

## PRIMARY MATTERS

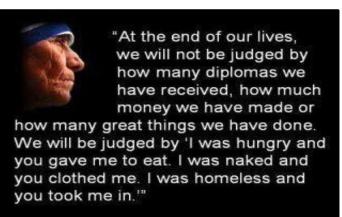
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## **Social Justice - Nursing Home visits**

Primary boys have twice visited a local nursing home in Lewisham. The boys have been fantastic on both occasions, with the people running the home impressed with the boys who have attended. The boys were engaging, entertaining and also great ambassadors of the School. This was a trial as the nursing home was not totally sold on the idea of boys visiting. However, after the visits they are very happy to have this relationship to develop over next year.

Thank you and congratulations to the following boys who visited the nursing home: **Ben Zappia, Callum O'Brien, Cid** Frangieh, Janni Evangelidis, Daniel Morgan, Lorenzo Barbalace, Oliver Gott, Gabriel Martins, Kareem Sowmi, Zach Hayek, Cameron Kanaan and Alexander McVeigh.

## **Christmas Appeal**

CBHS Primary has an ongoing relationship with the Gethsemane community, a local organisation run by Sr Myree Harris. This organisation tries to make life for people in nursing homes a little more bearable as they work with those who have no families to visit them or care for them. What we do for Sr Myree is supply a Christmas pack for these nursing home residents. This Christmas pack is mostly made up of items they can use throughout the year, but for many it is the thought that someone has cared for them.

I ask that you support this cause by bringing in some of the items listed below. We will be supplying gifts for 99 elderly people at seven different nursing homes.

Gifts to be collected in House Groups:



- Shampoo
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Comb / brush
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Small packets of tissues
- Soft Iollies



- Socks
- Shaving cream
- Conditioner
- Cosmetics
- Perfume
- Mirror
- Manicure setAftershave



Nursing homes we will be visiting:

- Sr Dorothea, Annandale
- Opal, Stanmore
- Rosemore, Belmore
- St Basil, Croydon
- St Basil, Lakemba

- Wyoming, Summer Hill
- Clover Lea, Burwood Heights

## Thank you - Morning Tea Year 12

A huge thank you is extended to all our Primary parents who supplied morning tea for our Year 12 graduation class of 2016. The parents of the boys appreciated all the effort that went into the morning. The leftover food that was unopened went to Night Patrol that weekend.





## **Speech Night**

Our annual Christian Brothers' High School Speech Night will be held at Sydney Town Hall on **Tuesday 15**<sup>th</sup> **November** commencing at **6:30pm**.

This is a compulsory school event.

Primary boys need to be at the Town Hall by 6:00pm to take their place on the stage. Parents are to meet the boys at the stage at the conclusion of Speech Night to have their names marked off.

## **University of NSW competitions**

Congratulations to the following boys who performed very well in the recent UNSW competitions:

Writing - Credit

Oliver Gott, Raphael Gordon, Gabriel Wong and Thomas Paxinos

English - Credit

Jack Ulizzi, Dylan Epsimos, Joel Xipakis, Zac Collins, Noah Milford, Emmanuel Cassia, Gabriel Wong and Thomas Hardy

English - Distinction (placing them in the top 10% of Australia)

Ky Douglas, Jacob Dibble, Luca Favot, Paul Elia, William Kerin, Daniel Santoro and Anthony Kazzi

Mathematics - Credit

Luca Favot, Oliver Gott, Billy Arena, Thomas Hardy, Jonah Sowmi, Noah Milford, Zac Collins, Daniel Rulli, Thomas Paxinos, Jordan Mavroidis, Christos Lellis, Daniel Fortini and Jacob Dibble

Mathematics - Distinction

Paul Elia, Alexander Calas, Jayden Farnsworth, William Kerin, Daniel Santoro and Anthony Kazzi

## Year 7 2017

The catch-up day for Allwell testing is Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Boys who have already sat the test will receive their reports shortly.

**Monday 7**<sup>th</sup> **November** is the Parent Information night for all parents of boys going into Year 7 in 2017. The meeting will begin at **7pm**. At the meeting, you will receive a pack that will include Opal card transport forms as well as book lists and computer requirements.



## Year 5 2018

The School has commenced interviews for Year 5 2018. If you have a son that will be in Year 5 in 2018 and you wish for him to attend the School, please pick up an enrolment form from the Front Office as soon as possible.

## **2017 Primary School Leaders**

Boys in Year 5 have begun the process of electing their Primary School leaders for 2017. Week 3 has seen the boys nominated for Captain give their speeches and all of Year 5 has voted. Congratulations to all the boys who presented speeches; you showed a lot of courage and passion. Week 4 will see the voting for House Captains.

DON'T TALK, JUST ACT. DON'T SAY, JUST SHOW. DON'T PROMISE, JUST PROVE.

## **2016 Primary Awards**

#### **Edmund Rice Award for Academic Excellence**

5G	Gabriel Wong		
5S	Christopher Hogan		
5V	Nicholas Malliaros		
5L	Adam Maher		
6P	Dante Lanzafame		
6A	Noah Milford		
6F	Harry Stathakis		
6W	Luke Nenadic		
6D	Ulysses Kokkonis		

#### Br Hester Award for All Round Effort (Sport / Social Justice / Behaviour / Academic)

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Thomas Hardy				
Gabriel Carboni				
Jerome Guirguis				
Jonathan Haklane				
Ryan Hannigan				
Marcel Youssef				
Liam Fitzgerald				
George Hanna				
Christopher Candotti				

#### Joseph The Worker Award for Most Improved

5G	Johnny Konstas			
5S	Mark Craparotta			
5V	Frank Bitar			
5L	Alexander Moreira			
6P	Robert Costa Ashtyn Bell Daniel Santoro			
6A				
6F				
6W	Cesar Galvez Palomino			
6D	James Arcuri			

#### Mary MacKillop Award for Religious Education

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	5G	Peter Tsokos			
	5S	Michael Asprou			
	5V	Christopher Attieh			
	5L Anthony Kazzi				
	6P	A John Latouf			
	6A				
	6F				
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	6D	Callum O'Brien			

## **Public Speaking**

A number of boys have nominated to participate in the Public Speaking event to be held **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**. Participants are free to choose a topic of their own. The following list has some suggested topics:

- 1. Turn off your TV and do something interesting.
- 2. Do superstitions still exist?
- 3. Why you should never eat fast food.
- 4. Is there life on other planets?
- 5. Climb every mountain
- 6. If it isn't broke, don't fix it.
- 7. Never say 'never'.
- 8. Trash or treasure?
- 9. Winning is not what matters. It is all about trying.
- 10. Is technology moving too fast for us humans to keep up?

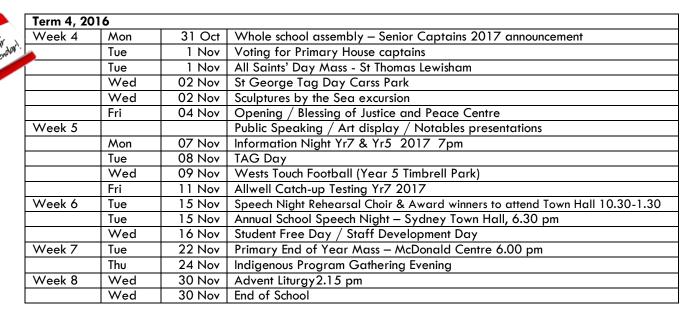


- 11. What makes a good teacher?
- 12. You don't need a lot of friends to be happy.
- 13. Tagging is art.
- 14. What I would do if I was a billionaire.
- 15. The life of a sloth.
- 16. Mac vs PC.
- 17. Money changes everything.
- 18. 'Reality TV' is anything but real.
- 19. Gaming is educational.
- 20. Parents just don't understand.

Year 5 Competition			Year 6 Competition	
Gabriel Wong	Christopher Hogan	Ned Knoetze	Joel Xipakis	Peter Masesa
Paul Elia	Dylan Epsimos	Luke Nenadic	Janni Evangelidis	Dean Lymberis
Luka Gonano	Adam Maher	Alistair Fernandes	Harry Stathakis	Jack Ulizzi
Christos Lellis	Anthony Kazzi	Nathaniel Kelly	Raphael Gordon	Oliver Gott

~ Mr Mark Woodbury, Assistant Principal – Primary







#### **Justice & Peace**

In recent times two groups of Year 6 students were fortunate to have had the opportunity to visit a hostel and nursing home in Lewisham. The groups engaged with the residents using their interpersonal skills to listen, hold and lead conversations with the older folk. In some instances, the experience was particularly challenging, however, the boys rose in the circumstances and shone. The residents were delighted to have our students as visitors and are already looking forward to our next visit when the boys will be singing Christmas carols.

This term, students from Years 5-12 will begin their entries into their Justice and Peace Portfolio that will provide an opportunity for each student to reflect on their journey with social justice and community service endeavours during their time at CBHS Lewisham. The portfolio will continue through to their graduation in Year 12.

We are always so very grateful for the generosity shown when families are asked to donate to St Vincent de Paul's Night Patrol. At present, Magee and Treacy are collecting food ready for distribution on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November. This term we are also collecting goods to be made into hampers for residents in a number of local nursing homes (further details included in this newsletter).



#### Year 5

This term, Year 5 library classes have been viewing a variety of Book Trailers and will be making their own trailer using the iMovie app. As well as being shared with peers, the book trailers will also be screened on the digital display screen in the Waterford Learning Centre. Please ensure that your son has the iMovie app installed on his iPad.

#### Year 6

Year 6 classes are assessing websites and learning about Australia's currency, including the famous people featured on our money. Later in the term, boys will have the opportunity to design their own banknotes.

#### **Red Gum Book Club**

The latest Red Gum Book Club catalogue has been handed out to classes. Orders close on November 8, and books will be delivered to the school by November 22. If your son did not receive a catalogue, they are available in the Waterford Learning Centre. You can also order from the complete catalogue online: www.redgumbookclub.com.au

## **Accelerated Reader**

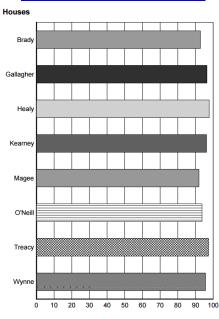


Happy Reading....like Kosta, Jonah and Jordan (6F)!

The last day for boys to do quizzes to reach their Semester 2 target is Friday, November 11. This is only a few weeks away....so keep reading! Students will complete a second Star Reading Test later in the term, to measure their progress throughout the year.

## **Team Standing Chart**

The race is on between Healy and Treacy but it's not too late for the other houses to catch up!



~ Ms Julia Martin and Mrs Tanya Toohey, Waterford Learning Centre



# PRIMARY SPORT



## **Primary MacKillop Sporting Representatives 2016**

The boys listed below have represented MacKillop (made up of half of NSW Catholic schools) this year. They competed in the NSW championships against all the best athletes from all schools in NSW. A special mention must be made of **Bailey Chambers** who was selected to represent NSW in Basketball. Congratulations also to:

Matteo Bentivogli (Swimming), Kalai Freeman-Combo (Rugby), Sam Konstas (Cricket), Jacob Matta (Touch Football), Alexander McVeigh (Swimming), Billy Panagiotlaris (Tennis), Ethan Roberts (Rugby League), Christian Sarkis (Swimming), Marcel Youssef (Swimming), and Bailey Chambers (Swimming).



#### Milo Cricket Round 2

Well done to our cricket team that made Round 2 of the Milo Cricket tournament. They will now compete at Bankstown Oval against the best metropolitan teams in Sydney.

## Rugby League Clinic

St George Dragons' Rugby League Club and the NRL have been running Rugby League clinics on Thursday mornings for the boys. I would like to thank them for their commitment to growing the game of rugby league.

## St George Tag Gala Day - CHANGE OF DATE

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November Carss Park, Kogarah

The School will be entering 15 sides in this Gala Day. Parents: if you wish to help out, please feel free to join us.