**VALUE - Service**

**SERVICE**

 Thoughts by 2J - to be of Service

Father,

Allow me to serve others with a joyful heart, never keeping score, always giving; never expecting to receive. Allow me to give of myself, to give of my talents and of my goods, to give of my time and of my energy, to give of my heart and of my soul. Help me to understand the needs of others, never making fun of others, never putting them down, never saying mean things, help me to be always loving, always forgiving, always caring. Allow me to serve others as You serve, with gentleness, compassion and tenderness, never lessening the worth of another, choosing to extend help to those in need, like You have repeatedly shown to me. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

We pray for world leaders, may they put the poor and sick first.
We pray for our friends, may they always stand up for us.
We pray for our families, may they always be with us when we need help.
We pray for the sick, may they be cared for and looked after.
We pray for the poor, may they be given safety and support.

**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOCUS**

**BEING RESPONSIBLE**

Be On Task at all times. I make choices about how I learn. I remain on task so I can complete my work. Being on task means completing my work without disturbing others.

**A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL**

**BELONGING**

Dear Parents

**Wakakirri Finals**

Best of luck to our Years 5 & 6 students tomorrow night, as they perform at the finals. It is going to be a big night!

**Trivia Night**

The trivia night was a fabulous night. Many thanks to Rachael Hind for her efforts ensuring the night was such a great success. Money raised from the night will go towards purchasing playground equipment for the school. Special thanks to Rachael Hind, Felicity Magnussen, Marissa Beard and Michelle Bowman for their organisation and Emma Howlett and Tracey Miosge who helped out on the bar.

**Fresh Food Break**

A reminder to all parents that at around 10am each day the children stop very briefly for a fresh food snack. Children are permitted to snack on fresh fruit or vegetables while they work to boost their energy levels. Processed foods are not permitted at this time.

**Father’s Day Stall**

Special thanks to Tania Bennett, Allison Hutcheson, Wendy Regan and Suzy Grigic for all their wonderful help at the Father’s Day stall last Friday. The children were very excited purchasing their gifts.

**Lost Property**

As it is getting towards the end of the Term our lost property is growing each day. Please check the lost property in the corridor outside the Library if your child is missing items of clothing or containers. The lost property will be cleaned out at the end of the Term.

**K-2 Swim and Survive Program**

Children from Kinder, Year One and Year Two will participate in the Gungahlin Leisure Centre Swimming Program during Term 4. This valuable program is part of St Monica’s Physical Education curriculum and it is highly recommended that all children are involved. The program is for 8 days. The program includes an assessment of swimming ability, skills and water safety.

**Week 5: Tuesday November 11th to Friday November 14th**
**Week 6: Tuesday November 18th to Friday November 21st**

**COST:** $90 per child (8 lessons and bus travel)

Payment can be made by cash, EFTPOS and credit (at the Front Office) or cheque (made out to St Monica’s Primary School). All lessons must be paid for by Friday, 26th September (Week 10, Term 3). Several weeks ago a permission note was sent home to allow children to participate in the swimming program next Term. Just a reminder, prompt return of notes and payment would be appreciated.

**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop is open on Monday afternoons 3.15-3.45pm and Thursday mornings 8.30-9.30am.
Japanese Choir Floriade Excursion

Children from the St Monica’s Japanese Choir will perform at Floriade on Wednesday 17 September between 10am-10.30am. The children will travel and return to school by bus. Permission Notes have been sent home and needs to be returned to school tomorrow, with a payment of $6.00 to cover bus hire.

School Banking – Volunteer Needed for 2015

After several years as our School Banking Volunteer it is now time for Helene Tewari to pass on the role as her daughter is finishing at St Monica’s at the end of this year. We are looking for a volunteer to take over this role for 2015. If you are interested please contact the Front Office. The school banking takes 2 hours a week. Helene will be available to hand over to a new volunteer. School banking will not take place in Week 10 of Term 3 and Week 1 of Term 4 this year.

God Bless

Carmel Maguire
Principal

RE NEWS

Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession)

It is now time to enrol in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for students in Year 3 and above. A letter from Fr Warrick and an enrolment form went home with Yr 3 children last week. If you wish for your child (in Yr 4-6) to receive this Sacrament please contact me at school and I will send the information home. Please note that your child must be baptised Catholic to receive this Sacrament. If your child was baptised in another Christian denomination but you wish for them to be raised Catholic and receive the Sacraments, please contact Fr Warrick (62583212) or myself at school (62585105). Children must make their First Reconciliation before they can be eligible to make their First Holy Communion.

A note explaining the Home Group process - an important part of our Reconciliation process was sent home today. Please consider offering your home or talents as a leader for this program. It is a very special time for faith sharing between you and your child. I am happy to offer a Leader’s Induction session for anyone interested.

Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 17 September 7:00pm St Monica’s Church, (Parents Only)
Presentation Masses: Saturday 20 September 6:00pm St Monica’s church, Sunday 21 September 10:00am St Monica’s
First Home group Night: October 13-17
Second Home group Night: October 20-24
Sacrament of Reconciliation: November 18, 19, 20, 6:00pm-7:30pm

Carmel Rheinberger
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M&M Star Medallions – Josephine H (KOR), Peter M (KOR), Melanie R (2J), Ella S (2J), Annie W (2J), Paul S (2J), Ryan S (2J), Jack H (2J), Samuel A (3RG)

Happy Birthday to the following children who are celebrating birthdays this week.

Year 1 Ella B, Haley R
Year 3 Samuel A
Year 4 Dominic W, Phoebe O, Thomas O
Year 5 Thomas M
Year 6 Nikola J, Analiese M

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

| 12 Sep | No Assembly |
| 12 Sep | 7pm-9pm     | Wakakiri Final – Canberra Theatre |
| 17 Sep | 9am-11.40am | Japanese Choir - Floriade         |
| 17 Sep | 12.30pm-1pm | Prayer Time 2R & Value Awards      |

SPORTING NEWS

Belconnen Athletics Team – ACT Championship

Congratulations to the following children who have been selected for the Belconnen Athletics Team to compete at the ACT Championships on Tuesday 23 September – Sonny A (3RG), Noah C (2D), Hannah K (6WS), Chris M (5E), Jack M (4M), Gabby N (5/6C), Claire O (5M), Ryan U (4LD) and Gabriel Z (6B).
Soccer News
Claire O and Annabel W from 5M finished the soccer season for Belnorth U11 girls by winning their last game 1-0 against the top team. It has been a great season for the Girls U11 Division 1 side and the whole team is moving on to indoor soccer (Futsal). So a ‘sport for thought’ for your child next season - try soccer. There is nothing better than watching the children kicking the ball on a cold winter Canberra morning with a hot coffee. There is a team for boys and girls for all ages and levels of experience. (Tracy Cullen)

Boorowa Touch and Netball Carnival – Year 3 - 6
Important Note – As this is a designated school event all parents attending the carnival must hold a WWWP card as you will be in a supervisory role. This also includes parents who may have arranged to transport other children to the carnival. If transporting other children you must advise the school in writing.

Community Council Email Address
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.

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 for access to material uploaded to date.

Junior Touch Football
Summer Competition Starts Soon – Register Now October, 2014 – Deakin, Kippax, Amaroo, Wanniassa, Southwell Park. Mon-Thurs – Divisions are girls/boys/mixed, Cost School Years K-4 $65 & 5-10 $85 each. Register at acttouch.com.au, Contact Mark Moro, ph 62122880 or email mark.moro@acttouch.com.au.

Belconnen Little Athletics
Does your child like to run, jump and throw? If so, then little athletics could be the summer sport for you. The philosophy of little athletics is self-improvement in an environment promoting fun, family and fitness. The development of skills and fitness is encouraged in children of all abilities aged 5-17.

Your local club is Belconnen Little Athletics, with meets held on Saturday mornings (and some Thursday evenings) at Cook Oval. The 2014/15 season starts on 18 October and online registrations commence 1 September. For more information: Visit our website www.bwlac.org.au, attend our registration days on Sunday 7 September or Sunday 14 September 4:00-7:00pm at the Canberra Southern Cross Club Jamison (Catchpoles Room). Contact our Registrar – Paula McMahon at blacregistrar@gmail.com or 0407 017 463 (after hours).

Boys and girls, are you looking for a fun team sport to play this summer?

Come and try softball!
We cater for all abilities and ages from 4 upwards
Please contact Rae McKinnon 0403563810 raesteffan@hotmail.com

CALENDAR

Boorowa Touch and Netball Carnival – Year 3 - 6

Canteen Corner

Canteen Capers

Samantha Manning 6258 4687 (c)
Samantha Manning: 6259 7240 (h)

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. For Term 3 we are using Term 2 pricelist which is available on the website under Publications - Other School Notes.

The Roster for Term 3, Week 9

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Please Keep In Mind:
* Help needed with the above VACANCIES.
~ Swap your shift if you can’t make your rostered day.
New faces greatly appreciated at any time.
Thank you - Samantha Manning
GUNGAHLIN LITTLE ATHLETICS
Come and join in the fun at Gungahlin Little Athletics Centre. Fun and friendly athletics in a safe and enjoyable environment.
There’s something for everyone: running, jumping, throws, hurdles, walks.

Who: 4½ to 17 years; for the 2014/15 season we welcome athletes born between 1 Oct 1997 and 31 March 2010.

Season Dates:
The 2014/15 season commences on Saturday 18 October 2014 (season runs across Term 4 and Term 1 of school).
Weekly meets are held at Amaroo Oval, Horsepark Drive (behind Amaroo and Good Shepherd schools) on Saturday mornings from 8.55am to 11.30am.

Registration Details:
Registration and Come & Try days will be held at Amaroo Oval on Saturday 4 and Saturday 11 October 10.00am - 12.00pm.
On-line registration is available through our website - www.gunlac.org.au (registration tab). Bring a copy of your online payment receipt along to a Registration / Come & Try Day to collect your registration pack.


It’s easy to register so come and have some fun with us. For more information please go to our website at www.gunlac.org.au, visit our Facebook page, call 0420 325 505 or email president@gunlac.org.au

Larissa Dann
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Course begins: Monday 20th October, 2014; Time: 6.30 pm to 9.45 pm; Place: Weston, ACT.

Enjoy P.E.T. with Larissa, Canberra’s most experienced P.E.T. instructor.
0413 451 607 www.parentsskills.com.au info@parentsskills.com.au

Course begins: Monday 20th October, 2014; Time: 6.30 pm to 9.45 pm; Place: Weston, ACT.

Questacon October Holiday Workshop
Is your child aged between 10 and 15 years old? Sign the kids up to a workshop these school holidays at the Questacon Technology Learning Centre. Choose from two different workshop formats where they can invent, design, create and have fun. Half day and full day workshops run from 30 Sep-10 Oct. For more info visit our website or contact 1800 889 995.