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Term 2, Week 1

28th April 2017

2018 enrolment period commences 1 May and concludes 19 May

PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

Welcome back to school for Term 2. Happy Easter to all.

It has been a rainy and somewhat cold start to the term and the longer than usual break has been a welcome re-charge for everyone. This Newsletter comes two days after the *First Day Byte* and most of what you need to know to start the term was included in there.

Welcome to Riley (Year 5) and Karam (Year 2) and their families who began as new members of the St John the Apostle Community this week. We look forward to learning more about you and sharing your journey.

ANZAC Commemoration

Anzac Day is deeply felt by the Australian people. Anzac Day has many layers of meaning:

- It is a commemoration of those fallen in war and gives honour to all those who gave their lives so that we may live in freedom.
- It is a day of national identity.
- It is a story of victory in defeat, survival in the face of overwhelming odds.
- It is also a prayer for peace because all war is terrible no matter what heroism it reveals.



While many of us commemorated Anzac Day on Tuesday we will commemorate together as a school community at our School Assembly directly after lunch on Monday. All families are welcome to join us.

St John the Apostle Reading Challenge

Every student reads every day at our school. They have a wide selection of 'good fit' books to choose from: not too hard so as to lose understanding and hard enough to learn new vocabulary and enjoy new ideas. To celebrate reading across our school we're holding the St John the Apostle Reading Challenge. Throughout the term the students read and record ten books to enter. Entry sheets can be picked up in the Library that outline a range of categories for book selection. Some of them include:

- A book that your Dad loves
- A book that has a non-human character
- A book that has more than 100 pages

United in love truth and courage.

- A book published this year
- A funny book

There are many more categories to inspire student book selection for reading. When a student has read a book that matches a category they record the title of the book. When they have recorded ten book titles they place the entry in a special box in the Library and at the end of the term we will draw out entries to receive book vouchers to enjoy some holiday reading. Students can enter as many times as they like. Our entries will also contribute to the Chief Minister's Reading Challenge.



Catholic Schools Netball Carnival 2017

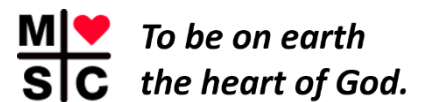
As hosts of the Catholic Schools Netball Carnival in 2017 we look forward to the opportunity to present St John the Apostle Community at its best to the wider ACT and NSW Archdiocese. The organising committee is having its first official meeting this coming week and you can expect to hear a lot more information as the year goes on. It is a wonderful opportunity for a school to raise a great deal of funds to provide the best opportunities for all of our students. A successful Netball Carnival will take all of us. Thank you to the parents who have taken up roles in organising this day.

In the coming weeks, as the season of Easter is celebrated in our Church, may you experience the joy of the Risen Christ in your every day.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew Garton".

Matthew Garton
Principal (Acting)

CATHOLIC LIFE & REFLECTION



“Rabbi, where are you staying?”

He said to them, “Come and see”. John 1:38-39



As you enter the school you will notice that the cross in the foyer is decorated in gold and white, the stone has been rolled away from the tomb in the mini Resurrection garden and the hallways reflect our celebrations of Easter.

4M led us in a brightly coloured reflection assembly yesterday. The hall was full of song and dance as the children celebrated the discovery that Jesus had indeed risen from the dead.

The Easter story is central to our faith. It is a time of extreme darkness and great joy. I

often wonder what it would have been like for Mary, as a mother to witness the death of her son. This year as we focus on St John, it brings comfort to know that Mary had the support of the most beloved disciple during this incredibly difficult time. And, that after his Resurrection, John continued to live with, and be a companion to Mary.

We hope that your journey through the Easter season, that continues to the feast of Pentecost, will continue to be filled with the joy and love of friends and family.

Many blessings,
Stephanie Stewart
Religious Education Coordinator

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

Tuckshop News

We are in need of volunteers for our Tuckshop. The tuckshop operates Tuesday-Friday. If you are able to help please contact the front office. Any help would be greatly appreciated.



Weekly Notes & Forms

The following notes have gone home this week and are currently on the [school website](#) or as an e-form on Skoolbag.



- First Day Byte, Term 2, 2017.
- Athletics Carnival Permission Note Kinder & Yr 1
- Athletics Carnival Permission Note Yr 2 – Yr 6

Class Awards

Due to the short week there will be no class awards distributed at next Monday's assembly.

Dates to Remember

- **Thursday 4th May, Open Day . Tours 9:30 -11:00am and 5:00 – 6:00pm.**
- **Friday 5th May, Open Day Tours 9:30 – 11:00am**
- Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th May - Confirmation Presentation Masses.

- May 1st - 5th May Enrolment Period
- May 5th Year 5 Tidbinbilla excursion
- May 9th – May 11th Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN
- Wednesday, 10th May Community Council
- May 12th Athletics Carnival

Clothing Pool

The clothing pool is looking for someone to donate a partition of some sort to help make a little change room in the clothing pool for students to try items of clothing on. If you have something that you think would work please contact the school.

Happy Birthday...

Happy Birthday to Atem M, Sebastian P, Usai T, Ethan T, Alexander P, Zeke N, Aaron S, Travis A, Indiana E-G, Tyson B, Kaboni M, Olivia T, Sally W, Huon H, Mason W, Emma N, Izabella H, Gabirella D, Jessica N, Lilly O, Amelia F, Tenioluwa O, Sebastian B, Amen E, Sarah B, Molly B Grace H and Rebecca C who all had birthdays during the last week or celebrated their special day during the holidays.



Celebrating Student Achievements

If you would like to see your child's achievements on this page, please email to office.sjaps@cg.catholic.edu.au no later than 3:30pm on Wednesday afternoons. If it is received after this time it will be in the following weeks newsletter. We love to share our student's successes with the school community.

Congratulations to Bailee who recently with her ballet school- Vieira dance school of excellence, competed at the Riverside Dance Eisteddfod. Bailee performed her very first classical ballet solo where she placed 3rd! She also did a lyrical solo and was awarded highly commended. The troupe also competed and came first in the 12 and under lyrical section!
She was just stunning on stage.



Congratulations to SJA Maroons who will be competing at the North Belconnen Winter Netball competition as Division One players (modified) after only playing netball for one year. For our young players this means full Netball rules will apply! All the best to our awesome players from year 2, 3 and 4! Alicia & Maddy Oxborrow, Evelina & Eseta Tuipeatau, Abbie McNamara, Amelia Ayton, Hannah Scobie, Brianna Rose, Natalia Seselja, Natalia Gill, Page West and Dakota Leach.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



2017 NORTHSIDE CROSS COUNTRY & FUN RUN

McDermott Place, Lake Ginninderra
Conducted on Sundays by North Canberra-Gungahlin Athletics Club

SEASON REGISTRATION \$20 single runner, \$50 family of 3+, or \$5 per casual session (2 only)

For information contact: Dianne Calvert m. 0413221988 e. dcalvert@orangevine.net.au

Registrations are taken at any event during the season...come down, have a run, and have fun ☺

Results available at: <https://nogaathletics.wikispaces.com/Northside+Schools+Cross-Country>

Features: Championship race end of season; age awards for placegetters & top points scores & Perpetual Trophies for winning schools in each age group from U7 to U15 for both boys/girls.

2017 CALENDAR

MAY:

- Sat 6 Registration session 3-4pm
- Sun 7 May No. 3 Program – Bike Path – (*High Noon)
- Sun 14 May RunACT Junior 1km & 3km Grass Course
- Sun 21 May No. 1 Program – Grass Course – (*High Noon)
- Sun 28 May No. 2 Program – Grass Course

JUNE:

- Sun 4 June No. 1 Program – Grass Course
- Sun 18 June No. 3 Program – Bike Path – (*High Noon)
- Sun 25 June No. 2 Program – Grass Course

JULY:

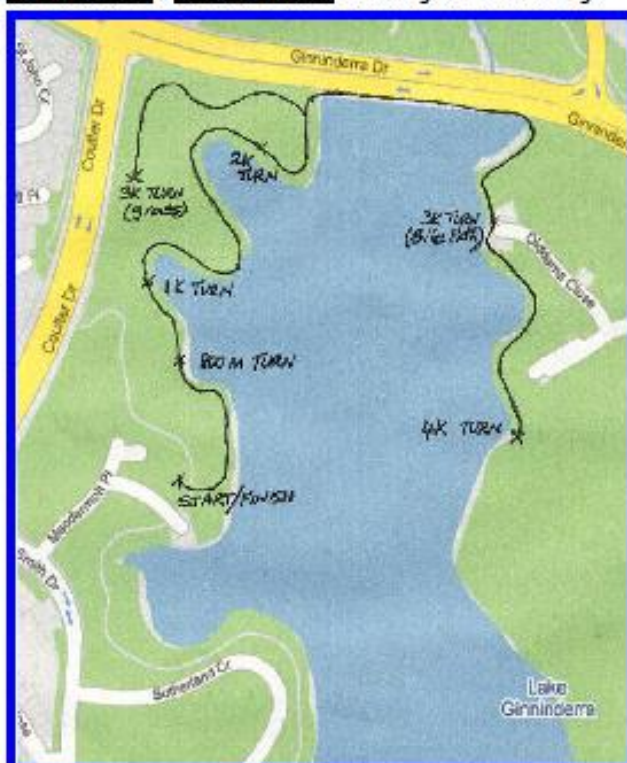
- Sun 16 July No. 3 Program – Bike Path
- Sun 23 July No. 1 Program – Grass Course
- Sun 30 July No. 2 Program – Grass Course

AUGUST:

- Sun 6 Aug No. 3 Program – Bike Path – (*High Noon)
- Sun 13 Aug Age Champs - Grass 1km, 2kms; Path 3kms & 4kms

CHAMPIONSHIPS & PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

- ★ Trophies to winning schools; medals for first three eligible runners in each race; Award top point score per age group, male/female.



FAMILY REGISTRATION FORM 2016

Surname, First name:	M/F	Age 1 st May	D.O.B	Name of school:	Chest Number

Address: Parent's Name:

Postcode: Phone: Email:

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – We COMMUNICATE VIA EMAIL & mobile ☺

Terms & Conditions of North-side Cross Country 2017:

- I accept that if my child runs at my own risk and it is my responsibility to ensure that if my child is fit and able to take part in the events listed; My child/en under the age of 8 years old are my responsibility while running and accept they could be accompanied at all times, before, during and after the run;
- NCGA and its volunteers do not accept responsibility for injury, loss or damage sustained by a participant unless the said injury, loss or damage is proven to have been caused as a direct result of negligence on the part of the Club.

Signature: Date: / / 2017

(*High Noon Track/Field competition over winter – ask Dianne or visit <http://athleticsact.org.au/Compete/Calendar>)



GKR KARATE

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Fitness with purpose: learn self defence

Children who train in karate
are less likely to be bullied and
school work and class behaviour can improve

No contracts: pay as you go



- Build confidence
- Improve fitness
- Gain self discipline
- Learn self defence

North side classes in:

Evatt
Florey
Fraser
Harrison
Kaleen

Classes: all around Canberra, Goulburn, Queanbeyan, Yass

For your Free Trial Class

contact Wendy: 0406 375 091
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Learn self defence

karate for all ages