Dear St Michael’s Families and Friends

Welcome back to a new term. Term Four provides opportunities to have fun at our twilight fair; reflect on the semester, celebrate the successes and set goals for the future at report time; congratulate and celebrate the graduation of our senior students; share with the community at our giving mass, prepare to celebrate the birth of Our Lord Jesus; and many others. For some reason, these ten weeks seem to go faster than any others! I hope that working together we will all enjoy the term and move seamlessly into the Christmas season.

Thought for the Week:
‘Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success’. Anon

SCHOOL & PARISH TWILIGHT FAIR - It’s time for family fun again!!!
Our wonderful organising committee have been keeping you up-to-date over last term through their newsletter page and a Facebook page. Things are well underway. If all families gave one hour, we would have plenty of helpers and a great community event. Please see the separate message re class signup sheets and the link to googledoc. You are always free to nominate for a different stall if that’s where your skills are. The fair goes for three hours, so that leaves plenty of time to enjoy the event with your family. A couple of the key tasks are the setting up and packing up, so your help would be welcome there too. Please nominate to help make the fair a success.

ACT ELECTIONS
Please find attached to the newsletter email two documents regarding the ACT elections this weekend. One is a letter explaining the position Catholic Schools could find themselves in and the other is a media release from the Catholic Education Commission in response to recent incorrect publicity over Catholic School funding. Both are important documents for the future of our schools, including St Michael’s. I urge you to read them.

As we start the term...
Congratulations to the Dong family, a baby brother Jaxon, for Dylan 3/4W and Jett 1/2S.
Please keep in your prayers all those in our community who need God’s help at this time.

Yours in partnership
Judy
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NETBALL CARNIVAL
Training for the Catholic Schools Netball Carnival will start today at 3.30-4.30pm on the basketball courts. Training for Week 2 will be on Wednesday 19th October and Week 3 will be on Thursday 27th October. Good luck to all teams.

BOOROWA CARNIVAL FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER
A note about this event should be making its way home today. If your child is travelling to Boorowa on the bus, please remember that we are departing from ST MONICA’S at 7.10am sharp. We are asking that you be at ST MONICA’S at 7am for organisational purposes. Please look out for Mrs Whalan and Mrs Holland, who will be the teachers attending the carnival on the day.

Please note that if you are driving to Boorowa the parking arrangements have been changed due to the amount of rain that the area has received over the past few months. This may result in a delay of 30-40 minutes.

Your child will need to be dressed in full sports uniform and they will need to bring their school hat, food, plenty of water and sunscreen. Over the years the weather has varied greatly, so please send your child with their tracksuit pants and sport jackets just in case! There will also be a canteen running on the day, so if you would like your child to purchase something they will also need to have some money with them.

If you require any further information please get in touch with myself, Mrs Medway, Miss Frogley or look on the websites provided in the note.

SILLY SOCK DAY: TUESDAY 18TH OCTOBER
Next Tuesday will be our final Tombola Day before the Twilight Fair. We invite students to wear their favourite and funkiest socks to school, with their sports uniform. In exchange, we ask families to donate a 200g block of chocolate for the chocolate trailer. Due to the structure of the trailer game, we require blocks of this size to sit on top of the metal grid. Thank you for your donation.

BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS
Parents and Carers of children aged 2-10 years are invited to BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS a parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation which will be presented by CatholicCare commencing WEDNESDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2016 from 6-9pm at 57 Hicks Street, Red Hill. The course is 3 hours per week over a 4 week period and the fee of $100 includes course materials and supper. 

Ordering is essential please contact 1800 068 698 free call

POT Painting for the Twilight Fair
All students will participate in the Bunnings Pot Painting Workshops on Tuesday 18th October. Bunnings will kindly donate all of the pots and paint resources. All funds raised from the sale of the pots contributes to our Fair total. THANK YOU to the wonderful parents who have volunteered to help on the day.

The pots will be sold at a separate stall, prior to the Fair. Students are invited to bring a gold coin donation to purchase their pot at pick up time on Friday 21st October.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Special wishes to those children who celebrated their birthdays in the holidays:


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

- Jett 1/2S and Harper 3/4W

We hope you have a great day!

Twilight Fair Class Volunteers
This year we are again allocating classes to stalls for the Twilight Fair. We ask parents and families from each class to volunteer to assist with their class stall at some time during the Fair. The evening is divided into multiple time sessions where you can contribute a little or a lot! We ask for all families to contribute in whatever way they can as this is a community event and we need the whole school on board for it to be a success. Thank you to those who have already volunteered.

Please follow this link to access the Google Doc and sign up on your class spreadsheet:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1qZYipshTk4easG2Sv0xFo8QBGK7xv23mPiiL17jJc/edit#gid=1795728834

Important Canteen Information
Canteen Week 3
Please note, due to the set up for the Twilight Fair, the Canteen will be closed on Friday 28th October. Lunch orders and counter service WILL NOT be available.

We require your help! If you are able to volunteer for the Term 4 Canteen Roster, please contact Lisa on 62414022. We are also looking for a volunteer to coordinate the roster. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

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Canteen Roster
Friday 14th October (Week 1)

- 9-11.30 Pepe Kish, HELP REQUIRED
- 11.30-2 Debbie Snyder, HELP REQUIRED

Friday 21st October (Week 2)

- 9-11.30 Debbie Snyder, HELP REQUIRED
- 11.30-2 Eileen Wood, HELP REQUIRED
Harmony Fair Update

If you have any capacity to volunteer, organise an event, to get your dance or judo troop on the stage, to assist with First Aid, to donate a prize, know someone that would like to hold a stall, or if you have an idea that you want to pursue, then let us know.

Contact us on our email—harmonyfaircoordinators@gmail.com

Please like ‘St Michael's Harmony Fair’ on Facebook to show your support for the fair and our sponsors.

ST MICHAEL’S HARMONY FAIR 2016 RAFFLE
All raffle ticket books are due back tomorrow, Friday 14th October sold or unsold. If you have misplaced your tickets, please see Lisa in the Front Office to sign a Statutory Declaration. All books must be accounted for.

Thank you for your assistance with this.

WHITE ELEPHANT
It is that time of the year again. We are after good quality donations for the White Elephant Stall. Your donations can be dropped off at the Front Office from next week.

We will not be accepting soft toys or electrical goods.

MICK THE STAR AND RIDE WRIST BANDS
Notes have gone home to pre order your Mick the Star and Ride Wrist Bands. Mick the Star will cost $12 for the Senior and $15 for the Junior.

The pre ordered Ride Wrist Bands will cost $25 for unlimited rides, the bands will also be on sale on the night for $30.

These can also be paid by QKR.

Orders need to be placed by 19th October.

Unfortunately, no late orders will be accepted.

BOOK STALL
We will be accepting novels, children's books and cook books that are in good condition – we need quality more than quantity. Please DO NOT leave encyclopaedias, magazines, CDs, DVD's (they do not sell) or anything you would not buy yourself.

Books can be dropped off at the school from next week. However, the preferred times would be on Thursday 20th, Friday 21st, Monday 24th or Tuesday 25th October between 3-4pm

Thanks to our Fair Sponsors so far...