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Dear Parents,

The third Sunday of Lent is all about second chances. In Exodus we have a bush that is alight but does not burn and in Luke we have a fig tree that does not bear fruit, is earmarked for the chop and saved by the gardener. In both cases where we would expect to find destruction we find new opportunities for growth, nurturance and flowering. This is our challenge during Lent – that during this time we find opportunities for growth to enable us to live our lives in the manner Jesus exemplified.

#### SCHOOL PHOTOS - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March

**Students are to wear summer uniform.**

Complete your order form sent home this week and return to the school on Photo Day.

To Pre-order online, take your personal ID Number found on your order form and go to [www.schoolpix.com.au](http://www.schoolpix.com.au)

To order family photos please pick up the order forms from the school office.

#### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY – FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH

Next Friday – 8<sup>th</sup> March staff will participate in a professional learning day. The main focus of the day will be the new National curriculum; in particular we will be looking at the English curriculum.

#### PARENT HELPERS PROGRAM

There are two separate sessions for parents wishing to assist in the classroom. The first for new parent helpers is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 2:30pm until 3:30pm. The second – for parents wishing to help out in grades 1 – 6 will be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 2:30pm until 3:30pm. Any parent wishing to assist with the children is asked to obtain a Working with Children's Check.

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

At COHR our second hand uniform sales are obtained from donated items. These items are then sold for between \$2 - \$6. If you have any items that you no longer require, your donation would be gratefully accepted. We will be holding a uniform sale before the end of term 1.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ilona and Nick Cetrola on the safe arrival of their baby boy Marc. Born Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb.

#### PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Last night at the AGM of the Parents Association a new committee was elected to carry on the wonderful work of the retiring committee. Most positions were filled – however we are still looking for a parent to take on the role of president. I am hopeful that a parent may come forward to offer to take on the role.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

I would like to thank and congratulate the out-going committee for their contribution to our school community. Besides raising much needed funds, they also ensured that our sense of community remained strong and vibrant. THANKS.

#### EDUCATION BOARD

At our last meeting I was able to report to the Board some of the capital priorities that are facing the school. It seems likely that the school will need to add another class next year. Our school will therefore need to find another classroom to accommodate another class. The Board is also looking at revising the Guidelines. Hopefully this task will be completed early next term and nominations for membership on our Education Board will be advertised.

#### DATES

##### March

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Catholic Secondary enrolment due InterSchool Sport: Oakleigh PS (away games)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Information night 7pm Sacred Heart
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	School closure day
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Labour Day public holiday
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Education Board
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Reconciliation (Yr 3)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Harmony day
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Reconciliation (Yr 3)
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	School Sports day – Duncan MacKinnon
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Association
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Thursday; Easter holidays – school finishes 2:30pm

With Best Wishes

Tom Coghlan  
 PRINCIPAL

#### ENROLMENTS FOR CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Applications for enrolment at Catholic Secondary schools close on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. If you are intending to enrol your child into a catholic secondary school for next year, it is essential that you meet this date. Enrolments for Government Secondary colleges open later in the year.

## CHILDRENS CHOIR

The Children's Church Choir practice will begin on Thursday 28th Feb straight after school. Lucy Rogers will pick up the children in the school foyer and bring them to the church. All children are welcome to participate. Parents are very welcome to stay during practice or must pick up their children by 4.15pm from the church. The children will be taught to sing by Dawn D'Monte a singing and music teacher and Lucy Rogers her assistant.

## PARENT ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

At the AGM last night the following were elected to the Parents Association Committee:

President:	VACANT
Vice President:	Sarah and Clyde Dias
Treasurer:	Marie Francis
Secretary:	Carolyn Heil
Pastoral Care:	Trish Stewart
General Members:	Lori Marchese, Rosie Lucchese, Jenny Girolami, Mel Capomolla, Cinzia Dell'Arciprete, Natalie McKenzie, Nicole Firth, Briely Sheehan, Leanne Van Der Zweep, Christine Kell, Megan Heverin, Silvana Amendola, Rachel Terkelson, Grace Leslie, Caroline Aldred, Kerrilee Pearson

The following are class reps who were nominated:

Prep D	Grace Leslie
Prep H	Briely Sheehan
1/2SP	Rachel Terkelson
1/2G	Chris Kell & Megan Heverin
1/2W	Sarah Arnott
3/4EP	Natalie McKenzie
3/4S	VACANT
4/4JP	VACANT
3/4L	Caroline Aldred
5/6K	Leanne Van Der Zweep
5/6P	Nicole Firth
5/6CS	Jenny Girolami

If anyone would like to nominate for any of the vacancies (PA President, 3/4S and 3/4JP class representative) please contact any of the PA committee members

## FOOTY TIPPING COMP

Support COHR's first fundraiser for the year  
AFL Knockout Footy Tipping Competition 2013

WINNER TAKE ALL

\$5,000.00 CASH

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After School Hours Care

Before School Care Expressions of Interest

Dear Families,

Currently the Outside School Hours Care service provides an After School Care program, however we are looking at expanding this service to include a Before School program. We feel that a Before School Care program is an important service that would benefit you and the school community.

We are currently seeking expressions of interest for a Before School Care program. If you are interested please contact Cherie on 0412 958 603 or the school office on 9569 – 8966 to register your details.

<b>Parent / Guardian Name:</b>	
<b>Contact number:</b>	

	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Permanent Please tick</b>					
<b>Casual Please tick</b>					

Please note if you tick Permanent you will be charged for any absences on that day/s.

<b>Child's Name</b>	
<b>Age</b>	

I wonder how I can learn from Jesus during the  
Season of Lent? 3/6 p

*When I read the story of Jesus Calms a Storm I think that every apostle had trust in Jesus. I realised if we all work together everything will work out.*

*(Katia)*

*What I learnt when I read 'Jesus feeds the five thousand' is that Jesus can make miracles even out of little things and that nothing is impossible with God*

*(Elena)*

During the Season of Lent, Jesus, please help us to be patient. Please let us be kind and treat others respectfully.

(Grace)

**I READ "THE LORD'S SUPPER". I LEARNT TO NEVER LEAVE WITHOUT A GOODBYE OR A MESSAGE TO YOUR FRIENDS. JESUS WILL TELL YOU "ALWAYS LOVE WHO YOU ARE".**

**(LEAH)**

**JESUS CALMS THE STORM**  
After reading the story Jesus Calms the Storm I now know that you always trust your family and friends. I also know now that you always work together, and believe the people you know like your family and friends.

**(Tiana)**

**JESUS HEALS TEN MEN**  
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When one of the ten men came back to say "thank you", you have saved my life. Jesus felt glad to help an innocent man

**TO BE ABLE TO COME  
BACK AND JUST SAY**

**THANKS**

Liam

When I read the story of "Jesus feeds five-thousand" I learnt that Jesus always shares and I thought I can be a bit greedy. Sharing is caring and I should always share at least one thing from my many.

Hayley

*We read Lenten stories about Jesus in the Bible. When I read Jesus Calms the Storm I thought that Jesus is very powerful.*

James T ☺

Jesus Calms the Storm  
I think I learnt about this story that I should trust the people I know and the people I know less and whenever they need help I will, or will try, to be there for them.  
(Jarrod)

In my story of Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand I learnt that if you don't have enough of something for people there is always a way to make enough.

Sofia

Story: 'Love for Enemies'

This story reminded me of when someone hurt me and I forgave him and now we are friends

Andre

Story: Who's the Greatest?  
I read this story in the Bible and now I know not to argue and yell that I'm the greatest and the best but to be nice to everyone and to show manners

Jack

In the story of 'Jesus heals ten men', I learnt a message that it is important to say thank you.

By James Marchese

I read the story in the Bible 'Love for Enemies'. I learnt that we can bless our enemies and those who disrespect you. Also treat people how you want to be treated.

(Daniel Capomolla)

Story: Jesus feeds the five thousand.  
I learnt that there is always a chance to help others when needed.

Jacob

I read 'Jesus Feeds The Five Thousand'. I learnt to help others that need more help than I do. It reminded me that once I helped a poor person by giving him three dollar.

(Dylan Gatto)

We can always try our best even if things don't go our way. We can try and respect others the way Jesus did. But most of all, we are to forgive everyone.

(Danielle Pontidis)

The Story of the Fig Tree  
I wonder how I can learn from Jesus during the season of Lent?  
I can learn from him by caring for nature and not giving up.

Lachlan

Jesus performed miracles and things that are impossible. He can do anything.  
Mitchell

To always wait and share with the less fortunate. Accept what you have been given.

Carla

When I read the Scripture of who is the greatest I learnt that good people/kids are good role models because they can teach you to be good people and make the right choices. Eamon

I wonder how I can learn from Jesus during the Season of Lent? 5/6 p

