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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another term. Apart from the many learning experiences planned for our students, this term our year 6 students are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. On a whole school level, we are looking forward to presenting artworks for our biannual art show at the end of term.

#### **NEW GATES/DRIVEWAY**

During the holidays, the gates and fencing surrounding the new learning space, was completed. In order to create a safer exit from the school grounds, we ask those who generally exit the school via the Ferntree Gully Rd end, to use the stairs leading to the double doors, then along the concrete path to the gate. This alleviates the congestion at the gate where children are being picked up by car. The gates will be locked soon after 3:45, you will then need to use the foyer. Many thanks to everyone who has taken this on board.

#### **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

Next Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July we will celebrate our grandparents/special friends Mass at 11:30am. This will be followed by a short time in the classrooms where grandparents are asked to share/show/explain a particular skill or interest they have, with their grandchildren. Grandparents/friends will then enjoy a light lunch in the school hall. Please fill in the note at the bottom of the newsletter indicating who is attending and the number of people.

If any grandparent is willing to read at Mass, bring gifts to the altar or speak briefly about being a grandparent, please leave your name and contact number at the office.

#### **HELPERS NEEDED**

Helpers are needed to serve a light lunch after the Grandparents Day Mass next Wednesday. We also need offers of plates of sweet/savoury foods. If you can help either way, please leave your name at the office.

#### **PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

A reminder to parents who have not logged on to PTO to book parent/teacher interview time(s) that the site will be closed tomorrow (Friday) morning. Please note: interviews will be held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July between 4pm and 6pm and on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July between 3pm and 6:30pm. The children will be dismissed at 2:30pm on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July to enable interviews to commence at 3pm.

#### **CHESS CLUB**

Notes went home this week asking for any year 3-6 students interested in attending Friday lunchtime sessions of Chess Club to make a commitment. Thank you to those who have already returned notes and payment.

#### **SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**

There will be a school closure day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August. This day had not previously been advised. Staff have begun working on developing Scope & Sequences for some of the new Australian Curriculum. This is important work as we position our school to commence implementation of the new curriculum from the beginning of next year. As this day draws nearer, an outline of some of the detail about the Australian Curriculum and the work that we have undertaken will be provided as a lead up to this day.

#### **CANBERRA CAMP 2015**

There will be a meeting in the school hall at 7.30pm on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July for parents of current year 4 and 5 students. Nicolas Hellstern from G.E.T. Educational Tours will speak to parents about the accommodation and planned 'Canberra' activities. We encourage all families to be represented.

#### **BOOK FAIR**

Today Grade 1\2 and 3\4JP & 3\4EP visited the Book Fair. Tomorrow Friday, the Preps, 3\4L & 3\4S and 5\6 grades will visit. At the visit your child completed a wish list. This list is simply a guide for you to the books that have interested your child. Please discuss these suggestions and make your choice or choices.

Please note there is no obligation on parents to purchase books but if you would like to place an order the form must be returned promptly and no later than the morning of Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July. Payment is accepted by cash / cheque (made out to COHR) or credit card with minimum transaction \$20 (see details on back of wish list or visit library). Please note that children must place orders, by putting orders in class buckets or library box, there will be no selling at the viewing times.

Parents are more than welcome to view the books and make orders.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair.

Karen Wakeling  
 School Librarian

#### **PARENT BOOK FAIR TIMES**

**Friday 18th July: 3.00pm – 4.00pm**

**8.30am – 9.00am: Mon/ Tues/ Wed**

**3.15pm – 4.00pm: Mon/Tues**

**During Parent/Teacher Interviews**

#### **PRESENTATION OF EUCHARIST CERTIFICATES**

Father John will present the First Eucharist Certificates to our Year 4 students at both the 8am and 11am Masses on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. It is important to inform your child's class teacher as to which Mass you will attend.

**TERM THREE DATES**

July

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Information night at 7:30pm  
 Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Commitment Mass at 11:00am  
 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Book Fair – Monday-Friday  
 Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Grandparents day at 11:30  
 Parent/teacher interviews (4pm – 6pm)  
 Commonwealth Games commence  
 Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Parent/teacher interviews (3pm – 6:30pm)  
**Please note:** Children dismissed at 2:30pm  
 Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Parent Information session – Canberra trip 7:30pm in Hall  
 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Fete committee meeting 7.30pm  
 Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Family Maths Games night

August

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Commonwealth Games end  
 Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Parents’ Association meeting  
 Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Feast of Mary MacKillop  
 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Hot **Donut** day  
 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Family Workshop 7pm  
 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Feast of the Assumption  
 Confirmation Reflection day  
 Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Book Week commences “Connect to Reading”  
 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Confirmation 7pm  
 Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Education Board meeting  
 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> School closure day

September

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Fathers’ day Stall  
 Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> BBQ at Masters  
 Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Fathers’ Day  
 Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Parents’ Association meeting  
 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> District Athletics  
 Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Official opening of COHR Art Show  
 Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Footy colours/Hot dog day  
 Friday 19<sup>th</sup> End of Term Three - children dismissed at 2:30pm.  
 Portfolios are sent home  
 Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> BBQ at Bunnings

With best wishes

Antonietta Corp  
 Acting Principal

**Notting Hill Neighbourhood House Community Market & Suburb wide Garage Sale**

**Saturday August 2nd 9am – 4pm**

Stalls available, trestle tables provided, BYO tablecloth  
 \$15 new goods stall holders indoors (no party plan please)  
 \$10 used goods stall holders outdoor undercover

For further information or to book a stall:  
 Notting Hill Neighbourhood House  
 37 Westerfield Drive, Notting Hill 3168  
 Tel: 9561 0114 or 0403 010 510  
 Registrations close July 21st



**GRANDPARENTS DAY – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

Number of people attending \_\_\_\_\_

Child/Children’s Names and class \_\_\_\_\_

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# WRAPPER FREE LUNCHES

**...are back at COHR!**

We are inviting everyone to participate in Wrapper Free Wednesday.

This will be held on Wednesday each week.

Wrapper free lunches can reduce our waste at school  
as well as encourage healthy eating.



**Be creative and join in the fun!**

# **MATHS** Matters

The weekly 'Maths Matters' newsletter is a new way of communicating our Maths learning with families. Each week, classes will share a game they have been learning that can be played at home using simple materials such as playing cards, dice and calculators.

Below is a list of Maths topics each level will be covering during Term 3.

Prep	1/2	3/4	5/6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addition</li> <li>• 3D Objects</li> <li>• Telling the Time</li> <li>• Counting Back</li> <li>• Mass</li> <li>• Capacity</li> <li>• Data</li> <li>• Location</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Length</li> <li>• Mass</li> <li>• Multiplication</li> <li>• Area</li> <li>• 2D Shape &amp; Transformation</li> <li>• 3D Objects</li> <li>• Division</li> <li>• Fractions (of a collection)</li> <li>• Volume</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Measurement (Length, Area, Perimeter, Time)</li> <li>• Mass</li> <li>• Volume</li> <li>• Division</li> <li>• Data</li> <li>• Money &amp; Algebra (throughout the term)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shape (Rotations, Symmetry)</li> <li>• Measurement (Length, Area)</li> <li>• Fractions, Decimals, Percentage</li> <li>• Financial Maths</li> <li>• Order of Operations (BIDMAS)</li> </ul>

Topic related vocabulary and the following conversation starters will also be included in the weekly newsletter to assist you when discussing Maths games and learning with your child.

### Conversation Starters

I can see you have been learning about \_\_\_\_\_ in Maths this week. Tell me about it....

What did you learn about \_\_\_\_\_ today?

Can you teach me a game or strategy you have learnt this week in Maths?

What are some new words you have learnt in Maths?

What was confusing or challenging this week in Maths? Can I help you?



## Maths Week @ COHR

Week 3, July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 1st

There will be a **Guessing Competition** during Maths Week.

➤ Correctly guess the number of jelly beans in the jar to win!

➤ 20 cents per guess.

➤ All money raised will be donated to Catholic Care.



