# John Paul II

Catholic School Newsletter



### 13th February 2013

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## Important Dates

#### **FEBRUARY**

Thursday 14th Assembly 4/5H & 5/6S 1:50pm

Monday 18th P & F Meeting 7:00pm

Tuesday 19th Board Meeting 6:30pm

Thursday 21st ICT Parent Information Sessions 2:30pm & 7:00pm

Friday 22nd Whole School Picnic

Tuesday 26th JPH Swimming Carnival 11–2pm

#### March

Friday 1st Walk to School Day

Monday 4th Parent Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 5th School Photos

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John Paul II **School Captain Brielle Pigden** and **Vice Captain Kate Whish-Wilson** attended the official launch of Project Compassion at the Cathedral with Mr Ireland.

On behalf of the school the girls received a candle and a moneybox.

They are pictured here with Archbishop Adrian Doyle.

## From the Principal

Jim Ireland

Dear Parents,

Officially, I welcome you all back for 2013. I can confidently say that children and teachers have had a fabulous start to the year. Our numbers are very good and we are excited about getting our bus up and going and commencing our bus run in March. I wish to welcome all the new children and their families and hope that you enjoy your experience at John Paul II. Especially, I want to welcome new Bluegum teacher Mrs Graham and welcome back Mrs Rickards and Mrs Collinson. We should have a great year and are all very excited about what is in front of us.

This year is the commencement of the four terms and it is important for people to realize that children still attend school for the same number of days as for three terms and that the fees are exactly the same with the usual yearly increase. Hopefully, everyone understands this and I am very happy to talk to anyone who has any questions.

This year we have a whole school focus on Maths and teachers will be expected to teach maths daily. We are committed this year to improving in this area of work. Also, Mrs Beresford is working on a special project to help our improvement in this area of study.



## From the Principal cont.

Yesterday Kate Wish-Wilson and Brielle Pigden, our school captains for term one, represented John Paul II at the launch of Caritas 2013 at the Cathedral. They received a candle and some money boxes as symbols for the project which runs throughout Lent.

I received a letter from London on behalf of The Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall who wrote to thank the children of John Paul II for their handmade birthday cards presented during their visit to Richmond. The letter said "The Prince of Wales was extremely touched by your thoughtfulness." This is a lovely keepsake for our school and a wonderful gesture from the Prince for our children involved.

Children were excellent at our Ash Wednesday Mass. This is the commencement of Lent, which is a time when we go without and share our thoughts and deeds for the needy in our community. This is the period that leads us up to Easter. This month we are featured in the Tasmanian Catholic Magazine, which is well worth a read. I wish everyone all the best for a great year ahead.

"Commitment to Catholic Education transcends the life span of individuals and generations. We are the beneficiaries of a past where we did not labour and the trustees of a future we will not enjoy. But there is the special reward of participation in an endeavor that is larger than the sum of our individual lives." J. O'Hare SJ.



### Eastern Regional Soccer Trials

Sunday 17th Feb

Under 10 Girls Under 11/12 Girls 9:00 - 10:30am 10:00 - 11:30am

Under 11 boys Under 12 Boys 2:30 - 4:30pm 12:30 - 2:30pm

Sunday 24th Feb Under 10 boys 10:00am -12pm



All trials will be held at Rose Bay High School. Please when you come along make sure you have shin guards and a drink bottle.

Please do not arrive in your Regional strip to the trial.

#### RYUKYU SHOTOKAN KARATE



Self Defence Self Confidence Fitness and Co-ordination

Tuesday Night Rokeby Trust Hall
Clarence Plains

Little Dragons (4-7 years) 4:30 to 5:00pm Junior Dragons (8-12 years) 5:00 to 6:00pm Seniors 6:00 to 7:30pm

first lesson free

COME ALONG AND JOIN IN

Call Sensei Chris Cousens 0409 359 369



#### IMPORTANT CANTEEN UPDATE

Unfortunately due to the lack of parent/volunteer response it is impossible for the canteen to operate at this time.

Unless this situation changes it is quite likely that the canteen will not be running at John Paul

Please contact the office or Fiona Roberts on 0418 996 194 if you can help out. Volunteers need only offer one day a term for the canteen to operate.



**Important Allergy Information for Infant** Classes.

#### Early Years Nut-Free Zone

Due to a child with severe nut allergies, the Kinder and Prep/1 (Sapling & Bluegum) classrooms are to remain NUT FREE.

A note explaining the details of this has been sent home to all Early Years students which parents are asked to complete and return as soon as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## ABUNDANT LIFE DANCE



Back to School FREE WORKSHOP and Enrolment Day 13th February, 3:30pm at Abundant Life

Church Classes for all ages Kinder - Grade 6

COMING SOON in 2013 - Preschool, High School & Adult classes Sign up on the day, or for more details

> contact 6248 7317 or johanna@abundant.org.au



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Due to the success of Abundant Life Dance Academy in 2012, Abundant Life Church is proud to announce the addition of three extra classes coming soon in 2013 - Preschool, High School, and Adult. These are all exciting new additions in the development of a School for the Performing Arts on the Eastern Shore - aiming to provide professional teaching in a loving & accepting environment that encourages students to strive for excellence in their skills & performance, and offers inspiring, enjoyable, and affordable tuition and classes Abundant Life Music & Dance Centre also offers private music/instrumental tuition.

For more info, contact 6248 7317 or email johanna@abundant.org.au

Find us on www.abundant.org.au or facebook at Abundant Life Music & Dance Centre



#### QUALIFIED TEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

Drawing from 20 years of Dance experience - Teacher Annette Turvey gives each child focused, professional and caring tuition, catering for all levels of expertise.



EXCITING RANGE OF STYLES FOR ALL AGES

Classes run every Wednesday - enrol Hurry, spaces are limited. Join for the term

3:30-4:15pm - Kinder/Grade 1 4:15-5:15pm - Grades 2-4 5:15-6:15pm - Grades 5+

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ENROLLMENTS BEING TAKEN NOW

us on 13th February for our free Back to School Workshop

Term 1 classes commence 20th February

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HELP FOR TODAY - HOPE FOR TOMORROW \







We will be running Flippa Ball at The Hobart Aquatic Centre (THAC) for 7 weeks starting Friday February 22nd.

Training: Tuesday nights 6:15-7:15PM Games: Friday nights starting at 6:30PM.

If your school cannot quite put together a full team, please still send in all expressions of interest through individual player registration forms - combined teams can and will be created! Registration will be \$50 per player.

Copies of the team registration and individual registration forms can be collected from the office and should be returned no later than Monday 18th Feb.

Tom Reale.

Tasmanian Water Polo Development Officer 0488992740



#### Clarence Junior Football Club Registration Day

When: Saturday 9th February 2013

10:00 am - 12.00 pm

Venue: Clarence Junior Football

Clubrooms

Where: 255 Clarence St Howrah (enter from

Clarence St near Pizza Hut)

Contact: Phil Johnson 0407 742 288 or

Stuart Lovell 0419 318 746

Web:

http://www.sportingpulse.com/club\_info.cgi? c=1-110-31347-54380-0&sID=180639

Phil Johnson Clarence Junior Football Club 0407 742 288



## Kids Love Drama, Parents Love the Results!

Building confidence and self-esteem through acting, our acclaimed programme has been making a difference since 1979. **Helen O'Grady Drama** develops creativity, social and communication skills and it's fun!

Now taking enrolments for students aged 5 to young adult.

Weekly classes for Lower Primary, Upper Primary and Youth in Bellerive, Brighton, and Lindisfarne. Phone Belinda and Franz on **6272 2242** to find out about our classes. **The difference is dramatic!** 

www.helenogrady.com.au, hobart@helenogrady.com.au



#### School Photo Time!

Envelopes for ordering school photos have gone home with students today, so please check your child's bag. Orders should be returned with the correct money to the office no later than Friday 1st March. Parents wanting family photos can collect an order form from the school Office.



### SCHOLASTIC Book Club Reminder

Scholastic Book Club catalogues have gone home to all classes. Orders must be at the office no later than *Friday 22nd Feb*.