Dear St Michael’s Families and Friends

This week is FAMILY WEEK, and we give thanks for our families. Make the most of this week, and plan for some fun activities for the family to enjoy together! As we take a break from homework and night time meetings at school, it will hopefully provide you with an opportunity to do something together that you don’t usually get time to do. This could include reading, preparing a meal, or perhaps a walk or bike ride together. The possibilities are endless, so be creative and have some fun family time! Remember, anything you choose to do that is enjoyed together, is a worthwhile activity and will go some way towards encouraging, praising, and affirming your children. Enjoy the family time.

DISCOS – Tomorrow, Friday 28th August

These are always very popular events at school, but I would ask parents to remind their children that they are on school grounds and so the usual rules will apply – be safe, be respectful, be responsible. I thank the parent committee for providing this opportunity for the children to gather socially in a safe and fun environment. Please note you will need to have your Working with Vulnerable People card if you are volunteering.

HELP AT SCHOOL

A reminder that any helpers or volunteers working in the classrooms or the canteen must have a Working with Vulnerable People card. They must sign in at the Front Office and wear the card whilst they are on the school grounds. Forms are available from the Front Office.

FATHERS’ DAY ACTIVITIES – FRIDAY 4 September – 3 -5 PM

We look forward to welcoming our ‘Dads’ to school next Friday afternoon to share some activities with their children. A sausage sizzle and a drink will be available for afternoon refreshments, before joining in some outdoor activities and games and then sharing your child/ren’s published work. The afternoon will finish up around 5.00pm when perhaps the dads and children can go home and cook dinner together for the rest of the family. Please let the front office know if you will be attending so the catering can be organised. Any Mums who can spare an hour to help cook and serve the refreshments would be very welcome from 2.30pm, and your help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

NEW ACT HEALTH IMMUNISATION WEB PAGE

ACT Health has updated their web page. The page is user friendly and informative. It contains immunisation information useful for all ages, including information on what disease your child is being protected against and how to help with anxiety before receiving immunisations. The new ACT health web page is http://www.health.act.gov.au/our-services/immunisation

LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK – 31ST August – 6th September

National Literacy and Numeracy Week is a great event to raise awareness of the importance of literacy and numeracy skills for all Australian students. Throughout this week we recognise and celebrate the achievements of parents, teachers, principals, and members of the community who are doing amazing things to help kids develop their literacy and numeracy skills. Parents and carers can have a big impact on their children’s education. Creating a home environment that encourages a love of learning from an early age can help your child to do better at school. Taking part in National Literacy and Numeracy Week’s activities is a great opportunity to show your interest and share the love of learning with your child. Look on the Literacy and Numeracy web page for some great tips and activities you can share with your children. http://www.literacyandnumeracy.gov.au/parents

WAKAKIRRI

Congratulations to all the students that performed at the Canberra Theatre last week. The two schools that competed in our heat who made the finals were St Francis of Assisi and Harrison Primary School, we wish them luck for the finals.

Thought for the Week:

"TV! If kids are entertained by two letters, imagine the fun they’ll have with twenty-six! Open your child’s imagination. Open a book."

Yours in partnership

Jo

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST MICHAEL’S
5/6H are leading Whole School Prayer Time this Friday, 28th August at 12:50pm in the Church. All are welcome to join us.

FATHER’S DAY PRAYER SERVICE
A Prayer Service to celebrate Fathers is being held at the Church on Friday 4th September at 2:15pm. 3/4B are leading the Prayer Service and would love to see you there. 3/4B are asking for photos of Dads to be emailed by this Friday to shannon.blakey@cg.catholic.edu.au

RECONCILIATION
A note went home to all Year 3 students this week, providing details about the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For our records, could you please return the note even if your child is not participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If your child is participating, please return the note with $10. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions.

INTERNATIONAL HARMONY FAIR UPDATE
The committee are still seeking Expressions of Interest for Stall holders at our Harmony Fair. Please ask your family and friends if they would be interested in holding a stall. If anyone has any suggestions or ideas, please contact one of the committee members, or Debbie Snyder at 1971dls@gmail.com.

Please look out for notes coming home soon regarding the purchase of wrist bands and ‘Mick the Star’. Raffle ticket books will also be coming home soon, the prizes have changed this year and the cost of the tickets are now $2 each. First Prize is a $1500 holiday voucher, Second Prize is a Balloon ride for two with breakfast and Third prize is a annual pass to the National Zoo and Aquarium. This year there will be a prize awarded for the family that sells the most tickets. Happy selling!!!

ST MICHAEL’S DISCO FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST
We are getting ready for a fun night of dancing at the St Michael’s School DISCO. Kindergarten to Year 2 will be from 5.00pm until 6.00pm, followed by Year 3 to Year 6 from 6.30pm until 8.00pm.

There will be hot food and drinks for sale from the canteen. There will also be Glow Sticks available for purchase on the night. Thank you to all our parent volunteers that have offered to help out on the night.

FOOD AND DRINKS FOR SALE AT THE DISCO

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Tap Water will be provided at no charge.
K-2 SWIMMING
Swimming Lessons for K-2 start next Monday, a swimming reminder note went home last week with final instructions. If your child is not participating in swimming they will be given some work to do and will be looked after by the teachers in C Block. If you have any further questions about swimming please see your child’s teacher (or alternatively come and see me; Mrs de Smet).

BOOROWA TOUCH AND NETBALL CARNIVAL
Unfortunately we did not have enough students entered into the carnival and we also did not have enough students to fill the bus to travel to Boorowa. We had no option but to cancel the bus and our participation at the carnival. Students have been refunded any money that was paid to the school for this carnival.

CONGRATULATIONS
Susan 5/6W and AJ 1/2W swam in the Kippax Winter Development Series at the AIS on Sunday. Susan was awarded 4 gold and 1 silver for her 5 events. Two events were first time events for her and the other three were personal best times. She finished the winter season with Swimming ACT Top 10 age rankings in eight different distances/strokes. AJ swam two events and awarded 2 golds.

St Michael’s would like to recognise the external sporting achievement of Harry 5/6W, Ben 5/6W and Pat 5/6W as members of the Wests Junior Rugby Union U12 team who are playing Broulee in the ACT Junior Rugby Union Grand final this Saturday at Vikings Park, Erindale. We wish them all the best.

IMPORTANT NOTICE !!!
The canteen are selling homemade mini pizzas. The pizzas are made on a wholemeal muffin base and the filling contains, ham, cheese, spinach and EGG. Please avoid the pizzas if your child has an egg allergy.

IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS !!!
The canteen is now a volunteer-run service and cannot go ahead for safety and health reasons if there is insufficient support. Unfortunately due to a lack of support the canteen will be open for lunch orders this Friday, 28th August only. We will not be serving lunch orders and there will be no counter service for the lunch period for Weeks 7, 8, 9 and 10. Counter service for recess will still operate.

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Weekday Masses
Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am

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Saturday: 9am
Sunday: 8am and 5.30pm

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EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

DANCECORE - Dance classes will commence next week, classes will be held on Wednesday’s at recess, forms are available from the Front Office.

CHESS - Chess classes are held in the Library on Wednesdays from 3.10-4.10, forms are available at the Front Office.

GUITAR - Sam is continuing guitar lessons, please contact Sam on 0408 196 855.

PIANO - Mary-Liz is continuing piano lessons, please contact Mary-Liz on 0413 425 753.

SPEECH & DRAMA - Drama classes are being held on Tuesday lunchtimes, please contact Elizabeth McIntosh if you are interested on 6255 9054.

SCHOOL BANKING - Mrs Firth has kindly offered to run the school banking. Banking day is Friday, forms to open new accounts are available from the Front Office.

BOOKCLUB - Scholastic Bookclub runs twice a term, if you have any queries contact Mrs Monro or Mrs Arena.

Woolworths Earn and Learn is Back!!!
From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September when you shop at Woolworths you will earn a sticker for every $10 spent. The stickers can be placed on a sticker sheet (available from the Front Office or Woolworths) or can be dropped into the Front Office to be placed on a sheet. Completed sheets are then collated and the more stickers we receive the more goods we can purchase. Thank you to everyone that has dropped in stickers, we are starting to get a nice collection to be redeemed. Remember to bring in your stickers even if you don’t have a sheet, there are plenty of copies at the Front Office.

REWARDING REGULAR SAVERS WITH AMAZING PRIZES.
We’re bringing the exciting news that an integrational Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 76 x iPad mini Wi-Fi (16GB)
- 125 x Buds by Dr Dre Solo2i, Headphones
- 250 x $100 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win!
To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at openbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.)

Win books for your school library
We are also giving schools participating in the School Banking programme a chance to win one of 25 packs of children’s books for their school library, valued at $30. For more information, visit openbank.com.au/prizeportal