



## Important Dates

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### Mass

Friday 7 June 2024

### Monarch's Birthday - Public Holiday

Monday 10 June 2024

### Year 6 Canberra Trip

Wednesday 19 June 2024

### Year 6 Canberra Trip

Thursday 20 June 2024

### Year 6 Canberra Trip

Friday 21 June 2024

### Last Day Term 2 - 2024

Thursday 4 July 2024

### Pupil Free Day

Friday 5 July 2024

### Mass

Friday 5 July 2024

### First Day Term 3 2024

Monday 22 July 2024

### Last Day Term 3 - 2024

Thursday 26 September  
2024

### Pupil Free Day

Friday 27 September 2024

### First Day Term 4 2024

Monday 14 October 2024

### Last Day Term 4 - 2024

Wednesday 11 December  
2024

### Pupil Free Day

Thursday 12 December 2024

### Pupil Free Day

Friday 13 December 2024

## From the Principal

Hello Friends

I trust the cooler weather is treating you and your family kindly and that families have been able to dodge the many types of illnesses that are going around at present. To that end, if your child has any symptoms of cold or flu like illnesses, please refrain from sending them to

school. We still encourage hygiene practices here at school with sanitiser available in the classrooms. If your child presents with any symptoms of illness in the morning before leaving for school, it is highly unlikely that these symptoms will dissipate during the school day. Thank you for your cooperation in this important area.

### **Traffic Safety around our School**

The car park on Walkley Tce at the rear of the school is designated for Staff members' cars. Please refrain from parking in these spaces.

I have also witnessed cars stopping in the middle of the road to allow children to enter or exit from the vehicles which is a dangerous practice for everyone concerned. Please find a suitable parking spot to allow children to enter and exit vehicles.

Please remember to observe parking restrictions around our school including yellow lines which indicate a no parking zone and residents' driveways which cannot be parked across.

If community members need to cross on Dunrobin Road, then please use the school crossing. This is the safest place to cross Dunrobin Road which is a busy place at school drop off and pick up times with many cars travelling past the school at these times of the day.

### **SACPSSA**

Congratulations to our Yr 3 to 6 students who competed recently in the South Australian Catholic Primary Schools Sports Association Lacrosse Carnival held at West Beach on Monday. I would like to thank the staff for their coordination of the event and for the many parent volunteers who made the day possible. Well done to our students on a very competitive day.

### **Volunteering at School**

At CTK, we say thank you to our community volunteers who give up their time to make events possible, such as school excursions, sports excursions and school events. It is important however that parents and community members wishing to volunteer at our school have the necessary documentation and paperwork completed prior to the volunteering taking place. Please contact the front office to find out the processes and paperwork concerned to volunteer at our school before taking part in a voluntary capacity.

Once again thank you for community members' commitment to our school and our students.



### **School Board Talk**

At the School Board meeting held last Wednesday 15 May, the feedback from the uniform consultation process was analysed and addressed. The Board has taken into consideration the feedback points and will act on as many as possible and practicable. As community members can appreciate it will be impossible to please every single point of feedback and every single person in our community.

The CTK School Board is committed to providing a uniform that suits the needs of our community and aims to provide a contemporary and practical uniform for our students to wear.

The Board will approach the uniform supplier to adjust the prototype to include suggestions made by the feedback process.

The Board would like to thank community members for the input into this process and for their interest and commitment to our school and our students.

*"The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson". – Anon*

Thanks and Blessings

Matt Perry

## **APRIM News**

This week we have celebrated Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit and with it the many gifts and strengths we can call upon.

As a school each week, we have marked the Season of Lent (40 days) and the Season of Easter (50 days) with whole school prayer usually on Fridays.

As Pentecost marks the end of Easter we will not hold our weekly whole school prayer, however, classes will continue to meet for class prayer each day and we will gather for whole school prayers and masses for major events in the calendar.

We are also fortunate that we were allotted next Thursday (30<sup>th</sup> May) as our celebration of Confirmation for some of our Yr. 5 students. The coming of the Holy Spirit during Confirmation is a major step in these children's faith journey.

I offer you this beautiful Pentecost Prayer at this time.

Pentecost Prayers Come Holy Spirit, Enter our silences.

Come Holy Spirit, Into the depths of our longing.

Come Holy Spirit, Our friend and our lover.

Come Holy Spirit, Unmask our pretending.

Come Holy Spirit, Expose our lives.

Come Holy Spirit, Sustain our weakness.

Come Holy Spirit, Redeem our creation.

Enter our trusting,

Enter our fearing,

Enter our letting go,

Enter our holding back.

Flood our barren spaces,

Make fertile our deserts within,

Break us and heal us, Liberator of desires.

Come Holy Spirit, Embrace us and free us.

*By Neill Thew from "Bread for Tomorrow"*

## **CONFIRMATION**

The Vicar General will confirm Confirmation on those who have been preparing.

Their Confirmation will take place Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm. All of the community are welcome to attend and support these children at St Joseph's Church.

## **WAYS TO PRAY- A SERIES**

### ***Say What You Need***

In Jesus' time, bread was a staple- one of the most basic needs of life – and he did not hesitate to ask God to provide it. Having a conversation with God about your life, struggles and needs is a major reason we pray. Do not think lightly of the conversation, ask, talk and discuss needs with God.

Teresa Pascoe

Assistant Principal, Religious Identity and Mission

## **Leader of Learning and Inclusion News**


Please see below flyer regarding Early Occupational Therapy Brief Screening Assessment for your Child's Development. Copies can also be found in the foyer of the school office.





## EARLY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY BRIEF SCREENING ASSESSMENT FOR YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT

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## EARLY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY BRIEF SCREENING ASSESSMENT FOR YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT

At Learn Sense Grow we understand that every child's journey of growth and development is unique.

As parents and educators, you play a crucial role in nurturing each child's potential and ensuring they reach their developmental milestones. Occupational therapy can be a valuable resource in this journey, helping each child overcome challenges and thrive in various aspects of their life...

### WHAT IS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY?

Occupational therapy (OT) focuses on helping individuals function well and develop the skills needed for daily activities, important for independent living, learning, and playing. For children, these activities include self-care, play, social interactions, motor skill development and school-related tasks.

### THE IMPORTANCE OF EARLY ASSESSMENT

Early childhood is a critical period for development, and identifying any potential delays or challenges earlier on can greatly impact your child's future success. An early occupational therapy brief assessment can provide valuable insights into your child's strengths and areas that may need support. This assessment helps identify if your child's development is on track in relation to their age-related peers.



### SIGNS YOUR CHILD MIGHT NEED EARLY ASSESSMENT

- Difficulty with fine motor skills - (e.g., holding a pencil, using utensils)
- Challenges with gross motor skills - (e.g., running, jumping, balancing)
- Trouble with self-care tasks - (e.g., dressing, brushing teeth)
- Delays in speech and language development
- Poor handwriting or difficulty with writing tasks
- Sensory sensitivities or difficulties with sensory processing
- Difficulty with focus and attention
- Challenges in social interactions and play skills

A Learn Sense Grow brief OT screening assessment, whilst not comprehensive, uses a brief standardised assessment so you have reliable and valid outcomes based on age-related peer norms. This along with discussions with ELC or kindy staff for further insight into any areas of concern. Our OT's will observe the children in their educational environment and complete other informal assessments to give a holistic view of each child. A brief report will be completed for each child outlining results and any recommendations.

### WHAT TO EXPECT FROM AN ASSESSMENT:

During the assessment, a qualified occupational therapist will observe and interact with your child. The assessment may include:

- Observation of play and activities
- Fine and gross motor skill assessments
- Sensory processing review
- Cognitive and problem-solving tasks
- Communication and social interaction assessment



## BENEFITS OF EARLY INTERVENTION

Early assessment and intervention can provide several benefits for your child's development:

- Identifying potential challenges before they become more pronounced
- Tailoring interventions to your child's specific needs
- Enhancing your child's overall development and quality of life
- Boosting confidence and self-esteem
- Improving school readiness and academic success
- Supporting smoother transitions to new environments (e.g., school)



## NEXT STEPS

If you notice any signs or have concerns about your child's development, consider scheduling an early occupational therapy brief assessment. A skilled occupational therapist can help you understand your child's strengths and areas for growth, and provide guidance on how to best support their development. If there are any concerns, the OT will be in contact to discuss whether further intervention would be recommended or if a more comprehensive assessment is needed.

## PRICING

Our early screening process is so valuable in supporting early intervention, which is the key to best outcomes for our very young friends. We are offering a significant discount on our Early OT Screeners Assessment. Cost is normally \$195, but for our ELC/ Kindergarten families we are offering this special rate.

Only \$95

\* Please quote CODE:  
ELC SCREENERS

Please note, this may be claimable for through your private health insurance.



Remember, your proactive approach can make a significant difference in your child's journey toward reaching their full potential. Early intervention through occupational therapy can pave the way for a brighter and more successful future.

## GET IN CONTACT

For more information or to schedule an assessment, please contact Learn Sense Grow. Alternatively you can discuss this with your educators at your Early Learning Centre or Kindergarten.

Visit our website for free resources and information.



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## From the Office

### Change of Clothes

As the weather is changing we ask that you please ensure your child has a spare set of pants, underpants and socks in their bag should it be required.

We do have a small supply of clothes for accidents however, not always in sizes that fit every child.

Should your child be sent home in a spare set from school we ask that you please wash and return to the office so that we can use again.



## CTK CARE FREEZER AND PANTRY

Our freezer is a little low at the moment.

Would you like to cook some extra meals for our school care freezer?

The CTK care freezer is a way to give to our school community, the meals are used to gift to families during tough times and joyous times. It may be a death or birth in the family, sickness or times of struggle.

Suggested items –

Coles, Woolworths and Aldi have a fabulous range of pre made products, lasagna's, pasta meals and quiches. Family size pies or slices, pizzas, chicken nuggets or tenders.

Have time to cook - Cook a meal and add to a container with ingredients listed.

Meals can be dropped to the office at anytime.

We are also accepting pantry items eg: pasta, longlife milk, soups, beans, rice etc



## Library News

### PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Our challenge is well underway, and all students are encouraged to be involved.

Our Library is open before school 8.30-8.45am Monday- Thursday for borrowing. Each week, each class, also visits the library at an allotted time to borrow.

If a student wishes to read a book not from our Library they can check to see if it is on the list at the following link.

<https://premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au/book-list/>

Teresa Pascoe

Teacher/Librarian



## Parents and Friends Wine Fundraiser

### 2024 P&F Wine Fundraiser



**Reminder order for the Wine Fundraiser are due back no later than**

**Wednesday 5th June 2024**

**Orders are to be placed via the QKR! App, hard copies were sent home or a spare can be collected from the office**

**NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

**Orders will be available for collection on Friday 28th June 2024 after school via the office.**