

UPDATE

No. 10 Date 07/11/14 Week 5 Term 4



Student Awards

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

Week 4

Willow Barker	Texas Down	Hayley Kime	Callum Northam
Tobey Barr	Peter Ellis	Levi Kirkpatrick	Alexis Owen
Ewan Beaton	Mischa Evans	Declan Klukow-Leavey	Michael Papatotiriou
Cooper Brown	Zachary Filla	Peter Koulouris	Orion Pick
Ruby Butler	Chloe Galluzzi	Jack Kuypers	Nathan Press
Zac Carr	Liam Galluzzi	Matthew Kwiedor	Sasha Pyle
Rebecca Collis	Jessica Gomez	Ella Langan	Luke Redmond
Grace Costigan	Jack Graham	James Lin-Green	Daniel Salisbury
Charlotte Croft	Maclean Hartley	Bridget Lloyd-Williams	Joshua Taylor
Kate Crook	Matthew Hill	Ella Maurer	Ryan Trent
James Croucher	Ava Huxley	Ashton McLeod	Christian Wallace
Jacob Danks	Hayden Keogh	Jake McSpadden	Lachlan Waters
Evan Davey	Sophie Kerrison	Nicholas Neil	Jesse Wiggins

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Oliver Alves-Jones	Sasha Grahovac	Thomas Manzie	Darcy Rafter
Lauren Beaton	Mia Grodzicki	Emily McMaster	Amali Rehutai
Zachary Birch	Charlotte Harris	Bella McSpadden	Lorraine Santos
Thomas Brosnan	Xavier Haynes	Dylan Mitchell	Grace Sato
Noah Brown	Kayla Hurley	Joshua Mitchell	Cooper Selinger
Ethan Bruce	Hayley Jordan	Gela Moss	Max Stone
Liam Carr	Amy Kilner	Keiran Murphy	Conna Taylor
Joshua Curtis	Lachlan Konwerski	Benjamin Nixon	Michaela Teuma
Patrick Dawson	Jack Leahy	Angelika Okladnikov	Nicholas Towell
Francis Dyer	Melissa Lee	Annie Oliver	Genevieve Wakeling
Isla Field	Danielle Leehy	Adrian Perez-Eaton	Ellie Watson
Ellen Glasson	Isabelle Leet	Cameron Purcell	Cameron Way
Lachlan Golby	Maddison Machon	Joshua Pyle	Olivia Young

Industrial Action - Stop Work Meeting - 10 November 2014

Next Monday, 10 November, there will be a stop work meeting for **1 hour from 8.30am – 9.30am**. The action involves members of the Independent Education Union (IEU) – teachers, administration staff and teacher assistants – meeting to discuss concerns regarding the proposed new Enterprise Agreement. Only supervision of students will occur during this time. **Normal lessons, class organisation and office administration will resume at 9.30am.**

Bus Travel for Students Entering Year 3 2015

At the end of the year all students in Year 2 with bus passes will be automatically taken off the bus company system as they progress from infants to primary level. Therefore, it will be necessary for those students to reapply for 2015. To be eligible for free bus travel, a primary school student must reside more than 1.6 kilometres radial distance from the centre of the school property, or 2.3 kilometres or more by the most direct practicable walking route to the nearest point of entry to the school. If you have received a bus pass application recently from Blue Mountains Bus Company for your student moving into Year 3 in 2015, please complete the form as soon as possible and send it to the school office for processing. **All forms are due back by 21 November.**

Kindergarten 2015 Orientation – Week 7 & 8, Term 4

Kindergarten Orientation will be held over two consecutive weeks from **9.30-10.30am** on **Tuesday and Wednesday, 18 & 19 November** and **Thursday and Friday, 27 & 28 November**. Parents may choose to bring their child on 1 or up to 4 of these sessions. Registration for these sessions is now done online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au. Enter the **Event Code YLKPW** then follow the prompts to make your booking.

2014 Book Fair Has Arrived!

Selling at the Book Fair will take place in the school library **next Tuesday 11 November** and **Wednesday 12 November** from **8.30am - 10.00am** and **2.00pm – 4.00pm** for parents and parents with children (**no children on their own**). Classes will be called to purchase throughout the day. Eftpos facilities are available and credit card details can be filled out on the back of the children's 'Wish List'. We have also been running a drawing competition for Book Fair where children have to design an A4 poster with the title 'Catch the Reading Bug'. These must be handed in to the library by Monday 10 November. This will be a great opportunity for some early Christmas shopping. We look forward to seeing many of you there. **Karen Bousfield, Teacher Librarian**



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Students Not Returning for 2015

The school is currently interviewing families for enrolment for 2015. Places are limited in some grades. To enable the school to plan appropriately we would appreciate families of students in Grades K-5 who are not returning in 2015 to please notify the school **in writing as soon as possible**. Your timely attention to this matter would be much appreciated as the implications regarding staffing and resourcing by the Catholic Education Office stem from accurate enrolment numbers.

World Teachers Day – last Friday

Thank you to all the parents who provided the staff with such a beautiful morning tea. It was very much appreciated. Some staff members were presented with a certificate and pin from Catholic Education for their various years of service.

DIARY DATES

2014 TERM 4 Week 6	Monday 10 November	9.05am Cuppa & Chat 12.30pm Assembly – 2D presenting Book Fair viewing 3.40pm Leadership Meeting	 Scan with your smartphone or tablet for more information. www.stspringwood.catholic.edu.au
	11	League Tag Competition – selected students Book Fair purchasing 3.40pm Staff Meeting	
	12	8.30am Staff Briefing 9.20am Parish Mass – Year 5 attending Year 2 Excursion to Australian Pioneer Village Year 3 National Parks Excursion Book Fair purchasing	
	13	8.30am Staff Prayer School Band	
	14	11.35am – 1.20pm St Columba's Drama Presentation (2 sessions) in Hall	
Week 7	Monday 17 November	9.05am Cuppa & Chat 12.30pm Assembly – 4C presenting 3.40pm Leadership Meeting	
	18	9.30am – 10.30am Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 3.40pm Staff Meeting	
	19	8.30am Staff Briefing 9.20am Parish Mass – Year 6 attending 9.30am – 10.30am Kindergarten 2015 Orientation	
	20	8.30am Staff Prayer School Band	
	21	Principal's Morning Tea – selected students	

Important Dates to Remember for Term 4 2014

Kindergarten 2015 Orientation:	[(Week 7) – Tuesday 18 & Wednesday 19 November 9.30am-10.30am (Week 8) – Thursday 27 & Friday 28 November 9.30am-10.30am
Thanksgiving Mass:	Tuesday 9 December at 12.00noon
Christmas Concert:	Thursday 11 December at 7.00pm
Year 6 Picnic Day:	Monday 15 December
School Awards Assembly:	Tuesday 16 December at 12.00noon (in the Church)
Year 6 Graduation Mass:	Wednesday 17 December at 7.00pm
Last Day of Term 4 2014:	Wednesday 17 December (for students)
Staff Development Days:	Thursday 18 & Friday 19 December (pupil free)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Yellow Rock Park Community Meeting: Funding has been received for Yellow Rock Reserve for developing a community space, an art project and a playground upgrade. Direction is needed and we want to hear from you. Blue Mountains City Council invites local community members, particularly Yellow Rock residents, to a meeting on **Saturday 8 November at Winmalee Guide Hall, 238-248 Singles Ridge Road, Yellow Rock from 2.30pm – 4.00pm**. This initial meeting is to explain background of project and funding, input your ideas and to form a steering group of community representatives to guide the Park Project. This group will meet approximately 4 times over the course of the project. For further information phone Nathan Summers, Recreation Development Officer, Blue Mountains City Council on 4780 5573 or email nsummers@bmcc.nsw.gov.au or Morna Colbran, Manager, Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre on 4754 4050 or email wnccoord@tpg.com.au

Sent Home Recently:

- Chicken Pox Alert (*purple*)
- Hand, Foot & Mouth Alert (*red*)
- Year 3 & 3/2C National Parks Excursion note
- St Columba's College Orientation note to Year 6 (*buff*)
- Crazy Socks for World Mission Day note (*orange*)
- Year 2 Australiana Pioneer Village Excursion note
- Student Safety & Behaviour note (*lemon*)
- Amended Year 2 Pioneer Village Excursion note (*mauve*)
- League Tag Excursion note – selected students
- Industrial Action note (*gold*)

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