Dear Families

Next week we have the feast of All Saints on Tuesday 1st November and All Souls on Wednesday 2nd November. These are particularly significant feasts as they are a reminder to us all, that we are a part of a Church community which encompasses those here with us, and those who have gone before us - all are united in Christ. We can often think of saints as perfect people, but their greatest witness is how they coped with the ordinary difficulties of their life, and how they courageously showed the love of God to others. We also remember and pray for all those who have died, on the feast of All Souls. Some of these people may only be known to God. Others are people we have loved dearly and whose love, sacrifice and fidelity we have seen for ourselves; they have inspired us to be our best selves.

A reminder that Friday the 18th November will be our last school closure day for the year. On this day we will be involved in forward planning for 2017. We will be reviewing various aspects of school life and will be asking for feedback from parents and students prior to this day so that this can be included.

Last week the Parish Religious Education Team met to decide dates for our Sacramental program for 2017. There has been a change to this program, due to the increased numbers of children enrolled in the school, so from 2017 onwards all Sacraments will be celebrated each year. Children in Year 3 will receive the Sacrament of Penance, children in Year 4 will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist and children in Year 6 will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. If your child is in Year 3, 4, or 6 in 2017 please note the following Sacramental dates -

- Penance Presentation Masses for Yr 3 - 25th and 26th February
- Sacrament of Penance for Year 3 - 28th, 29th, 30th March at 7pm
- Eucharist Presentation Masses for new Yr 4s - 20th & 21st May (for new enrolments in Year 4 who did not receive this Sacrament in 2016)
- Sacrament of Eucharist for new Year 4s - 25th June at 2pm (for new enrolments in Year 4 who did not receive this Sacrament in 2016)
- Confirmation Presentation Masses for Year 6 - 29th and 30th July
- Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 6 - 9th September at 12pm and 3pm

Some dates for your calendars before we all get too involved in the busyness of Christmas and the end of the school year.

School Sports Day - Nov. 4th
Prep/Yr1 Dinner - Nov. 11th
Yr 7 2017 at CRC - Dec. 6th
School Concert - Dec. 13th
Thanksgiving Mass - Dec. 16th
Djeriwarh Festival - Nov. 5th
Yr 2 Dinner & Movie Night - Nov. 11th
Yr 6 Big Day Out - Dec. 8th
2017 Transition - Dec. 14th
Students Last Day - Dec. 19th
2017 Prep Orientation - 8th, 15th, 22nd Nov.
School Closure Day - Nov. 18th
School Picnic - Dec. 9th
Yr 6 Graduation - Dec. 15th

Best Wishes for a great week

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL
Hello families,

Last week the children had lots of fun during music week. They participated in activities and games such as musical chairs, musical statues and just dance. We also extended our just dance activity into a dance workshop. The children learnt dance steps to different songs.

This week is Halloween week. Activities will include ghost craft, pipe cleaner spiders, “Thriller” video and lots more.

Could all parents/guardians please ensure they have booked their child/ren in to the program at least 24 hours prior to attending, as it is very important that we are in staff to child ratio for each session. This will also avoid a late booking charge on your account.

Please check out our program journal and newsletter at the parent sign in/out area to keep up to date with what your children experience while at the program.

Have a great week,
Allison, Cindy and Heidi.

Whole School Sports Day

This year our School Sports Day will be held on Friday, 4th November. This will involve teams of students from Year Prep – Year 6 participating in various fun activities throughout the day. Our Sports Day will be held at Westlake Reserve with an active fun day being the focus. Please sign and return the permission form to school by Friday, 4th November so your child/ren can participate on the day.

Thank you
Mark Sage
PE Teacher

St Catherine of Siena School Sports Day – Friday, November 4th, 2016

I _____________________ give permission for my child ______________________ to take part in the St Catherine of Siena School sport day. I am aware my child will be walking off campus to Westlake Reserve.

Signed: _____________________________ Date: ______________________
College Tours will be held on:

Tuesday 25th October 9.00am
Wednesday 26th October 2.00pm
Monday 7th November 9.00am

Year 7 2018 Enrolment meeting will be held on

Wednesday 9th November at 7:00pm in the Hall

Enrolment Process

Enrolment for Year Seven students begins in the November that the students are in Grade Five. Parents of students who seek enrolment at CRC are requested to:

Current and new families with children in Grade 5 in 2016 are required to attend an enrolment meeting on Wednesday 9th November 2016 at 7.00pm in the Hall. Application forms will be available at the meeting.

Application forms must be lodged at the College by Wednesday 30th November. The application must be accompanied with a photocopy of the child’s Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate, Grade 5 NAPLAN results and an application fee of $50. (Applications will not be accepted without the required paperwork)

New families will be interviewed by a senior staff member during November.

Families may be required to attend an interview with their Parish Priest. Information regarding the interviews will be available at the meeting.

Applicants are notified by mail during the fourth week of April regarding the result of their application.

Families wishing to accept the offer are required to confirm their acceptance by completing the Enrolment form and returning it to the College with a $100 deposit which is deducted from the first term fees. This deposit is non-refundable. The paperwork and deposit need to be returned by Thursday 11th May 2017.

**Please note it is important to adhere to the above timeline due to the expected high demand on places available.**
**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to the following students who received class awards this week. Well done on all you have achieved this week.

**Keep up the great work!!**

| Prep B | Kane Bondin | 3L | Sienna Farley |
| Prep C | Alexander Micallef | 4N | Patricia Arambulo |
| Prep D | Kareena Allen | 4O | Wel Majok |
| 1E | Ava Williams | 4P | Paul Anyany |
| 1F | Ananya Panda | 5Q | Jayden Richmond |
| 1H | Gabriella Valentine | 5S | Shaun Scicluna |
| 2L | Deng Dhal | 6R | Hollie Wilson |
| 2K | Erin Johnstone | 6T | Jake McNamara |
| 2/3M | Cooper Battye | 6U | Cate Cimarelli |
| 3J | Haar Are | Italian | John Wheeler |

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