**VALUE - Honesty**

Honesty
You are practicing Honesty when you
- Practise your virtues
- Keep your word
- Respect the rules you want to live by
- Do what you believe is right no matter what
- Set a good example for others
- Avoid doing things which make you feel ashamed

**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOCUS BEING RESPECTFUL**

The rule focus for this week is about Being Respectful. This means interacting appropriately with others. Keeping our hands and feet off treats others the way we want to be treated.

**A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL**

Dear Parents

**Special Prayers**

Earlier this week we received very sad news that Mrs Lindy Muir passed away on Sunday evening. Lindy has had a very long association with St Monica’s as she was instrumental in developing our wonderful SMOOSH program. She was dedicated to the children always going out of her way to provided wonderful loving care to the St Monica’s children.

Please keep Ian and Karen Garrity in your prayers, Lindy was a beautiful grandmother to Ashlyn (SFX) Tim (6B) abd Joshua (5M).

☆Eternal Rest Grant Unto her O Lord

The funeral will be held at St Monica’s Parish Church on Wednesday 11 June at 11.00am. Parents attending may wish to elect to take their child/ren to the funeral. A note will be sent to the Year 5 & 6 class groups as many of the children knew Lindy and may wish to attend.

**EduTECh Conference**

Earlier this week Jessica Figura, Gabriel Kenniff and I attended the largest Education Technology Conference in Brisbane. This was a wonderful opportunity to hear leading experts in the field on the use of technology in the classroom. I am delighted to report we are well on the way to meeting our student needs and integrating technology into the classroom. Where we will be in five years is hard to predict with technology changing so rapidly.

**Visit by Archbishop Prowse**

Archbishop Christopher Prowse will be visiting St Monica’s Parish this Saturday 7 June to celebrate the Vigil Mass. During his visit the Archbishop wishes to meet as many parishioners as possible. To facilitate this wish a supper will be held in the St Monica’s School Hall at the conclusion of Mass. Assistance is required for catering with finger food and a ‘plate’. Please contact Marg Smith on 0411 487 931 if you are able to assist with setting up.

**Students Leaving St Monica’s**

As we have families wishing to enrol for 2015 I am keen to hear from families who are aware that they will be leaving St Monica’s at the end of the year.

**Staffing News**

**Staffing arrangements**

Mrs Lynne Sydney is now on leave until the end of term. During her absence Mrs Jodie May will be working in KS. Lynne is recovering well following her surgery.

Mrs Gemma Francis will be going on maternity leave at the end of next week (Week 7), a little earlier than expected. I am aware that Gemma has been in regular contact with many parents however should you have any specific concerns, please make an appointment in the next week as formal interviews will not be provided.

**Hats Off!!**

It is now time for hats off until 1 August. The end of May is the time of year when Cancer Council ACT reminds all Canberra primary schools that they can once again safely shed their hats and sunscreen without worrying about increasing long term risks of skin cancer.

**Grandparents’ Day**

St Monica’s Grandparents / Special Friends Day will be held tomorrow Friday 6 June. The timetable will be as follows:
9:10am- 10:30am: Class visits
10:30am-11:10am: Morning Tea for Guests in the school Hall (St Monica’s School children will have morning tea in on the playground).
11:15am-11:45am: Children arrive in Hall for Grandparents Day Liturgy.
Home in time for lunch!
We do look forward to your presence with us on this special day.
Visitors name tags will be available from classrooms. Volunteers- all offers of assistance are gratefully accepted- please come to the office to sign in and pick up a lanyard for your WWVP card.

WAKAKIRRI
As preparations for Wakakirri gets underway, we would love some help gathering second hand clothing and accessories for our costumes. If you have any of the following items and are willing to donate them, please send them into school with your child.

Costume jewellery, fedora hats, dark coloured Bajer boy caps, flat caps, suspenders (dark), black/white ties, male vests, long gloves (female), coloured feathers, ‘Depression’ era clothing, white hankies, short white gloves. Thank you - Kelly Boyton

Book Club
Book Club orders are due back to school by Tuesday 10 June.

Visitors and Volunteers
All parents and grandparents wishing to access the school between 9.00am and 3.10pm MUST go via the Front Office and sign in.

All parents will be required to obtain a visitors lanyard with a pouch so that WWVP card can be clearly displayed.

Like your licence, please carry your card at all times.

Community Council Email Address
Community Council Email Address - this was established to allow parents to let us know areas of concern that they feel need addressing. As a Community Council we can only represent you if we know what is on your mind and as many of the council and you work, this address is just another avenue of contact. Council.StMonicas@cg.catholic.edu.au

The email will be checked regularly by Louise Dykes, Council Executive Secretary. We look forward to hearing from you.

God Bless

Carmel Maguire
Principal

PENTECOST SUNDAY
At the feast of Pentecost we welcome the coming of the Holy Spirit- the fulfilment of Jesus’ promise that He would not leave his apostles alone. Pentecost Sunday is one of the most ancient feasts of the Church, celebrated early enough to be mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles (20:16) and St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (16:8). It is the 50th day after Easter including Pentecost. On Pentecost Sunday, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, they were granted the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Those gifts helped them to fulfil their mission to preach the Gospel to all nations.

We pray:
“Come Holy Spirit,
Fill the hearts of your faithful,
Kindle in them the fire of Your Love.
Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created,
and You shall renew the face of the earth.
Amen”

Sacrament of Confirmation
Enrolment form for the Sacrament of Confirmation will come home today. Please return to school by Wednesday 18 June.
Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 25 June 2014, 7:00pm St Monica’s Church
Presentation Masses: Saturday 28 June 6:00pm, Sunday 29 June 10:00am
Parent and Child Evening: TBA Term 3
Confirmation Preparation Day: Friday 29 August
Confirmation Ceremony: Tuesday 2 September 6:00pm St Monica’s Church
His Excellency, the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Paul Gallagher will be our celebrant. - Carmel Rheinberger – REC

AWARDS, PRIZES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

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M&M Star Medallions – Zoe O (1S), Madeline N (1R), Ella S (2J), Kai G (3F), Holli N (3F), Tamika S (3K),
Happy Birthday to the following children who are celebrating birthdays this week.

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**ST MONICA’S SPORT NEWS**

**Sporting Achievements**
Josh K (6WS) has been selected to play in ACT Team for Rugby League. Gabby N (5/6C) has been selected for the ACT Cross Country Team.

**EVENTS AT A GLANCE**

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**CANTEEN CORNER**

**CANTEEN CAPERS**  
*6258 4687 (c)*  
*6259 7240 (h)*

Canteen has become extremely busy on Fridays. It would be wonderful to get some extra help from 12pm until 1.15pm. Flexi Schools online ordering system is available for placing lunch orders. **New to Flexi Schools** – If your child has a lunch wallet you can select the option on the menu so a paper bag is not required. New Price List for Term 2 is available on the website under Publications - Other School Notes.

**The Roster for Next Week**

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**Parenting Ideas – Michael Grose**
This year we have taken out a subscription with Parentingideas. Our subscription gives us access to a range of Parent Tip Sheets and the Parentingideas Magazine. Please visit our Website under the Publications tab – Parenting Ideas [http://stmonicas.act.edu.au/publications/parentingideas.html](http://stmonicas.act.edu.au/publications/parentingideas.html) for access to material uploaded to date.

**Parenting Courses offered by Catholic Care – Term 2**
**BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS**
Parents and Carers of children aged 2-10 years are invited to Bringing Up Great Kids a parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation which will be presented by CatholicCare commencing **THURSDAY 5TH JUNE 2014** at their Red Hill office. The course is 3 hours per week over a 4 week period and the fee of $60 includes course materials and supper. Bookings are essential. Please contact Gayle 61626122.

**THE JOURNEY THROUGH ADOLESCENCE** program for parents of Adolescents will be offered by CatholicCare commencing **WEDNESDAY 4TH JUNE, 2014** from 6-9pm at 57 Hicks Street, Red Hill. The course is run over 3 weeks and the fee of $50 includes course materials and supper. This course is suitable for parents of children in Primary Years 5 & 6 and Secondary School Years 7-12.

Bookings are essential please contact Gayle on 61626122.

**U Can Sing**
The University of Canberra’s very own children’s choir is welcoming new students. Choir is on Mondays from 3.45pm-5.00pm for 8-12 year olds. For those who love to sing and want to learn vocal techniques, musicianship, performance skills, and make new friends. More info at [http://www.canberra.edu.au/music/choir/u-can-sing](http://www.canberra.edu.au/music/choir/u-can-sing). U Can Sing postcards for parents will be available at Front Office from next week.

**CEO Sleepout**
Maryanne Gore is sleeping out in the cold on Thursday 19 June as part of St Vincent de Paul's CEO Sleepout. She is hoping to raise at least $2000 for Vinnies homelessness works like the hostels, night patrol, education programs, information and referral services. To donate online go to [www.ceosleepout.org.au](http://www.ceosleepout.org.au) and search for Maryanne Gore. If you would prefer to donate offline, please call Maryanne on 0414 226 912, and a receipt can be arranged for tax deductibility purposes.