Dear Parents,

This year Pope Francis has called the Church to a special Jubilee Year of Mercy. “Mercy”, the Pope says, “is the name of our God”. The God who asks us not to judge and condemn but to forgive and to love, and to do this over and over again. This is the challenge that we are being called to every day. In our thoughts, by what we say and by our actions. We are called to love and be compassionate. We are called to be caring and considerate. We are called to be merciful, just as our Father is merciful.

Yesterday we celebrated the feast day of Christ Our Holy Redeemer. The theme of the mass and activities was ‘Magnificent Mercy’. We commenced our day with mass at 10.00am. It was lovely having a number of parents, friends and parishioners join us for this liturgy. Father John spoke of the significance of this special day and of how lucky we are to have our school named after Jesus. Following mass the children participated in a variety of activities including meditation, craft activities and scripture reflections centred around the theme of Mercy.

Lord Jesus Christ,
You have taught us to be merciful like the Heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees You sees Him.
Send your Spirit to help us bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to the oppressed and restore sight to the blind.
We ask this through Jesus and Mary. Amen.
THE COHR FETE IS NOT FAR AWAY!

It’s only three weeks away to our Fete!! Last night the second last fete meeting was held and all stallholders were invited to attend. Once again I was impressed by the support of parents in this school towards such an important community event and fundraiser. As we draw closer to fete day I would ask all families to keep supporting this event where and when you can.

EARLY FINISH – FETE DAY
School will finish at 2.30pm on Friday 18th Nov
To allow us to prepare for the fete

ONLINE NEWSLETTER
We have begun testing the roll-out of the newsletter via email. This week you may receive a copy online. We certainly believe this will be a more sustainable and efficient way to distribute the weekly news. If you are yet to confirm your email address with the office we would ask that you do so as soon as possible. Thanks

DON’T FORGET SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY ON MONDAY 31ST OCT AND TUESDAY 1ST NOV (CUP DAY).

Take care and enjoy the rest of the week.

Brendan Welsford
Principal

GRADUATION TOPS
A reminder that order forms for Graduation tops was sent home yesterday. Please return your order form and by next Wednesday 2nd Nov.

ICY POLES
Icy Poles will be available tomorrow for 50c.

RUNNING CLUB
Running Club is on tomorrow morning from 8.00am

GARDENING CREW
To our very special gardeners: Anita Noga, Rina Di Napoli, Monica Florio, Giselle Taylor, Carolyn Heil, Sarah Arnott and Grace Leslie, thankyou ladies for chopping back trees and shrubs and weeding around the front of the church and rest of the reflective garden.

SCHOOL APRONS
Christ Our Holy Redeemer aprons will be on sale tomorrow in the school foyer. They are priced at $20 each. Great value.

SCHOOL DATES

October
Thursday 27th Ed Board Meeting
Monday 31st SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

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

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

FETE RAFFLE TICKETS
Raffle Tickets have been sent home. If you have sold your raffle tickets and would like more to sell, please see the office. Remember the class who sells the most tickets will receive a pizza party!!!

AFTER SCHOOL CARE CURRICULUM DAY PROGRAM
We are very pleased to announce that we will be running curriculum day programs on Monday 31st October. The service will operate from 7am – 6pm at a cost of $50/child (please note, with the government rebate the maximum cost will be $25)
To assist us with planning appropriate themes and activities please register your interest by contacting us on 0412 958 605. New families are welcome to attend. Enrolment forms can be found at the school office, the service during normal operating hours (7-9am and 3-6pm), or can be completed online at www.ylv.com.au.
We hope to see you there!