Dear Parents,

What a busy and successful term it has been for our children and staff. Some of the events of this term have been Parent/Teacher/Student interviews, NAPLAN, Bathurst excursion, Diocesan Cross Country, Mothers’ Day Liturgy, Year 6 Interschool Debating, First communion for Year 4, Captivate choir performance, Soccer Gala Day, Athletics Carnival, class and whole school liturgies, Band Concert and various excursions.

What wonderful opportunities we offer our children. Thank you to the parents who so generously support us through the P&F, on excursions, canteen volunteers, and classroom support. St Michael’s has a very good reputation in the community. This has been said to me many times by the new families I have interviewed for enrolment not only for Kindergarten but for classes Year 1 to 6.

As mentioned earlier in the year, our focus as a school is on improving the learning outcomes for all students particularly in the areas of numeracy and literacy. On my learning walks into the classrooms I have seen evidence of personalised learning, use of data to inform us of where to next in your child’s learning. The children are articulate and can talk about the learning and where they are as a learner. The staff have a real commitment to professional learning and to providing quality learning opportunities for all the children. How grateful we should all be for what we have and do in life. St Augustine seems to think so and had this to say:

“People go abroad to wonder at the height of mountains, at the huge waves of the sea, at the long courses of the rivers, at the vast compass of the oceans, at the circular motion of the stars, and they pass by themselves without wondering. Let us acknowledge the wonder that we are here, in these particular bodies, at this particular time, in these particular circumstances. May we never take for granted the gift of our individuality.”

What great advice! Look at ourselves in a positive manner and allow gratitude to unlock the fullness of life for us. Be grateful for the demands others make of us, for that means that we are considered to be positive contributors in their lives. Be grateful for the weariness at the end of the day, for that means that we have been productive for ourselves and others.

There is simply no end to the opportunity we have to be grateful people provided we regard our “glass of life” as being “half-full”.

“Lord, help us to see life afresh and to strengthen one another in our practise of gratitude. We are grateful for Your guidance throughout this term. Amen.”

Have a safe and happy holiday.
Reminder—Whole School Celebration of St Peter and St Paul Eucharistic

We will celebrate the memorial of Sts Peter and Paul on Friday, 28th June at 10.15 in the Church. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Grandparents’ Mass—Term 3 Week 1

We will celebrate the memorial of Sts Joachim and Ann on Friday, 26th July at 10.15 in the Church. All family and friends are invited to attend. Morning tea will be provided at 11 am in the school hall.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Children’s Liturgy will be on this Sunday 30th June during the 10 am Mass.

Reconciliation Preparation 2013

Important Notice

Families with children who turned eight or are in year 3 and above and wish their child to participate in preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will need to attend one of the two registration evenings to be held on Monday 15th July or Tuesday 16th July at 7.30 pm in the Church. Parents will need to bring a copy of their child’s baptism certificate (not original) so as to complete the registration process. The cost will be $20 per child or $30 for two or more children in one family. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the parish office on 9639 0598. Reminder letters have been sent home with Year 3 children and are available from the front office for any other families who need them.

Volunteers Required Reconciliation Preparation 2013

We are seeking Facilitators for our Parish/School Community. The programme commences on Monday 5th August. Training will be provided for all volunteers at the Facilitators Meeting, to be held on Monday 29th July at 7.30 pm in the Downey Room. If you are able to offer your help for our Parish Based Reconciliation Programme which runs for one evening per week for three weeks, please contact the parish office on 9639 0598.

SYMPATHY

Please keep in your prayers the Malysiak family, Andrew (61D) and Lauren (3R) on the passing of their grandfather this week. Eternal rest grant to him, Lord. Let Your perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Sincere apologies to Charlize Olic’s family (KB) on the error made in last week’s newsletter.

Student of the Week

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You Are Invited to the 2013 BACK TO ST MICHAEL’S DAY

Annual reunion of the ‘Old Boys’ of St Michael's Orphanage
TO BE HELD ON

SATURDAY, 29 JUNE 2013
Commencing at 10.00 am
Marie Therese Building,
St Michael’s Family Centre
522 Winsor Road, Baulkham Hills

There will be a Mass held at St Michael’s Church at 9.00 am For those who wish to avail themselves of this.
Please contact Elizabeth Cove (02) 9683 2555
The social skill for next week is: **FRIENDLINESS**
Being kind and welcoming to all others.

**International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)**
Please note in your diary the following dates:

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**NEWS**

Thank you for the continued support in bringing prizes for the Hoopla Stall. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**WANTED**

Hamburger Stall Co-ordinator for Twilight Fair wanted. No experience necessary. Please contact Linda at lindaquercy@gmail.com

**Diary Dates**

- **Friday 26th July**- Grandparents Morning tea
- **Monday 22nd July**- Fair Coordinators Meeting
- **Tuesday 23rd July**- Basket Goodies bring in day
- **Wednesday 7th August**- Muffin day
- **Monday 12th August**- P & F General Meeting
- **Thursday 25th August**- Father’s day morning tea and stall
- **Tuesday 10th September**- Bottles bring in day
- **Friday 11th October**- Cakes bring in day
- **Friday 11th October**- Twilight Fair 3.30pm to 9.00pm

**FAREWELL AND THANK YOU**

Mrs Jeneane Jordan our part-time music teacher has resigned in order to be more involved in a family business. We thank Mrs Jordan for all her hard work and commitment to the children at St Michael’s. Mrs Jordan has been a valued member of our staff for the last 7 years and has contributed much to enhance the learning experiences of our students. We wish her the best in her new venture.

**WELCOME**

St Michael’s has a new member of staff. Mrs Carmel Kevill has joined us and will be teaching Year 2A until the end of 2013.

Mrs Vanessa Agguire will continue in her role as Leader of Learning Year 2 as well as providing staff with professional learning in the area of English as we move into the compulsory English National Curriculum next year.

**JELLYBEAN COMPETITION WINNER**

**Tom Watson 6F**

Big thank you to all families that participated in the chocolate fundraising event. All profits of this event will go directly back to our children. We would like to acknowledge the following families for selling the most boxes of chocolate and a gift is coming your way.

- KB Samuel Kable
- 3N Jonah Muscat
- 5C Liam Gollan
- 5S Luke Shields
- 6F Angel Khalil
- 6ID Samuel Hatton
- 6S Daniella Edmilao

If you still have any outstanding money, please return to the school office on Friday 28th June as all boxes need to be accounted for.

Thanks again for your support.
On 13th June, 4RB together with 4G, visited Old Government House and Elizabeth Farm as part of a unit of work we are learning about in class. It was an opportunity for us to learn what life was like for a convict in the 1800’s in Australia.

We were able to dress up as convicts and experience the daily life of a convict through role-play and listening to tour guides as we walked through historical buildings. We visited a classroom like one you would find in the 1800s. It was very strict compared to classrooms today. We performed some of the daily duties of a convict like: setting the master’s dinner table, preparing scones and scrubbing clothes. At the end of the day, we were given a leave pass for our hard work, which was a lot like the one convicts were given, and meant we could be paid for the work we did.

We all enjoyed being transported back in time and thank the parents who came along to help make it a great day.

NEWSLETTER
Thank you for your quick response in returning your email addresses. These will be updated over the holidays and we will be sending Term 3 newsletters home via these updated email addresses.

BAULKHAM HILLS CRICKET CLUB INC
2013/2014 Season
Registration Day
For both Junior and Senior players
New players always welcome!
Saturday 20th July – 9.00 am to 2.00 pm
Saturday 27th July – 9.00 am to 2.00 pm
Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renown Rd, Baulkham Hills

Milo in2Cricket for 5-8 year olds – Friday nights from 6 pm-7.30 pm at Charles McLaughlin Reserve.
The season runs from September to December only (approx 10 weeks)

Junior Cricket
We have teams in every age group. Family discounts apply.
Under 10’s (Modified rules) play on Saturday mornings 8.30 am - 11.00 am from September to March.
Under 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 & 16’s play on Saturday mornings 8.30 am - 12 pm from September to March.

Senior cricket
For ages 17 & over
Senior cricket is played on Saturday afternoons 1.30 pm-6.15 pm from September to March.
We normally field a minimum of 10 senior teams each year.

Junior training and grading will be held throughout August
Senior training and grading also in August
Find more details on our website
www.baulkocricket.com.au

This Newsletter is available for viewing on our website: www.stmichaelsbhills.catholic.edu.au
Healthy School Canteens

All schools in NSW have to comply with the Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

5.11 in the Compliance audit tool requires that schools have evidence to show that these policies and procedures are being implemented. School canteen managers are required to make an informed assessment of the nutritional value of food and drink.

Food categories for foods and drinks sold in healthy canteens

Foods have been categorised based on *the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating* and according to their nutritional value.

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<td>Foods and drinks categorised as GREEN are the best choices for the school canteen menu as they contain a wide range of nutrients and are generally low in saturated fat and/or sugar and/or sodium (salt). These foods and drinks should be:</td>
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<td>Foods and drinks categorised as AMBER contain some valuable nutrients as well, but may also contain higher levels of saturated fat and/or sugar and/or sodium (salt). If eaten in large amounts these foods may contribute to excess energy (kilojoules) being consumed. These foods and drinks should be:</td>
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CAR PARK JUNE 2013

This map illustrates the correct stop and flow of traffic and no parking areas in the car park.

Please make note of the correct traffic flow for the morning Stop & Drop and Park & Walk.

Stop & Drop cars are to enter on the left side of the dotted line marked on the car park surface. The stop zone is also marked on the car park surface.

Bollards are going to be installed at the roundabout area to coincide with the “No Parking or Stopping” zone on the map.

Alternative street parking can be found further down on Chapel Lane, on St. Michael’s Place and at the school’s Back Path on Bernadette Place, Therese Ct and Coolock Cres.

Please also note that you need to follow parking & road rules to avoid being fined by the police.

This car park process is to protect the safety of all children and the community. It will be enforced.

Please think of others, rather that what is convenient at the time.