Thursday May 9th, 2013

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| **May 10th** | **Friday** | 8.30am | Whole School Mass led by Rooms 13 & 1  
Mother’s Day Stall |
| **May 12th** | **Sunday** |   | **Mother’s Day** |
| **May 13th** | **Monday** | 9.00am | **Prep 2014 Open Morning** |
| **May 17th** | **Friday** | 8.30am | Whole School Mass led by Rooms 14 & 6 |
| **May 24th** | **Friday** | 8.30am | Whole School Mass led by Rooms 5, 15, 11 & 18 |

**Resurrection Catholic Parish Mission Event**
Presented by **THE CATHOLIC GUY**
Kings Park, Vic
8, 9, 10 & 13, 14 May 2013

Discover for yourself the event that has changed thousands of people

5 Inspiring Sessions - Choose from Morning or Evening

| Session One: | Wednesday 8th May  
Thursday 9th May | 7.15am  
9.30am |
| Session Two: | Monday 13th May  
Friday 17th May | 7.15am  
9.30am |
| Session Three: | Friday 17th May  
Monday 20th May | 7.15am  
9.30am |
| Session Four: | Monday 20th May  
Tuesday 21st May | 7.15am  
9.30am |
| Session Five: | Final Session:  
Thursday 14th Mar | 7.15am |

Held at: Resurrection Catholic Parish
51 Gum Road, Kings Park, Vic

The Catholic Guy television program as seen on:

- **australianchristianchannel**

We must teach more by Example than by Word
St. Mary MacKillop
MOTHERHOOD - MOTHERS’ DAY - SUNDAY

Mothers play a significant role in the lives of our children and families. Be they living or dead, present or absent, a mother profoundly shapes the life of her children and who her children become. Mothers display many qualities such as loving, nurturing, protecting and providing for their families. This Mothers’ Day, I hope we are able to take the time to reflect and give thanks for the gift of motherhood and to honour the place of motherhood in our own families. We hope Mums also reflect on the goodness they provide to their families.

Cathy (a mother) said, “Motherhood - in all its forms - is such a gift. In our role as mothers, we have the means by which to give glory to the Creator God. We give it in the service of our families in love, each and every day, in the challenges that motherhood presents. We shouldn’t underestimate that. Along with Mary, the mother of Jesus as the greatest example of motherhood, each day the cry of the mother is, ‘I am the Lord’s servant. Be it done to me as you have said.’ Mary put her whole life on the line for God who asked her to be the mother of God’s Son. Every day mothers put their lives on the line for their children - and we know that the rewards outweigh the difficulties. As a mother, to be a source of comfort and inspiration to my children, so as they might be able to give of themselves in unconditional, faithful love to God in their lives. My hope is that my children make a strong choice for God in their lives.”

From the few glimpses we get of Mary in the Gospels, she bears all the marks of a loving and protective mother. After all, she had gone through quite a bit to bring that life into the world. Considering the shame and the misunderstanding, considering the circumstances of his conception, she would have been anxious to spare him any scandal. Her feelings of protectiveness were very evident in the mix-up there at the temple in Jerusalem, and what we see coming out is in the classic tradition of a mother’s supportive, protective and enveloping love.

Over against this, however, is the pull of what Jesus spoke of as ‘His Father’s business’. This influence tended to call Jesus beyond the boundaries of his mother’s little world of safety and into larger areas of concern. His curiosity about the temple and the traditions of His people, represent a sort of pulling away from his mother and a reaching out to bigger things. And of course this was only the beginning of what proved to be some rather frightening things for His mother. On several occasions, Mary attempted to intervene and to save Jesus from all this danger, but with no effect and finally her worst fears came true as she saw him executed as a common criminal.

MOTHERS’ DAY PRAYER

Loving God, we pray:
for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility;
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;
for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;
for those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities;
for those who raise children on their own;
for those who have lost a child;
for those who care for the children of others;
for those whose children have left home;
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.
Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,
and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,
living not for themselves alone, but for God and for others. Amen.
**Senior School Camp**

Last week the Senior School children attended camp at Mt. Moreton in Belgrave. The children displayed at all times what it meant to be ‘We Care’ people. It was a pleasure to see all the children interacting in a positive way with each other. They showed numerous positive qualities that were noticed by the staff and parents who attended. All parents should feel proud of their child’s behaviour and enthusiastic attitude towards all the camp activities. Thanks to the staff and parents who attended the camp. They gave their time and energy into the many tasks that needed to be completed and ensured the safety of all children on the camp. **Much appreciated!!**
I give thanks to all the staff who attended the first communion masses. The Middle school staff together with Mrs Barone ensured the children were practised and prepared for their mass. This was clearly evident at each mass. It was great to hear positive feedback from parishioners and visitors and also to hear the appreciation from families who came up to staff after mass to say ‘thank you’ for their efforts.
MOTHERS’ DAY STALL: FRIDAY 10TH MAY (TOMORROW)

If you are able to help on the Mother’s Day Stall on Friday 10th May from 9 am please leave your name in the office. Gifts are $5.00, $10.00 and there are gifts for Grandmothers also. Please send a plastic bag with your child to bring their gift home.

CELEBRATE ACHIEVEMENTS-POSTCARD

Last year we created a school postcard (pictured). As a staff we believe it is always important to celebrate the positive achievements we see in children. As a way to let you (the parents) know the achievements a message will be written onto the postcard and posted home. When you receive a postcard it is time to ‘celebrate’ with your child the achievement noted on it.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS

The Curriculum Overviews for Term Two have been uploaded onto our website. They comprise a series of curriculum outcome statements describing what knowledge, skills, and attitudes students are expected to demonstrate throughout each school year. The curriculum outcomes outlined in each year level build upon and reinforce those gained in previous years.

Please access the Learning and Teaching tab from our website and click on the Curriculum Overviews link.
Our Prep - Year 2 swimming safety program has completed. We are interested to hear your feedback about the program and any areas for improvement. The total cost of the swimming program (paid by parents) is $15680 which includes buses and swimming lessons for 224 children for the 9 swimming awareness lessons.

Lost Swimming Clothing
If your child has lost an item of clothing please collect them from the junior shared area any day after school.

Prep Enrolments 2014
2014 Prep Enrolments opened on Monday 22nd April. Application forms can still be obtained form the school office. Please complete and return the enrolment application form together with Birth, Baptism, Passport/Visa (if born overseas) and Immunisation Certificates as soon as possible. Your child needs to be 5 years old by 30th April 2014 to begin Prep in 2014. Applications close on 14th June.

Resurrection School Open Mornings for Prep 2014 Families
Open Morning: On Monday 13th May at 9.15am and we will have a school tour. If you know someone with a child starting in Prep next year (and they are a Parishioner) please ask them to come along and see our school in action!
**NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN)**

Next week, students from Years 3 & 5 will participate in the NAPLAN. The national tests will assess student achievement in Literacy and Numeracy. All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in schools across Australia, will be doing the same tests on the same days.

The results from the assessment program will be used for:
1. Individual student reports to parents
2. School reporting to their communities, and
3. Aggregate reporting against national standards.

Student results will be distributed later in the year.

Parents will receive information on their child’s performance through the individual reports on each student.

Students will undertake tests covering the content strands in Literacy and Numeracy:
- Literacy includes: Reading, Writing and Language Conventions (which comprises spelling, grammar and punctuation).
- Numeracy includes: Number, Algebra, Function and Pattern, Space and Measurement

**CHANGE OF TIMETABLE**

Due to the NAPLAN next week, there will be a change to the specialist program. Students in Years 1 and 2 will have specialist lessons on Wednesday (wear your PE uniform) next week. Students in Years 5 and 6 will have specialist lessons on Thursday (wear your PE uniform) next week.

**LANDSCAPING WORKS**

Works have begun on our northern boundary. The works will make this area a usable area for children. In this area we plan to have places for children to sit (outside the rear library and classroom doors), an Australiana garden with a dry river bed and a bridge. In the future we plan to have an area for a vegetable garden.

**ST ALBANS/CAIRNLEA SAINTS 2013 AUSKICK**

**WHEN:** AFL Auskick – Fridays 4.30pm – 5.30pm

**WHERE:** St Albans Sports Club (Clubrooms)
Gillespie Road
St Albans Vic 3021

**COST:** AFL Auskick Registration Fee: $30.00
WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS
Resurrection will be running a variety of parent workshops.

When? Mondays - 2:30-3:15
Where? Magdalene Room
Starting Date - Monday 13th May

Would you like to teach your child how to:
*Cope with life’s ups and downs? *Develop independence and persistence? *Be more resilient?
*Develop lifelong skills to deal with anxiety? *Use problem solving skills to cope in life?

For further information contact Helen Belden

Best Wishes

John Kremers
Principal

Following the success of the Earn and Learn program last year, from which we were able to purchase a number of resources for our school, we are participating in this program again.

It’s simple to participate: From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent.

Please bring your points to school and place them in the collection box.
We will then send the completed sticker cards back Woolworths and be able to purchase some great resources for our school.

PRAYER

Lord, open our ears and hearts today so that we may hear your voice and answer the call to follow Amen

Thought for the Week

Many people don’t plan to fail they just fail to plan.
RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA WITH BRIMBANK CENTRAL

Our school is participating in Run Around Australia with Brimbank Central Shopping Centre!

Run Around Australia is part the ‘Lets Live Better’ initiative.

Last year the promotion was themed as “Canteen Rescue”.

The Run Around Australia Campaign is designed to positively influence children’s (and their parents’) food and lifestyle choices while offering school communities a great way to obtain additional funding.

The campaign commences on Monday 15th April and continues until 26th May 2012, for a 5 week period. Each dollar spent at Brimbank Central Shopping Centre by your school supporters will help our school to earn kilometres on our ‘Run Around Australia.’

Winning cash and prizes for our school is really simple: One dollar = one kilometre

Please bring your receipts to school.

PARENT SEMINAR SERIES

TOPIC: GIRLS RULES

Presenter: Theresa Sheedy

Ages: Primary and Secondary

For a long time there has been discussion that raising girls is different from raising boys. This seminar looks at girls’ relationships with each other and the adults in their world. How is power used within girl peer groups – who’s in and who’s not? What does bullying look like within girl groups? We discuss how to help your daughter manage social popularity and social isolation. Focusing on preventing depression, anxiety and eating disorders in young people, this seminar can introduce you to how you can support your daughter be herself in this ever-changing social context and examine what kind of parenting style works in developing a lasting relationship with your daughter.

Date: Thursday 30th May
Time: 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm
Location: Catholic Regional College – North Keilor (Map 14 B1)

CROSS COUNTRY

Wednesday the 8th May was our District Cross Country and I am proud to say that we have won for our third year in a row! Every student worked so hard in their training throughout the term, taking part in runners club and beep test club every week to get them prepared for the day and it paid off. It was such a proud moment to see their dedication paying off, with fantastic technique and working on their running tactics to come out winners at the end.

Eighteen of our students have made it through to the Divisional Cross Country to compete in the Keilor Division. Every student should be so happy with themselves, before the day started we had some students really nervous as to whether they would be able to finish the race, but every child completed the track, and they did it without needing to slow to a walk.
which is a great achievement within itself. A massive congratulations goes out to all the students that competed today, in particular: Arop Ayuel (1st U10), Bagat Beyong (U10), Musa Shan (U10), Kur Arob (U10), Emmanuel Loy (U10), Nyakoth Manyiel (3rd U10), Josh Schneider (2nd U11), Lachlan Farrugia (U11), Liam Micallef (U11), Agok Piath (1st U11), Piath Monoah (2nd U11), Nyanakok Mongrag (U11), Aguer Manyiel (1st U12), Deng Shan (2nd U12), Adoor Agang (U12), Sam Costa (U12), Olivia Brne (U12), Ashol Arob (U12) who have all made it to the next round. Thank you to Sue Cuccaro, David Farrugia & Anna Babula, parents that came down to help with marshalling and with supervising our students on the day. Without the support and good cheer of parents like this, we wouldn’t be able to participate in these extra-curricular activities. Michelle Gilbert & Maree Shields PE Teachers

SPORTS NEWS

Back in Week 1 of this term, we finally received our delivery of the sports equipment we acquired through the Coles Sports for School Promotion. Through the very generous contributions you all made in bringing in your vouchers, we were lucky enough to have received $5325 worth of equipment! Here is a list of some of the items we were able to get with the points raised:

- stopwatch kits
- portable team bench
- measuring tapes
- witches hats
- PMP equipment, including rubber chickens, foam beams, foam dice, hippity hoppers, king ball and foam 10 pin bowling set
- Netballs
- Volleyballs
- Soccer balls
- High jump bar and stand
- Long jump take off mats
- Magnetic coaches boards for softball and netball
- Competition softballs
- Shade tent for off campus sports events

Thank you again for your help in raising the points needed to get this equipment for the children to use in both their Physical Education Lessons and the extra curricular activities the school participates in.

Maree Shields and Michelle Gilbert Physical Education Teachers
Congratulations to the following students who submitted answers to last week's problem: Isabella Macapolo (Room 5), Simon Pham (Room 12), Sacreana Sapa’u (Room 2), Aimeree Manabat (Room 12), Vincent Dinh (Room 11), Tia McHenry (Room 17), Ethan Apap (Room 4), Ivan Lee (Room 22), Diana (Room 6), Zane Arbid (Room 7), Sophia Oenning (Room 13), Rohan Bangera (Room 1), Michael Tran (Room 12), Jane Nantogman (Room 15), Elijah Macapolo (Room 8).

Points awarded this week:

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We invite all students to have a go at answering the questions for Week 2. Please remember to write your first name and last name on the entry 😊

Each entry will earn 5 points for your house colour. We ask students to have a go and do their best (and they may choose to answer from another level if too difficult or too easy) and points are awarded for trying, not for having the correct answer. Students who enter will also have their names published in the school newsletter and there will be occasional small prizes awarded. Good luck!

Entries are due by Monday mornings at 9am. You may write your entry on the space provided, cut it out and give it to your teacher to place in your classroom office tub by Monday. Thank you 😊

Week 3 questions

Foundation – Junior: Name: _______________________________ Room Number: ______________ House colour: _______

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Senior School: Name: __________________________________ Room Number: ______________ House colour: _______

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WELLBEING

Children thrive at school when they are happy and secure
At resurrection we believe students well being is foremost for learning.

To ensure resurrection is a safe and supportive school a survey is conducted twice a year
with a sample of students from year 1 to year 6.

Student’s responses to questions and results are noted below.

Learning in my classroom is fun and interesting - 100% of students responded- yes
I feel happy and safe in my classroom-97% of students responded-yes
Adults in this school know and care for me -100% of students responded-yes
There is a person or program in this school that helps me to solve problems or
conflicts- 92% of students responded - yes

Results affirm that Resurrection continues to support and promote a happy and safe School
for all.

Resurrection is a You Can Do It School!

Getting Along is one of the keys for being successful and happy

This is Gabby Get Along

Students In prep to year 2 learn to know what it means to get along with others with the help of Gabby
All students at Resurrection learn that Getting Along is:

- BEING HELPFUL WHEN WORKING IN A GROUP
- LISTENING AND NOT INTERRUPTING IN CLASS WHEN SOMEONE ELSE IS TALKING
- TALKING RATHER THAN FIGHTING WHEN SOMEONE ELSE IS TALKING
- SHARING MATERIALS
- FOLLOWING IMPORTANT CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL RULES
- HELPING SOMEONE ELSE WITH THEIR WORK
- TREATING TEACHERS AND CLASSMATES WITH RESPECT
- CLEANING UP THE SCHOOL GROUNDS
- VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY

Conflicts
There’s no denying friends have conflicts, but children who know how to manage conflict are happier, have better friendships and learn better at school. As children are learning how to compromise, coaching them on conflict resolution skills – rather than stepping in to fix the problem – is a helpful strategy.

Playing by the Rules
Thinking that by following important school and home rules, you will live in a better world where everyone’s rights are protected.

Thinking First
Thinking that when someone treats you badly, you need to think about different ways you can act, the consequences of each possible action, and the impact of your actions on how the other person will feel.

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**PARISH NEWS**

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC**

The process for adults who may be interested in being baptized (For those who have not been baptized), or formally received (For those who have been baptized but who have little or no understanding of Catholic faith), into the Catholic Church is called R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

It is helpful to look at this a journey; a faith journey.

As with all journeys there is a starting point. The starting point for R.C.I.A. is an Enquiry Night. This is the opportunity for “enquirers” to gather informally, to hear from some who have recently been through the R.C.I.A. process, and to hear more of what one might expect on the journey; including a possible timetable.

The start for the 2013 R.C.I.A. journey is **Tuesday evening 28 May at 7.30pm** in our Community Centre, which is located in front of the hall.

Be assured that a warm welcome awaits you.

As Jesus said to two of John’s disciples who followed him, “What are you looking for” and then he said “Come and see.” These are the first words Jesus utters in John’s Gospel (John 1: 38-39).

**PREP ENROLMENTS**

Enrolments for Prep 2014 are now open. Please don’t delay and risk the possibility of missing out. Pick up an enrolment form from the School Office and return it as soon as possible.
Facing the Truth – www.facingthetruth.org.au
From Monday 29 April, the Catholic Church will commence appearing before the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into child abuse. Bishop Bird and Bishop Connors from the Diocese of Ballarat and representatives from the Salesians and St John of God Brothers will appear on 29 April. Other Catholic Church representatives will appear over coming weeks.
Go to www.facingthetruth.org.au to find:
* videos on Towards Healing and Melbourne Response, the Church’s processes for dealing with allegations of sexual abuse
* copies of statements made by those appearing before the Inquiry
* new fact sheets and frequently asked questions
* 18 corrections to common misconceptions about child abuse and the Catholic Church.
On the website homepage, please register to be notified when new information is added.

Eucharist Not a Luxury But a Necessity
“The Eucharist is not a luxury, but a necessity, for without it, we would, in a spiritual sense, starve to death.” These comments come from the author of a book entitled Eucharist by Robert Barron, who is professor of systematic theology at the University of St Mary of the Lake, Mundelein, Illinois, U.S.A.
The book has only 141 pages but is very readable and is part of a series entitled “Catholic Spirituality for Adults”. It was one of the books that Fr Noel read while on last year’s sabbatical. Fr Noel would now like to share this book with parishioners who are interested in deepening their understanding of Eucharist. The author uses a movie called Babette’s Feast as a symbol of self-giving which is essential in understanding Eucharist. Special Ministers of Communion have already watched the movie and now they along with any Resurrection parishioner are invited to participate in a discussion group over three Friday nights. Anyone participating will need to purchase a copy of the book (available at the Parish Office at a cost of $10).
The three chapters are titled, “Eucharist as a Sacred Meal”, “The Eucharist as Sacrifice”, and the rather provocative title “If It’s Only a Symbol, to Hell with It”.
The expectation is that you would read the chapter beforehand and then come to the meeting prepared to enter into a discussion.
The dates are Friday 24 May, Friday 14 June, and Friday 5 July commencing at 7.15pm in the Community Centre.

Marriage Enrichment
We are fortunate to have CatholicCare’s Marriage and Relationship Team coming to our parish on Saturday 29 June between 9.15am and 4.15pm to conduct a Relationships Day.
During the day couples will have the opportunity to explore ideas for deepening connection, friendship, and intimacy in their relationship.
The cost for the day is $80 per couple which includes lunch. Book now at the Parish Office.

Proclaimers
On Tuesday 28 May and Tuesday 4 June at 7.30pm there are liturgical formation workshops for “Readers of God’s Word” to be held in the Cathedral Room of the Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne.
Fr Gary Walker has offered to come over and drive four parishioners committed to this ministry into the city for either of these workshops. Fr Noel will also take four parishioners on the second night as he has our R.C.I.A. Enquiry Night on the 28 May. That is twelve Proclaimers. Please reserve your place by contacting the Parish Office. We will leave at 6.45pm.
On Thursday 13 June after our 7pm Mass we will have our own workshop and will hopefully all benefit from the experience of those who attended the workshops in the city.
In the meantime there is no substitute to careful and prayerful preparation.