Dear Families,

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please remember to have a look at our school's website. Each week the newsletter will be uploaded and the monthly calendar. We hope to be able to provide you with a range of web links and information to assist your child with their education. Please email me some feedback and your suggestions for improvements.

www.rskingspark.catholic.edu.au
Shopping Bags

Prayer, Self-denial, and Helping others are the hallmarks of Lent. At Resurrection school each class has a green shopping bag with our label. The idea is that when you grocery shop during Lent you buy an additional item (or one less item for yourself) and send it to school with your child to place it in the bag.

At the Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday, 28th March) the bags with the non-perishable groceries will be blessed and passed on to our St Vincent Group, who will in turn distribute the groceries to those who are needy in our community.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

All of us (parents and staff) at some point have wondered if it’s worth the effort to keep talking, urging and pleading with children about a whole range of expectations. Well, the answer is YES, but don’t expect instant result on all fronts: we plant the ideas, keep nurturing them and trust that they will be alive and well in the children.

It is important for us to be consistent in teaching children; otherwise how can they learn and understand what is really expected. Telling a child what should be done is one thing, but true learning takes place for the child when they see it happening in our lives (for example: using manners, speaking politely, listening, etc.). When discipline is used to reinforce our expectations, it should be regarded, firstly as teaching not punishing; it is guiding the child to make good choices; it is educating them about self respect, respect for others, patience, love and knowing the limits.

The most important expectation at school would be the most important at home; that is that children need to ‘follow the staffs’ instructions’. This means that, at all times, children need to listen and obey what a staff member asks them to do (at home this could be ‘follow your parents instructions’). This is important for the safety of your child and other children and shows respect for all staff. This expectation requires the children to listen and obey a staff member at all times. Positive Behaviour Management is best seen as a teaching process with clear guidelines and procedures that address the management of student behaviour. It also is a means of helping students to learn to make better choices.

The following rules are consistently used in all areas of school life e.g. classrooms, whilst children are playing, school camps and excursions.

- Follow instructions
- Speak appropriately
- Listen to the speaker
- Move safely
- Hands off
- Care for all property
POPE BENEDICT

No doubt we were all surprised by Pope Benedict’s announcement of retirement as of 28th February 2013.

We pray.....

For the health of Pope Benedict XVI as he acknowledges his own fragility and enters this next phase of his contemplative life: May he be rewarded by the consolation of a papacy lived with prayerfulness, humility, faithfulness and drawing people into the love of God. Amen

STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION

Student Medical information sheets were sent home 2 weeks ago. Student medical details to be recorded are only diagnosed medical conditions. Please fill the information on the sheet and return to school by Friday 1st March.

PARISH GROUPS

The first Wednesday of each month all parish groups meet for prayer in the church (7.15pm) and then break off into their groups (7.30pm).

The School Advisory Council meets in the staffroom (7.30pm-8.30pm) and its aims are to:

- Foster close relationships between all who make up this community.
- Work closely within and contribute to the total Parish Meeting structure.
- Discuss issues tabled by the parent representatives.
- Elicit ideas and opinions in regard to school policy and programming.
- Create support for those working on behalf of the school.

At our meeting on Wednesday 6th March we plan to:

☐ discuss the implementation of computers and further understand Cyber safety
☐ review our 2013 Annual action Plan
☐ discuss 2013 innovations

Please feel free to join us and have your input into your child’s school!

STUDENT ABSENCE NOTE

Attached to this newsletter is a pro forma for parents to complete when their child has been absent from school (3 notes are attached). We hope this will assist families, as it is a requirement to provide a note to the teacher when your child does not attend school. We will also place this pro forma on our webpage so it can be accessed from home.
READING AND WRITING INFORMATION SESSION

At Resurrection we value the input of adults helping in the classroom. An information session outlining how you can help in the classroom will be held on:

When: Friday 1\textsuperscript{st} March
Where: Mackillop Room
Time: Starting at 9.00am – Finishing at 9.45 am (approx)

This information session is also open to parents who would like to find out how they can help their child at home with reading and writing also.

Please note: All volunteers working with children need to have a Working with Children Check card. Application forms are available from the Post Office.

Any further information regarding the information session or about being a parent helper, please contact Helen Cozmescu.

Please return the tear off slip below by Tuesday 26\textsuperscript{th} February.

Dear Mrs Cozmescu,

Parent/s Name: _______________________________ will be attending the Information session on Friday 1\textsuperscript{st} March.

Eldest Child’s name: ____________________________ Room Number ________

INVITATION TO THE OPENING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR MASS

Friday 22nd February at 9:15am

Celebrated by

Father Noel Brady

All families are invited to celebrate this Mass with the School Community – Students, Staff and Parishioners

Morning tea with the School Staff will follow after Mass in the Community centre.

All Welcome!!
Parents need to decide now if this year is the right time for their child/ren to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Year 3), First Communion (Year 4), or Confirmation (Year 6).

Tonight the Sacramental journey for all Year 3, 4, and 6 students begins at 7.00pm in the church.

The evening will take the form of a Prayer Service that will include faith sharing from invited speakers. It will begin at 7.00pm and conclude by 8pm. All children who are celebrating a sacrament together with their parents are expected to attend. It is part of the faith journey leading to the celebration of the sacraments.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALES

Our second-hand uniform sales will be sold TOMORROW Friday 22nd February, from 2.45pm to 3.15pm. All items are $5.00 each.

Please try to bring the correct money.

Enter through the Junior Shared Area doors.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM DONATIONS WELCOME

Story Time

MacKillop Room

Fridays from 2.45pm - 3.15pm

Parents please come for story time with pre school children.
Resurrection Parish Prep Welcome Mass
And Family Fun Day for all!!
Sunday February 24th, 2013
Resurrection Parish are welcoming prep families at the 10.30am Mass and having a Family Fun Day to be held on Sunday February 24th. Mass begins at 10.30am and the Fun day begins from 11.30 am in the school/parish car park. This day is open to everyone - new families to our school/parish, all the community and of course our regular parish and school community. There will be ‘FREE’ rides (jumping castle, train ride and aeroplane ride). We also have a sausage sizzle costing $2.50 each and various drinks.. Bring the family, tell your friends, don’t miss out on this great family event!

Parish Social Group

WORKING BEES -2013

This year we will continue to have one working bee a Term. Our first working bee is on Saturday February 23rd (8.30am -12.30pm) and I invite parents who have their eldest child in Level 4 (Year 5/6) to attend as your one working bee commitment for the year.

Other working Bees:
June 15th - Eldest child in Level 3 (Year 3 & 4 children)
September 7th - Eldest child in Level 2 (Year 1 & 2 children)
November 30th - Eldest child in Level 1 (Prep children)

Remember that working bees are a vital way of improving our school environment. There are many parents who, due to work and other commitments, cannot assist during our normal school week. Our working bees are a great opportunity to meet other parents and assist your child’s school at the same time. To enable us to plan the work could you please indicate below if you are able to attend.

Dear Mr. Kremers,
The __________________________ family are able to attend the working bee on Saturday 23rd February.

Number of adults ___________ Eldest child’s name ___________ Year ____ Room ___


EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE
(EMA Health Care Card)

The eligibility amount for 2013 is $200 per Prep child and $150 per Year 1-6 child. The payment will be paid in two instalments and to be eligible the claimant must:

- Be a parent / guardian of a primary school student.

- Hold a current CENTRELINK CONCESSION, OR HEALTH CARE BENEFIT CARD, OR VETERANS AFFAIRS (TP) PENSIONER CARD and the card must be **current on 29th January, 2013**.

- **Application must be submitted to the school by 28th February 2013**

Parents, if you are eligible please apply **NOW**. You must bring your Centrelink Card with you to be photocopied.

**NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE ABOVE DATE**

**CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS**

The Curriculum Overviews for Term Four 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.
Thought for the Week

Keep your mind in peace whatever happens.

Mary Mackillop

Best Wishes

John Kremers
Principal

Ready, Set WORK

Wednesdays at 12.30 to 3:00

Catholic Regional College, Theodore StSt Albans

A program for women

• Looking for work
• Wanting to learn more about computers
• Wanting to develop more work skills

All welcome

Dear Parents,

On March 8, Resurrection will be holding their Second Annual Cross Country Carnival for students in grades 3 to 6. This is a compulsory activity for all students in those year levels and training for the event has already begun during the students Physical Education Lessons.
This event will also be used to determine our school representatives for the Extra Curricular District Competition being held on May 8.

For this activity to be as successful as last years, we need the help of you, the parents. If you are able to assist us on March 8, from 11:30am until 1:45pm, can you please fill in the reply slip below and return it to Mrs Maree Shields or Miss Michelle Gilbert.

Thankyou,
Maree Shields and Michelle Gilbert

Resurrection Cross Country Carnival 2013

I, ___________________________, am able to help with the School Cross Country Carnival on March 8th.

My Child’s name is ________________________ Grade _____ Room _____

PMP

For Term 1 the Prep students in rooms 7 and 8 will be taking part in the Perceptual Motor Program (PMP). This program is designed to help these young students to build their basic and fundamental motor skills, and all students that get to take part in this program show a vast improvement in their physical development.

This program is run in a rotational format, with 6 stations for the students to move around to as they build towards achieving set outcomes. To run this program successfully, I require the dedicated help of 5 parents or parishioners each week for the term.

The program is set to run on Tuesday mornings from 9:55am to 10.45am.

I would greatly appreciate the help of as many parents and parishioners over this time as possible and, understanding that not everyone can help every week, I have placed a notice in the parish office and in front of the school office. Please mark the day or days that you will be available to come down as the program will not be able to run without this valuable help.

Please do not hesitate to see me if you have any queries.
Kind Regards,
Maree Shields
PE Teacher

Maths Problem Solving

Congratulations to the following students who submitted answers to last week’s problem:

Rebecca Galea (Room 11), Thu (Room 2), Khristelle Obar (Room 19), John (Room 5), Gabby Lavery (Room 11), Tia McHenry (Room 17), Kyle Silvestre (Room 1), Anthony Galea, Sacreana Sapa’u (Room 2), Noah McHenry (Room 2), Isabella Macapolo (Room 5), Jacob (Room 6), Nieve Alamo (Room 22), Sharveshvar Sivakumar (Room 14), Abie Alamo (Room 13), Matthew Alamo (Room 17), Brooklyn Hipolito (Room 8), Elijah Macapolo (Room 8), Ethan Apap (Room 4).
Points awarded this week:

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We invite all students to have a go at answering the questions for Week 4. 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 4 questions

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PARISH NEWS

Working Bee

What about some new faces next Saturday? There is much to be done. You can make a difference. The working bee is on Saturday 23 February from 8.30am till noon. Morning tea and lunch provided.

How Will You Serve?

Did you commit to at least one of our 54 Parish Ministries?
If Resurrection is the place where you regularly worship and you did not, you might reflect on the words of Jesus in John’s Gospel 13:14 “So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet”.
We are called to serve others.

Palm Branches

Should you be able to supply any palm branches (large or small) for this year’s Passion Sunday (24th March) please contact the Parish Office, or leave your details at the Welcome Desk.

Lenten Groups

There are four opportunities each week during Lent for parishioners to reflect and discuss the following Sunday’s Gospel. Each participant is asked to buy a booklet entitled “We Wish to See Jesus”, the cost is $8. The booklet is produced by the Archdiocese of Brisbane. It has the Sunday Gospel readings for Lent, reflections on the Gospel, and thoughtful questions to provide a focus for sharing.
Times and facilitators are as follows:
Monday 9.15am Margaret Vilardo
Tuesday 7.30pm RCIA (all welcome)
Wednesday 1pm Jane Caruana
Wednesday 7pm Dan Christie
There are sign-up sheets in the church narthex.

Playgroup

Resurrection Parish Playgroup has been going for over 15 years. It is held in the hall on Thursday mornings between 10am and noon. Any Resurrection parishioner is welcome. The cost is $2.

Sacraments 2013

Parents please note if you have a child in Grades 3 (1st Reconciliation), 4 (1st Communion), or 6 (Confirmation) at Resurrection Primary School; or if your child goes to a Government and is celebrating one of those Sacraments this year, there is a Prayer Service and information this evening Thursday 21 February in the church commencing at 7pm.
It is important that you participate in this evening as it is an integral part of the journey leading up to the celebration of the Sacraments.

No Thursday Mass this Week

Because of the Sacramental night on 21 February there will not be a Thursday Mass this week.
Parish Family Fun Day...

24th February
11.30am - 2pm
FREE RIDES
FACE PAINTING
RAFFLE
GAMES
SAUSAGE SIZZLE - $2.50
DRINKS - $1.00
STUDENT: _______________________

CLASS: _______________________

My child was absent from school on the following date(s):

Beginning Date: ________  (complete only if this line if one day’s absence)

End Date: ________  (complete if more than one day absence)

Reason for absence: please tick appropriate box

☐ ILLNESS  ☐ APPOINTMENT

☐ HOLIDAY  ☐ OTHER

COMMENTS: ______________________________

______________________________

Parent/Guardian

Date: ____/____/____

This notice of explanation should be sent to your child’s class teacher on their return to school for inclusion in the Attendance Roll. If taking a planned absence please forward BEFORE absence/holiday.
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