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Refugees and Asylum Seekers

*We have become used to other people's suffering, it doesn't concern us,
It doesn't interest us, it's none of our business.*

~ Pope Francis

This quote from Pope Francis is unfortunately a true and sad reflection of our society as it stands today. Each day, 23,000 people are forced to flee their country leaving behind their families, homes and possessions to try and keep themselves alive. Even more heartbreaking is that our politicians continue to use these people as a political tool in their campaigns, using fear to obtain votes and give false information. As a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice Tradition, it is up to us to educate our boys to have a better understanding of the plights of people throughout the world and also to be a voice for people who have no voice, for if we do not stand up for people less fortunate than us, who will?

Globally, Australia is ranked 47th for hosting refugees according to the UNHCR. Australia's Refugee and Humanitarian Program re-settles 20,000 refugees each year. This increase came as part of the Houston Expert Panel recommendations in 2012, increasing the number from 13,750. Australia is in the top three countries for re-settlement of refugees. The USA, Canada and Australia provide 90 percent of global re-settlement places. In 2012, asylum seeker applications in Australia accounted for just over 3 percent of the global share. Refugees and asylum seekers coming to Australia account for just a small fraction of Australia's annual permanent immigration. In 2012 and 2013, Australia has seen a significant increase in the number of boat arrivals. In 2012 there were 17,202 arrivals. This seems like a large amount, although globally it is relatively small. According to a UNHCR report, 23,000 people around the world are forced to flee their homes each day, in search of asylum.

Activities Term 1

Congratulations to all our boys who survived Term 1 and engaged in some or all of the activities listed below. It has been an extremely busy term and the Year 5 boys are now well and truly part of and contributors to our School community.

- Opening School Mass at St Mary's Cathedral
- Yr 5 Camp to Milson Island
- Social Justice Committee formed
- Primary Photographs
- Information nights
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy
- Science incursion
- High Achievers assembly
- Open Day
- Primary Swimming carnival
- Primary Cross Country
- Paul Kelly Cup AFL
- Brad McKay Rugby League Gala day
- Sydney Catholic Schools' Touch Football Gala day
- P&F Mother and Son evening
- Easter Liturgy and welcoming of Year 5 to CBHS Lewisham
- Games Club
- Chess team
- Easter liturgy lead by Year 6
- Accelerated Reading program



Term 2

What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals.

~ Zig Ziglar

Term 2 is another opportunity for boys to become involved in CBHS Lewisham with many more activities approaching and to make a commitment to their learning by always giving their best. It is always about choices – the easy choice is very rarely the one that will assist you in the long run; take the hard road, make mistakes, learn from them and move on, but don't cut corners.

Boys - you really need to take responsibility for things: your uniform – shoes polished; your reading – read the books, do the tests; your school work – do your best always; your possessions - look after them; on the buses - look out for one another. These are all little goals you can achieve and it will help you on your journey through life.

READING – Accelerated Reading Program



Every boy was tested and given a reading goal by the Librarians at the beginning of the year. These goals need to be achieved by EVERY boy by the end of Term 2 and then again in Term 4. The goals are very achievable when you think that every night the boys should be reading for AT LEAST 20 minutes. Boys - you need to reach these goals; it is part of your homework!

Interviews & Reports



During the holidays you will receive your son's first term report which is based around your son's commitment to learning, classwork and behaviour. Please be mindful it is not an academic 'A to E' report as this will be sent at the end of Semester One. If your son received a mark in the 'sometimes/rarely' or 'never' categories, please speak to your son about this and make sure you raise it with the teacher at the Parent/Teacher interviews. Interviews need to be booked online.

Year 6 parents need to use the same password as last year, while Year 5 parents have been sent a code in the mail.

If you have any problems booking an interview, please email your class teacher. Interviews will be with your son's Class teacher and Mathematics teacher.

Mr Davies 6D

Congratulations to Mr Davies who, during the holidays will take the giant step of getting married. Mr Davies will be taking a term off to celebrate this occasion and will be replaced in Year 6 by Mr McCormack. As a result, the Parent Teacher interviews for Mr Davies' classes will be held at a later date.

We wish Mr Davies all the best for this great day and for all the days after.

If you have any problems during Mr Davies' absence, please contact me:

mark.woodbury@cbhslewisham.nsw.edu.au



What is the Sydney Night Patrol?

Sydney Night Patrol is a special work of the St Vincent de Paul Society. The service consists of two vans, operating seven nights per week excluding New Year's Eve, providing a meal, blankets, toiletries, snacks, hot beverages and most importantly, companionship to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness within the inner city of Sydney. Once a month, teachers and Year 11 students take the van to three locations in the city and it is here your generous donations are distributed to the homeless.



The Houses responsible for the first collection for next term, which is in **Week 2**, are **Magee and Treacy**.

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Mr Mark Woodbury, Assistant Principal – Primary



Term 2, 2016			
Week 1	Mon	25 Apr	School closed - ANZAC Day Public Holiday
	Tue	26 Apr	Staff Development Day (student free day)
	Wed	27 Apr	Term 2 commences for students – Full Winter Uniform
	Wed	27 Apr	ANZAC Day Commemoration
Week 2	Mon	2 May	Beginning of Founder's Week
	Mon	2 May	Founder's Day Mass, 11.45 am
	Wed	4 May	Mother's Day Mass, 9 am – McDonald Centre
	Fri	6 May	Founder's Day Picnic – Steel Park
Week 3	Mon	9 May	Student Free Day – Parent/Teacher/Student Meetings (Boys to attend)
	Tue-Fri	10-13 May	NAPLAN – Year 5
	Tue-Thu	10-12 May	Canberra Excursion – Year 6
Week 4	Tue	17 May	UNSW Digital Technologies Competition
Week 5	Mon	23 May	Primary Athletics Carnival, Campbell Field
	Fri	27 May	Peru Day
Week 6	Tue	31 May	UNSW Science Competition
Week 7	Friday	10 Jun	Accelerated Reader Semester 1 target
Week 8	Mon	13 Jun	School closed - Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
	Wed	15 Jun	UNSW Spelling Competition
	Fri	17 Jun	UNSW Writing Competition
Week 9	Mon	20 Jun	School Musical, 7 pm
Week 10	Fri	1 Jul	Term 2 concludes



Waterford Learning Centre

It's official! The Waterford Learning Centre is a **GREAT SCHOOL LIBRARY!**

In October 2015, **FAIR** (Freedom of Access to Information and Resources) asked for nominations for **Great School Libraries** across Australia. To be accepted, the following criteria had to be met.

Could the library help young people to:

- find reliable information and use it effectively?
- think critically and make informed decisions?
- work productively with others to build knowledge?
- safely navigate the internet?
- communicate and share their ideas?
- find great reads to meet personal interests and abilities?

Members of the school community made a number of submissions in support of the Waterford Learning Centre at CBHSL and the answer was YES! Staff at the Waterford Learning Centre facilitate all this and more, and have been recognised as one of **Australia's Great School Libraries** for 2015.

The Waterford Learning Centre is fortunate to have two professional teacher librarians, both with recent Masters Degrees specialising in e-Learning and Information Literacy. The team is completed by the dedicated support staff who work to ensure the library runs smoothly.

We are fortunate to have a budget which enables us to purchase a wide range of quality literature to support our reading programs – STAR Reading during Home Room for all year groups, Accelerated Reader in Years 5 and 6, the Edmund Rice Wide Reading Challenge in Years 7 to 10, and the Book Club (which combines sessions with girls' school Domremy College) for Years 9 to 12.

The Waterford Learning Centre home page has links to online resources that support teaching and learning, and allows access to databases, referencing support, and specially curated websites. Both Mrs Toohey and Ms Martin work cooperatively with teachers to provide orientation to classes for these web-based materials.

The physical environment of the library is spacious and conducive to a wide range of leisure and academic pursuits, providing both individual and collaborative learning spaces. In the words of one student who wrote a submission:

/ like coming to my school library because / enjoy the peace and tranquillity. When / walk through the library doors, / feel happy – like walking through a curtain and seeing a new world on the other side.

Thank you for your continued support in making us a Great School Library!

For more information, and to view the full list of Australia's Great School Libraries, visit the FAIR website at <https://fair.alia.org.au/australias-great-school-libraries-honours-list>

ACCELERATED READER



Congratulations to the following Year 6 boys who have already read over one million words. What a fantastic effort!

Luca Favot	1,215,492
Janni Evangelidis	1,132,856
Oles Malkiewicz	1,089,675
Jack Ulizzi	1,016,329

Jonah Sowmi 1,660,998

TEAM STANDING CHART

In the Accelerated Reader House Competition, Healy is coming first, Gallagher second, and Brady is in third place.

BORROWING OVER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

All boys are encouraged to borrow over the school holidays. Although Accelerated Reader quizzes cannot be completed at home, the holidays provide an excellent opportunity for students to get ahead with their reading. Quizzes can be completed the first day back at school, Term 2.

The date by which the Semester 1 target needs to be reached is Friday, 10 June.

APPS NEEDED FOR LIBRARY CLASSES

YEAR 6: Year 6 are exploring the amazing landforms of our continent and it was positive to see how many students had visited some of Australia's natural wonders. The most popular landform visited was **The Three Sisters** at Katoomba. Boys will be presenting their learning in the form of a video in which the landform tells the story of its creation. They will need to use the free FaceTalker app (or similar) or the web-based site www.blabberize.com to make their video.

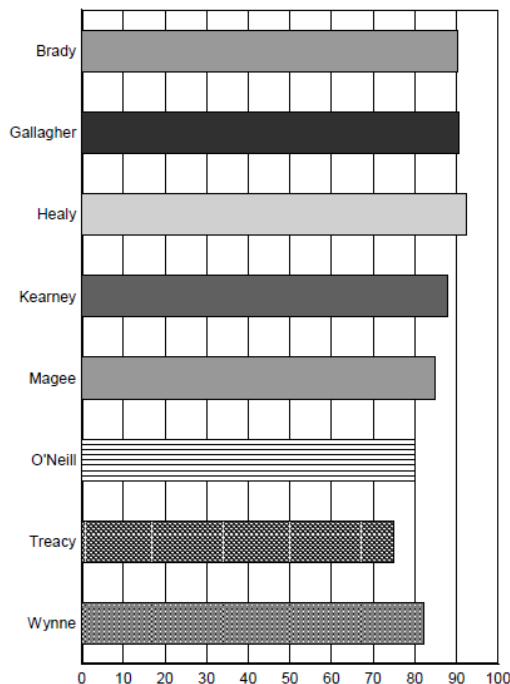


YEAR 5: Year 5 will be researching energy in library classes next term, and **it is essential that all students purchase the *Powering Our Planet* app from the iTunes store at a cost of \$7.99.**

Information in this app will be an essential component of the Term 2 library unit, upon which students will be assessed.


Happy Reading and Researching!

Ms Julia Martin and Mrs Tanya Toohey, Waterford Learning Centre



% of Percentage Correct Target






Invitation

Mother's Day Mass

2016



Date: Wednesday, 4th May

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Br Julian McDonald Centre

RSVP: Friday, 29th April via text on
0418 316 366

PRIMARY SPORT

Cross Country 2016

Under 10

PLACE	NAME	HOUSE
1	Gabriel Carboni	O'Neill
2	Anthony Mangraviti	Treacy
3	Charbel Boumina	Healy
4	Sebastian Santos	Gallagher



House points Under 10

1st	Wynne 33pts	2nd	Healy 30 pts	3rd	Treacy 26 pts	4th	Brady 24 pts
5th	Gallagher 20pts	6th	O'Neill 18 pts	7th	Kearney 13 pts	8th	Magee 7pts

Under 11

1st	Cameron Kanaan	Healy
2nd	Gabriel Tseros	Wynne
3rd	Charlie Buda	Magee
4th	Stelios Roulis	Gallagher



House points Under 11

1st	Treacy 207pts	2nd	Healy 183pts	3rd	Brady 154pts	4th	Gallagher 142pts
5th	Wynne 126pts	6th	O'Neill 120 pts	7th	Kearney 115 pts	8th	Magee 81pts

Under 12

1st	Alex Denmead	Healy
2nd	Peter Kostopoulos	Wynne
3rd	Ashtyn Bell	Gallagher
4th	Lomeo Nicolliello	Gallagher



House points Under 12

1st	Gallagher 221pts	2nd	Wynne 177pts	3rd	Healy 120pts	4th	O'Neill 114pts
5th	Treacy 100pts	6th	Magee 78 pts	7th	Kearney 36pts	8th	Brady 12pts

Overall results Cross Country 2016

1st	Gallagher 383pts	2nd	Wynne 336pts	3rd	Healy 333pts	3rd	Treacy 333pts
5th	O'Neill 252 pts	6th	Brady 190pts	7th	Magee 166pts	8th	Kearney 164pts

Representative Sport

Swimming

Congratulations to our swimmers, **Marcel Youssef, Christian Sarkis, Alexander McVeigh, Damien Bruzzese and Matteo Bentivogli** who recently competed at the MacKillop Trials and who gained selection in the MacKillop team to participate in the NSW Swim championships. To make a MacKillop team is an outstanding achievement as these boys will be representing half of all Catholic schools in New South Wales against the very best of all schools in New South Wales. We wish the boys all the best.



MacKillop Teams & Sydney Team 2016

Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected for Sydney Catholic Schools or MacKillop teams this year:

Basketball – MacKillop - Bailey Chambers
Cricket - Sydney Catholic Schools - Sam Konstas
Rugby - Sydney Catholic Schools - Kalai Freeman Combo, Ethan Roberts
Soccer - Sydney Catholic Schools - Alex Denmead, Ronan Kennedy-Mulgrew
Softball - Sydney Catholic Schools - Nicholas Vance
Swimming – MacKillop - Matteo Bentivogli, Damien Bruzzese, Alexander McVeigh, Christian Sarkis, Marcel Youssef
Swimming - Sydney Catholic Schools - Janni Evangelidis
Tennis – MacKillop - Billy Panagiotlaris
Touch - Sydney Catholic Schools - Ashtyn Bell, John Paul Catalano, Kalai Freeman Combo, Jacob Matta

AFL Paul Kelly Cup - Western Suburbs Champions

CBHS entered a number of teams in the annual AFL Paul Kelly Cup for the Western suburbs area. The sides all played extremely well and it was pleasing that one of our sides won their division. The Paul Kelly Cup runs a rounds event. Our round 2 match will be played in May at a date and venue to be confirmed.

Brad Mackay RUGBY LEAGUE SEVENS - Zone Champions



The School entered 12 sides in the annual Brad Mackay Rugby League Sevens competition which is the St George section of the legends competition and is broken into two sections. I would like to congratulate all the boys who played on the day – they showed great maturity in the way they organised themselves and the way they represented the School. Well done to two of our sides who actually played each other in the final. The School will now select a squad to be representatives against the other St George Division team in May. A huge thank you is extended to all those parents who came on the day to look after teams and enabled all the boys to actually have the opportunity to play.

Catholic Schools' Touch Football Gala Day

The gala day was played under dark skies and a bit of rain but our 20 sides had a good day playing with their mates and against 23 different schools that made up the competition. Thank you to all the boys who made up their sides and also who showed great initiative in getting themselves ready for games. Thank you to the number of high school students who refereed the games on the day; 19 fields were used and over 400 games were played on the day so it was a big responsibility for our boys. Thank you to the teachers who attended the day and looked after fields, referees and teams.



Cricket Mark Taylor Shield

I extend my apology concerning the Mark Taylor Shield - we are having difficulty booking a cricket field and this will take place next term.

Mr Mark Woodbury, Primary Sport Coordinator



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- ✓ Team Photo
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