



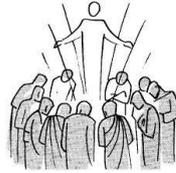
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Dear Parents,

On Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension. Previously this feast was celebrated on a Thursday – 40 days after the Resurrection of Jesus. The focus of the Gospel is the commissioning of the disciples to go out and spread the 'Good News.' The best way in which the disciples – and for us here at Christ Our Holy Redeemer – is to give witness to others. A witness in a court of law is called to give evidence about a matter; to 'testify' to the truth of what they have seen or what they know to be true. Some people are very good at being a 'witness' to their faith by testifying to others about what they believe. Many others provide witness to their faith by simply living what they believe. Living a life based on Christian principles, including regular prayer and worship in your life, working for justice in the world and taking time to celebrate the beauty of everyday life is a powerful witness to others.

We pray that here at Christ Our Holy Redeemer, we continue our work of community, where we spread the good news through our words and actions.



#### WALK-A-THON

Thank you for your wonderful support of the Walk-a-Thon. So far this year we have raised \$2676.70. As mentioned these funds, combined with the proceeds from this year's fete will be directed to improvements on the Oval. It is not too late to send in your money. Once again thank you for your generous support.

#### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

The staff will be participating in a professional learning day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. We have engaged Christine Daicos to work with the staff on developing improved models of feedback.

#### FETE MEETING

The Fete meeting on Tuesday night was well attended and there were lots of enthusiastic parents ready and willing to contribute to ensure that the fete is a great success.

#### PREP ENROLMENTS

A reminder that enrolments for siblings for next year's Prep are due by Friday 30th May (tomorrow). Enrolments for new families close on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

#### INTERSCHOOL SPORT

The Year 5/6 students will be playing sport against Sacred Heart Primary School tomorrow. We will be travelling by bus in the morning. Volleystars and Netball will be played at Sacred Heart. Footy and Soccer will be played at Warrawee Park. We welcome parents to assist with the teams, and of course your support is most welcome.

#### THE WONDER OF LIFE

On Monday, children in the 3/4 level will have a classroom presentation, 'The Wonder of Life'. This is followed by parent-child workshops on Wednesday 4th June in the hall. The times are either 6:00-7:00pm or 7:30-8:30pm.

#### PERFORMING ARTS: ROALD DAHL

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June, as part of our Performing Arts program we are holding a 'Roald Dahl' incursion. The show (Yrs 5/6 & Prep – 12:00 and 1/2 & 3/4 at 2:00) includes the stories of The Enormous Crocodile, The Twits, Revolting Rhymes, and James and the Giant Peach and more. Each show runs for around 60 minutes, and some children have been invited to participate in the performance. This performance was sold out for the Adelaide Fringe and was seen by just over 2700 primary school students.

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all children who participated in the Cross Country events today. They have been training in earnest for the past few weeks and I'm sure that they will acquire themselves well.

#### PREP HEALTH SURVEYS

The Primary Schools Nurse's visit is presently being organized. The school nurse will provide reports to all children who have returned a consented SEHQ (School Entrant Health Questionnaire) to take home to their parents. Information relevant to support learning outcomes of the students, with parents' consent, may also be provided to the school. ***Prep parents please ensure that the SEHQ is returned to school TOMORROW.***

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Fr John is seeking to recruit and train some more Altar Servers. Students in Years 4 and 5, in particular, are invited to volunteer. If your child is interested, please let Mrs Palermo or Mrs Corp know of their intention.

#### HOLIDAY

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June is the Queen's birthday holiday.

#### COMBINED SCHOOLS MASS

Together with Sacred Heart Primary we will be celebrating a combined Mass at Sacred Heart on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

With best wishes,

Thomas Coghlan  
**PRINCIPAL**



### SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

Thank you to all that placed an order from the last issue. We received \$120 in credit and we were able to purchase some new resources (books and building equipment) for our 3\4 level towards their Science unit.

Scholastic Book-club Issue 4 has arrived. This time we have given each family a selection of all the age group flyers. Look over the flyer with your children, select the books you want, mark them on the order form on the back of the flyer, and **return the order form to school by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June with payment.** The books will usually arrive around two weeks after we send the final school order to Scholastic.

Sincerely,  
Karen Wakeling & Jacinta Chetwin



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### TERM TWO DATES

#### May

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Yr4 Eucharist Family Workshop 7pm

#### June

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Yr 3/4 Parent/child workshop: Growing with Grace 6pm & 7:30pm

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> School closure day

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Queen's birthday holiday

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Trivia Night

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> First Eucharist 1pm & 3pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Parents' Association meeting & Parish Council

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Education Board

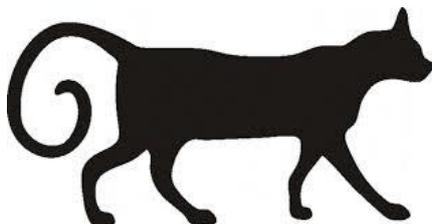
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Mid-Year reports sent home

Yr 5/6 Inter School Sport Gala day  
Disco

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Combined schools Mass (COHR & Sacred Heart) 11am at Sacred Heart

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Children dismissed at 2:30pm for holidays

## FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> COHR PARENTS QUIZ NIGHT



Put this date in your diary now and secure your baby sitters for our annual parents' social night. These are always fun nights and are a great way to get know other parents; our new COHR parents particularly welcome!

Our theme for the night is Friday 13th so come dressed in black.

**7pm**

**\$25 per head**

**COHR Hall**

**BYO Nibbles and drinks**

A trivia night with a difference! Answers are multiple-choice (great for those of us who know the answers but can't recall the answers!) and responses are entered electronically. Points are weighted for quicker response times but points are also lost for incorrect answers! And what's a parents' social night without a DJ to finish off the night.

This year we've decided to use a secure online ticket purchasing system. Simply enter the follows link into your browser and select 'Continue Booking'

<http://www.trybooking.com/87994>

Payments can be made via credit card for a transaction fee of 30 cents per ticket and seats can be selected at specific tables. There are also general tables available for anyone who wants to come but doesn't have a full table. All welcome!

The focus of this night is a social event rather than a fundraising event. However, there will be one or two very optional activities if you are so inclined, including the silent auction of our 'rock star' car park outside the hall. So be sure to attend or send a proxy to bid on your behalf

©Contact Brigid Boyce 0407 323 805 if you have any Qs.

# Preparing for the Eucharist

## *Eucharist Reflection Day*

In 3/4 we have been busy preparing for the Grade 4's First Eucharist. On Wednesday the Grade 4 students took part in a Eucharist Reflection Day.

We learnt more about the history and importance of the Eucharist through a number of activities and used our learning about The Last Supper to make connections to this special sacrament.



We spent some time in the church with Mr Coghlan discussing what it will feel like to receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time.

We were also lucky to have some very special women from our parish come along to help us make our own fresh bread that we moulded, baked and ate together for lunch!

The students reflected on what they felt were the most important part of the day for them.



### **CAN YOU HELP?**

We are looking for parent helpers who would be able to assist in sewing a special alter cloth for the First Eucharist. If you are able to help please speak to one of the 3/4 teachers.

