



The Good Samaritan

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18th May 2012

Term 2 Week 4

Reminder!

Calendar Dates

Term 2 May:

- 23 College Photo Day
- 25 BPC Athletics Carnival
- 29 Staff Meeting (9:30am start)
- 30 P & F General meeting

June:

- 8 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free)
- 11 Queens Birthday Holiday
- 22 Polding Walk

Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The start of the term has been a snapshot of the diversity of experiences that we offer here at the College. Over the past few weeks we have had students involved in many activities that enrich their learning experiences while at school but also ensure they are offered activities that promote personal growth and development. Some of these activities include: ANZAC Day ceremony, Duke of Edinburgh, Captivate program, Hawkesbury Show, Catholic Schools Week initiatives, debating, PDSSSC Cross Country, Mock Trial, Rugby League Gala Days and not least our success at the 2012 Royal Easter Show.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated staff, many of whom give hours above and beyond what is expected as part of their employment to support our students.

God bless

Kevin Jones
Principal

BPC ASSEMBLY 15th MAY



Year 7, BPC 7's Aside Rugby League Panther Trophy Winners

College Leadership Teams

~ Executive ~

Principal

Mr Kevin Jones

Assistant Principals

Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

Religious Education Coordinator

Mrs Mary McGuiness

Social Justice Coordinator

Mrs Janette Wick

Business Manager

Mr Paul Cruise

Administration Coordinator

Mrs Anita Meehan

Learning Technologies Coordinator

Mrs Jeanette Lans

~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

Creative Arts

Ms Margarete Formanek / Assistant: Miss Carol Muscat

English

Ms Marsha Edwards / Assistant: Miss Hayley Lalor

Human Society & Its Environment

Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

LOTE

Mrs Felicity Mgaza

Mathematics

Mrs Nichole Padden

PDHPE

Ms Megan Bertenshaw

Post Compulsory & Careers

Mr Brett Collimore

Science

Mrs Jenelle Gavin / Assistant: Mr Nicholas Briffa

Special Education

Mrs Jan Trefoni

Sports Coordinator

Mr Dean Bertenshaw

Technology & Applied Studies

Mr Edward Gruppetta / Mrs Lisa Cummins

Year Coordinators

Years 7 Mrs Dianne Santos

Year 8 Mr Vince Le Breton

Year 9 Miss Jenny Woods

Year 10 Mr Stephen Godfrey

Senior Coordinator

Mr Marc Sluiter

Assistant: Mrs Kylie Kennedy

Student Counsellors

Mrs Sally Wardley / Ms Debbie Lyons

Librarian

Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

Yr 7 Geography Field Trip—Blue Mountains By Charlotte Fitzsimons (7D9)

The Blue Mountains is a spectacular, breathtaking and interesting geographical area for an excursion as there are a lot of different activities to undertake. Some of these activities include Indigenous presentations, Katoomba Falls, Echo Point and Witches Leap.

The Blue Mountains are a World Heritage National Park as Year 7 discovered early on Friday morning. Year 7 met an Indigenous lady who spoke to them about how the Aboriginals took from the land only what they needed and gave back to preserve the land. She then showed Year 7 the women's tool kit. Some of the tools were used to collect fruit and berries, hold babies and musical instruments for celebrations.

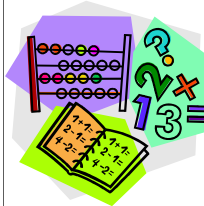
Year 7 ventured off to Katoomba Falls Lookout where they saw an endangered plant that lives only on five waterfalls in the world. All of those waterfalls are found in the Blue Mountains. We also had a great experience at Echo Point which was a stunning view of the valley and yet it also had the added bonus for the students to use their voices to produce echoes.

Year 7 also wandered down to a waterfall called Witches Leap. It was named Witches Leap because when one looks directly at the top of the waterfall a face has been naturally formed by the running movement of the water. On the walk down to the waterfall, the tree canopy becomes thicker blocking a lot of sunlight. With less sunlight both the air and ground become moist.

The Blue Mountains is a historical and fascinating landmark in the Australian landscape and that is why Year 7 had an enjoyable excursion.



Maths Workshop



Parents please note that on every Wednesday during Lunchtime in D3 your child can attend a Mathematics Workshop for BPC students seeking extra assistance with Mathematics from Senior Students.

Please contact Mrs Padden, Mathematics Coordinator, at the College if you have any enquires

Social Justice at BPC

The SRC Charity is the San Miguel Family Centre in North Richmond.



The San Miguel Family Centre offers short term accommodation for families in crisis who are experiencing homelessness. The centre supports the whole family. They offer counselling and guidance, which aims to get the family back on their own feet. The development of life skills for the family is achieved through staff working specifically on budgeting, cooking, family relationships and communication skills. Children residing at the centre attend local schools. The San Miguel Family Centre is run by BoysTown and has as its patron Bishop Kevin Manning. Your support of the SRC at their major fundraising event *Bede The Clock* on Thursday, 24/5/12 will directly advantage the families most in need in the Hawkesbury.



Mrs Janette Wick Social Justice Coordinator

Canteen Roster & News



Week 5

Monday 21st May
L Culican, S Walton,
A Asciak

Tuesday 22nd May
J Houston, N Kiany

Wednesday 23rd May
M Mantell, C Magazzu

Thursday 24th May
S Azzopardi, H Krsticevic,
R Smith, T McClifty

Friday 25th May
Athletics Carnival

Week 6

Monday 28th May
D Sammut, J Lee, C Scopelliti
Tuesday 29th May

R Toohey, J Gerrard, M Edgar

Wednesday 30th May
G McCarthy, B Cipriano

Thursday 31st May
L Donlan, K Milgate,
M Waterhouse, K Calcopietro

Friday 1st June
N Brown, A Ryan,
A Macchietto, A Tadrosse

Canteen News

- * Just a reminder to all students that food from home cannot be heated at the canteen.
- * Now that the weather is getting colder the hot food runs out quickly, so it may be a good idea to order so you will be guaranteed to get what you want.
- * Terms 2 & 3 we have Nacho's, Butter Chicken & Rice and Spaghetti Bolognaise—all made at the canteen.
MUST ORDER!

Natalie Jones (Canteen Manager)

Debating

The debating competition has been in full swing for a few weeks. We have six teams representing the College, one team from each Year group.

This Friday night our opponents are the students from St Dominic's. The debates will take place here at the College. The topic area for our junior teams is the performing arts.

So far, each team has won. In week one of the competition, we hosted the students of St Mark's. In the second round, we hosted the students from Parramatta Marist.

Each one of our debaters spoke convincingly and with flair and their conduct has been fantastic.

Furthermore, the army of helpers we have had to host the evenings, has been wonderful. We could not stage these rounds without their help. Thank you.

We wish everyone good luck for this Friday night and the remainder of the season.

M Grosvenor



Bede Polding College Cross Country Champions 2012

AGE	BOYS	GIRLS
12	Angus Gorman	Maddison Phelps
13	Ekwe Ekene	Monique McKerrell
14	Jack Harrison	Megan Wilkinson
15	Mitchell Gallen	Mollie Gorman
16	Macalister Kirby	Ebony Fahey
17+	Tim Douglass	Else Gallen



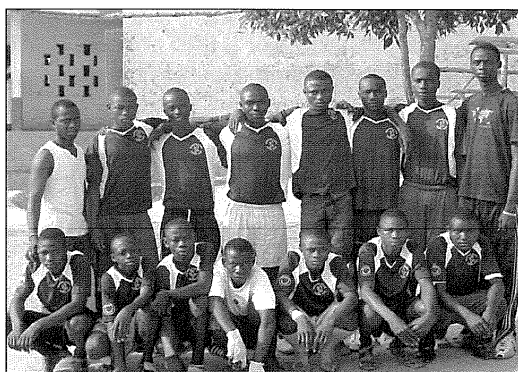
**NOW COLLECTING
GOOD, USED SOCCER BOOTS**

One of the first casualties of the civil war in Sierra Leone, West Africa, was education. Now, there is a new beginning. Efforts are being made to equip the new generation with access to education ... with books to read with a chance to learn. With your help, education and knowledge can assist in empowering this country to a better future, from the grass roots up.

In Australia, refugees from Sierra Leone and Australian citizens have formed an organization to help ...Kanga Schools ...united to assist those in Sierra Leone still suffering from the civil war.

For more than 4 years, books and computers have been sent to assist schools—used text books, used computers - almost 60 schools throughout Sierra Leone, almost 60,000 children now have the opportunity to access educational resources.

Children in this war-torn country love to play soccer. We are trying to gather enough boots and uniforms for all these schools. If your school or club can help, please use this leaflet ... and contact us when it is ready for collection.



• Manly 9938 5082 • Bankstown 0415 128 646 Email—contact@kangaschools.org
 • Pymble 0408 181 022 • Wetherill Park 0408 181 022 Website—www.kangaschools.org
 • Belrose 0408 181 022

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JOIN WITH KANGA SCHOOLS— HELPING THEM HELP THEMSELVES!

Japanese Students Arriving Soon ...

Global Student Information Network (GSIN) is cooperating with your school to arrange a study tour for 28 Japanese Students from your Sister School Aki Fuchu High School. They will require Host Families and we are hoping you can help.

- They are here to practice their English so knowledge of the Japanese Language is not necessary.
- There are no special food requirements.
- Host Family payments of \$35.00 per student per night are included (2 students per family).
- This is a wonderful opportunity for you and your family to experience another culture.

Dates: Arriving 23rd August 2012
 Departing 30th August 2012

Please contact (GSIN) Coordinator for more Information:

Name: Andrea Ryan
 Telephone: 4587 7063
 Mobile: 0409 925 446

MUSICA AUDITIONS are now on for Artes Christi's 2012 production **Fiddler on the Roof**.

This is a fantastic chance to perform with a Catholic theatre company as a singer, actor, dancer or orchestral player. Auditions: 9th - 20th May at the BXVI Centre (235 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills).

To register email:
 arteschristisdney@gmail.com
 or phone:
 0422 442 189
 or visit:
 www.arteschristi.org.au

Star Spot

These are the stars of the week.



Congratulations to:

Courtney Burdekin (11B2) who will be competing in the US Open Martial Arts Competition on the 14th July held at Orlando Florida USA. Courtney has entered the Traditional Form event which involves the art of Kata (Choreographed patterns of movements practiced solo or in pairs).

Jemma Cook (10S4) who has successfully been accepted to join the NSW State Youth Concert Band.

Erin Ryan (8C2) who competed in a Vaulting Competition held at Scone. Vaulting is Gymnastics on Horses. She came 1st in ABC Barrel Pas De Deux, 3rd in Walk Horse Pas De Deux, 4th in Horse Individual & 6th Barrell Individual.

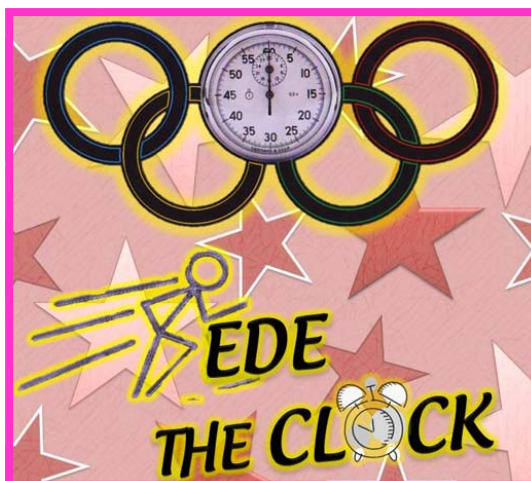
Well done - to these students

AICM Open Day 2012—Launch Pad to Your Future

Prospective students interested in pursuing an education and career in music, will get a taste of student life at the Australian International Conservatorium of Music (AICM) on Saturday 19th May as it holds its Open Day (11am to 2pm).

Where: AICM Rozelle Campus,
 114 Victoria Rd, Rozelle

Anyone wishing to attend the Open Day should register by emailing to admin@aicm.edu.au or by calling 9555 1666.



Annual SRC Event

Thursday 24th May 2012

5:30 pm sausage sizzle

6:00 pm games start

Good Samaritan Hall

**\$5.00 per ticket, each table must have
five to eight people**

**This year the SRC have organised an event called
Bede the Clock which is based on the TV show Minute to Win It.**

**There are different challenges each group
needs to complete in 1 minute.**

PDSSSC Cross Country – Friday 11th May

We set out early on a cool May morning to St Columba's at Springwood. The bus trip involved a few naps and allocation of singlet and codes. Upon arrival, students did a walk through of the course. This made them realise that amongst the hills, rocks and bush it is a true cross country course.

The day warmed up to be one of the warmest in May and students enjoyed lazing in the sun while waiting for their race.

All students should be proud of their efforts.

The following students did particularly well and will be representing the Parramatta Diocese at the CCC carnival in June.

Age Group	Student	Place
14 Girls	Megan Wilkinson	5 th
14 Boys	Jack Harrison	1 st
	Will Jansen	5 th
18 Girls	Else Gallen	1 st
	Brook Hile	5 th



Miss E Ware



INFORMATION REQUIRED TO HELP DETERMINE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS
FOR NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

PRIVACY NOTICE

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR), to advise you that DEEWR has requested your child's school to provide the following three pieces of information to DEEWR:

- Students' residential addresses (**not student names**)
- Students' level of education (primary or secondary)
- Students' boarding school status (boarders or day students)

DEEWR is bound by the provisions of the *Privacy Act 1988* (the Privacy Act). Section 14 of the Privacy Act contains the Information Privacy Principles, which prescribe the rules for handling personal information about individuals. DEEWR will not use or disclose the information provided by your child's school other than in accordance with the Privacy Act.

Purpose of collection

DEEWR is collecting this personal information for the purpose of administering funding to non-government schools, and to determine payments of Australian Government assistance to non-government schools, including under relevant legislation such as the *Schools Assistance Act 2008* (Cth). DEEWR will only use this information for this specific purpose.

Disclosure of information

The information provided by your child's school may be disclosed by DEEWR to contractors working for DEEWR for the purposes of verifying the information. The contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

DEEWR may also provide this information to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). ACARA will use this information in developing and evaluating Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) formulas and school values.

In other instances the information will not be disclosed without your consent, unless where authorised or required by law.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this Privacy Notice please phone the DEEWR SES Funding helpline on 1800 677 027 (free call) or send an e-mail to: SAAMailbox@deewr.gov.au.

Parents Representative Council (Diocese of Parramatta)



General Meeting – An Exciting Year to Come!

When: Monday 28 May 2012
Time: 7pm – 9.30pm (Doors open 6.30pm)
Where: Aengus Kavanagh Centre
Railway Street, Mt Druitt (behind the hospital)

The PRC welcomes: Schools' Parent Representatives
Interested Friends and Guests
Catholic Education Office Representatives

Why not bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship of PRC?

Agenda

1. Acknowledgement of Country by PRC Treasurer, Cameron Laurie
Prayer by PRC/CCSP Delegate, Anne-Maree Pletkan
Meeting Welcome by PRC President, Kathleen Rangiawha

Speaker: Karolyn Ellis, Manager Education Services – Counselling and Education

Catholic Care Social Services, Parramatta Diocese

Do you know what Catholic Care Services can provide to support your child and your family?

Interested parents are asked to bring along questions or submit questions via email to their Cluster Leader or prc@parr.catholic.edu.au

2. Business Arising from Previous Minutes dated 14 November 2011.
3. Correspondence – Selina Callena (Secretary)
4. President's Report – Kathleen Rangiawha
5. Treasurer's Report – Cameron Laurie
6. CCSP report – Anne-Maree Pletkan
7. UCANN report

The General Meeting will now pause so that Cluster Meetings can be held (Allocated time: 30minutes)

All School Representatives are to attend cluster meetings.

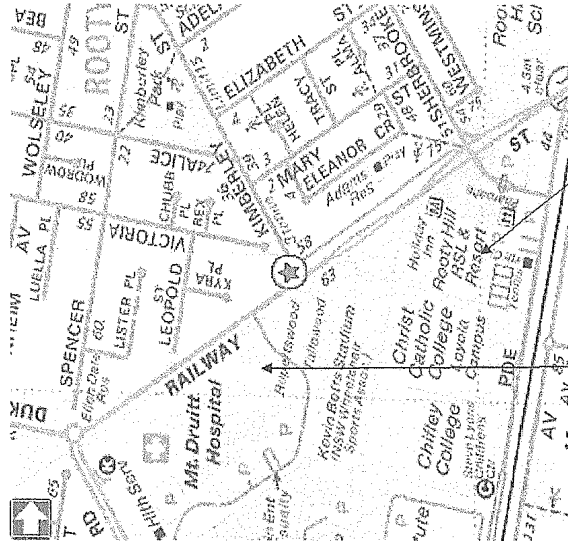
Feedback from Clusters.
Discussions about what initiatives can motivate parents to attend P & F's – what has your school done?
What topics would you like to hear more about?

Faith in our Future consultations – Help PRC have a voice from our parents to work with the Bishop's vision. Please refer to the email from your Cluster Leader about your important input!

8. Cluster Leader Reports
 - i. Blacktown – Priscilla Pickering
 - ii. Hills/Hawkesbury – Sonia Nesco
 - iii. Para/Holroyd – Robyn Vennor
 - iv. Penrith – Position Vacant
9. General Business
 - a. 2013 Parent Conference.
11. Farewell and Thank you

Venue Map

AKC
Aengus Kavanagh
Education & Equity Centre

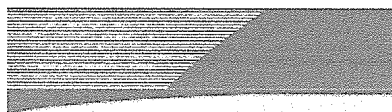


Aengus Kavanagh Centre
Enter via Emergency Entrance
Mt Druitt Hospital
(off Railway Street)
(then second driveway on left)

Roosty Hill RSL Club
Sherbrooke Street
Roosty Hill

Polding Walk

Planning is well underway for the Polding Walk to be held on Friday, 22nd June (Week 9). Letters outlining details of events on the day were issued to all students at the end of Term 1. Students were given their blue sponsorship cards and should have started getting sponsors signed up. Special letters for attracting business sponsors are available at the Student Foyer. There are some great prizes on offer for those students who raise the most money. If parents are interested in volunteering to help on the day, please complete the response slip on the letter and return it to school as soon as possible. This year we are hoping to raise around \$45,000 through the Polding Walk and that money will help provide a covered walkway between the Library and D Block - as well as supporting some local charities. Students **must** bring their blue sponsorship cards to Homeroom each Wednesday for checking.



U-CANN
*Understanding Children with Additional Needs
(Parents) Network*

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WELCOME !!!



U-CANN is an initiative of the Parramatta Diocese (Catholic Education) Parents Representative Council.

The aim of this website is provide a central location for Parents; Carers; and Teachers of additional needs school children in the Parramatta Diocese to share experiences; difficulties and successes. We hope that this website will also afford an opportunity to exchange knowledge; tips; and tricks on raising and schooling children who have (for any number of reasons) additional needs.

Please explore our website and you are most welcome and encouraged to join our **facebook** site (for security reasons you have to "ask" permission to join).

Please also note our [Coming Events](#) page that contains dates for the next U-CANN meetings - our meetings are

COMING MEETINGS

Please note change in venue - we're hitting the road. In an effort to reach as many as parents as we can, we are planning meetings at various locations in the Diocese.

TERM 2 - 2012

Wednesday 16 May @ 7.15pm at St Anthony's Primary School 216 Targo Rd Girraween.
Topic: "Is your child struggling? Assessment and other issues".
Wednesday 23 May @ 7.15pm at Mary MacKillop Primary 150 Fragar Rd South Penrith.
Topic: "Is your child struggling? Assessment and other issues".

TERM 3 - 2012

Wednesday 8 August @ 7pm at a School in the Hills District (details to come).
Topic: "Transition - starting school; between years; into high school; and after school".
Wednesday 15 August @ 7pm at a School in the Blacktown area (details to come).
Topic: "Transition - starting school; between years; into high school; and after school".

We have a group on FaceBook!
If you have a facebook

ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

5A			Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			21 May	22 May	23 May	24 May	25 May
	12	ATD			CFS		Athletics Car-nival
	11	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	
	10	ATD			Commerce Drama Visual Arts History	IT Timber Music RE	
	9	ATD				Textiles	
	8	ATD					
	7	ATD					

6B			Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			28 May	29 May	30 May	31 May	1 June
	12	ATD	Legal Studies <i>VET Construction</i>		English Advanced English Standard	English Ext1	Food Technology Studies of Reli-gion
	11	ATD			Geography		
	10	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free
	9	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free
	8	ATD					
	7	ATD					

7A			Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			4 June	5 June	6 June	7 June	8 June
	12	ATD	English Studies Music Visual Arts	Chemistry	DT PDHPE Visual Arts	Modern History	Staff Develop-ment Day
	11	ATD	Drama Senior Sc Hospitality	Food Tech (practical)	Earth & Env. Sc. (Practical Exam)	Construction Hospitality Studies of Reli-gion	
	10	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	
	9	ATD	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	Assessment Free	
	8	ATD					
	7	ATD					

PLEASE NOTE:

In the case of any discrepancy in the assessment dates published here the date that will be used by the College in the event of any appeal or other process will be the date on the Assessment Task Cover Sheet provided directly to the student. Please contact the College if you have any concerns about any of the information published here.

DTS is a list of the tasks that are to be handed out to students on that date