for the school cross country. This event is to take place next Thursday 27th April at 8.00am.

On Friday 28th our senior students will participate in a Summer Sports Gala Day to be held at Jells Park from 9.30am – 2.30pm

GOVERNMENT REBATE/CANBERRA TRIP

Our Senior students will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Our students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. 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 is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. This had been taken into consideration when setting the fee for the camp.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2018

Our recent Open Mornings have seen a good number of prospective parents visiting our school. Our senior students are to be commended on the way they played host and tour guide to our visitors.

Enrolments are now being taken for Prep 2018. Enrolment forms may be collected from the office. If you have friends or neighbours who intend on enrolling their child at Christ Our Holy Redeemer it would be appreciated if you could pass this information onto them.

RECONCILIATION

Our Year 3 students will be undertaking the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) on Thursday 4th May at 7pm in the Church.

ROCK STAR CARPARK

Congratulations to the Belmuda family on being the winning bid for the Rockstar carpark for Term 2.

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

There are once again a number of extra-curricular activities being offered to the students throughout Term 2.

| | TERM 2 |
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| Monday | Sustainability/Science Club (Odd weeks) Dance (Even weeks) Chess Club |
| Tuesday | Pop-Up Play (P-2) every week Code Club (3-6) every week |
| Wednesday | Guitar |
| Thursday | Choir |
| Friday | Library (<i>every 2nd week</i>) |

SCHOOL EDUCATION BOARD AGM

Our Education Board AGM will be held in the staffroom next Wednesday evening at 7:30pm.

ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

A reminder that Tuesday 25th April is a Public Holiday. There is no school on this day.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic book club order forms will go home today. If you wish to purchase please return them to school by Thursday 4th May.

Take care and enjoy the rest of the week

Brendan Welsford
Principal

TERM TWO DATES

APRIL

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| Tuesday 18 th | Students return portfolios to school |
| Thursday 20 th | COHR Open Day |
| Tuesday 25 th | Anzac Day Public Holiday |
| Wednesday 26 th | P/T Interviews Children dismissed at 2.30pm |
| Thursday 27 th | P/T Interviews |

MAY

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| Monday 1 st | Year 5/6 Canberra Camp |
| Thursday 4 th | Reconciliation Ceremony (Grade 3) |
| Tuesday 9 th | NAPLAN testing Grade 3 & 5 |
| Thursday 11 th | Mothers' Day Stall |
| Tuesday 16 th | Prep Family Faith Night |
| Wednesday 17 th | Walk-a-thon |
| | 1/2 Family Faith Night |
| Thursday 18 th | District Cross Country |
| Friday 26 th | Biggest Morning Tea |

JUNE

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| Saturday 3 rd | Confirmation Commitment Mass |
| Wednesday 7 th | Parent Information Night – Confirmation SH 7.00pm |
| Friday 9 th | School Closure day |
| Monday 12 th | Queen's Birthday Public Holiday |
| Friday 23 rd | School Disco |
| Thursday 29 th | Reports to go home |
| Friday 30 th | End of Term –students finish at 2.30pm |

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children's Church Choir practice will begin on Thursdays straight after school. Lucy Rogers will pick the children up from the school foyer and take them to the church. All children are welcome to join the choir and parents are needed to help with the children.

They will be singing for the Mother's Day [11.00am](#) Mass.

Kind Regards
Lucy Rogers

PARENT'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

This year the Parents Association is fundraising with the Entertainment™ Book & Digital Membership – it is just \$70 and gives you over \$20,000 worth of value!

If you do not wish to purchase an Entertainment™ Membership, simply return the Book to school. To purchase either the Entertainment™ Book or the Entertainment™ Digital Membership just follow the purchase instructions on the enclosed letter.

APRONS

We still have plenty of aprons for sale. They are available in the office for \$20.00

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

I would like to invite you to a little get together the before and after school care team will be having on the afternoon of Wednesday the 3rd of May at 3:30pm onwards so all the parents, carers and students will be able to meet. The food and drink will be provided. Also, could you let one of our team members know in advance if you will be able to join us so we can organise everything.

Also, if you have any clothes, costumes or accessories that are going to the op shop or being thrown out, we would be happy to take those off your hands as the kids love dressing up in different attires.

Thank you,

The before and after school care team

