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Dear Parents,

Welcome back as we commence our final term for the year. I trust all of our children had a restful break, enjoying a sleep-in or two and recharged ready for a new term of learning. I am sure there are a few happy Bulldogs supporters out there!

STAFF NEWS

After 50 years in Catholic Education and 11 years of dedicated service here at Christ Our Holy Redeemer, Sister Patricia has decided to retire at the end of the 2016 school year. In the short time I have been here at COHR I have witnessed the enormous value of Sr Patricia's work with our children and families; the home visits, the general conversations with parents on the playground, her interactions with staff, her social justice work and her work with individuals and small groups of students.

This school community should be incredibly grateful for all that Sr Patricia has contributed over the past 11 years and I am sure we will all have the opportunity to thank and farewell her as the year draws to a close.

Also,

We congratulate Emily Shannon and her partner Brendan on their recent wedding during the holidays. We wish them a lifetime of happiness together.

SUN SMART PRACTICES

As a Sun Smart school we aim to:

- To educate students as to suitable SunSmart protection strategies.
- To encourage children and teachers to protect themselves from the harmful effects of the sun.
- Ensure all students and staff have some UV exposure for vitamin D



As part of our school policy we expect that all children wear their school hat in Term 4 during play times and during outdoor activities.

We also encourage children to apply sunscreen before coming to school especially on high UV days. Each classroom has also been provided with sunscreen for children to use should they need to reapply through the day.

UNIFORM

As we commence term four I would ask that all students commence the transition to wearing their summer uniform. I am aware that we will continue to have some cooler days in the next few weeks and children are welcome to wear their winter uniform on these days.

Regardless of the weather **it is compulsory for all children to wear their hat while outside** during Term 4.

CHRIST OUR HOLY REDEEMER FEAST DAY

We will celebrate our feast day Wednesday 26th October. There will be a special Mass to celebrate the day at 9.00am and parents are very welcome to attend.

SCHOOL BANKING ASSISTANCE

We are looking for more parent helpers due to the success of the school banking program. If you are free on a Tuesday morning and interested, please leave your name at the office.

BUNNINGS BBQ 24th September

Thank you to those parents who were able to help at the Bunnings BBQ fundraiser during the holidays. A big thanks again to the Iversons at Bakers Delight for donating the bread. It was another worthwhile outcome with \$1300 being raised for the school.

STUDENT PORTFOLIOS

A reminder that all student portfolios need to be returned as soon as possible.

RUNNING CLUB

This Friday, Running Club begins at 8am on the oval. Please look at the attached note from Sue Tobin for further details.

Take care and enjoy the term ahead.

Brendan Welsford
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Duckett family (Claire 5/6S, Annie 3/4HM & Samuel 1/2P) on the safe arrival of their baby girl, Mary.

Also the Perri family (Amelia 3/4JP, Carla 1/2CP) on the safe arrival of their baby boy, Daniel.

CONDONENCES

Our thoughts and prayers go to the Heverin family (Tom 3/4B) on the passing of his grandfather.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Congratulations to our students who competed in yesterday's district athletics. It was great to hear that all children gave their very best. Well done! A special mention to Tom Reid and Daniel Amendola who made it through to the Eastern Region Finals.

CARRIBBEAN ROLLERAMA – FAMILY NIGHT

The Parents Association have organised a family night next Thursday 13th October. We have booked Carribbean Rollerama for our exclusive use from 5.30pm – 7.30pm. Parents and siblings are welcome .

REMINDERS

Please remember to return email address information forms, returning to COHR in 2017 forms and Child Safety Code of Conduct forms.

REFLECTIVE GARDEN

The Reflective Garden Crew are meeting Tuesday October 25th. All welcome.

ICY POLES

Icy Poles will be available on Fridays in Term 4, for 50c. Tomorrow they will be free.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

The Scholastic Book catalogue was sent home this week. Please return your orders by Thursday 20th October.

RUNNING CLUB

This Term is running/walking club on the oval. The activity runs on Friday mornings from 8.00-8.30. The children do laps around the oval and their laps are tallied each week. The children receive certificates for 5 km, 10km, 15km etc. All children in the school as well as younger brothers and sisters, parents, carers and grandparents are welcome to participate and run / walk 1, 2, 3 or more laps each week. There will be **no breakfast** so children will need to bring a snack to eat after their run. I also recommend that each child brings a spare pair of shoes and socks to change into after running if the mornings are damp.

This is not a compulsory activity and only children who want to run/walk need participate. I hope to see as many children and family members as possible there each Friday morning this term.

Yours in sport

Sue Tobin.

FOR SALE

We have one size 10 and one size 12 Sacred Heart Secondary School Summer dress (\$45 each) and a size 95 winter Blazer (\$130) for sale. They are in perfect condition. If you would like to purchase all three items the cost would be \$200.00.

IMPORTANT FETE MEETING

There is an important Fete Meeting being held on Wednesday 26th October, 7.30pm at school. We ask that all class reps are present at this meeting. If you are unable to make this meeting could you please arrange for someone else from your class to attend. The Class reps are:

Prep L: Jacqui Roussos & Andrew Manokaran
Prep H: Natasha Finamore & Yetta Nelson
1/2P: Jody Lawson & Jo Airo Farulla
1/2S: Antonietta Tartaro & Carol Meddis
1/2C: Marita Baum & Michelle Mascaro
1/2CP: Briely Sheehan & Vanessa Neet
3/4JP: Grace Leslie & Rosie Stamatelos
3/4HM: Janine Bird & Angelene Longano
3/4K: Rosie Lucchese & Christine Bombonati
3/4B: Amanda Neophytou & Cathy McLaughlin
5/6S: Gabby Dunn & Christine Iverson
5/6PT: Tamsyn D'souza & Carolyn Heil
5/6W: Sarah Arnott & Caroline Aldred

FETE RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle Tickets are being sent home today. Please read the information that is enclosed in your envelope.

SCHOOL DATES

October

Thursday 6 th	Grade 4 Camp Parent Information Night
Wednesday 12 th	Parent Association Meeting
Thursday 13 th	Caribbean Rollerama Night
Wednesday 19 th	Italian Day
	Boys & Girls Division Basketball
Friday 21 st	Girls Division Softball
Wednesday 26 th	COHR Feast Day
Thursday 27 th	Ed Board Meeting
Monday 31 st	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

November

Tuesday 1 st	MELBOURNE CUP DAY
Wednesday 2 nd	Prep 2017 Info Night 7.00pm
Thursday 10 th	Grade 4 Camp
Friday 11 th	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 16 th	Prep Orientation Day
Friday 18 th	School Fete
Wednesday 23 rd	Prep Orientation Day
Thursday 24 th	Ed Board Meeting

December

Friday 2 nd	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY
Thursday 8 th	Graduation Mass & Dinner – 6pm
Friday 9 th	COHR Christmas Party
Tuesday 13 th	Graduation Final Assembly
Thursday 15 th	STUDENTS FINISH – 3.30pm

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

As you would be aware, this year we changed our reporting format for the Semester One reports. We are grateful to those parents who assisted our staff by giving feedback on this new format. While the majority of the feedback was extremely positive we have made some minor changes to the end-of-year report in response to recommendations from parents and staff.

The report format for this Semester will remain the same as Semester One, with some minor adjustments.

For each area of the Curriculum, there are skills which students are expected to display. On the report, these are referred to as 'Target Skills'. In Semester One, the range of the student displaying the target skill was marked against the scale below:

Not Yet Evident	With Support	Developing	Achieved	Embedded in Learning
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This Semester, the target skills will be marked against this variation:

Not Yet Evident	Beginning	Developing	Achieved	Embedded in Learning
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Based on the feedback received, we are hoping that this slight change in Target Skill headings, will make the achievement even clearer for students and parents.

A definition of each of the scale headings are below for further clarification:

Not Yet Evident	Beginning	Developing	Achieved	Embedded in Learning
No evidence of the skill	beginning to show the skill with/without support	displays elements of the skill independently	displays the skill consistently and independently	applies the skill to other areas of learning

Students are also provided with a Progression Point for each level of the Curriculum. The Target Skills are reflective of the current curriculum expectations.

Mystery ? Jars

Loved by all children the very popular Lucky Dip Mystery Jar stall is back at this year's Fete!
If you're looking for an activity to do over the school holidays we would love for you to start filling jars with goodies.
Please place in the Classroom boxes on your return to school.

Rules:

← Please ensure your jar is odourless. Jars that have had garlic, pasta sauce or other strong odours should not be used.

← Remove labels from jars
Please don't wrap the jars

← If you are feeling generous and a little time poor, a \$5 note in a jar is always very popular with the kids
Lots of cheap, fun items can be found at Kmart, Big W and \$2 shops.

Ideas:

★ Wrapped, lollies, Chocolates, Packets of Sour Straps

★ Marbles, Balloons, Skipping Rope, Yo Yo's

★ Bouncy Balls

★ Arts & Crafts, gel pens

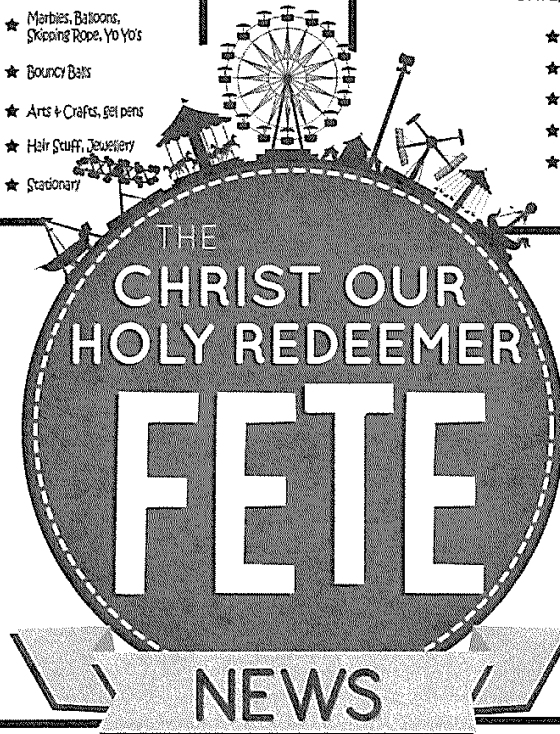
★ Hair Stuff, Jewellery

★ Stationery

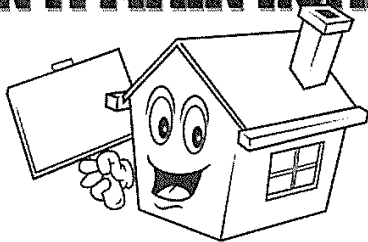
Calling All... SEWERS, ARTISTS & CRAFTERS

If you are able to Create and Make we would love to restock our Craft Stall with CHRISTMAS themed Creations.

- ★ Decorations
- ★ Table Centrepieces
- ★ Wreaths
- ★ Stockings
- ★ Cards



DO YOU LIVE ON A MAIN ROAD?



We need to visually advertise our fete as much as possible!

So if you live on a main road and would be willing to have a sign board in your front garden or on your fence we would love to use your piece of real estate.

Please contact the office if you are able help.

At this year's fete we are asking for your help for the prizes for

THE BIG WHEEL

Each Class has been designated a theme.
The list below indicates each grade and basket theme with some ideas.
We would like each child to bring along an item for their class basket.
Baskets will be in the classes as of next term!

Thanks for your continued support and generosity.

PREP L - Fun Times for boys Prep-Grade 2: books, DVDs, puzzle books, tennis balls, games, lego, plastic figurines, cards, snap, bouncy balls

PREP H - Christmas: bonbons, table cloth, candles, platters, cards, baubles, decorations, hats, napkins, food items, Christmas paper plates

1/2 S - Gourmet Food: nuts, sauces, biscuits-savoury/ sweet, mustards, jams, chutneys, fruit cake, wine, chocolates, dried fruit, plates, server, serviettes

1/2 CP - Games: barbecue utensils, apron, sauces, man scraping products, books, games, sporting apparatus

1/2 C - Summer Fun: sunscreen, hats, candles, beach towels, mosquito spray, sunglasses, mozy coils, citronella, watering can, beach bag, beach ball, floaties, kickboard, goggles, cricket set

1/2 P - Fun Times for Girls Prep-Grade 2: books, DVDs, puzzle books, jewellery, hair ties, lego, stuffed toys, plastic figures, bangles, bubbles, cards, colouring books

3/4 JP - Fun Times for Girls Grade 3-6: books, DVDs, puzzle books, jewellery, hair ties, skipping rope, nail polish

3/4 HM - Gardening: books, DVDs, puzzle books, jewellery, hair ties, skipping rope, nail polish

3/4 B - Christmas: bonbons, table cloth, candles, platters, cards, baubles, decorations, hats, napkins, food items, Christmas paper plates

3/4 K - Summer Fun: sunscreen, hats, candles, beach towels, mosquito spray, sunglasses, mozy coils, citronella, watering can, beach bag, beach ball, floaties, kickboard, goggles, cricket set

5/6 W - Fun Times for Boys 3-6: books, DVDs, puzzle books, games, cars, lego

5/6 S - Gourmet Food: nuts, sauces, biscuits-savoury/ sweet, mustards, jams, chutneys, fruit cake, wine, chocolates, dried fruit, plates, server, serviettes

5/6 PT - Ladies: perfume, beauty products, books, vouchers, candles, hair products, wine