Dear Parents, Staff and Friends,

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on Students with Disability (NCCD)
From 2015, all schools across Australia are taking part in the implementation of a new national data collection on school students with disability. The data will provide information about the number of students with disability in schools, where they are located and the level of adjustments they receive. The information provided through this new national data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources to benefit students with disability. Better information about school students with disability will help teachers, principals and education authorities to put the right supports in place for students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as students without disability.

Information will be recorded in such a way that no child can be identified. Student names will not be collected. Inclusion in the data collection is voluntary. If you wish your young person to be excluded from this, you can choose to opt out of the data collection by informing the school Principal in writing. You can click on the following website link to access the fact sheet which provides Information for Parents/Carers.


Spirit of Catholic Education Awards 2015 – Closing Date Extended
The Spirit of Catholic Education Awards are conferred during Catholic Education Week (26 July – 1 August) and recognise outstanding contributions by individuals within the Catholic education community in one of the following areas:

- initiating a program and/or activity in response to a need
- leading and facilitating for change and improvement
- demonstrating excellence in their work
- engaging in exceptionally life-giving relationships with students, colleagues or other members of the school community or Catholic education agency
- advancing Reconciliation (for consideration for the Aunty Joan Hendriks Reconciliation Award).

Nomination forms are available for download from the Catholic Education Week website and close on Friday May 22.

Please Keep in Mind

- Our annual Community Fete is to be held on Sunday June 14, which means we only have 3 more weeks to get ready! Please read our weekly fete notice to keep up to date with what’s happening and what is needed as well as how you can help.
- School commences at 8.30am. We expect classes to commence at this time so please try to have your children in class on time. Teachers and children need as much time as possible for teaching and learning.
We look forward this week to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Spirit will draw unity out of our many diverse gifts. Let us pray that the followers of Jesus may be one in love. God of harmony and love, gather people of every race, culture, language and Christian tradition into one family of unity and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Every blessing for this week
Trudy

APRE NEWS

CONFIRMATION
Next week, the children of the parish will receive the sacrament of confirmation. The sacrament of confirmation completes the sacrament of baptism. If baptism is the sacrament of re-birth to a new and supernatural life, confirmation is the sacrament of maturity and coming of age. Confirmation is a sacrament of empowerment. It gives the strength to follow Jesus and to become involved in the mission which Jesus left to the Church. Please keep the children in your prayers over the coming week.

YEAR 5 MARKET DAY
Last Monday, Year 5 had a market day. The students sold all sorts of goodies including cupcakes, craft items, hot food and ice cream as well as many other goodies. Apart from the real life learning exercise, they raised $581 for Caritas Australia. Added to last week’s amount, we now have $1150 to send away for the poor and needy. Congratulations to the Year 5 students and teachers and to the CTK community for supporting this worthy cause.

ANNUAL SORRY DAY CEREMONY
The Historic National Apology initiated a new step toward the healing needed for Stolen Generations, their families and Communities. It also united Australians throughout the nation in a shared Journey of Healing. The Benarrawa Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Solidarity Group invites you to attend the ANNUAL SORRY DAY CEREMONY at Sherwood Arboretum on Tuesday May 26. The short ceremony will be followed by a shared breakfast in the park. Please bring along a light breakfast to share. Tea and coffee provided.

ANNUAL SORRY DAY CEREMONY
Sherwood Arboretum
(Joseph Street entrance)
Tuesday May 26
7.00am

AROUND THE SCHOOL

UNI of NSW Competitions
The NSW Science Competition will be held on Wednesday June 3 commencing at 9am. The students involved will proceed to their classrooms as per normal after the morning bell and they will be collected from there. Students require a 2b or HB pencil, eraser and ruler. A practice test will be sent home this week. Please contact Mrs Blumke if you have any further questions
Congratulations
Congratulations to Ellie Manton, Teak Wynn, Lily Gundry, Oliver Stanley-Jones, Jack Coomber, Josh Rowlings and Lara Kenny who successfully participated in the West Taylor Bridge District Cross Country Trials on Weds 6 May. These students showed amazing grit and determination when faced with the challenge of their respective races.

Jack came fifth in his race and will compete at the Regional Cross Country Trials next Tuesday 26 May.

Found – A Gold cross found in the school grounds, please see Mrs Collier or Mrs Scodellaro.

Can You Help? Do we have any lovely families with a tiler in the family. If you can help please call Chrissy in the Office on 3379 7872. Thank you.

Year 5 Mums’ dinner
Just a reminder that we meeting at Cafe Annanas (on Central Ave, Sherwood) this Thursday the 21st May from 6:30pm. We hope to see you there! RSVP to tgrambower@gmail.com (yr 5 Blue) or themurder@bigpond.com (yr 5 Red).

Thanks for the nappies!
What a tremendous, generous response to the May Nappy Collective! A huge thank you to all of the staff and parents who were able to donate their unwanted nappies or buy a new pack. As a community we were able to contribute 1096 nappies. As you can see from the photos, at the Oxley Foodworks collection point, our donations did not even fit in the collection box!

Many of us take nappies for granted, but for a mum arriving to a shelter with no possessions, or a family facing eviction, homelessness and living well below the poverty line, your unwanted nappies will make a massive impact. The nappies we donated will now be sorted by volunteers and then distributed to families in need.

It all happens again in October, so until then, if your children grow out of a size and you have some spare ones, or if you find some left over nappies in your nappy bag or at their grandparents' or babysitter’s house, please don't throw them away, hand them in to the CTK office and they can be included in the October Nappy Collective.

A final thank you from the Nappy Collective organisers,

A heartfelt thank you to our supporters, drop points, volunteers and our committee members all across Australia. Collectively, we will make a huge impact on families who desperately need our help. And importantly, we send a message to these mums and their children that they matter. Thanks for being a part of The Nappy Collective.

Linda Cunningham
When we gather as a class each morning we celebrate the unique differences of all our classmates. Each child and teacher brings to class a plethora of talents, skills, strengths, concerns, worries, enthusiasm, the list is endless. Before we get to the business of learning it is vital that we tune in and take time to understand where each learner stands emotionally and socially.

Social and Emotional learning is about developing the ability to care for others, make responsible decisions, establish positive relationships and handling challenging situations. (CASEL Collaborative For Academic Social and Emotional Learning.)

There are five key social and emotional skills identified to support good mental health and wellbeing: self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills and responsible decision making. Within each classroom social and emotional skills are targeted in creative and individual ways to suit the needs of whole class groups and individuals.

Many families and students may be familiar with this book. It is a great one to build awareness of self and others. It can focus ways to reach out to others to build positive relationships.

Using a growth mindset as a focus also builds emotional learning as learners develop an “I can” attitude. In Year 4 a dancing giraffe is our reminder that we all have potential and by listening to our inner coach we can achieve.
Encouraging children to have a go and valuing individual improvement support children’s confidence. The Following ideas are from KIDSMatter Primary:-

Confidence improves through building on small successes. Parents, teachers and carers can help by:

- explaining to children that skills develop with practice
- encouraging children to persist when they don’t succeed straight away
- praising effort, persistence and improvement
- making sure that goals are achievable by breaking down large tasks or responsibilities into small steps
- being ready to help when necessary, without taking over.

THIS WEEK FROM THE LIBRARY

It has been wonderful to receive so many registrations for the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge. We have now increased to just over 25% of our students. I would encourage everyone to participate and children can join at any time. Every book your child reads (or has read to them) counts toward their total, but must be recorded. Boxes of ‘suggested reading’ books are now available in the library for students to borrow. The Reading Challenge commenced 19 May.

Our Year 1 students are currently undergoing a literature study as they investigate books written by Australian author, Mem Fox. Last week we read Koala Lou then linked our literature to mathematics in an activity provided for them. It was great to have the opportunity to build onto the fun Maths Day we had recently at CTK and students found another way that Mathematics can be fun and useful.

Next Wednesday (May 27) is National Simultaneous Storytime. The chosen book this year is The Brothers Quibble by Aaron Blabey. We look forward to being able to stop for 5–10 minutes as a whole school to enjoy this story together – and join the thousands of others throughout Australia.

Happy Reading
Illese Smithwick

Who said Maths and Literacy don’t mix?

P&F UPDATE

Dad’s Dinner
For all the fathers, we will be organizing a dinner to be held on the final day of term 2, being June 26, commencing at 7.30pm at Ananas Espresso at Sherwood.

Parenting Tips
This week’s tip is a blog post which discusses the importance of reading books with your children. The article highlights that reading with your children can be a way to discuss social issues, create conversations around social and emotional themes and ultimately participate in your children’s moral development. The article
suggests some useful books to share with your children under the themes of self-awareness, self-management, self and social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision making.

http://confidentparentsconfidentkids.org/2015/04/16/sharing-picture-books-to-make-meaning/

FETE UPDATE

Second Hand Book Stall
My name is Melissa Lonergan and I am organising the second hand book stall as part of the upcoming CTK school fete taking place in June 14. I am happy to collect the books personally, donations can also be left at Christ the King School in a specially marked box in reception, or I can be contacted to make alternative arrangements. Melissa 0402489775

CHOCOLATE + FREE DRESS DAY = LOB-A-CHOC
We are all very excited for the 2015 Lob-A-Choc frenzy at this year’s CTK Fete! Friday the 5th of June is Free Dress Day to support our Lob-A-Choc stall. On Free Dress Day we need each child to bring to school one or more family sized blocks of chocolate to give to their teacher who will have a collection basket in class.

Lob-A-Choc is a huge hit with the kids and we are so grateful for your support as always.

SPORT

Interschool Sport
Netball – May 15, 2015
CTK Senior A scratch match Indooroopilly Juniors: No sore
CTK Senior B lost St Ignatius: 32-2
CTK Junior A won against Graceville: 13-9
CTK Junior B lost against St Ignatius: 3-18
Well done girls 😊
Kim Fannin and James Vandermaat

CTK UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open every Friday morning from 8.15am until 9.00am & please remember the Uniform Shop is operated by an amazing group of volunteers who give up their time freely to help the rest of us with our uniform needs.

CORINDA/GRACEVILLE CATHOLIC PARISH

MASS TIMES
St Joseph’s, Corinda
Saturday 6:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am
Christ the King, Graceville
Sunday 9:30 am and 6:00 pm
St Joseph’s Catholic Church, Cnr Oxley Rd & Martindale St, Corinda.
Christ the King Catholic Church, Churchill Street, Graceville.

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking is each Tuesday.

COMMUNITY

Trampoline to give away
Rudolph Giebels has a trampoline in good condition to give away. Please call Rudolph on 3379 2314.
Jirani Singers – Group singing classes for children
Staverton
Chelmer Station Community Kindergarten
The Rotary Club of Taylor Bridge – Girls Day Out for “Days for Girls”

Entertainment Books are available at Corinda Christian Kindy and you can order on line at www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2216m85. (Digital also available) call Dianne Kay 3379 6527.

BACK TO SCHOOL 2016

Whilst starting back at school can be an exciting time, for many families it can be a struggle financially. Factor in the costs of keeping the kids entertained over the school holidays, Christmas, uniforms, shoes etc, and it can be a difficult time of year to find the money to cover all their back to school requirements.

You not be aware that Schoolstuff.com.au has a solution for the ‘Back to School Blues’ by offering an easy Layby service. Simply contact one of our staff on 07)3391 7000 or email enquiries@schoolstuff.com.au and we can help you through setting up easy weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments to suit your circumstances. And remember, the sooner you start, the more credit you will accumulate to cover the cost of your booklist(s), so contact us today.

Corinda SHS Golden Opportunities – Experiential Learning Days 2015
Flyers and registration forms for our first workshop this year, ‘Cliff of Doom’ Click Here
This event will take place on Thursday 4th June and Friday 5th June Term 2. The two day Design and Built Environment workshop allows students the opportunity to design, construct and test their bridge to destruction with one of Qld’s premiere model makers.
Please contact Erin Hudson, Gifted and Talented Program Coordinator at echud0@eq.edu.au for further information.

Beautiful Cards for sale
$5.00 for a pack of 4 with envelopes.
Available from the CTK Office.