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Dear Parents,

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus asks the question: 'Who do you say I am?' As Christians we say that we are followers of Christ. Would those we come in contact with recognise that we are Christian? Reputation is very significant – in school, in the workplace and in the community. A person who is thought to be responsible and honest is treated with respect. A person who is thought to be untrustworthy is treated with suspicion. Sometimes the way we dress or the way we speak affects our reputation. There was confusion about who Jesus was. He had quite a colourful reputation. Only his closest followers knew that he was the Messiah. Who do people say you are – especially people who aren't your close friends and don't know you very well?

### PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Children's Mid-Year Reports along with their Portfolios will be sent home on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Parent/Teacher interviews will be conducted the following week. Parents have received a letter that will include their log-in details to enable access to PTO – Parent Teacher Online. Once logged in, you will be able to choose a time for the Parent/Teacher interviews on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. If you have any concerns, or are unable to access the site, please call the Office and we will happily assist you.

[www.parentteacheronline.com.au](http://www.parentteacheronline.com.au)

**Please note** that that children will dismissed **at 2:30pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June** to enable parent teacher interviews to continue.

Portfolios are to be returned to school at, or before the interview.

### INTER SCHOOL SPORT – GALA DAY

The Years 5 & 6 children will be participating in the Inter School Gala Sports day on Friday 21st June. The Football and Netball teams will compete at Oakleigh PS, Soccer at Carlson reserve and Volleyball at Sacred Heart PS. We would welcome parent support, and if possible a few parents to assist with some of the teams. If you would like to help out on the day, please let you child's teacher know.

### CHESS CLUB

After a successful implementation of the Chess program in the 3/4 Level, we are considering a lunchtime Chess Club. Interested students would pay a fee and a chess coach would conduct a lesson, followed by game play. I am hoping that this could commence next term and that there would be around eight lunchtime sessions.

The cost is dependent on the number of children, however no more than 20 children will be accepted. It is likely the Chess club would run on either a Monday or Tuesday, however this is yet to be confirmed. Priority will be given to Year 3/4 students.

A "tournament" is conducted by the coach over the term. Each week, the children play 1 game which is their

tournament game. The results of these games are recorded by the coach. At the end of each term, presentation is conducted where prizes (medallions) are given out based on the final scores of the tournament. Each child gets a certificate, the level of which (Participation, Credit, Distinction and High Distinction) is based on the final scores. Please fill in the expression of interest form and return to school no later than next Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

### CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASS

Children preparing for Confirmation are expected to attend a Confirmation Commitment Mass on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July at the 11am Parish Mass. During Mass the children will receive a copy of the Creed.

### SCHOOL DISCO

Children are invited to the School Disco on Friday night. The Disco will be conducted by the Footsteps Dance company. I was lucky enough to win this at a Principal trade fair earlier in the year.

Footsteps will teach the children some dances during the night.

The Prep – Grade 2 Disco will be from 6pm to 7pm. Doors to the Hall open at 5:45pm. The Years 3 – 6 will commence at 7pm and conclude at 8:30pm.

The Parents' Association are seeking the assistance of parents to help out on the night. If you are able to assist please let one of the PA know or leave your name at the Office.

### KITCHEN GARDEN

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July we will be building the raised garden beds for our kitchen garden. If you are able to assist us at any time on this day please call the office to leave your name. At this stage we have one willing parent assisting.

### Garden Competition – HELP US WIN \$1000

Help us win \$1000 in the Leader Newspaper competition to assist us in paying for the materials to build the raised garden beds for our Vegetable Garden.

HOW? – Go online and search leader local grants and register.

When you register you will be given 10 votes to use when voting opens on 24<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **Register Now.**

Voting period 24<sup>th</sup> June – 5<sup>th</sup> July

Our application is called "Christ Our Holy Redeemer Vegie Garden" in the Waverley/Oakleigh Monash Leader Link.

Get friends, family, neighbours, facebook friends etc to vote. We will need every vote possible to beat other applications.

Michelle Seel

Wellbeing Coordinator.

## TERM TWO DATES

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Disco (Prep – Yr2: 6pm; Yr 3-6: 7-8:30pm)  
Mid-Year Reports sent home  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Parent/Teacher interviews 4pm-6pm  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Parent/Teacher interviews 3pm-6pm  
Children dismissed at 2:30pm  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> End of Term – children dismissed at 2:30

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July Term Three commences

With best wishes

Thomas Coghlan

**PRINCIPAL**

## LIBRARY NEWS

It's BOOK FAIR Time!!

Christ Our Holy Redeemer School will be hosting a Carnival Book Fair in Week 1 & 2 of Term 3. A Book Fair is an opportunity to purchase quality literature for your children or friends. All students will have preview times in their library lessons of Week 1. Students will bring home a wish list to discuss with you about them purchasing one or more of their selected books. Parents are also invited to preview the books before or after school and maybe make a start on Christmas shopping!

Please note there is no obligation to buy but our school does receive a generous commission in the form of books to add to our library.

More details about parent times to visit coming in next weeks newsletter.

Thank you

Karen Wakeling

**CYBER SAFETY PRESENTATION** on Monday 26th August in COHR Hall. (*parent session will be on the evening of 26<sup>th</sup> August.*)

We are pleased to offer this very informative session on Cyber Safety which will inform and assist teachers, children and parents about online safety. This presentation will provide valuable information about the risks confronting children online and offer appropriate tools and strategies to help make their experience safe and positive.

## YOUR OWN CAR SPACE FOR 1 TERM!

A Silent Auction will be held over the next week for the reserved car space next to the hall. The car space will be auctioned for Terms 3 & 4 separately. The bidding sheet will be located in the foyer with the auction starting on Friday 21st June and finishing at 9am on Friday 28th June. The winners will be announced the same day.

## WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We're now at the important stage of the program where Points Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect,

the more we can redeem. So this week please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn Points Stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they may be stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support!

## ST JOHNS BBQ

St John's Preschool are hosting the BBQ at Bunnings Notting Hill this Sunday 23 June.

Please come along and support our Preschool. Free kids activities from 10am-2pm

## BREAD TIES

We are asking for your help in collecting bread tags from the loaves of bread which will be used to purchase a wheelchair for a local senior citizens home. Please leave at the school office.

## ASHBURTON HOLIDAY SOCCER CLINIC

**Tuesday 2 July, Wednesday 3 July, Thursday 4 July**

1pm to 3.30pm U7 – U10

2.30pm to 5pm U11 – U14

Where: Watson Park, Munro Avenue, Ashburton

Cost: \$120 FFV members

\$140 non-FFV members

*Includes insurance and giveaways*

**Places limited, so book early**

## FREE TO LOVING HOME

10 Year old female cat named Jessie. If you are interested please contact the office.



## SCHOOL BANKING TERM 2 COMPETITION

I am very pleased to advise that as of yesterday, 60 per cent of current student bankers from the schools I support are already entered into the current competition.

For most Victorian schools, there is still this week and next week where students can still bank at school. If they have banked three or more times this school term, they will automatically be entered into the competition. The competition closes 5<sup>th</sup> July 2013. The first entry drawn on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2013 from all entries received will win, and details will be published in the Public Notices section of The Australian on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2013. **Good Luck everyone!**

## FOOTBALL STAR ACADEMY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FSA are holding a three day School Holiday program @ Jack Edward's Reserve Oakleigh.

DATE: Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July 2013

TIME: 9 – 12pm (Boys & Girls 4 to 14 years)

PRICE: \$55 per day (\$165 for 3 days)

Register online at [www.footballstaracademy.com.au](http://www.footballstaracademy.com.au) or contact Tim or Craig at [vic18@footballstaracademy.com.au](mailto:vic18@footballstaracademy.com.au) or call them on the numbers below.

Craig Platt 0424 516 587 or Tim Francis 0403 016 383

## The Power of One – Anti-Bullying Production

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June the students participated in an anti-bullying production where they learnt that they have the power to stop bullying and be a good bystander. They learnt strategies to deal with and prevent bullying and learnt that a bystander who does nothing to assist the target is as bad as the bully.



When bullying occurs a Good Bystander does not ...



Watch



Cheer the bully on



pretend they did not see

### Good Bystander



Tells the bully to stop/ Takes the target away



Tells the teacher

We **ALL** have the **Power of One**



Ask your child what they learnt

## We all signed the Bully Prevention Oath

### ipads in Prep

This term we introduced ipads to the Prep Level. The Prep teachers, Tracey & Sue have met with a consultant each Monday morning exploring different apps, the features of and ways to use the ipads in their class to enhance their lessons. Over the term our Prep students have learnt how to turn them off and on, adjust the sound, take photos or screen shots and open and close apps. Our students have designed 3D transport models, made a Mother's Day imovie with their own recordings about their mothers, continued to develop their fine-motor skills and handwriting skills in "pinching at" frogs or tracing/writing alphabet letters. They have also enjoyed listening to interactive stories with the head phones, writing or drawing responses to books read in class, as well as practising their sight words or working at reinforcing their number skills. A busy but rewarding term!

*Dean: "I enjoyed 'foldify' because I made a truck. I gave it a face and I had to turn the windows around."*



*William: "I like them all, especially putting stickers on at the end. There are words to learn and you read and drag them. Reading Red Hen was great too."*

*Chanel: "You get to do the 'red writing' monster by tracing over the letters and numbers, and you can change the colors."*

*Christian: "you click on your name and do the different activities – learn how to write numbers and letters."*

*Luke G: "I like 'red writing' because it's got numbers as well as letters. You trace over the number and learn how to write them properly."*

