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Term 1, Week 5 2009

DATES TO REMEMBER

Swimming Carnival –
Friday, March 20
End of Term 1 –
Thursday, April 9

P&F MEETING

There will be a P&F meeting on Monday, March 23 at 10.45am, all parents welcome.

CASUAL CLOTHES

There will be a casual clothes day next week on Thursday 19 for a \$2 donation. \$1 for three or more children in the one family.

FOR SALE

A 148 International 3 - 4 tonne truck, 1956 original condition, Tray 11ft, new tyres, 160 engine.

Assortment of horse gear
1. Drop front pony phaeton for up to 14hh
2. Side bar buggy 4 wheeler for up to 14hh
3. Four sulkys
4. Harness and lamps and assorted gear for the above.

Please call Jaan Ingliss
64251867 after 6pm

PRAYER CORNER

~ Praise God for the refreshing long weekend and for all the exciting things we were able to do.

~ Pray for teachers and students at this half way point in the term, that they will be able to keep working hard and being enthusiastic ☺

HARD QUESTIONS

Our church supports Matt Gamston in the Philippines. He is a 28 year old guy from England, who has been called to serve the people of Cubao, a satellite city of Manilla. This is a brief portion of Matt's last newsletter, sent to us on March 1st, this year.

"It's Thursday night again and time for the drop in centre. We've been doing this for over 5 years now. It's strange seeing the faces coming in and remembering back to when we started. Some of the men look older and thinner. Some of the kids look taller and more grown up. Many faces we used to see that are no longer with us. Some in so much better situations than when we started. Some exactly the same. Some even worse. Tonight I'm on the gate checking who comes in. This last month we've started a list so we know exactly who attends and who is allowed to attend. There are plenty of people from the slums, especially the children, who would be happy to come for a free meal. But the aim of this meeting is very clear. It's for those who are sleeping on the streets, or were sleeping on the streets when we first met them. Jimmy and Ryan swagger in with big smiles on their faces. They've just been released from prison a couple of days before, after serving 10 months for sniffing glue. It probably won't be too long before they are back on the drugs, then back in prison and the cycle will go round again.

Swimming Carnival 2009



When: Next Friday, March 20, 2009

Where: Devonport Olympic Pool.

Time: 10.00am for a 10.30am sharp start!!

Fees: \$2 per student, whether competing or not. Parents and others are free!!
Please send money with your child to class teacher before carnival.

Dress: All students must be in full sports uniform, **with modest swim wear**. No bikinis or tight fitting bathers, this includes Speedo style briefs. Please ensure that all clothing/personal items are named. Hats and sunscreen are essential.

Kiosk: The kiosk at the pool will be operating throughout the day.

Programme: A programme will be available on the day.

Water Slide: If there is free time at the end of the programme the water slide will be available. Cost is \$3 for 1/2 hour. Payable on the day.

Parents and relatives are most welcome !!!

cont. from page 1 Cubao is the melting pot of our area. A million people passing through everyday, huge construction work ongoing and shopping malls packed full of people. But just like every big city it's full of lost people. Lost people in BMW's and lost people in wooden carts. Lost people in designer clothes and lost people hanging around in the shadows late at night. How do you piece all of that together? Young girls desperately trying to sell their bodies by the side of the road? Young men wasting years of their lives in prison only to come back out and end up hopelessly sucking on plastic bags of glue? And young boys sleeping on pieces of cardboard ending up lying on a hospital bed with a mask to help provide oxygen. Hard questions. Maybe often we are too quick to give 'easy' answers and too slow to weep for the brokenness of our world. And yet for all of the things we don't know, we do know that we have amazing good news. The Son of God came into the mess of our world and hung on a cross. For people in BMW's and people in wooden carts. For people in designer clothes and people in the shadows late at night. What better message could we have to give? And what better place to share it than in the melting pots of the big cities? We pray that as a church and as individuals our lives and deeds will be consistent with the amazing message of love as we share it. And that God will shine His light into the darkness and truly change lives for His glory. Thanks again for all your interest and prayers, Matt."

KINDER/PREP Report

The Prep & Kinders are enjoying learning and singing new songs each week. Our daily singing sessions are filled with enthusiasm and praise to our great God! Some of the songs we have learnt are 'My God is so Big', 'He's got the Whole World in His Hands', 'It's a Lovely, Lovely Name, the Name of Jesus', 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life', 'The B-I-B-L-E', and 'Jesus Loves Me'. One of our very favorites is 'The Best Book to Read is the Bible'.

The best book to read is the Bible
The best book to read is the Bible
If you read it everyday
It will help you on your way
Oh, the best book to read is the Bible

The best friend to have is Jesus
The best friend to have is Jesus
He will hear you when you call
He will keep you lest you fall
The best friend to have is Jesus

The best thing to do is to trust Him
The best thing to do is to trust Him
And if you on Him depend
He will keep you till the end
The best thing to do is to trust Him

Medal Winners

Joel – for diligent
Caleb – for listening in assembly
Bayden – clean hands, fingernails and hankie

GRADE 1&2

Medal Winners

Everyone – for finishing goals
Jesse – for reading really well
Jacqueline – for a very tidy desk

GRADE 3-6

Student of the Week

Krystallee – for a Big effort towards her PACE work

GRADE 7-10

Students of the Week

Brooke Kimber & Joseph How - for doing their work diligently and behaving well

A special word of congratulations and thanks to the boys that behaved so well in sewing.

PERSON PROFILE



Mariah Rogers – enthusiastic grade 7 student

If you could be a biscuit, what kind of biscuit would you be?
- a mint tim-tam

Who inspires you and why?
- my mum... because she's my mum!

What is your **least** favorite food?
- can I have two? Tomatoes and saltanas.

Where is your favorite holiday destination?
- I've got three. Fiji, Hawaii or time travel back to ancient Egypt!

What was your favorite play-thing when you were little?
- my doll named Rachel

What do you want to be when you 'grow up'?
- something to do with animals or art...

What's something you always find yourself saying?
- on no... Homework!



DESIGN A BUS COMPETITION

Just a reminder that the Design a Bus Competition finishes tomorrow. If you have finished your design please give it to Beck sometime tomorrow.

