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Important Dates*

Week 6
Thursday 10 March
- Assembly: Parish Hall (2.30pm)

Week 7
Friday 18 March
- Parish Mass: Yrs 3 & 6 (Penance: Yr 6) (9am)

Week 8
Thursday 24 March
- Assembly (Parish Hall): Yr 5 (2.30pm)

Friday 25 March
- Parish Mass: Yrs 2 & 5 (Penance: Yr 5) (9am)

Parish Priest: Fr Minh-Thuy
Almondbury Street, Bayswater
Phone: (08)9271 1414
parish@stcolumbasbayswater.org.au
Parish Mass Times
Saturday—Vigil Mass 6.00 p.m.
Sunday—Mass 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.
Parish Youth Mass—Last Saturday of each month.

Term Dates: Wed. 2 Feb.—Tue. 19 Apr.
- School Times: 8.30 a.m.—3.00 p.m.
- Recess: 10.30 a.m.—11.00 a.m.
- Lunch: 1.00 p.m.—1.40 p.m.

*Please check the website planner for regular updates to the calendar.
From the Principal’s Desk (continued)

overtake to leave. This is dangerous to ALL vehicles.

- Always be observant when exiting the K’n’D area for traffic and pedestrians.
- Please follow all instructions by the staff member on duty.

**NON-USERS:**

- Do not park in the K’n’D zone during the hours of 8.15-8.45 a.m. and 2.45-3.15 p.m. during term time.
- Please show consideration for traffic exiting the K’n’D—these drivers make more parking spaces available to those who need them.
- Please do not abuse members of staff and the school community if you are incorrectly parked and are asked to move. They do not abuse you for disrupting the scheme.
- Please do not turn right and drive across traffic in order to park. In order to maintain smooth movement of traffic, cars should only turn left to park.
- Ensure that ANYONE who drops off or picks up your child is aware of the K’n’D times and position so they do not park inappropriately.
- Please respect private property and do not park on the verge of surrounding households. Landowners are within their rights to have Council Rangers issue infringement notices.

Thank you to all those families who show respect for the Kiss ‘n’ Drive initiative.

**WINTER UNIFORM ORDERS:** Please refer to the ‘Uniform Shop’ section of the school website for the latest order form for winter uniforms to be worn Term 2 and Term 3, 2011. Please remember to get your order in for all winter uniforms and this also includes uniform orders for Kindy through to Pre-Primary, by this FRIDAY, 11 MARCH. The uniform shop will only hold minimal surplus stock, so your order by this date is essential to avoid not having the correct winter uniform.

**PARENTING IDEAS:** I draw your attention to the article by Michael Grose, reproduced with permission on pages 4 to 6. We plan to regularly publish articles we believe will be of interest to our community.

**PROJECT COMPASSION:** This week, children will receive Project Compassion Boxes to bring home. Please place your box in a prominent position and encourage children to donate to this annual appeal. Filled boxes may be returned when families attend our Easter celebrations.

**PUPIL FREE DAYS:** A reminder that 18 and 19 April are pupil free days. Term 1 concludes on Friday, 15 April at 3.00 p.m. Please mark these dates in your diaries.

Greg Martin

GREG MARTIN
Principal
Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop will be open every Tuesday between 8.15 – 8.45 a.m.

Refer to the uniform shop section of the school website for the latest order form for winter uniforms to be worn Term 2 and Term 3 2011. Please remember to get your order in for all winter uniforms by FRIDAY, 11 MARCH (THIS WEEK). Please feel free to come into the uniform shop to check for sizes. A notice will be placed in the school newsletter when orders are ready.

We now have size 4 and size 6 sports shorts in stock for those who need them.

As always should you have any questions please contact Uniform Shop Coordinator, Pauline Moran (year 3 & Pre-Primary) on 0412 712 128, or alternatively Simone Dearle (year 5 & 3) on 0409 507 994. Thank you.

P&F News

To ensure that everyone in the school community is aware of happenings within the school, we need class representatives to attend P&F meetings and email information to the class.

If you have a child in Pre-Kindy or Year 3 and would like to take on this role, please contact the P&F through the email address: parentsandfriends@saintcolumbas.com.au.

If you would like to be part of the Fundraising Committee, please email the P&F on the above address.

Penny Pettit
Secretary

Hope to see you at the Picnic in the Park!

Sunday, 10 April
4.00 p.m. onwards
Macauley Park in Inglewood

BYO everything for a casual afternoon to socialise with both old and new friends.

Please remember to fill a jar with goodies for our LUCKY JAR stall at the Autumn River Festival by 28 March. Each class has a box for the jars. We are asking for one jar per family—for minimum effort we get maximum results! All monies raised will benefit our beautiful children!
Chores or household tasks also exercise children’s organisational muscles, in particular their time management muscles. Make sure all kids have chores to do that are suitable for their age and stage of development.

Following is a list of responsibilities suitable for kids at different ages:

**Early Childhood**

**3 years old**
1. Pick up toys after use
2. Stack magazines and papers in storage place
3. Undress and dress self with help
4. Wipe up spills
5. Clear table and put dishes on the bench
6. Carry clean clothes to cupboards
7. Put scraps in the rubbish bin

**4 years old**
1. Set the table with help
2. Stack dishes in the dishwasher
3. Collect the mail
4. Make the bed
5. Prepare own cold cereal
6. Help with simple cooking
7. Tidy living areas
**Childhood**

5 - 6 year old
1. Make own sandwich and clean up
2. Answer the phone
3. Feed pets and keep area clean
4. Pay for some purchases
5. Sort and tidy cutlery and kitchen utensils
6. Help with planning and grocery shopping
7. Set the table

7 - 8 years old
1. Prepare own school lunch
2. Take pet for a walk
3. Take care of own bike and outdoor toys
4. Fold and store clean laundry
5. Run errands for parents
6. Take phone messages and write them down
7. Iron simple pieces

9 - 10 years old
1. Operate the washing machine and dryer
2. Change own bed and put out laundry
3. Wash the car
4. Learn to bank and use money responsibly
5. Make tea and coffee
6. Help prepare shopping list
7. Cook simple meals from a recipe

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**Adolescence**

11 - 12 years old
1. Travel on public transport
2. Plan own parties
3. Vacuum the house
4. Cook and prepare an evening meal for the family
5. Feed and bathe younger siblings
6. Put younger siblings to bed
7. Help in routine maintenance around the house

**Teenagers**

1. Contribute to household responsibilities such as cooking, own room
2. Delegate an area of responsibility for them to look after e.g. feeding and walking a dog, weekly garbage, wood for a wood heating system
3. Cook a meal at least once a week
4. Make and organise own lunches
5. Organise own travel arrangements for hobbies, sports and outside interests
6. Organise own financial arrangements such as banking, investing and spending money
7. Take responsibility for clothing purchases within an agreed allowance or limit
Sure-fire tips to getting kids to help

Here are some ideas to keep in mind as you develop your family into a team of helpers:

1. **Give children realistic jobs rather than task that simply keep them busy.** Kids can sense it when parents give them jobs to keep them busy. Make sure the jobs you give make a real contribution to their own the family’s well-being.

2. **Balance the personal chores with family jobs.** Involve children in choosing their jobs. Rotate the unpleasant tasks frequently.

3. **Place the more arduous or difficult tasks on a roster.** The children can refer to it when needed, which takes the load off you and removes the need to remind them.

4. **Use grandma’s principle* to ensure their helping jobs are done.** That is, make sure jobs are completed before mealtimes and pleasant activities such as watching television.

5. **Avoid doing jobs for children.** When children get the message that no one will do their jobs for them they will be more likely to help out.

6. **Show your appreciation for their help.** Let them know that their contribution to the family is valued. If you do it often enough they may even show their appreciation for your help in return!

7. **Make sure they do the whole job, not half a job.** Don’t accept half-hearted efforts or half-completed jobs. If you think your child is capable of putting the cat food back in the fridge and placing the spoon in the dishwasher then insist that he or she does the whole job. That is what is valued in the world of work, which they will eventually enter.

8. **Rebrand the term ‘chore’ as ‘help’.** The term ‘chore’ definitely has an image problem. Mention the word and children turn up their nose in horror. Use the term ‘help’ as it is easier on the ear and really does indicate what you want from your kids.

**Grandma’s principle** – putting activities in the right order. You get the bad things (making your bed) out of the way before you do the good things (watching TV or playing games).

**Keep in mind:**

1. Separate helping at home from pocket money. Expect them to help without being paid.

2. Children can do a mixture of self-help activities and family jobs.

3. Use rosters to place responsibility onto children to remember.
Canteen News

Families are reminded to please keep your account in credit.
The canteen will celebrate St. Patrick’s Day on Wednesday, 16 March. If anybody could help with cooking or serving on the day, please come and see me. Attached is an order form to be returned by Monday, 14 March.

SHERYL MILONAS

Parish Cleaning Roster

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED!
Volunteers are urgently required to assist with the Parish Hall Cleaning. The hall is used by all our children, so please support the Saint Columba’s community and volunteer your time. By contributing 1-2 hours twice a year you can do your bit for the school!

Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered their time this year and in the past.

The parish hall cleaning takes about 1.5 hours or less if you have 2 people working together. The hall can be cleaned after school on Friday or on Saturday before 4pm. Please contact Jill Brazil on 0411 592 234 or brazil@iinet.net.au for further information.

The key to the parish hall is located at the school office and can be picked up on Friday afternoon. Once you have finished cleaning, please remember to lock the hall and return the key to the office on Monday morning.

Thank you to those who have volunteered their time. If the date allocated does not suit, please call another team to arrange a date swap.

JILL BRAZIL

Pastoral Care

The Term 1 Roster is up on the classroom door for you to check when your child/children are due to donate the prize for their class.
Kindy to year 4 provide a small gift (e.g. book, puzzle, textas etc.) to the value of $5. Year 5 and Year 6 provide a cake. Please remember the nut-free policy when sending in baked goods. Tickets are 20c each, with a maximum of 3 tickets. Thankyou!

Week 7
Friday, 18 March
Kindy White Miller Dudley
Kindy Green Leah Savage
Pre-Primary Sophia Giacci
Year 1 Thomas Wild
Year 2 Kuba Jayamaha
Year 3 Monique Rodwell
Year 4 Helena Knuckey
Year 5 Lauren Kelly
Year 6 Daniel Tobin

Week 6-7 Roster
Fri. 11 Mar. Jenny Close
Mon. 14 Mar. Help needed
Wed. 16 Mar. Help needed
Fri. 18 Mar. Help needed

Happy Birthday!
Wishing a very happy birthday this week to:
Cole Trinder (Kindy White)
Carter Robertson (Kindy White)
Luke Brindal (Yr 2)
Charysse Pollock (Yr 3)
Community News

Bayswater Primary School

Fete
10 April 2011
10 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

We would like to extend an invitation to all parents, teachers and students of St. Columba’s School. There will be some great attractions, including the Raddrock Climbing Wall & Extreme Air Bungee, Old MacDonalds Travelling Farm, Balleroo Riding School Ponies & Jumping Jays Bouncy Castle. There will be a vast array of stalls, Crafts, Plants & 2nd Hand Toys, books, Games & Clothes. There is a SideShow Alley which will feature lots of games and activities for all ages. We will have an Auction and Raffles. There will be a 42” LG Plasma that will be raffled on the day. It has been kindly donated by The Good Guys Discount Warehouse Belmont.

We hope to see you all there.

Every child has unique gifts.
Find out how our staff and students can help your child discover theirs:

Aranmore Catholic College
Open Morning
Tuesday, 29 March 2011, 9am—11am
Register at wwwaranmore.wa.edu.au
before 24 March
and win one of three $100 gift vouchers

Junior Registration Day
Saturday 12th of March 2011
10 am - 2 pm
Perth Bayswater Club Rooms
Pat O’Hara Reserve

2011 Fees

Northern Saints
BASKETBALL
CLUB Inc.

PO Box 952
MORLEY 6943
PH 0417 974 179

NORTHERN SAINTS
BASKETBALL CLUB
New season starts on
SATURDAY, 14 May 2011.
Registration Day: 12 March
from 9.00am to 2.30pm.
Girls, Boys & Mixed
competitions
At Altone Park Rec. Centre,
Benara Road, Beechboro.
Enquiries
call: 0417 974 179

Lisa Baker MLA
MEMBER FOR MAYLANDS

April 9370 3550
(fax) 9272 4291

Maylands
Bardon Park
cnr Bardon Place & 4th Avenue

Saturday, 26 February: Despicable Me
Saturday, 26 March: Toy Story 3

PICTURES IN THE PARK
Season 2011
Free Admission

A sausage sizzle and refreshments are available at
discounted prices to help satisfy the hunger.
No tickets or bookings required.
CHISHOLM CATHOLIC COLLEGE - BEDFORD
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YEAR 7 2012

The Principal and Board invite applications for the following scholarships:

Academic Scholarships
Tenable from Years 7-12, are awarded on the basis of a written examination and an interview.
The Academic Scholarships Examination will be held on Saturday 7th May 2011 at 8.45 a.m. Applications can be lodged online on www.chisholm.wa.edu.au or phone 9208 2516 for an application form.

Music Scholarships
One general (any instrument or voice) and one specialist (to be taught bassoon) scholarships are tenable for Years 7-12 and cover music tuition fees.
Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of an audition/examination and applicants will be advised as to the date these are to be held.

Requests for application forms should be directed to the College on 9208 2516.
Applications close at 4pm on Thursday 31st March 2011.

APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT
Applications are invited from students currently in Year 5, who will enter Year 7 in 2013.
The first round of applications will close on Friday 18TH March 2011.
Application Forms are available from the College website or by telephoning 9208 2516

OPEN DAY
TUESDAY 15TH MARCH 2011
For our teachers and students, it will be work as usual. Prospective parents will find them engaged in a range of intellectual, cultural, social and physical activities.

Guided tours will commence at 8.45am, 11am and 1.15pm
from the College Performing Arts Centre, Beaufort Street
Parking: Enter from May Street and park as directed.
Bookings for tours are essential and close on Friday 11th March 2011.
Tel: 9208 2516 Fax: 9271 9663
Please feel free to bring your children along.
Email: admin@chisholm.wa.edu.au
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