



## Parent Information Evening

Thank you to the many parents who attended the Junior School Parent Information Evening on Tuesday night. If you missed the information session, it is important for you to contact your child's teacher about key aspects you will have missed.

## Communication

The best way for your child to achieve at school is for open communication between home and school to occur. If your child is having any problems or concerns, it is essential you communicate with your child's teachers. This can be done via email, a note in the Junior School diary or phone call.

Please note that teachers find it very difficult to talk with parents prior to children entering class for the day. We ask that you be respectful of this and if there is something that you need to address with the class teacher, you do so in the ways listed above.

If you are unhappy with the events of this process, you can then make a time to see Mrs Kelli McKeiver to voice your concerns. Please see Mrs Nikki McKenzie in the Junior School Office to make an appointment time.

Alternatively, teachers and Mrs McKeiver also like hearing about the many positives that go on each day in the school and are more than happy to receive this feedback too.

## Mobile Phones

In the Junior School there is no need for students to have a mobile phone with them as any calls to parents can be made through the office.

However, if some students have mobile phones for safety reasons, they are to deliver these to the office prior to school commencing for the day and then collect them before going home.



## Play Fort



Before 8.00am and after 3.00pm the playground is an 'out of bounds' area for all students and younger siblings. This is to ensure that all students are kept safe as it is not an area supervised by a teacher. Parents, please assist us by reminding your children at these times.

## Prep 2013 Interviews Commencing Soon

Current Redeemer families should note that Prep Interviews are about to commence for students enrolling into Prep for 2013.

Any families who have not yet completed an enrolment form for their Prep child need to contact Mrs Cathy Mostert, Enrolments Officer on 3340 8888 or email [enrolments@redeemer.com.au](mailto:enrolments@redeemer.com.au) as places are limited.

## Junior School Car Park

As you have probably worked out, the car park and the drop off zone is a very busy place both morning and afternoons.



To help the teachers on duty in the afternoon and quick movement of the car park, we ask that you observe the following:

- The loading zone is a **2 minute** wait area.
- Please do not leave your car while waiting in the loading zone. Please follow the directions of the teacher on duty in the car park zone. If they ask you to move your car on, please do so, as you may not realise that you are preventing other cars from using the drop off zone appropriately.
- Junior School students can move off to the Middle School area after 3.15pm. Prior to then, they will be supervised next to the Outside School Hours Care building.

We ask for your patience, co-operation and understanding whilst using the car park.

## Pedestrian Crossing

Student safety in the Junior School car park is paramount. For this reason we ask that all parents help us set a good example and use the designated crossing. Parents and students not using the crossing, will be asked to do so from our teachers and duty.

## After School Pick Up

A reminder to parents that you must supervise your younger children whilst waiting for your older children to finish school.

Please have them wait by your side rather than running around the Multi-Purpose Centre or at the bottom of the stairs.

## Offering

Each week Junior School students can bring a coin donation for our weekly Chapel offering. This money is collected in the classrooms and taken to Chapel each Wednesday.



Feel free to send money with your child. All money collected is donated to charities.

## Co-Curricular Program

### Junior School

Redeemer is known for the large range of co-curricular activities on offer. Junior School students have the opportunity to join these many varied activities throughout the year. In class, students will be given information about the activities, what is involved, when they operate and then a letter will be sent home requiring parent consent for activities that have limited numbers.

Please be aware that many of our co-curricular activities are very popular and places are limited. The activities on offer this semester are:

**Junior Choir**—Available for students in Years 3 and 4. Held each Wednesday during first break, all year. Students learn a large repertoire of songs to sing. Run by Ms Linda Tonkin.

**Choristers**—Available for students in Year 5. Held each Wednesday 7.30am to 8.15am, all year. Students learn a large repertoire of songs to sing and join Year 6 and 7 students. Run by Miss Anna Buswell.

**Junior Drama Club**—Available for students in Years 1 and Year 2 during Semester 1. Held each Thursday during first break. Students learn how to perform short skits, mimes and improvisations. Prep students will have an opportunity to participate in Semester 2. Run by Mrs Julie Lavin.

**Drama Club**—Available for students in Year 3, 4 and 5. Held each Tuesday during first break. Students learn how to perform short skits, mimes and improvisations. Run by Mrs Stephanie Taylor.

**Junior Art Club**—Available for students in Prep, Year 1 and Year 2. Held each Tuesday during first break. Students begin to develop art appreciation and experiment with paint and other art mediums. Run by Mrs Christina Bianchi.

**Art Club**—Available for students in Years 3, 4 and 5. Held each Thursday during first break. Students begin to develop art appreciation and experiment with paint and other art mediums. Run by Mrs Hannah Walker.

**Chess Club**—Available for **all** students. Held each Tuesday during first break. This activity is for those who want to learn and those who already know how to play chess. Run by Pastor Matt.

**Christian Dance**—Available for **all** students at various Terms throughout the year. Held each Monday during first break. Students learn liturgical dance. Run by Mrs Kathy Stock, Mrs Stephanie Taylor and Miss Becci Hollands.

**Code Breakers**—Available in Semester 1 for students in Years 3, 4 and 5 and in Semester 2 for students in Prep, Year 1 and Year 2. Students learn to think laterally, solve problems and do brain teasers. Held each Monday during first break. Run by Mr Jeff Li.

**Student Council**—Available for nominated students in Years 3, 4 and 5. Held each Thursday during first break. Students discuss issues related to the Junior School and their classes. Run by Mrs Kelli McKeiver.

Letters detailing more information about some of these activities will be distributed in the coming weeks.

## Term 1 Student Activities:

Monday	6 Library Access
Monday	6 Code Breakers Club (Years 3-5)
Monday	6 Christian Dance (Year 5)
Tuesday	7 Library Access
Tuesday	7 Chess Club
Tuesday	7 Drama Club (Years 3-5)
Wednesday	8 Library Access
Wednesday	8 Junior Choir (Years 3, 4)
Thursday	9 Library Access
Thursday	9 Student Council (Years 3-5)
Friday	10 Library Access

## Coming Events: March

Thursday	1 Prep /Year 1 Hearing Screening
Tuesday	6 JS Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thursday	8 JS Parent/Teacher Interviews

## 2012 College Calendar

The full 2012 college calendar can be found online at: [www.redeemer.com.au/events/calendar](http://www.redeemer.com.au/events/calendar)

## 2012 Parent Handbook

The 2012 version of the Parent Handbook is available for downloading or viewing online at: [www.redeemer.com.au/community/handbook](http://www.redeemer.com.au/community/handbook)

## Tuckshop

Tuckshop is available to all students in Years 1 - 5 each day of the week. Students must be responsible for putting their tuckshop order into their classroom tuckshop box at the start of the school day. Unfortunately due to the high demands on tuckshop, if a child forgets to place their order, they will have to wait until the next break before receiving their tuckshop items. Therefore it is always good to at least pack several items in your child's lunch box in the event that this happens.

Students in Prep are able to purchase tuckshop from Term 2. Older students are not permitted to order food for their Prep siblings from the tuckshop.

## Junior School Prayers

Each morning the Junior School staff meet for a short devotion. During this time we pray for the different Junior School children and their families.



### This week we have prayed for:

Helena Jagers (P)	Jessica Gough (P)
Bailey Darnell (P)	David Jacobsen (1)
Joshua Green (1)	Charlotte Harvison (1)
Luke Allan (4)	Thomas Barry (4)
Bailey Aslander (5)	Taylah Bearman (5)