Dear Parents, Staff and Friends,

Enrolment for 2015

We are currently interviewing our enrolments for 2015. If you know of families in the Corinda-Graceville parish who have not yet enrolled their child for Prep, please ask them to contact the school immediately. It is often impossible to find a Prep enrolment place later in the year.

NAPLAN

Preparation for the national assessment program for literacy and numeracy is taking place in appropriate ways within our Year 3, 5 and 7 classrooms. Please remember that this is just one form of assessment of reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy skills and that the results assist us more on a whole school level comparatively across time. Our results at Christ the King are indicating that we are making substantial progress in learning as our students move through the primary years of schooling. Rather than look at an individual year result, making comparisons from Year 3 and Year 5 results in 2012 with Year 5 and year 7 results in 2014 will indicate progress in learning.

Interviews and Feedback

Most parents will now have had the opportunity to meet with your child’s teacher to receive feedback on their progress. Providing feedback is also extremely valuable for your children as they continue on their learning journey.

Students, no matter what age, are always anxious to receive feedback about what they have done. This can be to enhance self-esteem, to be affirmed that what they are doing is correct and to receive guidance about how to improve. However, often we can let these valuable opportunities pass without much attention. Research tells us that 80% of feedback students actually comes from other students and that 80% of student to student feedback is incorrect.

Providing feedback is a great means for you to support your child in their learning; whether that be through formal ‘homework’ or other activities that are equally important. When something is being shared with you take the time, when you can, to offer more than a quick compliment.

Comment on something specific so that your child can get a real picture of how they are going. Direct praise at an area where they may need a lift. Without overdoing it, provide a tip about what could be done next time couched in terms of being ready for the challenge rather the need to do better. In the context of learning and development, quality feedback will almost always have an immediate positive effect.

Trudy

APRE NEWS

SAINTHOOD FOR JOHN PAUL II AND JOHN XXIII

John XXIII and John Paul II were canonized last Sunday by Pope Francis in an unprecedented ceremony witnessed by huge crowds gathered in St. Peter's Square in Vatican City. Millions more around the world watched as two former pontiffs were for the first time installed as saints in a dual canonization.

The faithful and the curious packed the streets of Rome around the Vatican before dawn, hoping to gain entry to St. Peter's Square and catch a direct glimpse of church history in the making. Vatican Radio put the crowds at some 800,000 in the St. Peter's area, including the square and the roads and gardens around it.

In his homily, Francis described the pair as “men of courage” who bore witness to God's mercy. "They were priests, bishops and popes of the 20th century," he said. "They lived through the tragic events of that century, but they were not overwhelmed by them. For them, God was more powerful, faith was more powerful.”

THE TWO POPES

John XXIII (1881-1963) -- known as Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli before he became pope -- was one of 13 children born into a family of Italian peasants, farmers from a tiny village in the country's north. He was sent away to study for the priesthood at age 11.

John Paul II (1920-2005), born Karol Jozef Wojtyla, was brought up in a grimy industrial town in Poland and raised by his soldier father after his mother died when he was just 8 years old. He spent his formative years living under first Nazis, then Communists.

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF CHRIST THE KING
As part of the spiritual life of the Christ The King, the school holds a weekly prayer assembly to start our Friday assembly. This is a time for our community to reflect on the teachings and messages from Jesus Christ told by the children through a combination of story, music, art, drama and symbol.

It is wonderful to see so many parents attend our Friday assembly. Parents are also welcome to join their class for the Parish mass which starts just after assembly at 9.30am. Please find the timetable for this term below.

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**PARENT PRAYER**
The next Parent Prayer will be held on Tuesday 6th May commencing at 8.30am in the Boardroom.

ALL WELCOME!!!

Gerard

**AROUND THE SCHOOL**

**Road Closure**
This Friday 2 May Julia Cummings Childcare Centre on the corner of Addison Road and Randolph Street will be replacing their roof. As a result, the parking outside the childcare centre both on Addison Road and Randolph Street sides will not be available.

**UNI of NSW Competitions**
Again this year we are offering students from Years 3 to 7 the opportunity to take part in some International Competitions offered by the University Of New South Wales. A note outing further details was sent home last week tomorrow to all students in years 3 – 7. Forms and money are to be returned to the office by Thursday 1 May. Please see your classroom teacher or Trish Blumke if you have any further questions.

**MnB Entertainment**
Hip Hop Dance lessons began last Monday and from all reports a great time was had by all. These classes will continue each Monday for all students in Prep – Year 7.

**Welcome Australian Catholic University Students:**
Sinead O’Mara, Laurence Landers, Nicole Layt and Mark Sullivan are ACU Education students who will be visiting our school and working in classrooms with teachers each Tuesday and Wednesday for four weeks.

**Corinda State High School – Gifted and Talented Program**
In the final week of last term, Corinda SHS hosted 25 primary school students from 7 primary schools to participate in a two day workshop called ‘Cliff of Doom’ run by our amazing DBE teacher, Mr Stephen Thrum.

Amy represented CTK at this event and demonstrated maturity beyond her years as she engaged with older students and proved herself to be a competent and capable leader. The students spent two days researching, designing, constructing and then testing their bridges to destruction! These students engaged in higher order and creative thinking, challenged themselves socially to work collaboratively with other students they had never met and had a whole heap of fun while doing it! We will be designing another experiential learning day each term and will keep you posted with details as soon as we have them.
Term Two is set to be a busy and exciting term. We will keep you informed of the Gifted and Talented Program offerings from Corinda SHS here in the school newsletter. Erin Hudson, Gifted and Talented Program Coordinator at Corinda SHS, echud0@eq.edu.au

Mother’s Day Stall
Mother’s Day Stall Friday 9th May. $3 and $6 gift bags available. Great Value gifts and fun for the kids to shop for MUM!! There will be some extra bags available for Nannas and Grandmas this year too. Lots of variety so siblings don’t bring home the same gift. Don’t forget to send money with the kids to school on Friday 9th May !!! (we will have change at the stall but exact money is always appreciated)

ART NEWS

Here are some points to mention about our little art show in the library.

These art pieces are the works of some children in Year 2 and Year 3.
The subject of the work is ”Castles”.
The children did their works over 4 lessons.
They researched, developed and completed their art works and are very proud of them.

Please come to visit us in the library to view them over the next 3 weeks after school!

LIBRARY NEWS

The month of May is noted on the Library calendar as the National Family Reading Month. It will be jam-packed with activities for students and families. I would like to start off with the Scholastic ‘Read More in May’ program. In today’s newsletter you will receive a Reading Log that you are asked to complete stating the number of minutes your child has read each day during the month of May (this includes any parent reading in class). On June 1 the number of minutes will be logged online and added to the school total. Students could win $250 worth of book vouchers AND books for their classroom too. Certainly a great reason to record their minutes!
Once completed at the end of the month, return the form to school to enter the program.

May 21 (also known as National Simultaneous Storytime 2014) will also be the start of the CTK Book Fair being held in the library. The fair will run each afternoon after school until Friday 23rd. If there are any parents willing to volunteer to help taking payments and orders on these days, would you please contact me either in the library or on email ismithwick@bne.catholic.edu.au
Happy Reading
Illese Smithwick and Linda Cunningham

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Here’s hoping everyone had a relaxing restful holiday, as we slowly ease our way back into Term 2. Not much news from Tuckshop as it was only open one day!
Thanking kindly Nicki Cuolahan for the gorgie cupcakes! Full steam ahead for Term 2, with all wonderful bakers, fabulous, volunteers on deck!! We are slowly replacing the tuckshop tubs as well. Thanks for your kind attention. Heather

**Bakers**
- Friday 2.5 Justine Ebzery & Georgia Richards
- Wednesday 7.5 Tiffany Daly
- Friday 9.5 Bronwyn Stephens & Julie Czekierda
- Wednesday 14.5 Nicki Cuolahan
- Friday 16.5 Julie Czekierda & Kate White

**Helpers**
- Friday 2.5 Jenny Manthey (early)
  Tracy McCullagh
  Rachel Phillips (late)
- Friday 9.5 Vanessa Reid (early)
  Therese Reid (early)
  Belinda Rowlings (late)
- Friday 16.5 Justine Ebzery (early)
  Natasha Ross (early)
  Janelle Burton (late)

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**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

Navy fleece winter uniforms were delivered to students last week & hopefully made it home safely.

The Navy & Red microfibre Sports jacket orders are still with our supplier & will be a while yet before delivery.

The Uniform Shop is open every Friday from 8.15 – 9.00am. Alternately order forms are available at the school office or online at CTK website. Drop completed form back to the office, the order will be filled out & given to your child to take home. Please remember, especially during busy times, the Uniform Shop is solely run by volunteers & all proceeds go to our P & F.

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**P&F NEWS**

**Fete Update**
We have ramped up the fun this year and are pleased to announce the following rides in CTK's Side Show Alley.

- Giant Obstacle Course (4 years & up)
- All Aged Castle
- Slot Car Racing (4 years & up)
- Mechanical Surfboard or Skateboard (5 years & up)
- Bungee Fun Run (6 years & up)
- Ferris Wheel (up to 13 years)
- Red Barron Ride (Up to 10 years)

*Information on how to purchase your pre-paid armband online will be available next week.*

For those wanting to try their luck of hand at more skilled games, we are pleased to announce in addition to our wildly successful Lob-a-Choc stall; Wak-A-Frog, Knockem and Pick-A-Duck stalls. At these new sideshow games, everybody wins a prize! (Please note these games are not included in the pre-paid armbands and cost $2 a go!)

**We haven't forgotten parents either...** After a spot of shopping at CTK's largest Arts & Handmade Market, parents can retreat to our over 18's Bar for a quiet drink while listening to Brisbane singer, Ben Williamson. Gourmet sausages will be available for purchase in the bar area. For those who enjoy trying new wines, CTK's newly introduced Wine / Sparkling Wine Raffle is on offer in the bar area and every ticket wins a bottle of wine!

**Our old favourites are back!** Devonshire Tea, Snow Cones, Lollies, 2nd hand Books, Cake Stall, Raffles, Kids Corner, Gourmet Food, BBQ and Soft-drinks stalls will be present to delight and tempt all.

**We still need help in the following areas:**
- **2nd hand books.** Time to spring clean the book shelves? Why not donate your preloved books to CTK Fete? Books can be left at the school office. For more information, or if you would like to volunteer for an hour or two at our 2nd hand book stall on the day, please contact Melissa Lonergan at mmckeering@gmail.com or on 0402 489 775.

- **Wine / Sparkling Wine Raffle.** A raffle for grown ups, this is a great way to try new wines and has been an incredibly successful fundraiser at other schools. Parents and guardians can donate their bottle of wine (must be $15 or over) to the CTK school office during business hours. Please see our flyer in this newsletter for more information.

*This week, our fete thanks goes to...* Michael Mandikos (Meghan's dad in 3 Blue) for funding the musician in our bar; Melissa Lonergan for her superb work in gaining product and financial supporters for our fete; Julie Czekierda for her initiative to sell gourmet sausages at our bar; and to all parents who have graciously given their time, ideas and energy to make our fete successful. Thank you!

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### School Banking News

School Banking day is every Tuesday.

### Parish News

**Mass Times**

- **St Joseph’s, Corinda**
  - Monday 8:30 am (Liturgy of the Word with Communion)
  - Wednesday 10:00 am Mass with Anointing of the Sick (Friends and Neighbours Mass), Thursday 9:00 am
  - Saturday 7:00 am (Prayer of the Church with Communion)
  - Saturday 6:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am

- **Christ the King, Graceville**
  - Friday 9:30 am, 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

**Parish Sacramental Program**

Enrolments for the 2014/2015 Corinda Graceville Parish Sacramental Program are now open. The program is open to children who have turned 7 by July 1, 2014; have received the Sacrament of Baptism; and are now ready for Penance, Confirmation and First Communion.

Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the parish website or picked up from the parish office. Enrolments close on Friday July 18, 2014.

An information night is being held to explain the program in detail and answer any questions. If you are interested in your child being involved, you are strongly encouraged to attend. *The information night is on Wednesday July 16 from 7:30pm at CTK Church.*

### Deanery Day of Growth

Worldwide Marriage Encounter QLD are presenting a one day relationship enrichment seminar designed especially for Married Couples, Engaged Couples, Single Adults, Priests and Religious

*“Men Are Like Waffles ~ Women Are like Spaghetti”*

**Understanding and Delighting in Your Differences**

**Saturday 3rd May 2014, 10.30am – 3.30pm**

**Twelve Apostles Hall, 111 Yallambee Road, Jindalee**

**Donation:** $5 per person

**Lunch:** Bring a plate to share

Contact: bwdeanery@bne.catholic.net.au or phone

Melville & Maria Noronha: 0422 916 556

### Community News

**DDJ Performing Arts**

Is your child looking for a new fun, creative and rewarding activity in 2014? DDJ Performing Arts provides an Instrumental and CHOIR program at your school with group MUSIC lessons starting at $17.95 for 30minute lesson and CHOIR at $3.95 for 45minute lesson. Let your child discover the joys of music, starting with a free, no-obligation first trial lesson. Contact DDJ on 1300 335 335 for more information, or pick up an information flier from your school administration office.

**Amanda Middleton Dance School**

Adult and children’s classes, held at Graceville Uniting Church Hall, Oxley Road, Graceville on Mondays. Flyer is on the Parent Noticeboard or please call 0400 088 302 for more information.