Dear Parents and Carers,

3 WAY CONFERENCES
A huge thank you to all staff for all the extra work involved in organising and preparing for the 3 Way Conferences this week. Conducting the interviews out of hours shows such dedication and commitment to your students and their families. Thank you.

Thank you also to parents too for coming and meeting with your teachers. These are important occasions to affirm the children and set goals for the future. The 3 Way Conferences are an example of how we are working together in partnership to educate your children.

If you did not make a time to meet with your teacher/s, then you are asked to contact the teacher next term to make a time that is convenient to the teacher, either before school or straight after school.

WINTER UNIFORM
It is time to get the winter uniforms out and dust them off. We will be wearing it when we return for Term 2 on Tuesday 26 April. We will have the usual few weeks of change over, but students are expected to wear correct winter uniform. A reminder that Black ‘jogger, canvas or boots’ type school shoes are not part of the school uniform. The only school shoes allowed at St Clare’s are the traditional or formal black leather school shoes. On sports days, sports shoes are to be predominantly white.

2016 ENROLMENT
2016 Enrolment Period
2 May until 20 May
Open Day Thursday 12 May

Enrolment time will be on us again in a few weeks. If you have a little one ready for school in 2016 or you know of anyone interested in looking at our fantastic school for their children, the enrolment packs will be ready for the beginning of the new term. Our Open Day will be in Week 3 on the 12th May.

CONGRATULATIONS
Best wishes to Laura & Sam Adams on the recent birth of their baby girl Zara.

Mum and bub are home and settling in well.

FAREWELL
- Special farewell to Alison Graeber and Jo Thomson who leave our community this term to commence maternity leave. Next term we will welcome Jordan Swain in Year 6 and Narelle O’Callaghan in Year 4. The baby boom has begun!
- Farewell also to some of our families who are moving interstate or to new areas of Canberra. We wish you well in the future.
It is hard to believe that we are at the end of the first term for 2016 already. It has been a most productive term where we have seen new staff and new students all settle in well and become part of the St Clare of Assisi family.

I would like to wish all our families a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to your return to school on Tuesday April 26th for what I am sure will be a great Term 2.

Have a good week.

Brad Gaynor
Principal
brad.gaynor@cg.catholic.edu.au

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**NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN)**

The National Assessment Program is the measure through which governments, education authorities and schools can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May. The 2016 NAPLAN tests will be held next Term in Week 3 on **Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May**. Please check the following timetable which outlines the times at which the tests will be conducted. If you have a child in Year 3 or 5 please ensure that appointments are organised outside testing times. A make-up day will be held on Friday 13th May for students who missed a section of the testing or were absent on a particular test day. For more information about NAPLAN you can go to [http://www.naplan.edu.au](http://www.naplan.edu.au) and the NAPLAN 2016 Information for Parents flyer that has been sent home today.

The results of these tests will provide useful information for us as teachers and you as parents. In particular, they will help inform teachers in their ongoing efforts to address the literacy and numeracy needs of their students.

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Religious Education

Be the Light of... Faith
Catholic, Identity, Prayer and Tradition

Adult Faith Education

Corpus Christi Parish will be hosting a series of five talks on
“THE NAME OF GOD IS MERCY”
with
Fr. Warrick Tonkin

commencing Thursday, 14th April.
Venue: Holy Family Church, Castleton Crescent, Gowrie.
Cost: Gold coin donation to cover notes.

Session 1: (14th April)
Naming Mercy.
Session 2: (21st April)
The Psalms of Mercy.
Session 3: (28th April)
The Parables of Mercy.
Session 4: (5th May)
Mercy and the Sacraments.
Session 5: (12th May)
The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy / Principles of Catholic Social Teaching / Mary, Mother of Mercy.

Project Compassion

A HUGE thank you to all of our generous families, for your support of our fundraising efforts for Project Compassion. Through our class boxes and the Easter Egg guessing competition, SCA have managed to raise an amazing $939.25 this year! AMAZING work everyone and thanks again!

Congratulations to Nick Williams from 4 Red, who won the Easter eggs. There were 533 eggs in the container and his guess was 532!

A big congratulations also goes to 6 Green and 2 Red, who were our highest fundraisers out of all class.
6 Green raising $140.45 and 2 Red with $139.60!
Each class will also receive a prize!

WELL DONE!!!

NO Class Mass this Friday 8th April due to the Athletics Carnival
White Cards

White Card Recipients

Week 10 Term 1

Congratulations to the following students:

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White Cards are given out to the children on Friday morning at the 8.50am assembly.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 8th April

No lunch orders available this Friday.
Hot dogs, drinks, chips and lollies will be for sale.
If anyone can help out on the day please call into the canteen at the oval.

Canteen Roster

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Netball Natter

Netball 2nd April
Player of the Week and Match Reports

Stars – Emily Blenkin
Swifts – Tabitha Edwards
Sunshines – Faye Grant
Slushies – Sisifa Tofuaipangai
Skittles – Maddi Warren
Sparkles – Brea Rodgers
Smurfs – Ella Collins
Smarties – Tijana Hlevnjak
Superstars – Annica Barber
Smiggles – Karuna Adhikari

Smurfs Match Report
The Smurfs began the season really well on Saturday. It was the first time we had played on the hard courts and the girls did extremely well. The game started off with the Smurfs having the first centre pass, which led to them controlling the ball all the way down the court to shoot the first successful goal. St Francis of Assisi played very well and at times were tough competition for the Smurfs. However, the girls managed to hold on and continue to pass the ball with precision and defend the ball with enthusiasm. Shooting proved to be a little tricky as the girls are now shooting into the full size posts. There were a few girls who managed to shoot with precision and accuracy despite being the smallest on our team! All of the girls played a fantastic first game of the season and will hopefully continue to enjoy their netball throughout the season. Well done Smurfs on a great start!!

There is another round of trials for Tuggeranong Primary Schools representative sports teams. They are available for children in Year 5 or 6 who play this sport regularly on the weekend and wish to trial against the best in Tuggeranong. The trials are for boys & girls teams. The children must see Mr Sweeney to register their interest, and then go online to complete their registration.

Soccer, Basketball & Touch Football
Term 2
Week 1, Tuesday 26th April
Week 2 Thursday 5th May
Trinity School in Wanniassa from 3.45 to 5.30pm.
See website for trial registration forms
http://www.schoolsportact.asn.au

Do you know a budding drama star?

DancEdge School of Performing Arts have an amazing opportunity for children aged 8 – 18 to attend a one day workshop with Australia’s own, Rachael Beck.

Rachael is best known for her role as ‘Belle’ in Beauty and the Beast musical and ‘Sam’ from Hey Dad!

Rachael’s workshop will focus on:
- Professional music theatre vocal warm-ups,
- Theatre Dance
- Acting exercises
- Effective audition techniques and preparation
- Question and answer time for children and parents
- Insight into life in the professional theatre industry

Date: Thursday, 21 April 2016, 9.00am – 4.00pm
Where: DancEdge School of Performing Arts, Carleton Shops, Boddington Crescent, Kambah
Cost: $120

Need more info? Contact Renee at renee.dancedge@hotmail.com or 0499 99 80 49
Parent Network
SCA Walking Club

No walking club this week as the athletics carnival is on. Walking club will resume again in Term 2. Enjoy the break. We look forward to seeing some new faces in Term 2!!
The Parent Network

School Banking

Just a reminder that due to the Athletics Carnival this Friday there will be NO banking. Hope you all have a lovely break over the holidays and I look forward to showing you the new rewards available for Term 2. Again if you have any questions at all regarding the banking please contact me, Robyn Baker, on 0402 449 291.

Sight and Hearing Concerns

Are you wondering if your child has a sight or hearing problem? Has your child’s teacher recommended having their sight or hearing assessed? If so, we recommend a behavioural optometrists for sight assessments. Services are provided through Eyecare Plus in Tuggeranong or Special Eyes in Woden. For hearing assessments you can attend any audiologist. You can find some through Australian Hearing in Tuggeranong or Brindabella Hearing and Speech Centre in Deakin. If you require any further information please see your child’s teacher.

Junior First Aid

Would your child know what to do if they cut themselves and were bleeding? Does your child know the number to ring to save a life in an emergency?

First Aid Skills Are Life Skills

St John Ambulance believes in empowering our children and youth to be capable in first aid situations. Junior First Aid is a course designed specifically for 8 to 13 year olds to build their confidence and skills in dealing with first aid situations.

The course includes:
- Good first aiders
- Calling 000
- DRSABC ind CPR
- Shock and Fainting
- Bleeding
- Burns
- Eye injuries
- Use of Ice
- Sprains
- Fractures
- Bites and Stings
- Heat Illness

…and class participation, demonstration and practice of skills as well as some fun and games.

Affordable One Day Courses in School Holidays: 9am to 5pm*

Perfect for Cub, Scout and Guide achievement badges

Students should wear suitable clothing for practising first aid, including on the floor, and bring a packed lunch, hat and a water bottle. Parental permission will be required. Please see our website or contact our customer service staff for further details or to make a booking.

* Course content finishes by 4pm, supervision provided to 5pm

Feast for Famine Fundraising Dinner

7th May 2016
Majura Community Hall
Dickson

For further information please contact:
0450 901 305
or
tumaini@iprimus.com.au

Tumaini Foundation of Hope

In Africa alone there are over 2.1 million children orphaned each year, and every 15 seconds another child becomes an AIDS orphan. As this crisis intensifies, hope endures and opens us up to new creative possibilities to transform lives.

Hope rises.

Phone: 0450 901 305
FB: tumaini.foundation.of.hope
Try a Day @ St Clare’s

Become a St Clare’s girl for a day! We invite prospective Year 7 students to experience the exciting and enriching opportunities available at St Clare’s College.

Please register on our website to attend www.stcc.act.edu.au

MAY 03 TUESDAY

Open Evening

4.00 - 7.30PM

Tours between 4.00 - 6.00pm and 6.30 - 7.30pm.

YEAR 7 INFORMATION

Formal presentation by the Principal, Mr Paul Carroll and senior students between 6.00 - 6.30pm.

MAY 17 TUESDAY

Year 11 Information Evening

6.00 - 7.30PM

Discover the many courses and leadership opportunities available for senior students at St Clare’s College.

I belong, you belong, we belong to our Spirited Learning Community

St Clare’s College
A Spirited Learning Community
Seek Wisdom

ST MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE CANBERRA

YEAR 7, 2017 INFO NIGHT
MONDAY 2 MAY, 2016
6.30PM, WANNIASSA CAMPUS

TRY MACKILLOP DAY
THURSDAY 5 MAY, 2016
9.00AM, WANNIASSA CAMPUS

YEAR 11, 2017 INFO NIGHT
WEDNESDAY 11 MAY, 2016
6.00PM, ISABELLA CAMPUS

6209 0100 enrolments@mackillop.act.edu.au mackillop.act.edu.au

Attention Year 6 Parents Year 7 Information Nights ...
Free one day workshop for parents and carers

Workshop: 15-16ACTPC1  
Location: Greenway, Canberra

Like all school-aged students, young people on the autism spectrum benefit from strong, positive relationships between the home and school. Positive Partnerships uses evidence based materials and practical resources to help support these relationships by facilitating workshops for parents and carers.

This workshop is suitable for parents, full time carers and grandparents.

What will you gain?

The Positive Partnerships parent/carer workshop intends to:
- Increase understanding of the impact of autism on learning
- Introduce a planning tool that can be used to share an understanding of your child
- Explore ways to work in partnership with your school
- Share information about how to access support both inside and outside of school
- Provide an opportunity to network and share strategies with other parents/carers

Workshop details

Venue: Town Centre Vikings  
Corner Athlon Drive and Rowland Rees Crescent  
Greenway ACT 2900

When: One day workshop – Wednesday 4 May 2016  
9.15 am – 3.00 pm (Registration from 8.30 am)

Online registrations open on Wednesday 23 March 2016 and closes two days prior to the workshop.

If you have an email address and access to a computer please register directly through our secure website www.positivepartnerships.com.au.

You will receive a confirmation email of your registration.

If you have any enquiries phone the Positive Partnerships Infoline 1300 881 971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au.