Dear Families

This Sunday is Remembrance Day. This day commemorates the armistice of 11th November 1918 when the guns on the Western Front fell silent and four years of hostilities ended. Every year, on 11th November at 11am – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month – we stop to remember those men and women who have died or suffered, not only in the First World War but in all other wars, conflicts and peace operations since the beginning of the 20th century. Just before 11am on Friday we will come together as a school community to commemorate this occasion.

Last week our Year Prep and One students stayed at school and participated in a range of activities, then had dinner before being picked up in the early evening. They had a wonderful time. It has been a busy time for the Year Preps as they have also had an end of year party at CRC with the Year 9 students, who certainly looked after them very well and ensured the Preps had a terrific afternoon. Than you to everyone who organised and supported these events.

Our PEP program continues to evolve and constantly surprise us. Last year we were extremely proud of a group of children who volunteered, not just during PEP, but throughout the year, visiting animal refuges and aged care facilities, brightening the days of those they visited. This year, amongst the many wonderful activities, we have a group of very dedicated journalists who have worked tremendously hard, in only three weeks, to produce, for the very first time, a school newspaper. We hope you enjoy the first edition of KIDZ WEEKLY which will be going home today. Congratulations to everyone who has contributed to this newspaper.

Best wishes for a great week.

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

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St Dominic’s Parish Office
10 Unitt Street, Melton
Tel: 9743 6515, Fax: 9747 8603
Email: stdoms@bigpond.net.au
Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday between 10am - 4pm

Mass Times
Saturday Evenings: 6.00pm
Sunday Mornings: 9.00am & 11.00am
Tuesday Evening: 7.00pm at St Dominic’s
Wednesday - Friday: 9.15am at St Dominic’s
School Fees

School fees are now overdue and with only 7 weeks of school left need to be finalised. Statements have been mailed home recently. Please make arrangements to pay these fees as soon as possible.

If you are experiencing difficulty paying school fees please make an appointment at the Office to see Carmel Marantelli or Fr Michael on 9743 6515 to discuss your situation.

Djerriwarrh Festival

The Djerriwarrh Festival will take place this Saturday, November 10, 2012. The theme this year is ‘Rock and Rollers, Punks and Hippies’.

The parade will start promptly at 11am. Children need to be at the location between 10.15am and 10.45am. Children must be signed in by a parent.

We are sharing a float with St Dominic’s and our float number 21. This will be displayed on the truck.

The float will be on High Street, Melton and you will need to enter from Coburns Road. Road blocks will be in place and parking is limited. At the end of the parade the truck will be directed to behind Melton Fresh for dispersal. This is where teachers will help children get off the truck safely. We ask that you sign your child out before you take them.

Please be on time to collect your child as we need to move quickly from this area.

Shade is minimal on the day so we ask that your child/children wear sunscreen, a hat and have a bottle of water with them home.

Shami O’Leary
Special Events Coordinator

School Closure Day

On Thursday 15th November we have a school closure day. On this day our staff will visit schools in the area to see how these schools work in their learning spaces as well as how personalised learning is implemented in their setting. This is a wonderful opportunity, which staff do not often get, to see other practitioners at work and will enable us to strengthen and move forward with learning at St Catherine of Siena. I understand that for some parents it is difficult to arrange alternative care for your children on these days. Please note that OSHClub is offering to run a full day program. This is listed in further detail in the box below.

School Closure Day - Day Program

On Thursday the 15th November OSHClub is proposing a full day program to assist those parents who may have difficulty in finding care for their children on this day. This is open to parents who do not currently use OSH Club as well as those who do. Bookings must be made by Friday the 9th November.

Times: 7:00am to 6:00pm
Cost: $9.00 - $46.00 per child (Not including 50% tax rebate)
What happens: Loads of fun for all ages including art/craft, games, sports, drama, board games and fun with friends.
What to bring: Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Also wear/provide appropriate clothing including hats.
Please Remember: Once you have enrolled into this day there are no refunds for cancellations. All regular before and After Care bookings have been removed.
Please note: we require a minimum of 15 children to run the day. Parents will be notified on Friday the 9th of November if the day will proceed.

If you have an account query, need help logging into your account or no longer wish to receive email please contact your account manager Ambika on ambika@oshclub.com.au or 03 85649024.

Kind regards
OSHClub
Admin Team

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Parking and Drop Off
Throughout the building of the Church there have been many changes to the available parking. This has made the drop off and pick up times difficult for many parents. As you all realise our prime concern is for the safety of the children as they, particularly the younger ones, do not always have an awareness of their safety. Please note the following points in regards to parking and drop-off.

- The morning drop off is the only time that parents are to enter the car park
- Children are not to exit cars in the drop-off area until the car has reached the concrete curb
- Children are to exit the car from the passenger side and not the driver side of the car
- Drop off is only for immediate drop off. Parents who wish to see school staff will have to park elsewhere before entering the school
- Any parent requiring access to the disabled park either morning or afternoon needs to discuss this with Carmel prior to parking in this spot.

Thank you all for your continued patience in this matter.

cyber(smart:)
As the year draws to a close and Christmas approaches the number of social events increase. With this, children appear more active on social media. While most will take all care to use this carefully, it is important for parents and adults to understand the ways we can help children remain safe while using the internet and social media sites. The following is the address of the Australian Communication and Media Authority (ACMA) parents' page which has a range of videos, brochures and resources you can access and use when talking to your children about cyber safety  http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/parents.aspx

PFA - FUNDRAISER
The PFA is currently organising a Calendar fundraiser. All orders are due by Friday, November 9th. Due to the timing with printing calendars ready for delivery NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED.
Items and prices:
- Art Work Calendar - $10.00 each
- Photo Calendar - $12.00 each
- Art Work or Photo iPhone Cover - $15.00 each

Samples can be viewed at the Office
All order forms and payment have been extended to Friday, November 9
CDF STUDENT BANKING

Thursdays are student banking day. Deposit books are to be handed in to class or the Office by 9.00am on banking day. Encourage your child to save by opening up a CDF Banking account.

Application forms are available from the Office

Djerriwarrh Health Services operates a public school dental service, which is currently located at Melton Health, 195-209 Barries Rd, Melton West.

Children from pre-school age to Grade 6 are eligible for service.

The service is FREE for children who are eligible for concession, or a co-payment fee of $30 is payable for those who are not eligible.

Bookings can be made on the Referral and Appointment Hotline number - 9747 7609

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE, MELTON

ENROLMENT APPLICATION MEETING FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS IN 2014

Parents of students in Year 5, 2012 are advised that an Enrolment Application Meeting for Year 7 students in 2014 at Catholic Regional College, Melton will be held on:

Wednesday, November 14 at 7.30pm in the College Hall

Parents who are seeking enrolment for their child at Catholic Regional College, Melton must attend this meeting.

COLLEGE TOURS

Tours for prospective parents will be held on Monday, November 12th at 9:15am and Wednesday, November 14th at 2:00pm.

Tour bookings can be made by contacting the College on 9743 6522 or via the College website on www.crcmelton.com.au

CHRISTMAS TREES

The Knights of the Southern Cross will be selling ‘shaped’ 6 feet tall [1.8metres] Christmas trees again this year.

Orders and enquires to Mick Laffin on 0417 522 864 or Lawrence Camenzuli on 0425 744 767.

The cost will be $50.00 delivered or $40.00 picked up from St Dominic’s between 11am - midday on December 1.

Payment is required on ordering.