Dear Parents,

I love the particular Gospel reading that we have on Sunday. It’s the episode where the Pharisees try to trap Jesus and turn the people against him. Their plan was a good one, with no apparent ‘safe’ answer: is it permissible (within Jewish tradition) to pay taxes to Caesar or not? Instead of falling into the trap set by the Pharisees, Jesus approaches the question in a completely different way. Rather, he made the question a much broader one and reminded people that their first obligation was to God. As Christians I guess that’s our challenge – how do we in this busy and hectic life put God first? Jesus reminds us that the most important commandment was to love God with all our hearts, all our souls, all our minds and all our strength. The second commandment was to love one another. We pray that we can give to the community of Christ Our Holy Redeemer

SCHOOL UNIFORM
As Melbourne’s spring weather is very changeable, students may wear either their winter or summer uniform until the Melbourne Cup after which they will be expected in their summer uniform. However, school hats are compulsory and are required to be worn when the children are outside. Please ensure you child’s name is clearly marked on their hat.

MISSION WEEK
Tomorrow, 17th October, I will accompany some of our school leaders to the Annual Mission Mass at St Patrick’s Cathedral. This special Mass marks the beginning of ‘Mission Week.’

CHRIST OUR HOLY REDEEMER FEAST DAY
We will celebrate our feast day Wednesday 22nd October. There will be a special Mass to celebrate the day, all the children will be involved in a buddy activity and then will be entertained by a Bush Band (P-2 at 1pm and 3 - 6 at 2pm). Mass will be at 10:30 and parents are very welcome to attend.

WALK TO SCHOOL
A reminder that the “Walk to School” initiative is continuing all this month ... take the opportunity and starting walking!

HALAL FUND-RAISER
As our ‘Mission’ fundraiser we were able to focus on the plight of asylum seekers. Yesterday we created the word Halal with silver coins. Thank you to all who donated money. We raised $400.

EDUCATION BOARD
At our Education Board meeting last week we worked on clarifying some “Parking Protocols” that we hope will ensure the safety of our children and all who enter the school premises and assist with traffic flow. These will be posted to each family this week. I ask that you carefully read and follow these directives.

FETE COMMITTEE
Once again we had a great turn up at the fete meeting last night –there is lots of energy and parents willing to ensure that the Fete will be both a great celebration of our community and of course, a great fundraiser. The children will be dismissed at 2:30am to ensure that the last minute setup can proceed without the school traffic.

NEWSLETTER
We are considering emailing our weekly Newsletter to parents who would like to receive it this way instead of a hard copy. We are also looking at having a school ‘app’ for smartphones to enhance communication. If you are interested, could you kindly fill in the attached tear-off slip and return it to school by Friday 24th October

ICY POLES
Icy Poles will commence again this term, they will be 50c.

With best wishes,

Thomas Coghlan
PRINCIPAL
TERM FOUR DATES

October
Wednesday 22nd COHR feast day
Friday 24th Basketball Round Robin
Wednesday 29th Italian day
Friday 31st World teachers’ day

November
Monday 3rd School Closure day
Tuesday 4th Melbourne Cup holiday
Thursday 6th Free dress day
Friday 7th Working Bee 4pm
Wednesday 12th Prep Parents (2015) Orientation meeting
Friday 14th Yr 6 Graduation photos
Monday 17th Responsible Pet Education program – Prep
Wednesday 19th Prep Orientation (11:45 – 1)
Wednesday 26th Prep Orientation (11:45 – 1)

December
Friday 5th Carols in the Park
Thursday 11th Graduation Mass & Dinner
Friday 12th End of year Reports, Portfolios, class placement details sent home
Tuesday 16th End of year Mass (10:00am)
Yr 6 Assembly (2:30pm)
Thursday 18th Children dismissed 2:30pm
Friday 19th School Office closes 10am

January 2015
Thursday 29th Years 1 – 6 commence
Friday 30th Preps commence; welcome morning tea

ON DISPLAY IN THE FOYER
- A flyer from the Australian Girls Choir who are holding an Open day on October 26th
- A flyer regarding ‘Grasshoppers Soccer’ programs
- A flyer calling for players for junior cricket (Under 11 & 13) at Salesian College
- Head Start Toy Sale flyer

FETE INFORMATION
The Animal Nursery is returning to this year’s fete. Thank you so much to the families of Joseph Amato (Prep D) and Izabella Dygut (Prep H) for their generous donations in order to make this possible.

A reminder to fill your mystery jars and return them by next Wednesday 22nd October.

Thank you to everyone who has donated so far, we are still collecting bottles of wine. If you are able to donate, the box can be found in the office foyer.

We are also after prizes, vouchers or donations of any kind for our raffle and Auctions. If you are able to donate or know of a business happy to help please contact Sarah Arnott 0400 931 832 for further information or a letter can be collected from the office.

Only 29 more days to go!

CRAFT MEETING
There will be a Craft Meeting on Thursday 23rd October at 9am.

We would love your support.
Are you able to contribute to our stall by donating plants, tools or garden decorations?
We have been kindly given some empty pots in various sizes to get started. If you need some pots please ask at the COHR school office or contact Sarah Dias 0431813944 / sairdias@gmail.com or Caroline Aldred 0417 113 563 c_aldred@hotmail.com

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL
Yes, I/we _____________________________ would like our newsletter emailed to us.

Our email address is:_________________________________________________________________

I/We would be interested in downloading a school app onto my/our smart phone: Yes ☐ No ☐
The Story of Moses
Moses’ mum had to save Moses because the Pharaoh had ordered that all the baby boys will have to be killed. Also Moses grew up with the Pharaoh because his daughter caught him in the river. (Isabella)

Moses was going to get killed so his family put him in a basket in the river. It floated to the door of the kingdom and Moses grew up there. His sister told him that he was a Hebrew. Later in life, he saw a flaming bush which was God. Moses asked the new Pharaoh to let his people go. Moses parted water of the Red Sea so that there was a path for all his people to go through but the guards drowned. (Jemma)

Moses had to save Pharaoh’s slaves. With God’s help, Moses freed the Israelites by opening the sea and walking across. Pharaoh’s servants came with horses but the sea closed when they came. (Miro)

Cain and Abel
Cain and Abel gave gifts to God. God was always happy with Abel but not with Cain. So Cain got angry and killed Abel. God gave Eve another son named Seth. (Tom)

Eve had two babies – Cain and Abel. Abel was a shepherd and Cain was a farmer. Abel was nice to God and gave offerings because he loved God but Cain only gave God offerings because he had to. One day Cain got mad at Abel because God would only accept Abel’s gifts. So one day Cain killed Abel. Now Cain was happy but God wasn’t, so he sent Cain away and gave Eve a third son, Seth. (Lucia)

Tola and Jair
This is a story about a man named Tola, who was the King of Israel for 23 years. Once he died, another person was the King. His name was Jair. He had 30 sons and 30 donkeys for them to ride on. He also ruled Israel for 32 years. He owned 30 towns. After he died he got buried in the town of Kamon. (Michael)

David and Goliath
The stone flew at Goliath and he was shocked. Goliath died and David went on to be King. (Matteo)

Daniel and the Dream
King Nebuchadnezzar had a dream. He couldn’t understand it so he got Daniel to tell him what it means. Daniel helped him. Daniel was made the ruler of Babylon. (Rose)

Daniel in the Lions’ Den
The new king, King Darius made Daniel a supervisor. The other supervisors were jealous of Daniel because he was so wonderful. (Alessandra)

Noah’s Ark
There was a nice man called Noah and his family. Everyone else was bad so God said to Noah, “Make an ark and find 2 of each animal. A flood will come to Earth.” So Noah did what God said and when the ark was finished, he brought all the animals onto the ark. Then the rains started. (Dean)

God sent Noah to build an Ark to let all the animals and his family to be safe and sound. And God put the flood to teach the evil people a lesson. The flood begins to flow. Noah let the dove fly away to find something dry. And the flood went, a rainbow appeared and Noah sent the animals to be free. Everything was safe and sound. (Brian)

Noah went on an ark for 40 days. He sent a dove and then the dove found land and then they parked the ark on land. (Peter)

I think Noah is a great example of a person that believes in God and obeys him. (Archie)

God told Noah there was going to be a flood so he built an ark to put two of each animal in for 40 days while the flood was going on. (Jonah)

Creation
The Creation Story is about God and how he turned nothing into everything we see today – trees, plants, sea, animals. He made two people named Adam and Eve. God saw what he had made and it was good. (Annabel)

My favourite bible story is the story of Creation because if Creation hadn’t happened we wouldn’t be alive. The story of Creation is when God creates the Earth, animals, plants and a man and woman named Adam & Eve. (Mya)

My favourite story is Creation. In this story God creates the world, the sun and the moon. As well as one person named Adam. God decided Adam was lonely so he made another person named Eve. Adam and Eve became friends. (Alice)

Esther
Esther got chosen to be queen by the King and got 2 years of getting make overs with some other girls. Esther believed in God. Esther was Jewish but the King did not know. (Flora)

Esther heard of a plot to kill all the Jewish people. Esther showed courage and revealed the plot to King and admitted to the King that she was Jewish. The King helped Esther and the Jewish people. (Mrs Palermo)

Adam and Eve
After God made the world, he made Adam a human but he needed one more so he made Eve. She was the first woman on Earth. And God said not to pick an apple from the Tree of Life. But a serpent came and said “Eve take an apple from the tree.” And so she did. (Xander)