



Good Shepherd

Catholic Primary School

Calendar

**Catholic
Schools
Week**



Term 1 Concludes:
Friday, 11th April,
2014

**Term 2
Commences:**
Tuesday, 29th April,
2014
(Monday, 28th April
being a Pupil Free
Day)

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Term 1

Week 7

Tuesday, 11th March, 2014

Good morning Parents and Guardians

Happy Catholic Schools' Week!

On Sunday we had our Open Day to showcase our school. We had a great crowd of people come through the school throughout the day.

Thank you for all the parents, grandparents, guardians and family members who came along to celebrate Catholic Schools Week with us and to view the work here at Good Shepherd. The children were very proud of the work they had on display and many parents commented that they enjoyed the opportunity to see their child's work as they aren't able to be here during the week due to work commitments.

Thank you for coming along. A big thank you to our staff for giving up their family time to be here at school to showcase our school. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated staff.

On Wednesday we will be having our Catholic Schools Week Liturgy, Morning Tea and Open Classrooms. Please join us!

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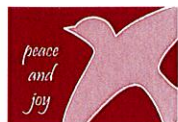
UPCOMING EVENTS

Term 1, Week 7, 2014

Thursday, 20th March - Year 6 Excursion to Canberra
Friday, 21st March

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Peace & Joy Awards

The Good Shepherd School Community would like to congratulate the following students for their hard work and dedication throughout the past week.

These awards are presented for cooperation, respectfulness, responsibility, care, compassion, fair go and integrity.

KB	Japnoor Singh	KG	Karen Gunawan
KR	Heina Kiteau	KW	Jolene Inbaraj
1B	Mia Batac	1G	Manat Kaur
1R	Axzel Yuque	1W	Duncan Fraser
2B	C.J. Vaasili	2G	Maxine Agpoon
2R	Jonathan Tawk	2W	Ethan Zammit
3B	Dakota Moeono-Paahi	3G	Nancy Guillermo
3R	Sandra Raji	3W	Sunita Fihaki
4B	Justin Ventanilla	4G	Oriana Leupolu
4R	Chelsea Donato	4W	Brooklyn Villaluz
5B	Alyna Arago	5G	Joshua Agius
5R	Joshua Diamat	5W	Alek Mawien
6B	Mark Molar	6G	Mari Cuasay
6R	Adrian Torres	6W	Iskandar Tawil



A big congratulations to Hannah Fraser (4G) who won first prize in her first photography competition at the Blacktown Show on the weekend. Well done Hannah!

If your child presents with a rash, particularly after swimming, he/she may have "Molluscum Contagiosum" - a treatable condition. Please see your local doctor. A brochure is also available from the School Office.

Office Hours

Please note the opening hours of the School Office are from 8.30 am—3.30 pm Monday to Friday. Before and after these times the office staff are preparing for or completing their office duties. If there is a change to how your child will be going home, ie catching the bus etc, please notify the office prior to 2.30 pm so that the child may be informed prior to home time. We are happy to attend to your queries or any other business during these hours.



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Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week: Elijah Ueese, Jacob Osinsao, Marsha Szulgit, Lanna Cruz, Elissa Restuccia, Aayushi Kumar, Bradley Jacobson, Chidera

Obidi, Phoenix Ouk, Nikita Moeono-Paahi, Reuben-Marcel Frias, Jonathan Rahme, Nancy Guillermo, Annabelle Rahme, Mariana Paul Gerard, Leila Bunyi, Mat Alampayan, Rojin Altun and Joshua Tesfazion.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week commenced on Sunday, 9th March to Friday, 14th March. The events we have planned this week are detailed below. We hope you and your family and friends can join us in celebrating our School, our Children's Education and our Faith!

Monday, 10 March—Friday, 14th March: Book Fair at Good Shepherd School.

Wednesday, 12th March: Catholic Schools Week Liturgy: 10.00 am at Good Shepherd Church followed by Morning Tea.

Wednesday, 12th March: Open Classrooms: 11.00 am—12.00 pm. Come and see some Mathematics activities in progress!

Friday, 14th March: NRMA Science and Road Safety Day—Children are asked to bring in their bike helmet. Prizes for the best decorated helmets! Students take part in a Science presentation (free) as well as complete "In class" activities about Road and Bike Safety.

Friday, 14th March: Parent/Carer Road Safety Workshop (free) - 2.00 pm in the Resource Centre. Tea and Coffee provided.

Hope you can make it to some of the great activities planned!

Photos from our Book Fair:





Parish News—An Invitation to all Children 10 Years and Upwards

If you have already received 1st Holy Communion and wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, parents please collect an Enrolment Form from the Parish

Office (Monday—Friday) between 8.00 am—6.00 pm. Filled out forms would need to be handed back accompanied by a **photocopy** of your child's Baptism and 1st Holy Communion Certificates. All forms to be handed in to the Parish Office ASAP. Lessons will commence on 4th May and conclude on 25th May (inclusive). Start time is 10.30 am and all lessons will be held in the Year 6, Year 5 and 4G/4W classrooms of the Good Shepherd School. Confirmation will be celebrated on 8th June at 2.00 pm.

Dates for the Lessons are as follows:

Lesson 1—4th May

Lesson 2—11th May

Lesson 3—18th May

Lesson 4—25th May

Thank you for your support and consideration.



2014 Good Shepherd Choir

Congratulations to the following students who made the School Choir for 2014:

Nina Bui, Thalia Mazur, Preston Henson, Raven Diola, Abbelyn Dejar, Frank Patena, Elissa Inbaraj, Atalya Palu, William Singh, Psalms Ane, William Brown,

Athena Fajardo, Justin Clissold, Aiden Portugal, Myka Munsayac, Alyna Arago, Akosita Aloisio, Anja Savic, Alai Asalemo, Nathan Groves, Keira Sharp, Matthew Grimshaw, Victoria Aovelo, Suraya Patterson, Callandra Jane, Aaliya Villanueva, Jonathan Israel, Kalini Loloa, Mariana Paul-Garard, Uinitoni Matale and Rhyme Balatbat.

School Fees for Term 1 2014

Parents, accounts for Term 1 school fees **were due last Friday, 7th March**. Any family having difficulty completing term payments and who wish to make payments by instalments using cash, Centrelink or BPay etc., please contact the School Office for an appointment with Mrs Gabby Smithard to set up a new arrangement.



Year Six Excursion

On Thursday, 20th March the Year 6 students and their teachers will be attending a two-day excursion to Canberra. A special thank you to the Staff members for not only organising the camp, but for their commitment to the Year 6 students. We join together in wishing everyone a great time.



Quality Catholic Schools Survey

The Quality Catholic Schools Survey (QCCS) period is from 17th—30th March. If you are one of the lucky, selected families who receive a survey, we would appreciate your

involvement in this important data collection. Your input is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

2014 School Terms 1 & 2

Term 1— Concludes Friday, 11th April.

Term 2— Commences Tuesday, 29th April (Monday, 28th April being a Pupil Free Day)

Term 2— Concludes Friday, 27th June.

Girls Summer Uniform

Please note all girls should now be wearing the new Summer Girl's Uniform. They can be purchased from Lowes at Mount Druitt. If you are experiencing any difficulty with the purchasing of the uniform, please make an appointment to see Mrs Carr. Thank you.

P&F News

Uniform Shop - Opening Hours:

Wednesdays & Fridays 8.30 am—9.15 am

This is run by volunteers and operates on Wednesday and Friday mornings during School Terms from 8.30 am—9.15 am. We have new hats, caps, school bags, library bags, all at very reasonable prices. Second-hand school uniforms are also available. Donations always welcome! Please note it is 'Cash Only' sales.

Easter Update

Would you please continue to bring in your raffle ticket money and if you would like more tickets, please call into the Office. Also, we are in need of chocolate easter eggs, so if you can bring them into the office, that would be very much appreciated.



Canteen News

(Two Meal Deals to choose from at \$4.50 each)

Available every day commencing

Monday 10th March and finishing Friday 21st March:

Meal Deal 1

Egg & Lettuce Sandwich, Water Buddies, Fresh Fruit Salad.

Meal Deal 2

5 Chicken Nuggets, Water Buddies, Frozen Juice Cup.

Both Meal Deals are \$4.50 each

Online Ordering: To order online please visit

www.flexischools.com.au

Orders to be placed by 9.00 am daily. A copy of the full Canteen Menu is available on our School Website.

CatholicCare Social Services— Solo Parent Ministry

Bereavement Support Program (Blacktown)

Tuesdays fortnightly: commencing 18th March

Topic: Images and Frameworks for Understanding Grief

Time: 10.00 am—12.00 pm

Cost \$5.00

Venue: 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown

Bookings essential for both programs

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