Dear St Michael’s Families and Friends

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE TWILIGHT FAIR!

Beautiful weather during the day and evening last Friday, showcased the amazing community event of the Twilight Fair. A huge thank you goes to Nicole and Stephanie for their organisation and coordination of the event – a great team effort. Bringing it all together on the night took a huge, generous effort from a countless number of parents and parishioners working together to set up, run stalls and clean up at the end. This greatly appreciated commitment from the volunteers, who worked tirelessly during the entire day and evening, produced an enjoyable and successful event.

A very special thank you to the staff for their dedication and support; and to the Community Council representatives who supported the organisers with many essential behind the scenes tasks.

The Twilight Fair provides funds for the Council to support special projects for improving both the school environment and the learning options for the children. We had a successful evening where the best part was all the fun we had!

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE REGISTRATION

I would like to thank all our parents and friends of the school who have made the effort to register for this card which has become a requirement over the last year. This card allows you to be/stay involved in many aspects of our school life, providing the greatly appreciated support and assistance which enriches your children’s education. I sincerely thank you!

ATTENDANCE DURING SCHOOL HOURS

I would like to remind Parents and Guardians of the importance of the children’s regular attendance for the full school day. The children have access to five hours of in-class time each day; so arriving half an hour late or leaving half an hour early each day means they actually miss a whole day each fortnight (or one week each term). Please assist them and the teachers by making attending for a full day, the norm. I thank you in advance for your cooperation and consideration.

CLASS LISTS FOR 2015

Organising classes for 2015 depends on the number of classes and therefore teachers, which is determined by the Catholic Education Office, based on our overall numbers and the spread of children throughout the year levels. Some year level groups will need to be placed across multi-age classes. At this time the details of class groupings and teachers has not been finalised. Class lists will be formed in accordance with the class allocation policy which can be found on the website at http://stmichaelsps.act.edu.au/srcfiles/Class-Allocation-Policy.pdf. As per the policy, Parents who wish to discuss particular educational concerns regarding the placement of their children in particular classes should put the concern in writing and address it to me by Friday of Week 4 (Friday 7th November) – an email is acceptable. Requests will be considered alongside the policy process. No late requests or requests for specific Teachers can be considered.

Thought for the Week

Children are not things to be molded, but are people to be unfolded.

Jess Lair

Yours in partnership

Judy

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Religious Education

This coming Saturday and Sunday are significant days in the Church’s Calendar:

All Saints Day honors all holy men and women whose lives were modeled on the Beatitudes and the great commandment of love.

All Souls Day expresses the need for us to remember in our prayers those who have died.

Whole School Prayer Time

Last week we were treated to a carefully prepared Whole School Prayer Time from Year 1F. They showed us the real meaning of being mission to each other. It was fabulous seeing so many parents there!

Tuesday 11th November — Kindergarten will lead us for Remembrance Day at 10.20 (note change of time and date)

Friday 22nd November — Year 2W will lead us at 12.50

Special Events at St Michael’s This Term

Giving Mass: Thursday 4th December
Following the school tradition, we will assemble as the year winds down for a whole school Thanks Giving Mass. We have so much for which to be grateful! As a result of this we will begin asking for donations for our St Michael’s Parish St Vincent de Paul’s Giving Tree in the next couple of weeks. Please take time to discuss with your children the significance of contributing a gift or two for those in our local community who are less privileged.

Graduation Mass: On Thursday 11th December
Our Year 6 students will celebrate their graduation with Mass at 6pm

Carols: Monday 15th December 5.30-7.00pm
Everyone is encouraged to put this time and date in diaries and to come along with a picnic to share in our last community event.

Light Ceremony: Wednesday 17th December
We will gather in the church for a prayer service at which we will pass on the leadership to our 2015 Year 6 students.

St Michael’s 2014 Twilight Fair

Thank you to everyone for supporting this year’s Twilight Fair, a lot of fun was had by all.

Twilight Fair

Congratulations to the winners of our Twilight Fair Raffle:

1st Prize ($1000): Holly Cairns
2nd Prize ($300): Mrs M. White
3rd Prize ($100): David Swan

We have some Cookie Dough and Showbags left over that we would like to sell at a reduced price.

Cookie Dough ($15 per tub)
Gluten Free Chocolate Chunk
Raspberry/White Chocolate Caramel Fudge
White Chocolate Macadamia & Doggie Dough

The cookie dough comes frozen and can be thawed and re frozen, a tub will make approximately 50 cookies.

Showbags

Fizz $3
Tricks & Jokes $5
Totally Girls $5
Totally Boys $5

Just an idea, the showbags would come in handy if you were planning a birthday party.

Please contact Lisa in the Front Office if you would like to purchase any of these items.
NRMA Safety Day
Well, what a day we had yesterday. Thank you to all the families that remembered to get their bike helmets out for their children. There were some interesting tips to remember about how to make sure your child’s helmet is fitted correctly. Please ask them about these to ensure their helmets are effective in the event of an accident.

Sport in Schools Australia
This program will be running every day next week (Week 4). Please ensure that your child/ren are in sports clothes every day to allow for successful participation in the activities. Thank you for your support with this.

Catholic School’s Netball Carnival
Thank you to all the parents and siblings that were coaches for this event on Sunday. It was a beautiful day and it looked like all the children had a great time. Well done to all the teams for their participation and congratulations to the teams who won their division or came second. A huge thank you goes out to Mrs Whalan for staying throughout the day.

SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT PROGRAM
Our school Rules are:
Be Safe    Be Respectful    Be Responsible    Be a Learner

ST MICHAEL’S MASTERMINDS
To enter, place your solution along with your full name and class into the competition box at the Front Office. Entries need to be in by next Wednesday. The first correct entry drawn will be published in next week’s newsletter and will receive a voucher.

Last week’s answers and winners:
K-2: (Fish) Amelie 1F
Yr 3-6: (12—all months have 28 days) no correct entry

Congratulations to Amelie who has received a canteen voucher.

ST MICHAEL’S WEEK 4, TERM 4, SWPBS FOCUS— BE RESPONSIBLE!
Do I accept the consequences of my actions?

DAVID PRICE OBE WORKSHOP
APFACTS is proud to be sponsoring the upcoming Keynote and Workshop with education futurist, David Price OBE. This workshop for parents and educators explores perceptions, beliefs and attitudes around education. The workshop addresses key questions such as, ‘Are we creating an education worth having?’ and ‘Are we developing a partnership mindset to enhance student learning?’ To book tickets, click here.

APFACTS is the voice of non-government school parents (Catholic and Independent) in the ACT. For more information, visit our website at www.apfacts.org.au or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Apfacts.

This Sunday the 2nd November 2014 the Hawker College Sports Administration Class and the Donohoe Family will be hosting the 10th annual Ben Donohoe Run and Walk for Fun. Gather your family and friends or enter as part of a school team to raise money for supporting people with cancer and other life threatening illnesses. Walk or run the 3 or 6 km course around Lake Ginninderra.

The Ben Donohoe Run and Walk for Fun aims to raise money for The Cancer Support Group, Make-A-Wish Australia® and Ronald McDonald House® Canberra. So far this event has raised a total of over $405,000 for these charities.

Encourage all your family and friends to get involved and help us to “Make a Difference”! This community event is in honour of Canberra local, Ben Donohoe who passed away in 2005 from a brain tumour at the young age of nine.

Contact us: 6205 8986 admin@bensrunandwalkforfun.com
Enter online or for extra information visit us at www.hawkeract.edu.au/runandwalkforfun

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Special wishes to those children who celebrate their birthdays this week:
We hope you have a great day!
**ST MICHAEL’S PARISH**  
**CONTACT DETAILS**  
**Administrator:** Father Warrick Tonkin  
**Pastoral Assistant:** Sr Kate McMahon  
**Address:** 2 Tyrrell Circuit, Kaleen ACT 2617  
**Telephone:** (02) 6241 3364  
**Fax:** (02) 6241 0747  
**Parish Email:** stm.kaleen@cg.catholic.org.au  
**Email:** k.mcmahon3@bigpond.com

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**ST MICHAEL’S NOTICE BOARD**

**BOOKCLUB**
Please contact Mrs Monro or Mrs Arena if you have any queries regarding Bookclub.

**SCHOOL BANKING**
*School banking is carried out every Friday.* Please fill in all details on the deposit slip and leave your banking books at the Front Office.

**DANCECORE**
*Dancecore is on every Thursday recess.* Please contact Cassie on 0417 442 750.  
Forms are available from the Front Office.

**GUITAR**
Please contact Sam Strano on 0408 196 855

**PIANO**
Please contact Mary-Liz Partridge 0413 425 753

**SPEECH & DRAMA**
Tuesday lunchtimes. Please call Elizabeth McIntosh 6255 9054.

**YMCA OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS**
For further information, please contact the YMCA of Canberra Children’s Services Headquarters on 6242 4040 or cscanberra@ymca.org.au.”  
Vacancies available Monday to Thursday.  
Please register your interest for Fridays on our website www.canberra.ymca.org.au

**PETE MORTON ACADEMY OF JUDO JUJITSU KARATE**
Classes held in the school hall on a Thursday evening for children and adults. Please contact Peter Wilson 0412 628 450 or email: info@pjtracks.com.au

*Remember if your child is unable to make a private lesson due to an excursion or illness you will need to contact the appropriate person to cancel their lesson.*

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**KEEP CONNECTED WITH THE LATEST SCHOOL ALERTS AND INFORMATION**

**SKOOLBAG COMMUNICATION APP**
Get us on your Smart Phone... We currently have 267 users of Skoolbag. Our School has its own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are asking parents/students to install our Skoolbag School App. To install it, just search for our school name "St Michaels Primary School Kaleen" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store. You can download the app for free.  
Please go to the Attachments section under Communication on the school website for comprehensive instructions on downloading the App.  
Those who do not have a smart phone can access all the same information via the control centre for the app, available on the school’s website.

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**CANTEE NEWS**

The new Summer Menu is now available, a copy of the menu will go home this week.  
Please check the menu for new food items. Ham & Salad wraps are a new item added to the menu.  
Sunfruit Frogs are no longer available.

**CANTEEN - Help required on all Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays for 2014**  
Please contact Caitlynn Frost on caitlynn.frost@cg.catholic.edu.au

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Friday: 9.00 am – 11.30am and 11.30am – 2.00pm