Holy Cross Primary School Update

Term 2 Week 5

Holy Cross Primary Disco
The children all enjoyed a wonderful evening last Friday night at our two school discos. Thank you to the Year 6 girls and parents who assisted in the organization of the evening. A special thanks to-

Mrs Batiste who worked closely with the girls to book our special guest DJ’s Kosy and Pinky and arrange the costing and advertising of the event

Mr Robey and Mrs McCuly who shopped for the food and drink for the evening, cooked our sausage sizzle and set up the MPLC in preparation for the Disco

Mrs Rhind, Mrs Mrazek, Mrs Verghese and Mr and Mrs Zaia, Mrs Reibelt, Mrs Hofmann and Miss Whittle who served the food and drink to both groups at the discos

The 18 teachers who attended the evening to supervise the children.

The Disco raised just over $1000 which will be donated to CARITAS to provide support to those affected by natural disasters earlier this year. Well Done Holy Cross!!

Year 6 Canberra Excursion
We wish our Year 6 students and their teachers the very best as they leave for their 3 day trip to Canberra this Wednesday. Miss Desira, Mr Robey and Mr Giumelli (father of Erin, Emma and Luke) will also accompany the group and we thank them for taking time out of their busy schedules to do so. The group will visit Parliament House (old and new), The Institute of Sport, the War Memorial, The Film Archives and Questacon.

SPORTS NEWS
Soccer Gala Days
Today Mr Robey will accompany our Stage 3 Soccer team to the Diocesan Gala Day. Next Tuesday Mr Robey will accompany three Stage 2 teams to the Cottesee Soccer Gala Day. We wish all the Stage 3 and Stage 2 teams the very best and thank all the parents involved in transporting children to and supporting their children at these events.

Lunch Time Newcombe Ball Competition
Mrs Clark has organised a lunchtime Newcombe ball competition for children in Years 5 and 6 using our new volley ball net on the COLA

Junior Soccer Posts
We have purchased a new set of junior mini soccer goals which the children in Year One and Two are enjoying using during their lunch and recess breaks.

Winter Sports Track Suit
As I mentioned last week, unfortunately there is a hold up on the production of a few sizes of the winter track suit pants. As a temporary measure PSW have organised for another tracksuit pant to be sold until our actual school tracksuit is available. The track suit pants are now available at the shop in Castle Hill for $19.00. Please call the shop on 98995741 before visiting in order to ensure that the stock is available. We apologise for this inconvenience and delay. Please do not purchase track suit pants from any other store because they DO NOT match our jacket.

Congratulations
Alyssa and Daniel Fittler have been competing in Friday night swimming events at the Forbes Carlisle School of Swimming. This involves them competing with themselves to improve their Personal Best times. Over the last 2 weeks each of them has been awarded a Silver medal for their achievements. Well Done!

Staff Development Days
The last day of Term 2 and the first day of Term 3 will be staff development days. These days are pupil free days. The staff will be reviewing learning programmes and making the final preparations for the school’s Compliance Audit which will be conducted on August 9.

Enrolment Interviews for Kindergarten 2012 continue this week.
If you know of a family with a school age child ready for Kindergarten in 2012 please take an Expression of Interest Form for them and advise them to return this to the office as soon as possible.

Entertainment Fundraising Books
Families received this book last week and are asked to now decide whether or not they will take up the offer by purchasing this book or will instead return the book to school ASAP. The book contains some fabulous reductions across a number of services and entertainment facilities within our local area.

Hurricanes Football Club Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
Please support the Hurricanes fundraising sausage sizzle at Norwest Bunnings this Saturday 28th May 2011.

Science and Technology in Year One
The children in Year One recently enjoyed an excursion to Brewongle Outdoor Education Unit. Since this they have been keenly investigating their living world and the mini creatures within it. They have set up an observation tank in which they have placed spiky insects, an aquarium for tadpoles and tanks for crickets and worms. The children are using their scientific skills of observation and analysis. Pop into Year One to observe these marvelous creatures.
RE NEWS

Monday Prayer
It is lovely to see so many parents and friends joining us each week for prayer.
The children love to see you there.
I would like to say a special thank you to the parents who have been helping to set up and pack away the chairs each week.
Remember to join us for a cup of tea/coffee following the prayer.

This Wednesday we celebrate the Feast of Mary Help of Christians, patron of Australia. You will find below a prayer that you may be able to share as a family.

Almighty God, deepen in our hearts our love of Mary, Help of Christians.
Through her prayers and under her protection, may the light of Christ shine over our land.
May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.
Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Sacramental Preparation
This weekend we have the last children’s session in preparation for First Eucharist. The times are: Saturday at 4.30 followed by Mass at 6.00 and Sunday Mass at 10.30 following the children’s session. @ 9.30am

General Interest
The Powerhouse Discovery Centre at Castle Hill has an open day on Saturday 11 June.
The Open Day program is from 10.00 – 4.00.
All programs are free on the day, with general admission. General Admission is $8 adult, $5 child and $25 for a family.

PARISH NEWS

Sacramental Program for First Holy Communion A reminder to our families preparing their children for First Holy Communion that the last session to prepare the children will be ‘Understanding our church’ followed by ‘Walk through the Mass’. The families will have the opportunity to attend this on either Saturday May 28 at 4.30pm (followed by 6.00pm mass) or Sunday May 29 at 9.30am (followed by 10.30am mass). The masses on these days will be explained as we go through each of the parts of the mass. The lists of the masses for First Holy Communion are now on the Sacramental notice board in the foyer of the church and can also be found on the parish website

Family Bingo Night
Come along for a night of family fun
Lots of games and Loads of prizes to be won for everyone
When: 25th June 5.30pm for a Sausage Sizzle,
games will begin at 6.00pm.
Where: Multipurpose Learning Centre

Anyone who would like to lend a hand to organise the night, join us after Monday morning prayer for a cuppa.
Donation of prizes always welcome.
More information to come.......