Thursday October 30th, 2014

Dear Families,

Welcome 2015

On Monday we welcomed our 2015 preps to a ‘Prep readiness’ session. They participated in a range of activities and had an opportunity to experience school life. We look forward to seeing all of our 2015 preps for their 2nd session on Monday 10th November beginning at 9.10am.

After School Care

In 2015 we will have a new Before and After school provider. The new provider is called Out School Hours Club (OSH Club). OSH Club manages many schools in our area and we will now have Before and After school at Resurrection (ie children will not be going to Movelle). We are fortunate to retain the services of Judy Leckie as the OSH Club Co-ordinator. There will be a meeting on Thursday 4th December beginning at 7pm for all parents who are considering having children in Before and After school in 2015. OSH Club offers online bookings and payments and a range of other services to ensure a great program is offered!

Pope Francis
‘There is no such thing as a part time Christian’ when we follow Jesus.'
**Welcome Back**

We welcome back Fr. Noel from holidays this weekend.

Our Friday 8.30 am Masses will begin on Friday 7th November!

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**Feasts of All Saints and All Souls**

On Saturday 1st November and Sunday 2nd November we will celebrate All Saints and All Souls Day.

All Saints Day is the feast which commemorates all those we know who may never be publicly proclaimed in the canon or list of saints, but who nonetheless are in heaven. Some of them may only be known to God. Others are people whose love, sacrifice and fidelity we have seen for ourselves and who have inspired us. Sometimes they can be our own mothers and fathers.

The feast of All Souls is not a feast of sadness, but one of great hope and confidence. It invites us to entrust our dead to God, because we know that they are really God’s dead. We know that if we have loved them, God has loved them more. They are in God’s care, and like a good shepherd, God will lead them to peace.

While the Feast of All Saints offers us an opportunity to be in communion with the Saints as we give thanks to them for their prayers and protection, the Mass of All Souls turns our prayers to all the faithful departed.

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**Lacrosse**

Two teams of children went yesterday with Miss Gilbert to represent our school for lacrosse. Congratulations to Resurrection Primary School for winning the first Lacrosse Tournament held in our district. Both the girl’s team and boy’s team played fantastically all day against 4 other schools in the district to be the first ever champions! Both teams showed incredible sportsmanship, skill and team work to play against some very strong competition and we are so very proud of them and cannot believe how well they have taken to playing a sport that they had never seen nor heard of until this year. Fantastic work!
SWIMMING REVIEW

Our Prep swimming safety program will be completed tomorrow. We are interested to hear your feedback about the program and any areas for improvement.

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IMPROVEMENTS FOR 2015

Our in-service day on the 18th November will provide staff with the opportunity to review many areas of school life by listing strengths, concerns and recommendations for 2015.

I would like to provide parents with the same opportunity to offer suggestions for improvement for 2015. I have listed some ideas of areas below that you may wish to comment on.

Please complete the form below and return it to the school office by Friday 14th November.

Improvements for 2015 in the following areas of school life..

Areas you may wish to comment on may include: Camps, Sacrament program, Make Jesus Real, Homework, Excursions, Classrooms, Whole school events eg “Resurrection Day, School Production, Whole School Masses etc, Father's Day/Mother’s Day, Home Reading, Computers, Sports Program, Italian, Swimming, Portfolios, Afternoon Teas, Assembly, School App(phone), Newsletters, Webpage, What's on Board etc etc

Parent suggestions for improvements for 2015

Please write any suggestions below that you may have to improve school life in 2015 (or email: principal@rskingspark.catholic.edu.au)
**CHOCOLATES**

Next week we will be selling for our last remaining Freddo chocolates for 50 cents at the Kiosk at snack time. One Freddo per child only will be sold.

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**SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The first Wednesday of each month all parish groups meet for prayer (7.15 pm) and then break off into their groups. The School Advisory Council meets in the staff planning room (7.30 pm-8.30 pm) 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 5th November (after Cup Day) we plan to:

- Review areas of school life and assist our planning for 2015
- Inform parents of 2015 events
- Analyse the Parent and Student data surveys
- Plan the Prep Welcome Mass and Parish Fun day 2015

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**WORKING BEE**

_We invite all Parents who have their eldest child in Prep or who have NOT attended one working bee this year to our next WORKING BEE, which will start at 8.30am on Saturday 29th November._

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. We invite all families who have not attended one working bee this year to attend.

To enable us to plan the work could you please indicate below if you are able to attend?

The __________________________ family are able to attend the working bee on Saturday 29th November.

Number of adults ____________Eldest child’s name ______________ Year ___ Room ___
Dear Parents,
On behalf of Father Noel and Resurrection School you are invited to attend a very special evening with Father Frank O'Loughlin on Tuesday November 11th in the church at 7.15 pm. We are very fortunate to have him come to Resurrection. He is going to give a talk on the Eucharist and his talk is guaranteed to deepen your faith by expanding your understanding and appreciation of the power of symbols. He is a wonderful speaker and well known for his work on the Eucharist.

This talk is an adult only (no children) Faith meeting and we especially invite you to take this opportunity to hear Father Frank. We hope that you mark this date in your diary and come along to hear this wonderful speaker.

Best Wishes

John Kremers
Principal

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE CAROLINE SPRINGS YEAR 7 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Reminder to all Year 6 parents that there will be a Year 7, 2015 Parent Information Evening on Thursday 13 November at 7:00pm. This will be of benefit to you as important information will be discussed regarding uniforms, fees, booklists and other information to ensure a successful transition to secondary school for your child. This meeting is for parents only; children are not to attend.

PRAYER

God of all nations,  
May the Spirit who inspired the Apostles to know how to live and teach the message of your Son’s Gospel, be our source of inspiration.  
May the gifts of the Spirit be alive in all aspects of our daily living. Amen.

Thought for the Week

Just remember once you are over the hill, you begin to pick up speed.  
Schulz
**PARISH MARKET DAY**
The hall was abuzz with excitement on Saturday as the Resurrection Parish Market Day took place.
Thankyou to everyone that attended the successful Parish Market Day that was held on Saturday 25th October. It was a great family day out and the weather was lovely. There were lots of lovely stalls to buy from- Face Painting, Plaster Painting, Sand Art and Jumping Castle. We managed to raise over $3,500 for the Parish. A very big THANKYOU goes out to Rachael Bonavia & Melanie Apap for the months of preparation that went into planning this event. Also, thankyou to Marlene & Madeleine Axiak and the members of the social group for organising such a fantastic family day.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL INQUIRY DAY**
Our middle school students were engaged in an inquiry day as part of our unit “Say G’Day to the Bay”.
Students were engaged in a variety of hands on experiences were they had the opportunity to cook, create sea creatures, study the anatomy of a fish, research and explore the properties of water. It was a great day with lots of exciting learning.
Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)
“The Church is called to be the house of the Father, with doors always wide open. One concrete sign of such openness is that our church doors should always be open, so that if someone, moved by the Spirit, comes there looking for God, he or she will not find a closed door.”

Fr. Noel Brady will be celebrating Mass this weekend, we welcome him back from his 6 week holiday to Spain - Camino de Santiago.

Resurrection Market Day
Thank you for all the parents, parishioners and stall holders who help make the day a success. We raised a total of $3,517.50!

Remembrance Day Talk
On Remembrance Day, 11 November at 7.15 pm we are very fortunate to have Fr Frank O’Loughlin coming to Resurrection. He is going to give a talk on the Eucharist. His talk is guaranteed to deepen your faith by expanding your understanding appreciation of the power of symbols.

Gospel Reflection
Gospel Reflection run by Margaret Vilardo will be on the 2nd Thursday of each month beginning at 9.15 am. Everyone is welcome. I would especially like to invite parent's with little-ones wishing to reflect on the Gospel. I hope to see you, we meet in the Church.

Tuesday 9th December - In-house Seniors Christmas lunch.
(Venue to be advised)

Our usual Seniors Christmas lunch, for ALL senior parishioners, will commence with an Anointing Mass at 9.20 a.m. We will then proceed to the Hall where morning tea will be served. There will be live music for dancing, sing-along and/or listening pleasure and, maybe, a visit from Santa. A 3-course lunch will be served. Advance bookings are necessary for catering purposes. Also, as we mention each year, if you form a group of 8 or more, a table can be set up for you and your friends, alternatively, if you wish to be seated with a particular group of friends, please let Jane know at the time of booking. Cost: $25.00 per person, all inclusive.
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