Dear Families,

Catholic Education Week

Entrusted with Something Precious

This annual event will be held from 10th to 17th March and has the theme, ‘Entrusted With Something Special’.

The major events organised by the Catholic Education Office Melbourne (CEOM) will include:

- The Visual Arts Exhibition, featuring the best of Catholic student art.
- More than 2000 Catholic school students will attend the St Patrick’s Day Mass for Schools on 14th March at St Patrick’s Cathedral.

The Mass will be celebrated by the Archbishop of Melbourne, Denis Hart, with priests from parishes in the Archdiocese. The Mass will begin with a colourful procession into the cathedral with students holding school flags and banners. After the Mass, the annual concert will be staged in the Fitzroy Gardens, featuring singers and dancers from Catholic primary and secondary schools. Our school sports captains will attend this Mass and celebrations together with Mrs Barone.

The SRC students and school captains will be attending a Student Leadership Day in the City on this day also with Mr. Miatello and Mrs Carabott.

At Resurrection children will be involved in activities with their ‘buddy’ class next week to celebrate Catholic Education Week.
2013 Student Leaders
We welcome our 2013 student leaders who will work with all in the school community to improve Resurrection.

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SRC members will receive their badges at our next whole school Assembly on Monday 25th March 2.45pm.

**Holy Week**

As a school community we will reflect on the events of Holy week at a special Prayer Service in the Hall on Thursday 28th March at 9.30am. Parents are welcome to attend.

**End of Term**

On the last day of Term (Thursday 28th March) all children finish at 2.15pm.
Senior School (Year 5&6) Camp Meeting

A camp meeting will be held for all parents of children in Year 5&6 on Tuesday 19th March 2.30pm in the MacKillop Room. Please come along and have all your questions about camp answered. If you cannot make this meeting but you still have camp questions please contact either Mrs Angela Anderson or myself.

FUNDRAISING MEETING

Please come along next Wednesday in the Community room at 9.00am (toddlers welcome) and join in our discussions for 2013 fundraising ideas. We invite and would welcome any parents with an hour to spare to contribute to our 2013 fund-raising ideas. It is a great way to meet other parents and become involved in school life.

All Welcome

WHAT’S ON IN OUR SCHOOL

Our display board (near the Community Room) is full of current news and events (including the school calendar). Please take some time on a weekly basis to have a look at the notices and photos of recent events!

SHOPPING BAGS 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.
CARITAS FUND RAISING

Tenique, Brandon, Sarah and Tianna made biscuits and sold them to Senior School Children to raise money for Project Compassion. Well done to these children on this great initiative! The children raised over $100!!

STUDENT WELFARE WORKER

We welcome Miss Susanna Mullner (psychologist) who will be working one day a week as our Student Welfare Worker. Susanna’s role is to work with small groups of children and assist them in developing further life and social skills. Parents will receive an information note if their child is going to be working with Miss Susanna Mullner.

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

EMERGENCY DRILL

On Monday we had an Emergency Drill. The entire school was evacuated to the oval. We will continue to practice throughout the year a range of scenarios (e.g. a lock down) to ensure all in our community are familiar with the emergency procedures.
STORY TIME

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

AFTERNOON TEAS

At Resurrection we know how important it is for parents and staff to work together to achieve the best outcomes for your children. To provide an opportunity for parents and staff to come together we will invite you to share an afternoon tea with your child's classroom teacher and other parents in the class. These are an informal gathering where teachers will discuss some classroom processes, procedures and learning foci for the Term. This is then followed with a 'cuppa' to enable parents to get to know the other parents in the class and an opportunity to speak to the teacher. An invitation will be sent out when your child's class will hold their afternoon tea.

We hope you will be able to attend and look forward to seeing you there.

BOOKS, BOOKS AND BOOKS!

I often provide updates on computers and technology devices but feel assured that books still have a place in our school. This week Mrs Helen Cozmescu (Literacy Leader) spent over $6000 on new home reading books for Middle and Senior school students. These books will be hopefully in classrooms in the next two weeks!

If any parents are available to place some stickers on these books please speak to Mrs Cozmescu.

SOMETHING FISHY IN THE LIBRARY....?

Today we hope to have had installed an aquarium in the library. All classes visit the library each week and as such this is a central student point within the school. We are certain this will be a great feature that will engage the students to the wonders of marine life. The aquarium will be placed alongside the glass corridor wall so it can be seen from the corridor also.
Best Wishes

John Kremers
Principal

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
TUESDAY 19TH MARCH

School photo envelopes will be coming home today, (with an instruction sheet on how to order inside the envelope). Please complete a separate envelope for each child purchasing photos. Cost of photos range from $21.00 to $40.00. Family photo envelopes are available from the office. More information will follow soon.

Please ensure all students are in FULL SUMMER UNIFORM ONLY (NO RUNNERS).

(No Sports Uniform- Children in Years 3 / 4 bring their runners to school on this day.)

FAMILY UPDATE SHEETS

Family update summary sheets will be sent home today, please check the information and update any changes. These then need to be sent back to school ASAP.

The Asthma and Allergy Action Plans were sent home on Monday with your child if they have diagnosed Asthma or food allergy, please return these forms ASAP.

CROSS COUNTRY

There is a change of time for the school cross country on Friday 8th March due to the heat. The cross country will be running in the morning block from 9am. Any parent who would like to come down and support their child. Any helpers that are able to help on the day please come to the oval at 8.45am.
RESURRECTION IS A YOU CAN DO IT SCHOOL!

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.

Our current focus is “GETTING ALONG”

This means--working well with classmates, solving problems with classmates without getting angry, following the school rules.

Examples of Getting Along:

*working well with classmates
*Listening and not interrupting when someone else is speaking
*Talking rather than fighting when feeling unfairly treated
*Not breaking important school rules

Habits of the mind to help me get along:

Being Tolerant of others -means not thinking that when someone is mean to me that he or she is a totally bad person.

Playing by the rules- means thinking that by following school rules, school will be a better place to live and learn.

Thinking first- means thinking that when someone treats me badly, I need to think about the best way to act.
**FIVE MINUTES EARLY**
All Masses on Passion (Palm) Sunday (24 March) will commence 5 minutes early with the blessing of the palms and procession around the outside the church. Gate number one will therefore be closed five minutes before Mass begins.

**PALM BRANCHES**
We need both large and small palm branches for Passion Sunday (24 March). If you can supply please call the Parish Office.

**RECONCILIATION 2ND RITE**
The Second Rite of Reconciliation 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.

**HAVE YOU HAD YOUR FEET WASHED?**
This year the Mass of the Lord’s Supper will be on Thursday 28 March. During Mass we are asked to contemplate the action of Jesus in washing his disciple’s feet. During the Liturgy twelve parishioners will have their feet washed by Fr Gary and Fr Noel.

Have you ever had the experience of having your feet washed by a priest? If you would like to have your feet washed this year please advise our Parish Office or leave your name at the Welcome Desk.

**EASTER TRIDUUM**
The Easter Triduum begins on Holy Thursday night with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper; it reaches its high point with the celebration of the Easter Vigil. The celebration of the Triduum is the culmination of the entire liturgical year.

**Easter Timetable:**
- Tuesday 26 March, 7.15pm.....2nd Rite of Reconciliation
- Thursday 28 March, 7.30pm....Mass of the Lord’s Supper
- Friday 29 March, 10.30am.......Stations of the Cross
- Friday 29 March, 3pm.............The Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
- Saturday 30 March 10.15am......Blessing Of Easter Food
- Saturday 30 March, 7pm.......The Easter Vigil
- Sunday 31 March, 9am &10.30am......Easter Masses

**A WHITE ROSE**
The Easter Vigil is not the regular Saturday night Mass. It is unique in the entire liturgical year. "Every Year The Easter Vigil invites us once again to immerse ourselves in the waters of Baptism, to pass from death to life, to become truly Christian”.

It is for this reason that anybody who has suffered the death of a loved one since Easter 2012 is invited to place a white rose at the foot of our cross during the Easter Vigil.

Parishioners intending to do so are asked to leave their contact details at the Parish Office or the Welcome Desk.

**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.

**HOLY WATER**
All Holy Water is removed from the church prior to the Mass of The Lord’s Supper. However there will be a bowl of water in front of the altar which will be used for the foot washing. Parishioners are encouraged to dip their fingers in this water as they arrive for Mass and thereby symbolically participate in the foot washing.

**ST Vinnie’s Bags**
Don’t forget to bring the St Vinnie’s bags back with the groceries to the Mass of the Lord’s Supper.