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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 10th MARCH 2011

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DIARY DATES 2011

MARCH 2011		
Fri 11th		WSB Launch 2011
Fri 11th		Yr. 3, 4, 5 & 6 swimming
Fri 11th	2.45pm	Assembly in the Hub
Mon 14th		LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tues 15th	10.00am	Arts Project Community Meeting
Tues 15th	5-7.00pm	Open Evening
Tues 15th	5.30 -7.30pm	Performance and Development Culture – Accreditation Ceremony
Wed 16th	9-11.00am	Open Morning
Wed 16th		Lacrosse Clinic Yr 4-6
Thurs 17th		Interschool Sport Yr. 5/6
Thurs 17th	11.00am	Catholic Education Week Mass @ St. Patricks Cathedral
Fri 18th		Yr. 3, 4, 5 & 6 swimming
Fri 18th	10.00am	Responsible Pet Ownership Incursion Yr. 1&2
Sun 20th	11.30 -1.30	Open Morning
Sat 19 & Sun 20	6.30, 9 & 10.30	Yr. 1/2 Masses
Mon 21st		Yr 3 & 4 Incursion-Lorraine Nelson Indigenous Artist
Mon 21st	2.30pm	Classroom Helpers Workshop/Victory Room
Tues 22nd		School Photos**
Tues 22nd	7.30pm	School Advisory Council (SAC)
Wed 23rd		Yr 1 & 2 Excursion to Botanical Gardens
Fri 25th		Yr. 3, 4, 5 & 6 swimming
Fri 25th	2.45pm	Assembly in the Hub
Fri 25th	7.30pm	Trivia Night –PFA Event in the Hub
Mon 28th	6.00pm	Maintenance Committee Meeting
Tues 29th	7.30pm	First Eucharist Parent Info
Wed 30th	9.30am	Principal Presentation
APRIL 2011		
Fri 1st		Yr. 3, 4, 5 & 6 swimming
Sat 2nd		School Enhancement Morning
Wed 6th		First Reconciliation
Wed 6th	7.30pm	PFA Meeting in Staffroom
Thurs 7th		First Reconciliation
Thurs 7th	7.00pm	Principals Presentation in Supper Room
Fri 8th		WSB Fruit Morning
Fri 8th	2.45 pm	Assembly & PFA Easter Egg Draw
Fri 8th	3.30pm	Term 1 ends
Thurs 21st		Holy Thursday
Fri 22nd		Good Friday
Sun 24th		Easter Sunday
Mon 25th		Easter Monday/ANZAC Day
Tues 26th		ANZAC Day holiday
Wed 27th		School Closure Day Staff PL
Thurs 28th	8.50am	Term 2 commences
MAY 2011		
Sun 1st	9.00am	Women's Mass & Breakfast
Wed 4th	11.45am	Mother's Day Stall



As we journey through Lent let us keep Christ at the heart of all our words and actions. Let us focus our lives more clearly on walking in the way of Christ and living the Christian life. This blessing prayer is prayed over those who are preparing for baptism at Easter. Through these blessings we remember them today. We will mark one another with a small cross as a reminder that, through baptism, we belong to Christ.

Receive the cross on your forehead.

Learn to know Christ and follow him.

Receive the sign of the cross on your ears,

That you may hear the voice of the Lord.

Receive the sign of the cross on your eyes,

That you may see the glory of God.

Receive the sign of the cross on your lips,

That you may respond to the word of God.

Receive the sign of the cross over your heart,

That Christ may dwell there by faith.

Receive the sign of the cross on your shoulders,

That you may bear the gentle yoke of Christ.

Receive the sign of the cross on your hands,

That Christ may be known in the work which you do.

Receive the sign of the cross on your feet,

That you may walk in the way of Christ.

Thanks for your patience with our website issues.

We are back online and the newsletter will be updated weekly.

A reminder Monday 14th is a Public Holiday

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Students & Friends,

Ash Wednesday

Yesterday our Year 1 - 6 students participated in the Ash Wednesday mass with the St Michael's Parish community. It was great to see so many parents attending this Parish Mass. During Lent, in each classroom the students will be discussing this special season of the Church, I invite you also to discuss the significance of this time with your child at home.

School Enhancement

Last Friday evening was the first of our Twilight School Enhancement sessions for the year and was a great success with 25 families being represented. Thank you to all the mums, dads and students who helped out on the night. It makes such a difference to the appearance and upkeep of our school when we get such a dedicated group of helpers committed to keeping the school yard safe for our children. School improvement does not only happen at school enhancement sessions as we also continue to have parents who volunteer to garden, clean kitchens, cover books, assist in completing art projects etc at other times. Thanks to Paul Byrne-Jones (Hayden 3/4M, William 1/2 AK) and the maintenance committee for supervising the jobs on the evening. Please find Paul's report further in the newsletter.



Shrove Tuesday

The smell of pancakes was certainly in the air here at St Michael's on Tuesday! Thanks to all the mums who appeared in classrooms helping students with the fun task of cooking and eating pancakes and cleaning up afterwards.

Catholic Education Week



Next week we celebrate Catholic Education Week.

The theme will be ***One Body One Spirit in Christ: Called to Prayer and Worship.***

The St Patrick's Day Mass for Schools will be held on Thursday 17th March at St Patrick's Cathedral at 10.30 am. About 2000 students from Catholic primary and secondary schools will attend the Mass, with the Archbishop of Melbourne, Denis Hart, the main celebrant.



The Visual Arts' Exhibition at the Victorian Artists' Society in East Melbourne will be held from 15 to 22 March. The exhibition will feature the best of Catholic student art. The presentation of prizes will be held on 20 March. More details are at the CEO website. Catholic Education Week celebrates the work of Catholic schools which is integral to the ministry of the Church.

To highlight Catholic Education in our Parish we have three open days coming up, this is to provide an opportunity for you to come and explore your child's classroom and have a look around our school. This Tuesday evening 15th March the school will be open from 5pm – 7pm, Wednesday 16th March 9am – 11am and next Sunday 20th from 11.30 am - 1.30pm.

Sacramental Meal

Thank you to all families of the First Eucharist program for attending this first whole gathering of our Parish Sacramental program. Thanks to Fr Hien, Clare Hicks, and staff for your preparation and planning of the meal and mass. We look forward to all parents joining us for the First Eucharist Information evening on Tuesday 29th March. As the primary educators in faith of your children, it is an expectation that all families will be represented at this meeting.

Can you believe we are six weeks into the Term?

Enjoy the long weekend!

Geraldine Dalton

Principal

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EDUCATION IN FAITH

Our Sacramental Dinner and Mass was fabulous! We had about 70 families gathering to share Mass, picnic dinner and pancakes! We had about 200 people share a special time together. Father Hien guided us gently through the Mass, and the offertory saw us all placing our picnic baskets around the Altar. There was a great sense of community which continued over dinner and pancakes! It was also wonderful to begin to get to know our catechists children from other schools! Thanks to all for coming!



Lent

Each class attended Mass on Ash Wednesday. The children really enjoy the experience and tradition of receiving the ashes. This week marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time that our school supports Caritas Australia Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development. The children are making links in their inquiry about belonging. Not only do we belong to our family, school, clubs and local community, but we belong to a Global Community, many of whom need our help. Each week a year level will promote fundraising or awareness for Caritas. Preps will lead

the way with **CRAZY HAIR DAY!** All our children, in every level, are invited to come to school on **FRIDAY 18th March**, wearing crazy hair! Various colours or designs would be super! We ask every child to bring a **gold coin donation** and support this fabulous cause. Information on Project Compassion can be found on www.caritas.org.au.

Our awareness and fundraising activities not only help those in need, but also create a spirit of giving and community and belonging in our school community.

Clare Hicks

Religious Education Leader

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STUDENT WELLBEING

"The Arts are integral to our sense of identity as individuals, as communities and as a nation. Through the arts and creative cultural expression we learn about ourselves: who we are where we have come from and what we feel, value and believe." **National Education and Arts Statement(Cultural Ministers Council and MCEETYA 2007)**



Community Arts Project – Building School and Community Engagement.

Last Tuesday all our students had the opportunity to work alongside our artist in residence Ms Robyn Burne. Students were encouraged to explore the concept of belonging in visual form. It has been so exciting to hear the explanations behind some of the images the children have created. It is a powerful testament to the deep inquiry that is being undertaken in our classrooms at the moment.

We look forward to our community meeting which will take place next **Tuesday the 15th of March** at 10am . We warmly invite members of the St Michael's and Ashburton Community to come along and become involved in the project by suggesting ideas, donating materials and /or working alongside our students as they bring this Morati wall to life.

I encourage you come along and please feel welcome to bring anyone you believe might be interested in getting involved in this project.



SRC

Student Voice is something that we value very much here at St Michael's. We believe that all our students have incredible ideas and insights to offer. By creating opportunities for students to contribute to school decision making processes it empowers them and their sense of responsibility, leadership and belonging.

Our SRC meets fortnightly in the Victory Room. All classes have an SRC representative from Prep to Year Six. As part of this meeting students are asked to present a report from their classroom meetings. We listen and problems solve together and assist in the collection of data for our Student Action Teams.

I am continually impressed by these young leaders and congratulate them for contributing to our school in such a positive way.



Student Wellbeing Board

Remember to take a look at the board outside my office for parenting information. If there is something in particular you are after in terms of parenting information please let me know. We also have some parenting books available.

Annie Engellenner

Student Wellbeing Leader

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AWARDS

Prep H - Mrs Harrington

Sam Mazza - Congratulations Sam on volunteering to help out in our classroom.

Jade Foley- Jade is a star in our class for giving and receiving compliments about our learning.

Eliza Smith -We are lucky to have Eliza in our class as she shares her enthusiasm for learning.

1/2CL - Mrs Carter & Miss Ann

Kate Marshall -for showing confidence when participating in classroom discussion and sharing prayers of thought during prayer time. Well done!

Value Award - Lachlan Groves - for reminding us all to respect our classroom and ensure it is neat and tidy for everyone in the class to enjoy.

1/2G - Miss Gavalovic

Aden Tran – for showing courage, friendship and for settling into 1/2 so beautifully. What a star!

Mitchell Barnett – for sensational listening behaviour and always looking at the speaker. Awesome!!

Kate Roberts – for helping others in her group and for reminding others about what good listening looks like.

Harrison Pietsch – for being a super listener and great contributor in class discussion time. Wow!

Isabella Taylor – for always showing respect by being considerate of others and for being a terrific helper in the classroom. Champion

3/4CL - Miss Chin & Miss Ann

Aoife Haigh -for showing the value of responsibility by always remembering to get the office basket especially when Ms Chin forgets!

Georgia Di Prisco -for showing the value of responsibility by always remembering to get the office basket especially when Ms Chin forgets!

Macey Higgins- for her fantastic mathematical thinking when using addition

3/4M - Mrs Meehan

Ryan Mallampati -For making giant steps in class presentations and participating enthusiastically in whole class activities.

Hayden Byrne-Jones- For his positive contribution and patient assistance in classroom ICT activities.

Alice Stathopoulos- For demonstrating respect for others and showing great insight when recognising in her classmates, attributes seen in role models.

Michael O'Dwyer- For demonstrating the qualities of kindness and care when looking out for the wellbeing of the young children who attended the swimming trials.

Thomas Fernando- For channelling your great love of movies and producing your own video featuring sound and visual effects to a high standard.

Jessica Ovens- For demonstrating the qualities of respect and openness when discussing some difficulties she was experiencing in her learning with her teacher.

LEARNING AND TEACHING

Assessment

At St. Michael's we test each student during first term. A wonderful benefit of our individual assessment is that it provides the teachers with the opportunity for some quality 'one on one' time with their students. The 'getting to know you' talk that surrounds the tests is very valuable and appreciated by the teachers.

We test the children in English and Maths. Here are four examples of the type of testing we do.

- Letter Identification - How many letters of the alphabet can you name?
- BURT word test – How many words can you read?
- Reading of different books – Can you tell me what the main idea of the story is?
- Maths – Can you finish this counting pattern?

The testing is to inform our teaching. The testing is not about what the child does not know but rather what they do know☺ The teachers diagnose the results and plan their teaching accordingly. They then establish learning goals for the student and decide a course of action for next step in the student's learning.

This is particularly effective when the student is involved in ownership of the learning goal. All students should be encouraged from an early age to set achievable goals for themselves. For example, at this time of the year a student might be setting a goal to always have their 'tools' ready for the next lesson, or to remember their recorder for music, their books for library etc. They might also want to remember to use a full stop!

We aim to make the testing time as comfortable as possible for the student and to give them every chance to perform at their best. It is important to us that the student's first interaction with their new teacher is positive and is part of building a welcoming, inclusive learning environment. For this reason St. Michael's does not test on the first few days of the new school year.

Classroom Helpers

We had a very successful first session this week...that is if you don't mind looking at PowerPoint's including photos of my children and 'lots' of talking from me! It was great to see so many new faces. We will have a second session on Monday, March 21st after which we look forward to seeing our new helpers in the classrooms.

Kerrin van Mourik

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VISUAL ARTS NEWS

CEO STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

Last year the Catholic Education Office called for submissions of art works from primary and secondary schools to enter into their annual Visual Arts Exhibition. St. Michael's sent art from students in all Levels of the school.

Of these pieces Annabelle Ljungkvist and Lucienne Bourke's art was chosen by the CEO to be a part of the student exhibition for 2011. Well done girls!

The CEO 2011 Student Art Exhibition will be judged on Tuesday 15th March and opened for viewing from 2.00pm - 4.00pm on that day. The exhibition will be open to the public from the Wednesday 16th March to Tuesday 22nd March from 9.00am - 4.00pm. The exhibition will be held at The Victorian Artists' Society, 430 Albert Street, East Melbourne.

Go along and view the exhibition if you have the chance. Well done and good luck to Annabelle and Lucienne.

Deb Chapman

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SCHOOL COMMUNITY

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

ART CLUB

Art club was greatly supported this week with over 40 students attending.

The Preps were well represented and interacted very easily with older students, ever ready to assist them if required.

Lots of creativity was demonstrated during club time. Amalia and Kara from Level 3/4 went outside to gather materials from the garden to incorporate into their printed collage. Fantastic ideas ladies! Well done **Thank you - Deb Chapman**

BIKE CLUB

Yr 4 – 6 students only, who are interested to ride to school each Friday, are invited to meet Mr Connor at Ryburne Ave, where it **meets** the Bike track. **Meet: 8.00 -8.15am Depart: 8.15 sharp** All parents are welcome –**Helmets must be worn.**
Thank you -Jonathan Connor



SWIMMING CLUB

On Tuesday morning we had about 15 enthusiastic swimmers. The swimming club continues until the end of this Term. All students in Yr 3-6 welcome- Meet at the Ashburton Pool @7.50am . **Thank you -Rudolf Lameijn**

RUNNING CLUB

Wow! This week we had almost 50 runners what a great effort! We'd love to see some parents join in the running and walking. All welcome to meet us at the Tennis Courts every Wednesday @ 7.50am **Thank you- Rudolf Lameijn**

WALKING SCHOOL BUS (WSB)

Firstly, a big thank you to Michelle Barr (Harrison 5/6M, Oliver 3/4CL, Madeleine 1/2AK, Ryan Prep H) who has stepped in as our new Orange route co-ordinator.

All buses will now be walking TOMORROW, FRIDAY March 11! All families will receive a Communication Tree which outlines who to contact in the RARE event of a bus being cancelled.

All children will receive a bag tag with their name and route colour on it which will be "clipped" each time they use the WSB and new children for 2011 will receive a welcome Showbag at Assembly on Friday. Please remember to wear a "touch of colour" of your route colour. This is not a uniform change, just a hat, scarf, streamers or balloon.

We'd love to have a colourful photo with the WSB mascot when we all arrive on Friday morning.

Thanks to all route co-ordinators; Naomi O'Haire (Ben 3/4M, Tully 1/2AK), Anna Stokes (Alex 3/4SL, Marcus 1/2G), Kim Martin (Tess 3/4SL, Tom 1/2CL) and Michelle Barr for all your efforts to have buses and drivers ready for tomorrow.

Please contact me for any questions or further information.



Thanks for your support of the WSB.

Sara Edwards

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PARISH ENHANCEMENT EVENING UPDATE

Last Friday 4th March was the first of this year's enhancement evenings, a great turnout of families meant that all of the listed jobs were completed. We had 25 families attend and a great time was had by all. A big thank you to the wonderful PFA who supported the evening by supplying food and drinks at the end of the night. The school was looking fantastic! I would also like to thank all the parents who have returned the enhancement attendance slips, if you haven't already done so, it's not too late.

The next enhancement day, to be held on Saturday 2nd April, will focus on the pruning of the trees and shrubs that have become overgrown over the past year.

Paul Byrne-Jones

Enhancement Committee Chairperson

Family Fees and Levy Accounts

Please note: 1st instalment school fees and levies were due for payment by 4/3/2011.

General Levy is \$240 per child

Excursion Levy is \$60 per child

IT Levy is \$20 per child

Swimming Yrs 3-6 \$60 per child

Thank you to those families who have already paid their school fees and levies and a reminder to make sure your account is up to date. Reminder accounts have been sent out this week.

Also, a reminder that if you contribute to the Parish Support Program you do not need to pay the School Building Fund Levy of \$442.

If you plan to attend one or more working bees this year, you do not need to pay the \$100 School Enhancement Levy.

EMA – If you are eligible to receive the Education Maintenance Allowance you MUST return your completed form, with a copy of your Health Care Card to the office immediately. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

Walkathon Update

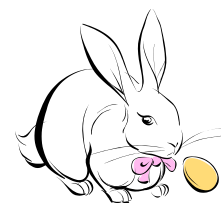
After placing an ad in last month's PFA newsletter asking for volunteers to coordinate this year's walkathon, we would like to thank Trudy Roberts and the rest of the team; Mandy Lagana, Nga Hutchinson, Susan Benson, Emily Fung, Tamara Menegola and Katie Costello, who have offered to organise this event! Wow what a quick response, well done ladies! The date for the Walkathon is Friday 4th November. **THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PFA COMMITTEE**



Easter Egg Raffle

We are once again holding our annual Easter Egg Raffle to raise funds for the playground. We ask that each family donate an Easter egg, chocolate bunny, spare baskets/hampers (to put prizes in) or Easter novelties that can be used as the prize pool. Donations can be sent through the class basket or left in the office from tomorrow. Tickets will be distributed next week with the eldest child of each family. Tickets will be 50 cents each. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 8 April.

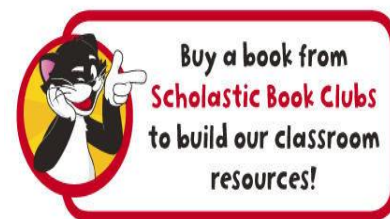
Contact Kate Foldi (0423 978626) or Prue Hynes (0400 005100) for any further information.



Scholastic Book Club

Children of all ages respond positively when the important people in their world show interest and support for their activities. By encouraging the ownership of books, by sharing and talking about them with children, parents are helping children's reading to develop with enjoyment and understanding.

Scholastic Book Clubs offer a convenient way for your child to select and purchase worthwhile and appealing books. The books have been expertly selected to span a range of reading levels and interests and are offered at very reasonable prices – considerably lower than elsewhere. The wide range of newly published titles and old favourites represents a thoughtful mix of books from Australian and international publishers.



We will offer Scholastic Book Club each Term with an in house Book Fair in Term 4. This week your family will have received the latest student brochures, with an order form on the back. Simply select any books your child would like and return the order form to school, with correct payment, by the closing date, **Friday 18th March**. The school sends all the orders in together, and then the books are delivered to the school. The books will then be delivered to your child to take home. St Michael's will also receive free books and/or teaching resources from Book Clubs as a percentage of your purchases

I hope that you will encourage your child to order books this year (though there is **never** any obligation to order). It is a great way to encourage reading by giving children the opportunity of choosing their own books.

If you have any questions, please contact me on 9886 9572 or melinda.a.richardson@gmail.com.

If you did not receive the brochures, please see you child's teacher firstly or enquire in the school office.

Melinda Richardson (Maeve Timms 5/6JC & Marie Timms 1/2G)

Footy Tipping News

Join or re-sign for the St Michaels' footy tipping competition NOW at <http://footytips.optuszoo.com.au>
Great prizes - and still only \$10 to enter (send money to school in a marked envelope). So whether you are in prep or can still remember the Doggies last grand final win - join up now and have some good competitive fun. Competition: St Michaels, Password: Jim

So long sad times
Go long bad times
We are rid of you at last

Howdy gay times
Cloudy gray times
You are now a thing of the past

Footy Tipping is here again
The skies above are clear again
So let's sing a song of cheer again
Footy Tipping is here again

Altogether shout it now
There's no one
Who can doubt it now
So let's tell the world about it now
Footy Tipping is here again

Uniform Shop

After our final stocktake in the Uniform Shop, we have **winter skirts – size 8, 10 & 14 only**. These skirts usually retail for \$40 and we are selling them for \$30 until sold out. You can place an order through the office basket or pop into the Uniform Shop on a Thursday at 3.30pm. **Thank you - Melanie Rossato and Lori Andrewartha**

Farewell Morning Tea for Jenny Burke

When: Tuesday 5th April **Where:** The Supper Room **Time:** 9.00 am

Everyone is welcome to our Farewell Morning Tea for Jenny Burke. The Burke's will be leaving St Michael's for a life in the country and we would like to take this opportunity to say good-bye and thank Jenny for all her hard work over the years.

She is a special friend to many mums at the school and we will miss her very much! So please join us for a cuppa!

THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PFA COMMITTEE



Family Fun Fair Co-ordinators needed!

The PFA committee came up with the idea of asking the parents of St Michael's if anyone would be interested in co-ordinating this year's Family Fun Fair! It's one of the biggest and most exciting events for the school and we all know how much the students enjoy this day. We would ideally like to hold this event later in the year around September or October, so there is still plenty of time to organise it. Of course the PFA would be there to help in every way possible! So if you think this might be an event you would be interested in coordinating, why not approach some other parents at the school and form a sub-committee, the more the merrier! If you would like some more information about this event please see me and I would be happy to go over any questions.

Thank you - Mary Skehan (Coordinator of the Fair in 2008)



St Michael's Netball Club.

I would like to congratulate all the girls for their willingness to participate in the School District Netball Trials held yesterday. We had 7 girls eagerly try out with such enthusiasm and hope you all **enjoyed the experience**. **We would all like to congratulate Niamh Smith for being selected as one of the 10 players for the District Team. Well Done.** Regards Denise Tobin

SHOPPING AT BAKER'S DELIGHT - ASHBURTON

Remember each time you purchase something from Bakers Delight in Ashburton, to mention St Michael's School, as they will donate a certain amount to the school with each purchase made. **THANK YOU -PFA COMMITTEE**

ZUMBA has arrived to our community! STARTS TUESDAY 15TH MARCH 2011

Zumba is the latest Latin inspired exercise and dance program! Experience one of the best classes in Melbourne instructed by some of the most experienced, friendly and motivating instructors.

Every Tuesday at 6:30pm at St Michael's Activity, Recreation and Teaching Hub. For more information go to www.entertraining.com.au, www.facebook.com/entertrainers or call me: 0450 742 282 Thank you Laura Usma

'Glen Iris District Basketball Club is seeking U/10 boys & girls to play for the winter 2011 season. If you're interested, please contact the Club at glenirisdistrict@gmail.com ASAP.'

Brrmm, brrmm, brrmm...

4 CAR (and more) RAFFLE

We've hit fifth gear and home is in sight! Thanks to the many families who have returned their raffle books. Fantastic effort! We are now beeping the horn and revving the engines for those raffle tickets still on the kitchen bench, on your desk at work or in your handbag...time is nearly up! Collection will be screeching to a halt on Friday **March 11th**. As we all reap the benefits of the funds raised through this raffle please keep in mind that the more tickets sold the more our St. Michael's Parish community will benefit. If you require more Raffle Books or **you still have not received your allocated book please contact** Ange Mason (Rebekah 5/6M, Monique 3 /4 SL) 0400 614 383 or Jacinta Girolami (Niamh 5/6JC, Chiara 3 /4 CL , Julian 1 /2 CL) 0409 165 668 We thank you in anticipation of your support of this significant fundraiser.



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OSHC

Extend After School Care at St Michael's School

A Message from the Team Leader:

"Last week we enjoyed active after school care activities such as tennis and hosting our own mini Olympics." Rachel

Pupil-free day: Now taking bookings Wednesday 27 April 8.00am – 6.00pm (bookings close Thursday 7 April) **\$60* per child per session** Strictly no cancellations or refunds. This program will run only subject to minimum enrolments.

Call the Extend enrolment hotline on 1300 366 467 to make a booking.

***Child Care Benefits and the 50% Child Care Rebate still apply to eligible families for the Pupil-free day session.**

Autumn 2011 school holiday program enrolments now open! Monday 11 April to Thursday 21 April Enrolments close Friday 25 March.* Locations: **Essendon! Caulfield! Kew! Mt. Eliza! Ormond! Sunbury!**

***\$20 booking fee applies for enrolments received after this date. Visit extend.com.au to see further details and to enrol.**

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St Michael's School Community Arts Project



Turn this wall into something special!

The Community Arts Project.

St Michael's School has been fortunate enough to have received a grant from the Catholic Education Office Melbourne to develop a Community Arts Project. The aim of this project is bring together the Ashburton Community. Together we aim to discover our interconnectedness and sense of belonging.

Our stories will be represented in a combination of mosaic and painted mural on the wall of the Morati St. side of our school.

If you would like to part of our project in any way we warmly welcome you. You can donate materials, be involved in the in the design or implementation stages. We would love to hear from you.

An opportunity to meet and chat with the project coordinator and the Artist in residence is available on Tuesday the 15th March between 10m and 11am outside our school at the project site. Come and have a cuppa and share your ideas.

**WE WANT YOUR
IDEAS!!**

Contact Annie Engellenner or
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