

UPDATE

No. 5 Date 15/05/15 Week 4 Term 2

Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students, who received Merit Awards at this week's School Assembly. Well done on your efforts everyone – keep up the good work!



Willow Barker	Ella Hoppe	Taya Moore	Ariella Smith
Olive Borbely	Erin Hutchinson	Gela Moss	Archer Sproule
Sarah Boxall	Ava Huxley	Alexis Owen	Nicholas Towell
Noah Brown	Kayden Jeffers	Billie Papasotiriou	Kristof Trinajstic
Charlotte Burke	Ebony Kent	Olivia Prior	Hellena Vermeulen
William Crighton	Lachlan Konwerski	Sophie Rayner	Lara Wallace
Finn Cullinane	Abigail Larkin	Jack Reynolds	Grace Wardle
Rowan Davies	Melissa Lee	Thomas Rizzuti	Darcy Weston
Luke Edwards	Brady Leehy	Lucas Sawyer	Lola Whitsun-Jones
Zachary Filla	Gabriella McMahon	Bridie Shingles	Tahlia Woolley
Audrey Gauci			



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Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country SUCCESS!!

Congratulations to our 10 year old boys, 10 year old girls and 12/13 year old boys teams who WON their age divisions. These amazing children all ran 2/3 kms respectively and showed outstanding sportsmanship and were great ambassadors for our school supporting each other admirably. Thank you to the parents who attended on the day in support of these talented athletes. Special mention should go to Keely Brown, Molly Peake, Abby Gomez, Cameron Winfield and Riley Barglik who made it through to the next level of Inter-Diocesan.

Principal's Morning Tea

On Wednesday 20 May, we will host the first Principal's Morning Tea for Term 2. Invitations were sent out to those students who have demonstrated commitment and effort in their learning. This event is a simple way to celebrate and acknowledge students who strive diligently to work with their minds, heart and hands. Well done to those recipients and Mr Rosato looks forward to sharing morning tea with you all next week.

Missioning

Today we were blessed with Year 10 students from St Columba's Catholic Collage who visited our school to teach a Religious Education lesson. As part of their Religious Education program the high school students are required to *prepare and share* a specific lesson with a small group of primary students. This tradition of missioning has taken place for many years between the two schools and continues to provide a wonderful opportunity for students to learn from each other. Thank you to the Year 10 students for their preparation and care. Thank you also to their Principal Mr Paul Ryan and staff from St Columba's for facilitating this worthwhile experience.



Enrolments for 2016 and Open Days

Enrolments for next year are now open for Grades K-6. We invite all prospective families to our Open Days which will be held throughout the coming weeks. Enrolment forms are available from the school office. **All applications are due to be returned by Friday 29 May, 2015.**

- OPEN DAYS 2015 AS FOLLOWS -		
MORNING TOURS - from 9.15am - 10.00am:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday: 19 May • Wednesday: 20 May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday: 29 May
AFTERNOON TOURS - from 2.15pm - 3.00pm:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday: 19 May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday: 28 May • Friday: 22 May

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St Thomas Aquinas Skoolbag App

We currently have 295 people who have downloaded our new communication app. Please download the free app onto your smartphone or iPad. We will be using this to alert parents to school events and information.



Hardcopy Newsletters

From Term 3 onwards we will be reducing the printing of our Newsletters and Updates as they are now readily available on the school website and can also be accessed via the Skoolbag app. A limited number only will be available from the school office.

St Columba's Catholic College – Year 7 2016 Enrolments

Enrolment applications are now due for parents/caregivers who would like to enrol their child into St Columba's Catholic College for Year 7 in 2016. Further information is available on the college website: www.stcolumbasspringwood or by calling the enrolment secretary, Mrs Sandra O'Brien, on 4754 1022.

Year 6 Camp

Our Year 6 students and Year 6 teachers had the great privilege of going to Vision Valley for 3 days earlier this week. Further information on this fantastic event will follow in next week's newsletter. **Many thanks** to Kate Mackenzie, James Costigan, Virginia Fortunat, Karen Bousfield, Dan Turner (parent of Will, 6F) and Serge Rosato.

DIARY DATES

2015 TERM 2 Week 5	Monday 18 May	12.30pm Assembly – KB presenting 3.40pm Leadership Meeting
	19	9.15am Open Day Tour for Prospective Families 2.15pm Open Day Tour for Prospective Families 3.40pm Staff Meeting
	20	8.30am Staff Briefing 9.15am Open Day Tour for Prospective Families 9.20am Parish Mass – Year 1 attending
	21	8.30am Staff Prayer Captivate Choir Rehearsal at Cranebrook
	22	2.15pm Open Day Tour for Prospective Families
Week 6	Monday 25 May	12.30pm Pentecost Liturgy 3.40pm Leadership Meeting
	26	3.40pm Staff Meeting
	27	Stage 3 Boys Soccer Stage 3 Girls AFL
	28	8.30am Staff Prayer 2.15pm Open Day Tour for Prospective Families
	29	9.15am Open Day Tour for Prospective Families Kindergarten 2016 Enrolment Applications Due

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mary MacKillop Place Open Day: You are invited to our 20th birthday celebration on Sunday 24 May from 10am-4pm. Enjoy free entry to the museum which displays the Sisters of St Joseph Collection, visit Mary's tomb in the Mackillop Memorial Chapel built in her honour and take part in the Guest Speakers Hour and join in on the conversation on a hot topics relating to the exhibition. Situated in Mary MacKillop Place, 7-11 Mount Street, North Sydney. www.marymackillopplace.org.au.

Mackillop Family Services: Foster carers come in all shapes and sizes, from varied backgrounds, lifestyles, cultures and family situations. If you would like to find out more about helping to change a life today by fostering a child, please call Mackillop Family Services on 1300 791 677 or visit www.mackillop.org.au/fostercare.

ENRICH - Gateway Family Enrichment Project: A 6-week course is being held to support Dads as they learn how to be "bigger, stronger, wiser and kind" with their babies, toddlers and young children. Dads are provided with common sense information that will help them to understand & respond to their child's needs and behaviours in ways that will help their child to feel secure and confident. It will be held at the Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre on Tuesday evenings, May 19-June 23 from 7.00-8.30pm. Gold Coin Donation. Childcare will not be available. Please call 1300 316 746 or email: annc@gatewayfamilyservices.org.au.

Family Musical: Eastwood Uniting Church Musical Society presents a musical of Gilbert and Sullivan's 'Ruddigore' for the entire family to enjoy. It will be held in the Springwood High School auditorium, Grose Road, Faulconbridge on Saturday 13 June at 5pm. Light refreshments by donation. Register your interest by calling 4751 3951.

Sent Home Recently:

- Diocesan Boys Soccer Gala Day
- Diocesan Boys Soccer Gala Day (Stage 2)
- Paul Kelly Cup AFL Regional Finals



Scan with your smartphone or tablet for more information.

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