Dear Parents,

As you know tomorrow we are having a school closure day to enable the staff to work on curriculum development for COHR.

As you may be aware schools are transitioning to a National Curriculum. Schools will be expected to fully implement the National Curriculum by early to mid 2016, so here at COHR we are striving to understand the new curriculum so that we can be well down the track of implementation. This term staff have been working in small teams developing curriculum statements for each of the areas.

Presently these are the Learning Areas of the Australian Curriculum:
- The Arts
- English
- Health & Physical Education
- The Humanities ~ Economics & Business; Geography; History; Civics & Citizenship
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Science
- Technologies ~ Design & Technologies; Digital Technologies
- *Religious Education

In Victoria, the Australian Curriculum is viewed as three broad stages of schooling:
- **Foundation Stage (F-2)**
  - A structured teaching & learning program in English & Mathematics at each year level
  - Substantial attention to Health &PE, The Arts and Personal & Social Capability
  - The provision of a Languages program
  - A learning program that draws on the other AusVELS learning areas & general capabilities

**Breadth Stage (3-8)**
- A structured teaching & learning program in English, Mathematics and Science at each year level
- Health & PE, Languages, Humanities, Arts and Technologies programs
- A learning program that includes the general capabilities

In this stage, over a 2 year band of schooling:
- The humanities program must include History, Geography, Civics & Citizenship and, from Year 5, Economics and Business

Schools are new reporting to parents against the Australian Curriculum in English, Mathematics, Science & History. Catholic schools are expected to commence implementation of other areas next year.

Catholic schools are expected to develop a ‘Whole School Learning & Teaching Plan.’ This is the work our staff have been undertaking this term, and tomorrow each team will report back to the rest of the staff so that we can look for cohesive and clear documentation of the curriculum.

**SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**

A reminder of the school closure day **tomorrow** Friday 29th August.

**EDUCATION BOARD**

There will be an Education Board meeting tonight at 7:30pm in the staffroom. Some items on the agenda include discussions of a building proposal from our Architects and around car parking issues.

**ART SHOW**

The Art Show opening will be held on Tuesday 16th September at 7pm in the Hall.

The children’s work will be on display from 4pm in the afternoon. You are also welcome to view art work until 4pm on Wednesday and Thursday.

The official opening of the art show will be at 7pm, where the Arts Captains will welcome everyone as well as the choir who will sing two songs. It will be after this that the class art pieces will be auctioned.

**FATHERS’ DAY STALL**

Thursday 4th September. Please see attached flier.

**SR PATRICIA’S GOLDEN JUBILEE**

On September 8th Sister Patricia will celebrate her Golden Jubilee, 50 years as a Sister of The Lady of the Missions. Sister Patricia has been at Christ Our Holy Redeemer since the start of the school year in 2006, working with our children and our families in the school community. On Monday, September 8th at 10.30am, the students will help Patricia celebrate with a paraliturgy and small assembly in the Hall to which all parents are invited. Afterwards our parent community will enjoy a morning tea with Patricia.

The Parents Association will be asking for volunteers to help set up/provide a plate of food.

**FETE MEETING**

Our next Fete meeting will be a combined Parents Association and Fete meeting. This will be held on Wednesday 10th September.
BETTER BUDDIES GAMES AFTERNOON
Join us on Wednesday 3rd September @2.40 and join in the fun as all students from Prep to Year 6 get together with their buddies to play indoor games.

TERM THREE DATES
August
Thursday 28th Education Board meeting
Friday 29th School closure day

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

With best wishes,

Thomas Coghlan
PRINCIPAL

Prayer for Peace
God of Peace, bearer of hope, we seek your help for all peoples.
Quiet the clamour of war, and guide us towards peace.
Where there is hatred and division, sow the seeds of calm and openness.
Where there is destruction, help us to rebuild.
Where children are crying bring an end to their tears.
Shelter your peoples and protect them, guide them and keep them from harm.
Show us how to break down the barriers of despair and fear, and breathe whispers of hope.
Amen.

COHR SPORTS BLOG
With all the sports the students at COHR participate in and learn in their Physical Education lessons, Sue Tobin also takes the children for all sorts of lessons, from circus skills to athletics. She also trains our 3 to 6 students for the interschool competitions. To see may photos of the children enjoying their sporting opportunities go to the sports blog @ http://cohrsport.global2.vic.edu.au/

Feel free to leave a comment on one of the posts showing what has been happening or just take a look at what is coming up.

John Killeen

MASTERS BBQ Saturday 6th September
We are still seeking assistance with the Masters BBQ, Warrigal Rd South Oakleigh, on Saturday 6th September from 9am until 4pm. There is a roster in the Foyer and we are asking that parents give us an hour of their time on the day. Funds raised will go towards purchasing items for the Fete.

FUN FAMILY FIT CLUB AT COHR
SPRING INTO ACTION
STARTING MONDAY 1st SEPTEMBER
GET HEALTHIER
BUILD MUSCLE, LOSE FAT
MORE ENERGY
GET FITTER
✓ FOR ALL AGES
✓ ALL FITNESS LEVELS
✓ RUN BY HEALTH COACHES
LOCATION: SCHOOL HALL
Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30 pm (registration 6:15 pm)
• $5 X 10 fitness classes
• Recovery Shake & Energy beverage
• Wellness Evaluation
For more details contact...
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Email: behealthybeworthy23@gmail.com
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Jump for COHR!

Jump to raise Money for COHR!

Bookings essential!

Café open!

Book now so you don’t miss out!

Xtreme Air

Thursday 11th September 5pm-6pm

The Centre is open to our booking only (1 hour session) at this time.

Xtreme Air 1 FiveWays Blvd Keysborough

Just off Westall Rd Extension (Allow for traffic)

$16.50 per person includes socks $5 goes back to COHR

Minimum age to jump 3 years

Older siblings, friends and parents welcome - Anyone who wants to jump!

Payment (cash only) and form to be returned to COHR office by NO LATER than Friday 5th September

Name________________________________________________________

Contact Number_______________________________________________

Number Jumping__________

Amount Enclosed________________________($16.50 per child)
Thursday 4th September 2014

All Children will have the opportunity to purchase a gift.
Gifts will range from $2.00 to $8.00 - A raffle will also be held on the day and drawn at assembly on Friday. Children will be able to buy tickets for the raffle at the Fathers Day Stall at 50c a ticket.

Each child needs to bring a plastic bag for their presents.

We are looking for parent helpers to donate their time on Wednesday 3rd from 2.00pm to wrap gifts and set up the stall and on Thursday 4th from 9.00am to help serve at the Fathers Day stall.

Your help would be greatly appreciated.

If you can help on either day please complete & return this section to the office

Your Name: ________________________________  Childs Grade: __________________
Phone No.: ________________________________

I can assist on (please tick appropriate box/es)

☐ Wednesday 2.00pm  ☐ Thursday 9.00am