Dear St Michael’s Families and Friends

In our day-to-day activities we experience lots of good times and sometimes we experience hard times. At times throughout our lives when things may not be going to plan, we perhaps try, through our prayers, ‘to make deals’ with God to make things better. Sometimes, we feel as though God says ‘NO’. At this time of Pentecost we can call on the Spirit to guide us as we take note of this reflection and apply it to our lives.

I asked God to take away my habit.
God said, No. It is not for me to take away, but for you to give it up.

I asked God to grant me patience.
God said, No. Patience is a by-product of tribulations; it isn’t granted, it is learned.

I asked God to give me happiness.
God said, No. I give you blessings; Happiness is up to you.

I asked God to spare me pain.
God said, No. Suffering draws you apart from worldly cares and brings you closer to me.

I asked God to make my spirit grow.
God said, No. You must grow on your own! But I will prune you to make you fruitful.

I asked God for all things, that I might enjoy life.
God said, No. I will give you life, so that you may enjoy all things.

I ask God to help me LOVE others, as much as He loves me.
God said... Ahhhh, finally you have the idea.

STAFFING 2015
The CEO will soon be requiring details of projected numbers for 2015 for staffing purposes. Hence, we need to know of any families who are seeking enrolment for their children at another school in 2015, for whatever reason (this does not include year 6 students). Please email the school office if your child/ren will not be returning to St Michael’s in 2015.

WALKATHON SPONSORSHIP MONEY
Thank you for supporting the school in this way. Please have all promised money returned by tomorrow to ensure your child’s tickets are included in the prize draw. Prize draw next week.

REMINDERS!!
COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SCHOOL AND HOME – Keep those responses coming in! The draw for the family cinema tickets will take place at the end of June, in time for the holidays! https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QKHW5LS

UNIFORM ITEMS – Please name ALL clothing and keep checking and ensuring names are clear. Lost property with NO names is building up!

Thought for the Week
“We don't need more strength or more ability or greater opportunity.  What we need is to use what we have.”
Basil S. Walsh (Author)

Yours in partnership
Judy
REPRESENTATIVE EDUCATION
As we celebrate Pentecost this week, it is fitting that we begin our Sacramental Program for Confirmation at St Michael’s.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION EVENING TONIGHT
The Confirmation Information evening will be held tonight at 6pm in the church. All parents of Confirmation candidates are required to attend.
Commitment Mass: Sunday 22nd June @ 5.30pm
Confirmation Prayer Evening: Thursday 24th July 6pm at the school

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Wednesday 20th August
Confirmation will be celebrated by Archbishop Prowse on Wednesday 20th August Term 3.
* Attendance at all components are prerequisites to receiving the sacrament. Any questions, please contact us for further information.

Whole School Prayer Time: Next Friday WSPT will be led by Kindergarten for the first time this year. All are welcome to attend at 12.50pm in the church.

Walkathon
Our walkathon prize assembly is less than one week away. Money is slowly coming in, however we are not yet close to collecting our promised money of over $10,000. We have lots of great prizes on offer and are excited to present them to all the students that have fundraised for our school. There is a prize for the class with the highest amount of money. There is also a prize for the student in each class who has raised the most money. Unfortunately any student who has not sent in the money promised will not get the chance to win a prize. All money is due tomorrow.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Special wishes to those children who celebrate their birthdays this week:
Jordan 5/6C, Zoe N 3/4B, Molly 5/6M, Ryan KD, Matthew 2T and Christopher 2W

We hope you have a great day!

ST MICHAEL’S MASTERMINDS
To enter, place your solution along with your surname 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 receive a voucher. All correct entries throughout the term will be in the draw for the major prize.

Last week’s answers were: K—2 (D), Yr 3-6 (THE CLOCK)
The winners were: K-2— Caitie 1S Yr3-6— Patrick O 5/6M
They both receive a canteen voucher.

K-2
10 lollies are shared between 5 friends. How many does each person get?

Yr 3-6
$5000 was stolen from the Fairlyland Bank. Three suspects were apprehended in the area. They made the following statements:

Jack: ‘Jill stole it.’
Jill: ‘No I didn’t.’
Fred: ‘It’s actually Jack.’

The police knew that only one person took the money and that only one person lied. Who stole the money?
Athletics Carnival
A note about our Athletics Carnival went home on Thursday last week. If you can help with this event in any way please fill in the slip at the bottom of the page and send it back to school with your child. Thank you to those parents who have already replied to this request for help.

Attached to the Athletics Carnival note was the Sausage Sizzle note. If you would like your child to have a sausage (or two) on the day of the carnival please send this back in to school no later than Thursday 19 June. Please also remember that each child needs to have their own note as sausages will be handed out in class groups on the day.

K-2 Swimming
A note about K-2 swimming will be coming home shortly. This is a really worthwhile program and we will be strongly encouraging all children in these grades to participate in this program. Please watch this space for further details.

Kindergarten enjoy participating in literacy rotations every day. We are enjoying learning lots of new sounds and sight words. They are even starting to look at exclamation marks and question marks.
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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 leave your banking books at the Front Office.

DANCECORE
Dancecore will now commence in Term 3.
Please call Cassie on 0417 442 750

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

PETER 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

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SKOOLBAG COMMUNICATION APP
Get us on your Smart Phone...
We currently have 212 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.

CANTEEN NEWS
We now have ‘Good Eating’ Cruiser Pies for sale at the canteen for lunch only. There is plain beef or beef & cheese @ $3.00 each. Muffins are now available at recess for $0.50 each, and we also have ‘Devondale’ Berry Mix Smoothies for $1.50 each. Unfortunately the red licorice is no longer available.

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

WK 8

Wednesday 18/6  Thursday 19/6  Friday 20/6
HELP REQUIRED  Liz Segeri  Maree Tuohy, HELP REQUIRED
HELP REQUIRED, Krystle Schell

WK 9

Wednesday 25/6  Thursday 26/6  Friday 27/6
Carmen Giucci  SPORTS CARNIVAL  Debbie Snyder, HELP REQUIRED
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Weekday Masses
Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am
Liturgy of the Word
Saturday: 9am
Weekend Masses
Sunday: 8am and 5.30pm

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