Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4! It was great to see so many smiling faces on the students as they walked through the school gates on Tuesday. Many of them excited to be back at school and very keen to share their holiday adventures.

As you know, Mr Blisssenden is on a pilgrimage with other school leaders from Parramatta Diocesan Schools. They are following in the footsteps of St Paul. You can follow Mr Blisssenden’s pilgrimage on Twitter and Facebook where he is regularly posting photos and a commentary.

Below are some photos from Mr Blisssenden’s pilgrimage in Greece. He has visited many places where St Paul would have worked- including the Acropolis in Athens and Corinth (where Paul wrote to the people of Corinthia). He has also visited many monasteries in central Greece (where people live in religious orders), Philippi and Thessaloniki. He is currently in Turkey where he has visited Ephesus and Gallipoli. He is praying for our families in our school community.

Please keep Mr Blisssenden and our school leaders in your prayers. We look forward to him sharing his experience with us upon his return.

May God bless you and your families,

Kindest regards,

Maree Tonnet
Acting Principal

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### OCTOBER

Wed 5th | Kinder 2015 Parent Information Meeting 7pm |
Mon 10th | Staff Development Day |
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Dear Parents,

Faith Formation

First Reading
Is 25:6-10
On this mountain the Lord will provide a feast.

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 22. R. v.6

Second Reading
Phil 4:12-14.19-20
With God, Paul has strength for everything.

Gospel
Mt 22:1-14
Parable of the Wedding Banquet.

A beginning point for discussion of this week's Gospel with children:
What did the king in today's gospel decide to do for his son?
What happened when the servants invited the guests?
When the guests didn’t come who did the king invite?
Jesus says the kingdom of heaven is like this story. Who does God invite to the banquet?
We are invited to God’s banquet. How do we show we accept the invitation?

Catholic Culture

Corpus Christi Parish-Please, don’t forget to make coming along to mass each weekend a priority. We have three masses over the weekend: Saturday vigil 6pm, Sunday 7:30am & 9:30am. Children’s Liturgy during Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9:30am Mass most weeks for children 4-10 years of age.

Sacramental Program—For those parents of students in Year 3 who are interested in their child participating in the preparation program for the Sacrament of Reconciliation there will be a Parent Meeting on Wednesday 22nd of October 2014, in the School Hall at 7:30pm.

Social Justice- PENRITH COMMUNITY KITCHEN
Please remember to send any donations of new toiletry items for men and women for the Christmas collection. Items such as body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, wipes and hairbrushes would be appreciated. There are many people in our local community that would benefit greatly from these donations. We hope to gather all donations in the next couple of weeks, ready to present to Penrith Community Kitchen.

Synod of Bishops on the Family 2014
Family life is the focus of an extraordinary general session of the Synod of Bishops meeting at the Vatican for two weeks between: 5th-19th October 2014. The bishops are discussing the "pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelisation."

"In order for the family to proceed well, with faith and hope," said Pope Francis to crowds in St. Peter's Square for the weekly Angelus address, “it needs to be nourished by the Word of God." (Vatican City, Oct 5, 2014).

The Bible, he said, is not meant to be kept on a shelf, but rather carried, “read often, every day, be it alone or together, husband and wife, parents and children, perhaps in the evening, especially on Sunday.” In this way, he said, “the family grows, walks, with the light and strength of the Word of God!”

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RELIgIOUS EDUCATION NEWS - Continued

Perhaps during these 2 weeks you may take time to pray the following prayer:

Prayer to the Holy Family for the Synod

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love,
to you we turn with trust.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic Churches.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may the Synod of Bishops
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God’s plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer.
Amen.

Mrs Monique Boyer
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday 28th October
Order envelopes will be sent home Monday 13th October.
Sibling order envelopes will be available from the School Office Monday 13th.

Important Information
- Every student must have their own sealed envelope (even if payment is in another family member's envelope)
- Correct money is required as no change is available
- Formal uniform only – No sports uniform
- Orders are not accepted at school after Tuesday 28th October

PRG REMINDERS
- Family Portraits will be held on Saturday 25/10/2014 and Sunday 26/10/2014 details will be sent home next week.
- Disco will be held on Friday 24/10/2014—details will be sent home Friday (tomorrow).
CURRICULUM NEWS
Here at Corpus Christi Primary School, we aim to be innovative in our approach to Science, always looking for new and exciting ways to introduce scientific concepts to our students. On Thursday 16th October, CSIRO Education will visit our school. While here they will be presenting an interactive Science program on Simple Machines to the Year 4 students. We are very excited about this event. Their program engages students in eye-opening interactive Science and hands on experiments, which have been developed around real life CSIRO research.

GRANDPARENTS DAY @ CORPUS CHRISTI
I am very sorry that I neglected to put in the last newsletter of last term a very special thankyou. Carolina Bocaz very kindly supports many of our celebrations here at Corpus Christi and her support of the Grandparent’s Day morning tea is very much appreciated. The cakes are very kindly donated by Carolina and we would like to express how grateful we are for her support.

Mrs Shahoud
Acting Assistant Principal

Penrith Council has launched its sixth annual Environmental Photography Competition with the theme “Water: The Source of Life”. The competition closes on 24 October 2014. We’re calling all local amateur photographers to submit images showing the value of our river and creeks in Penrith and the bird, animal and plant life they support.

The competition has 3 entry categories, including a Kids (under 12) and Youth (12-18) category and there are over $1,300 in prizes up for grabs!

Visit www.penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/PhotoComp to download an entry form and for the competition terms & conditions.

IT’S OUR 10TH BIRTHDAY - SUNDAY 19/10/2014
Dam Fest provides a vast range of entertainment to cater to all ages and interests. The focus is on a fun day for the whole family ….

There will be Market Stalls, Amusement Rides, Helicopter Rides, Animal Petting Zoo - FREE. Emergency Services Demonstration, Car and Bike Show, Music and Stage Entertainment
Short Movie Competition: Term 4

Fancy yourself a filmmaker? Want to show off your skills? Then get ready to enter this year's Short Movie Competition for your chance to create something amazing and win an awesome prize!

As part of our ‘On Screen In 2014’ motto, this Competition is designed to encourage students to go behind the camera and create something that is important to them.

It can be based on any topic of interest (eg: sports, favourite book, horror, science fiction, claymation, documentary about their local sporting club, mystery, historical, comedy, diary style entry of their life etc…)

Students can use any device or app to create their movie – the possibilities are endless!

All movies must be handed to Mrs. Anderiesz by: WEDNESDAY 12th November (week 6)

Please attach the ticket below to your movie so the correct details can be added.

Teachers, students and parents will then have 3 weeks to vote on their favourite movie.

There are three age categories students can enter:

Kinder-Year 2,
Year 3-4,
Year 5-6.

The 3 winners will be announced and presented their prize during Week 10 Assembly.

SO START CREATING!!

If you have any further questions please see Mrs. Anderiesz

Competition Terms and Conditions: Important

Please read the terms below as failure to comply will result in your movie being disqualified.

· You agree to allow your movie to be placed on the school Youtube account for the general public to view and vote on.
· You may star in your own movie but you cannot use your real name or address as it will be on the internet.
· If you are asking a friend/s to star in your movie, you must ask their parents for permission and you cannot use their real name or address as it will be on the internet.
· No movies will be accepted after WEDNESDAY 12th November 2014
· There will only be one winner from each of the three age categories
TEACHERS ARE LEARNERS TOO

This week the Year 2 and Year 4 teachers were able to meet with our Teacher Educator for Literacy, Tracy Herron. They analysed the NAPLAN data and are in the process of fine tuning their programmes to support the children in their learning.

SPORTS DAY - TERM 4 2014

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ATTENDANCE

"Be on Time for 5 to 9"

A reminder to families of the importance of arriving on time for learning to start at 8.55am each day - late arrivals affect all students’ learning. I have also noticed some students arriving well before duty begins at 8.25am. Except in exceptional circumstances students are not to arrive at school before duty commences. Many thanks for your cooperation in managing the arrival of your child/children each day!

AWARD STAMPING

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NOTES DISTRIBUTED THIS WEEK

- Mark Taylor Cricket (only some children have been selected)
- 3G Student - Mrs Peterson’s Leave
- CSIRO Simple Machines Incursion
- Term 4 At A Glance

UNIFORM SHOP - WEDNESDAY

8.30am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 3.30pm

- **Pre-paid orders** – These orders can be handed in at the school office at any time but will be processed on Wednesdays ONLY.

- **Label all items** - To ensure all items are returned to their owners - PLEASE clearly mark all items with your child’s name.

- **Exchanges/Refunds** – All items must be in original condition with all packaging including tags attached. A Receipt is required for any faulty item or refund.

****PLEASE KEEP YOUR RECEIPTS*****

Term 1 Week 2 Reminders

Monday
Tuesday Assembly 2:20pm
Wednesday Uniform Shop
Thursday Year 4 - CSIRO
Friday Student Banking
Award Stamping