Dear Families,

**Easter Raffle- Casual Clothes**

On Wednesday 13th March children are able to come to school in casual clothes and donate an Easter egg, chocolates, soft toy or basket. These will be used for our Easter egg raffle. Each year we create in excess of 40 baskets. Raffle tickets will be sent home soon.

**Easter Baskets Creation – Volunteers Required**

Parents are invited to help create the Easter baskets in the Community Room on Wednesday 20th March at 9.00am.

Easter Raffle will be drawn on Monday 25th March at Assembly.

*All parents are welcome*

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**Working Bee**

Thank you to all the school families that helped at our working bee. Many jobs were completed which has ensured our school continues to look great in spite of the poor weather conditions.

Please put into your diary our next working bee Saturday June 15th 2013.

**Photos on the next page**
Resurrection Parish Prep Welcome Mass and Family Fun Day
A great day was held by all last Sunday. The Prep children were welcomed to our community at 10.30am Mass together with their families. After Mass the Parish Social Group organised a Family Fun Day. Over 300 hundred people enjoyed the rides, face painting, food and drinks. Thanks to all who supported this great event.
EMERGENCY DRILL

In the next few weeks we will have an emergency drill to familiarise all in the school community with what needs to occur during an emergency situation. Throughout the year we will continue to have more emergency drills.

BUDDIES

All classes at Resurrection School have a ‘buddy class’. This allows for children to get to know children they would not normally meet with and complete a range of activities together. The photos below show the preps sharing their iPads with their Senior School buddies.
TERMINOLOGY

2013 sees the introduction of the new Australian Curriculum (in the past we have had our own Victorian curriculum). We will publish the new curriculum areas and directions as they are implemented. We will need to change our current terms for grades. In the Australian Curriculum Level 1 is Year 1, Level 2 is Year 2, Level 3 is Year 3, Level 4 is Year 4, Level 5 is Year 5 and Level 6 is Year 6.

Preps can be called ‘Foundation’ or remain as ‘Preps’ (the terms are interchangeable)!
Our remaining Levels will be renamed: Year 1 and 2 Grades – Junior School, Year 3 and 4 Grades – Middle School and Year 5 and 6 Grades – Senior School.

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.

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:    Tomorrow
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.

Story Time

MacKillop Room
Fridays from 2.45pm – 3.15pm
Parents please come for story time with pre school children.
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.

SCHOOL FEES

School Fee Statements will be going out this week, please check your child’s school bag. Levies are now due and Term 1 Fees are due Friday 8th March.
Thought for the Week

Thoughts are useless unless followed by action.

P.K. Shaw

Best Wishes

John Kremers

Principal

PRAYER

Christ our Light, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.
Shine the light of your Word into lives, so that we may be healed of all
blindness.
Amen

Congratulations to the following students who received the
‘Following Instructions’ Award this week.

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School photo envelopes will be coming home on **Thursday 7**th **March** (with an instruction sheet on how to order in the newsletter). Please complete a separate envelope for each child purchasing photos. Cost of photos range from $21.00 to $40.00. Family photo envelopes available from the office. More information to follow soon.

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.

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.

Maree Shields
PE Teacher
YOU CAN DO IT! (YCDI)

The YCDI is our new Social Skills Program.

The main purpose of the "YOU CAN DO IT!" program is to provide all children with the skills to achieve social and emotional wellbeing at school, home and in the future.

The core value of You Can Do It is the development of the potential of all children (academically, intellectually, interpersonally and emotionally) through instilling Five Foundations:

- Confidence
- Persistence
- Organisation, and
- Getting Along
- Resilience

Central to the development of these Five foundations is explicit instruction in Eleven Habits of the Mind:

- Accepting Myself
- Taking Risks
- Being Independent
- I Can Do It
- Giving Effort
- Working Tough
- Setting Goals
- Planning My Time
- Being Tolerant Of Others
- Thinking First, and
- Playing by the Rules

Each week the students receive explicit instruction in You Can Do It lessons, which focus on one of the five Foundations. The chosen Foundation is taught in all classes that week so that it becomes a whole school focus and is reflected in all aspects of school life.
MATHS PROBLEM SOLVING

Congratulations to the following students who submitted answers to last week’s problem:
Anthony Galea (Room 2), Sophia Oenning (Room 13), Aimerene Manabat (Room 12), Thu (Room 2), Earnest Cruz (Room 5), Alex Jablonsky (Room 3), Sacreana Sapa’u (Room 2), Ethan Apap (Room 4), Liam Lavery (Room 13), Abie Alamo (Room 13), Andre Chircop (Room 22), Benjamin Colbert (Room 8), Dwayne, Joshua Horton (Room 19), James Tallent (Room 14), Kayla (Room 17), 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 5. 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 5 questions

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<td>Problem: Vicky decided to hike through the 24 km trail across the Blue Mountains. She began her hike at 9:40am. After she had hiked one third of the way, she looked at her watch again and it was 11:00am. If she maintains her pace, what time will she finish?</td>
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Help

Is there a parishioner with good computer skills and a little creativity, who would be willing to format the data projection Mass presentation each week? This can be done at home or in the Parish Office (or at work!). We do have the template and the majority of hymns are on file. It would require cutting and pasting, and experimenting with different colours, type settings, and images. Should you have these skills, the time and prepared to make the commitment would you kindly contact the Parish Office or leave your name at the Welcome Desk.

Parish Meeting Night

This Wednesday 6 March is our Parish Meeting Night. We begin with prayer at 7.15pm. in our church. Supper provided by Working Bee group.

Reconciliation

Lent provides an ideal time to experience God’s healing and forgiveness within the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Every Saturday the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered in our church between 9.30am and 10am. The Second Rite will be celebrated on the Tuesday of Holy Week (26 March) at 7.15pm. Fr Gary Walker will lead the service along with Fr Noel and 13 other priests.

Mission/Event

The Catholic Guy Ministry team is coming to our parish between 8 – 14 May. The Catholic Guy is well known on the Christian Television Channel. There will be sessions in the morning at 9.15am (ideal for school parents and those not working) and 7.15 in the evening. You can get further information by going on www.thecatholicguy.com

Change of Mass Times

Please note that there will not be the usual 6pm Monday Mass on 11 March (Labour Day). Also on Thursday 14 Mass will be at 6.30pm and not at 7pm. The change is for this week only and is made to accommodate our First Communion Workshop.