Scripture Reflection

In the 1st Reading this Sunday for Sirach we are told that it is our choices, not God’s, that decide if we do good or evil deeds.

At our Opening School Mass this morning Father Clifford told us a wonderful story of two brothers who had a large rift between them. It was a carpenter that came along and built the bridge that reunited them.

The challenge is for us to be that carpenter to others but not just strangers. We need to begin at home and with our friends.

We congratulate this week’s Student of the Week Award recipients:

Zivelle Seasay  Ryan Lu
Patrick Habib  Chanel Jekki
Emily Burke  Sam Hannouch
Owen Faddoul  Mosa Lemoto
Tatiana Arida  Yousif Azeez
Hugo Ng  Tiana Khoury
Laura Awad  Ryan Nakhoul

When your child receives a Student of the Week Award, attached to it is an invitation for parents to come and visit the classroom in the week that follows. Please come and visit.

Religious Education Matters

CENSUS Day Friday 14th February

This Friday is our school census day where we are required to provide the government with our student attendance details for that day. From those numbers, funding is allocated.

It is important that all students are at school on Friday.

If your child is away for any reason, a letter must be provided on Monday 17th.
Calendar

February

Monday 17th—Friday 21st | Parent Teacher Meeting Week

Birthday Celebrations!

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week:

Daniela Sinozic, Joseph Diab, Sarina Karimi, Paris Youssef, Michael Grace,
Michelle Lin, Charbel Farah, Marie-Je Yaacoub, Angelique Tembo-Sievers, Guiana
Tembo-Sievers and Nathan Habib.

School Banking

A school banking service is available to students who hold Commonwealth Dollarmites or Youth Saver accounts. Encouraging children to make small regular deposits to a bank account helps them to develop good savings habits and an awareness of the value of money. Students who wish to deposit money should bring bank books (with the deposit slip filled in) and money to school on Tuesday morning. The deposits are processed during the morning and the bank books returned to students by their class teacher. Please note that we are unable to process cheques. For every deposit you make, you will receive a Token. When you receive 10 tokens you can redeem them for a prize.

Any parent wishing to open a Commonwealth account for their child may collect an information package from the school office.

SCHOOL FEES

All families should receive the School Fee Statements by mail this week. Please note, that any school fee payment arrangement made in 2013 does not automatically continue. This also includes those families that have automatic payments deducted from Centrelink. Please contact the office to make an appointment as soon as possible. If you have difficulty in paying school fees an appointment will need to be made to discuss this matter with Mrs Guilfoyle. Thank You

Payments can be made by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, BPAY or at the Post Office.

Community News

CatholicCare Social Services
SOLO PARENT MINISTRY

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM—BLACKTOWN

For men and women who grieve the death of their spouse or partner.

Tuesdays fortnightly: 4th Mar—10th Jun 2014

An opportunity for those who are widowed to further understand and come to terms with the many ways in which grief impacts on their lives.

An opportunity to ask questions, explore and learn more about the ways in which grief unfolds and how best to deal with the unsuspecting challenges and difficulties of the unchartered waters of this long and painful journey.

VENUE: 51-59 Allawah St
Blacktown

DAY/TIME: 10.00 am — 12.00 am
Tuesdays, Fortnightly
4th Mar—10th June 2014

FACILITATOR: Rita Chater

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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In Christ we Live, Love and Learn.