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HAPPY FATHER’S DAY

This Sunday is ‘Father’s Day’, a beautiful time that acknowledges and appreciates the important role played by a father in raising their children. Father’s Day provide children an opportunity to express love and respect for their fathers. The sentiment goes a long way in strengthening a father-child relationship and consequently in the emotional development of a child.

The true story below, ‘A Father’s Eyes,’ may bring a few tears and shows us the great bond of love between a child and one’s father.

A FATHER’S EYE

Jonathan’s mother died when he was very young and his father brought him up. Both of them shared a very special relationship. Jonathan loved to play football and his father made sure that he was always there to cheer his son at every match, even if Jonathan wasn’t a part of the playing team. The coach, seeing his diligence and dedication, decided to keep him on the roster.

One day during practice, the coach met him with a telegram. Jonathan was shocked to read the message contained in it. Swallowing hard, he mumbled to the coach, "My father died this morning. Will it be all right if I miss practice today? " The coach gently put his arm around his shoulder and said, "Take the rest of the week off, son, and don't even plan to come to the game on Saturday.”

On the day of the game, Jonathan’s college team was losing badly to the rival team. The coach and the players had all lost hope when they saw Jonathan coming towards them. Jonathan ran up to the coach and pleaded him to allow him to play this match. At first, the coach wouldn't allow him to play. However after a lot of persuasion, the coach gave in.

During the crucial closing seconds, he intercepted a pass and ran all the way for the winning touchdown. His team members were ecstatic. The crowd came running towards him to celebrate the win.

After the match, the coach went up to Jonathan, who was seated alone in the corner of the locker room and asked, "Kid, I can't believe it. You were fantastic! Tell me what got into you? How did you do it?"

He looked at the coach, with tears in his eyes, and said, "Well, you knew my dad died, but did you know that my dad was blind?" The young man swallowed hard and forced a smile, "Dad came to all my games, but today was the first time he could see me play, and I wanted to show him I could do it!"

BOOK WEEK – BOOKS LIGHT UP OUR WORLD

This week is National Numeracy and Literacy Week, an opportunity to celebrate the importance of literacy and numeracy, the foundations of learning, with schools, teachers, students and parents across Australia.

The children are all looking forward to the Book Parade first thing Friday morning. It is always interesting to see children get dressed up as their favourite book character.
In this modern age of technology, the question is often asked, “Is there still a place for books?”

You bet there is. My granddaughter finds just as much pleasure, if not more, in me reading her a book as opposed to sitting in front of a television. That special time together between child and adult when reading a book together cannot be replaced.

REPORTING

As this term draws to a close, please remember you are welcome to contact your child’s teacher to organise a suitable time to discuss their progress.

SCHOOL CAMPS NEXT WEEK

Next week our Year 5 and 6 classes are off on camps. The Year 5 class departs for Tallebudgera on Monday whilst the Year 6’s head off for Emu Gully on Wednesday. Camps give children the opportunity to build personal competencies such as — self-identity, self-worth, self-esteem, leadership, and self-respect. Teacher-student bonds and student friendships are also strengthened.

The children at Tallebudgera will participate in surfing and beach activities, ropes courses and team building challenges all aimed at building skills and confidence. The Emu Gully activities, based on Australia’s war history, aim to build team work and leadership.

We wish the children an enjoyable and safe experience.

LONG SERVICE LEAVE

It is with great sadness that I write to inform you that Mrs Christine Collier, our school secretary, has had to take Emergency Long Service Leave. Please keep Mrs Collier, her father and family in your prayers. May God share light and strength on her family during this sad time.

Mrs Champion will take over office responsibilities alongside Mrs Scodellaro during this time.

APRE News

KNIT KNIT KNIT

The knitters have been working hard and our blanket is slowly progressing. We have up to 40 students busily knitting away on Wednesday afternoons.

In order to finish our project, if we have any parents or grandparents who would like to knit a few squares, that would be appreciated. Contact Mr Gerard Marsh at school for details.
Chess Club

Chess club with Mr Fitz continued today. There have been a few cases of ‘missed lessons’ so we will have a make-up lesson in a couple of weeks’ time.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Keep collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers. When you shop at Woolworths please collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box in the office area.

Lost Property

Our lost property box is overflowing! If your child is missing any items of clothing or lunch boxes etc. please have them check the lost property box. Correctly named items are returned to the students. At the end of the term all unclaimed items will be either given to the uniform shop or donated to St Vincent de Paul.

The following lost property items are being held in the office: a Child’s Go-Card and a Kindle which was found at the Yr 2-6 Athletics carnival.

Debating

Good luck to our Year 6 students, Emma Burton, Lara Kenny, Sophie Roach, Patricia Concoli, Oliver Cook and Georgina Williams who will be debating this evening at Brisbane Grammar School. Good luck to you all.
This week from the Library

Library News

Happy Book Week! An exciting week for everyone and we look forward to the Book Parade assembly on Friday. The theme for Book Week is: ‘Books Light up our World’. If you haven’t returned your child’s Book Parade form, there is one here for you to print.

![Image of a child's book parade form]

This Friday we will be visited by actors from the company Perform who will present a show called ‘Shine a Light’ for us. Then next Tuesday we have Frances Watts visiting the school.

Frances is a very talented author who has produced such delights as ‘Goodnight mice’, ‘Kisses for Daddy’ and ‘The Fearsome, Frightening, Ferocious Box’. Much of Frances’ work has been in conjunction with the illustrator David Legge who visited our school last year. I do hope this helps our students to make connections between the author and illustrator. It can be difficult to get authors to visit when we want them and Frances’ visit has been booked for well over 12 months. Unfortunately it happens to coincide with the Year 5 camp so those students won’t get to meet her this year.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge

I have heard many sighs of relief that the challenge is complete and parents no longer need to keep records of their child’s reading. I am collecting all outstanding reading challenge records this week and will finalise all online records by Friday. Please send in any completed reading challenge forms for me to enter the data and if necessary provide certificates to the students.

I’m looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up on Friday,

Happy Book Week

Illese Smithwick
Sports News

Interschool Sport

Results

Softball - 28th August 2015

CTK Senior A won against Graceville A: 15-0
CTK Senior B had a BYE
CTK Junior B1 won against St Aidan’s B2: 11-4
CTK Junior B2 won against Corinda: 12-2

Well done girls 😊

Kim Fannin and James Vandermaat

Cricket – 28th August 2015

CTK Blue 72 defeated Sherwood -4
CTK Red match incomplete

Well done boys 😊

Mr Marsh

Training for softball and cricket will take place each Wednesday at lunchtime. A water bottle, hat and sunscreen are essential. Students are to order their tuck-shop for morning tea, as there is insufficient time to eat their lunch before interschool sport.

Regional Trials

Lara Kenny, Teak Wynn and Archie Forbes competed at the Regional Athletics Trials last week. These students were part of the West Taylor Bridge District Team. Teak came third in high jump and is now going to the state titles in Townsville.
**P and F News**

**PARENTING TIPS**

This week’s parenting tip is a post on how to improve your listening skills and to teach and reinforce them with enjoyable games for your children. It only takes 5 minutes to read but is well worth it.

[https://confidentparentsconfidentkids.wordpress.com/2014/05/21/say-what/](https://confidentparentsconfidentkids.wordpress.com/2014/05/21/say-what/)

**Tuckshop News**

The Tuckshop needs Volunteers urgently to assist in Tuckshop and Baking.

Please contact Amanda on smithamanda@y7mail.com or phone 0468 389 470 if you are able to help.
Uniform Shop News

WE ARE GO!!!!

Finally! Yes the Uniform Shop is on-line and ready to go. Parents can start to order immediately. We are using the same program as the Tuckshop. If parents already have an account there will be no need to open a new account, use your existing username and password. The school ID number is also the same 25302963. Payments can be made by the usual methods (credit card or direct debit). Although there may be some “tweaking” to begin with, hopefully things will run as smoothly as possible. See the User Guideline below.

The Uniform Shop is open every Friday morning from 8.15am until 9.00am. 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.

A User Guide for your Online Uniform Shop

**School24 Parent Login**

To place a uniform shop order go to [www.school24.com.au](http://www.school24.com.au) and select “Login/Register” in the top left corner. You will then be able to log in with your username and password.

If you don’t have an account go to “Create Account” and follow the prompts.

You will need your schools registration ID for this, for Christ the King Graceville it is 25302963

**Placing an Order**

1. To view the uniform catalogue select “Place an Order” on the left hand-side underneath the “Uniform” heading
2. From here you can select the items you wish to purchase, click on the image of each item to zoom in
3. Select “Checkout” once you have finished adding items to your basket
4. If you have more than one child on your account you will then be able to select which child the order is for and add any additional instructions
5. Once ready click “Proceed To Payment”

   Payment can either be via Credit Card, you may be able to pay on pickup.

1. Once you have completed your order you will receive a confirmation order, you can view your orders status by returning to the homepage and selecting “View History” underneath the “Uniform” heading on the left hand side

If at any point you get stuck and need help call our help desk on 02 8041 1132.
Happy Birthday

Lucy Quin and Ari Selles 20.8; Ella Kerwick-Andrews 21.8; Grace Bamford 22.8; Alice Ebinger, Ruby Meldon and James Stephens 24.8; Georgia Colburn, Patricia Consoli, Mrs Halpin and Niamh Halpin 26.8; Oscar Beutel 28.8; Ms Eussen 30.8; Sophie Roach 1.9; Finbar Totten 2.9; Holly McNeil 4.9; Olivia Muldowney 8.9

Corinda/Graceville 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
Tunes in the Afternoon

As a member of the Chelmer Station Community Kindy Village, you are invited to help us celebrate the retirement of Anne Marlay, our beloved friend, teacher and director of 25 years in an afternoon of music, friendship and nostalgia...

Where: Kindy Garden
When: Sunday 13th September 2-4pm

RSVP to Melissa: mmkeering@gmail.com by Fri 4th Sep
SEPTEMBER BOOSTER BLOCKS
Block 1: 21 - 25 September
Block 2: 28 Sept - 2 October
Bookings open Mon 24 August

TERM 4, 2015
Tue 6 October - Sat 12 December
Bookings open Wed 2 September

Westside Swimming
@ Genesis Gym
225 Sinnamon Rd - Jindalee
www.swimoz.com
e: westside@swimoz.com
3376 6111
Creative Kids Brisbane: September/October Holiday Art Classes for 3 to 12 year olds

Each day of the September/October school holidays Creative Kids Brisbane will be running fun and inspiring art classes for toddlers and primary school aged children at the Graceville Uniting Church Hall. Under the guidance of arts educator Liz Austin-Glen children will explore a variety of art areas ranging from clay sculpture, watercolour painting, illustration, collage and craft activities. For more information please call Liz on 0405 641363 or email creativekidsbris@gmail.com. www.facebook.com/CreativeKidsBrisbane. www.creativekidsbrisbane.com.au
Sports Holiday Program
Wed 23rd – Fri 25th September

Sports Holiday Fun
Game On Australia is offering a 3-day multi-sport program in the upcoming holidays. Lots of sports, activities and games for students of all ages.

Years: Prep - Year 7. All abilities welcome
Where: Christ the King Primary School, Graceville.
Times: Activities from 9:00am-3:00pm
Operators: Game On is organised and run by qualified HPE teachers and coaches

Early Bird Specials apply so be sure to book quickly.
For full details and to register online, visit:
www.gameonaustralia.com.au
Chess Mates runs fun and age-appropriate chess classes for school children. Younger students are taught piece development through stories, while older students are taught more complex ideas, such as opening moves, tactics, and planning in a fun environment where teamwork is encouraged.

Your child then has the opportunity to put these new strategies into practice by playing chess games with their peers, and receiving personal feedback from their teacher. Your child will also work on puzzles and different class exercises to help develop their:

- Concentration
- Planning
- Problem Solving
- Teamwork

Only $12 extra per session
($6.00 after CCR non-means tested)

Special Program for 6 weeks every Thursday only during Graceville After School Care!!

6 weeks from Thursday 8th October to Thursday 12th November
3.45 pm to 4.25 pm
Great for boys and girls!

The full 6 week program must be committed to and no cancellations are possible after a confirmation is received.

Places limited to the first 30 children booked in.

To book please complete the online form at
Calling all Minions to assemble and join
School Plus in partnership with Gracerville State School
for a fun filled Vacation Care program
Book Now for the September School Holidays
All school age children welcome - invite your friends to join you.
Laugh out loud - learn through play!

Full fee is $43.00* per day. Extra for incursions and excursions
(see program)
Casual Rate of $45.00* apply after 11th September 2015
For full details on how to book and to obtain a copy of daily
program please email graceville@schoolplus.com.au
or phone 07 3278 2253.

Hours: 6.30 am to 6.00 pm
All children attending must bring a broad brim hat, water bottle,
wear enclosed shoes, Sunsmart clothing and their lunch daily.

*Daily fees are calculated for each individual family and are based
on a family’s eligibility for Child Care Benefits and rebates.

Daily Fees from
$NIL* per child
includes
breakfast,
morning and
afternoon tea.