

# HARMONY HAPPENINGS



Term 1, Week 10 Thursday 6th April 2017  
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**Dear St Michael's Families and Friends,**

Giving to others is an important focus during Lent. Giving to ourselves is also important. As we move closer to Easter perhaps we can consider the ultimate prayer experience with the wider community, the Mass. ~ Going to Mass as a family conveys a powerful message to the children of the real meaning of Easter, *unconditional Love*, and Jesus' ultimate sacrifice.



We have had a very busy term and we wish to acknowledge the myriad of ways families have been involved and given support to classes and the wider school. These interactions benefit all the children, and the whole community. Thank you!

**The most important time is family time.** I wish you all a wonderful break and hope you are able to enjoy some family time together as you have a break from the routines of uniforms and lunches and after school activities.

**DON'T FORGET, SCHOOL RETURNS ON WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL after ANZAC Day.**

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK – 1-7 May 2017

Catholic Schools Week (CSW) this year celebrates the value of every human being in the theme, '*Catholic Schools: Great Learning Great Communities*'. The St Michael's community will come together for our traditional **breakfast on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May from 7.30am**. We will be joined by some of our political representatives, members from Catholic Education in Manuka who support us in our work and members from the Parish community.

*You, our families, are the most important guests, so we would really love to share this social opportunity with as many of you as possible. To ensure we can cater appropriately, please RSVP to Lisa in the office by Friday 28th April (Week 1).*

## ENROLMENT FOR 2018

Week Two of next term marks the beginning of the official enrolment period, 1st – 19<sup>th</sup> May, for children starting school in 2018. Earlier this week, bundles of flyers were sent home to some families requesting they deliver them to homes in their street and the streets nearby. An email was also sent to all families explaining the process we use. We had a spread of families across Kaleen, Giralang and Crace, but some areas of these suburbs and Lawson still need to be covered.

**We are hoping the flyers can be delivered during the holidays. If you will be away for all or most of the holidays and do not think you can get them delivered, please contact Lisa.**

**If you did not receive any flyers and are able to help in some of our other areas such as Lawson, please contact Lisa.** (Please note, whilst we have many suburbs represented in our community, we are only permitted to advertise in our main feeder areas.)

**We really appreciate your support in this way and hope you can share a healthy activity with your family at the same time 😊**

- \* **HOLIDAY SECURITY** Please help keep our school safe by doing 'drive-by' or 'walk-by' if you are in the area, and report anything suspicious to the police. Thank you in advance.
- \* **Term Two means winter uniform!** As usual, Canberra weather at this time of the year is very erratic, so, should we have a little burst of Summer again, we will have two weeks for changeover. However, if the weather is indicative of Autumn/Winter, all students should be in full winter uniform please from the start of term. Please use the holidays to ensure the winter uniform items actually fit your growing children and are in good order, and also check that items (particularly jumpers) are labelled clearly. Thank you. The items in the second hand pool are stored in cupboards near the office. If you have items in good condition that no longer fit, you are welcome to recycle in this way.
- \* **School TV** – don't forget access is available through the link on our webpage, providing professional guidance for the many different aspects of parenting.



## Thought for the Week :

*God doesn't look at how much we do, but with how much Love we do it.*  
*Mother Teresa*

*Yours in partnership,*  
*Judy*



## IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

### TOMORROW

7/4/17 Good Friday Liturgy 12.50—5/6  
Cross Country  
LAST DAY FOR TERM 1

### COMING UP

26/4/17 FIRST DAY FOR TERM 2  
11/5/17 Mothers Day Mass & Afternoon Activities  
26/5/17 Grandparents Day  
16/6/17 St Michael's Walkathon  
18/6/17 Sacrament of First Eucharist  
22/8/17 Sacrament of Confirmation  
15/11/17 Sacrament of Reconciliation

### NOTES GONE HOME THIS WEEK

- Enrolment Flyers

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## ST MICHAEL'S CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL SAVE THE DATE

The St Michael's Cross Country Carnival will be held tomorrow, **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April**. What a great way to end the term! If you are able to help us on the day from 9-11am please see or email Sarah Medway on sarah.medway@cg.catholic.edu.au. Looking forward to seeing you there. **STUDENTS ARE TO WEAR THEIR SPORTS UNIFORM WITH THEIR HOUSE COLOUR T-SHIRT.**

## WALKATHON - SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY 16TH JUNE

More information to come next Term.

## BELCONNEN REGION CROSS COUNTRY

Thank you to all those parents that have volunteered to assist with the running of this carnival of 30th May, more information will be coming out next Term. It is not too late to volunteer, please contact Sarah Medway on sarah.medway@cg.catholic.edu.au.

## NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy will be conducted in Years 3 and 5. The testing dates will include:

**Tuesday 9th May – Writing and Reading**

**Wednesday 10th May – Conventions of Language**

**Thursday 11th May – Numeracy**

Information for parents has been sent home. If you have any questions or concerns, please see your classroom teacher or contact Jo at jo.krippner@cg.catholic.edu.au

## SCHOOL FUNDRAISER! WELLBEING OPPORTUNITY

Pilates is a system of exercises designed to improve your strength, posture and flexibility. Realign Fitness is offering 45 minute beginner matwork classes at St Michael's in Kaleen with all money going back into the school.

Classes are \$10 each and will be held at 6pm on Tuesday evenings.

Classes will commence in week 3 of Term 2 and will run for 6 weeks. If you are interested or require more information please contact Alison at [realignfitness@yahoo.com.au](mailto:realignfitness@yahoo.com.au)

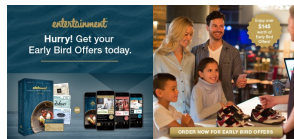


## ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2017

The 2017 books have arrived, you can pick one up from the Front Office or order your Digital copy from the following link:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/232g38>

The cost of the books are still only \$60.00.



## CANTEEN ROSTER

**Friday 7th April (Week 10—Term 1)**

**9-11.30** Ellen/Amelia  
**11.30-2** Pepe/Amelia

**Friday 28th April (Week 1—Term 2)**

**9-11.30** HELP REQUIRED  
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*Term 2 Helpers are required on Friday from either 9-11.30 or 11.30-2.*

*If you can assist in anyway, please contact Lisa in the Front Office.*

*Any help is greatly appreciated.*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Special wishes to those children who celebrate their birthdays this week:

Chloe 1/2H  
And Amelia 5/6B

We hope you have a great day.



## HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES

	ST MICHAEL'S	ST MONICA'S
Holy Thursday, 13th April	7.30pm	
Good Friday, 14th April	10am (Stations of the Cross)	3.00pm (Adoration of the Cross)
Holy Saturday, 15th April		7.00pm
Easter Sunday, 16th April	8.00am (no 5.30 mass)	10.00am

## EUCHARIST COMMITMENT MASS

It was great to see all the families who have children making their First Eucharist this year at the Commitment Mass last Sunday. Please watch out for more information about Eucharist next term.

## HOLY WEEK PRAYER CELEBRATIONS

The Kinders did a great job of kicking off our Holy Week celebrations with our Palm Sunday prayer celebration on Tuesday. I think everyone's favourite part might have been the donkey on wheels! It was great to share The Last Supper with everyone at our Holy Thursday celebrations yesterday. The 3/4s did a great job of leading this special prayer time with all the classes.

We look forward to our Good Friday prayer service tomorrow at 12.50pm in the hall. I know the 5/6 classes are going to an amazing job.

**Easter Sunday/Resurrection.** The 1/2 classes will run this prayer celebration at 2pm on the first day back next term (Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April). What a way to begin Term 2.

## ANZAC DAY PRAYER SERVICE

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April we will be having an ANZAC Day Prayer Service at 10.30am. 5/6P will be leading this. Once again, you are most welcome to join us.

## EASTER RAFFLE

The Mini Vinnies/Social Justice Crew Easter egg raffle has been a huge success. We have currently raised \$170 for Caritas through the raffle, which is an amazing effort. We will be drawing the raffle after lunch tomorrow. We can't wait to see who wins.

## PROJECT COMPASSION

We have done an amazing job at St Michael's this term raising money for Project Compassion. We have raised a total of \$607.70. Thank you everyone so much for your generosity. If you still have your Project Compassion money box at home and would like to donate any more money to Caritas Australia, please return this by tomorrow afternoon. Thank you.

## ST MICHAEL'S PLAYGROUP

**PLAYGROUP HAS COMMENCED AND WILL BE HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 9AM IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

For children aged 0-4 and their parents/carers.

Bookings essential, please contact: Kylie Arena or Lisa Monro

