TERM 2 CALENDAR 2015

Wednesday, May 27
Drone Challenge - Induction Day

Thursday, May 28
Open Knockout Volleyball (Years 10 - 12)

Friday, May 29
NZ Open Volleyball (Years 10 - 12)

Monday, June 1
SACSA Touch (Year 7)

Tuesday, June 2
SACSA Touch (Years 8 - 9)

Wednesday, June 3
Musical Rehearsals

Thursday, June 4
Prayer Group 2.00 - 3.00pm

Friday, June 5
SACSA Touch (Open)

Monday, June 8
Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Friday, June 12
Casual Day

Monday, June 15
Last Day Year 11/12 students

Friday, June 19
Year 11 & 12 Exams Commence

Wednesday, June 24
Twilight Concert

Thursday, June 25
Year 11 & 12 Exams Conclude

Friday, June 26 - July 3
Year 12 Line Days

Monday, June 29 - July 3
Year 11 Work Experience

Wednesday, July 1
Year 9 & 10 Exams Commence

Thursday, July 2
Year 8 Exams Commence

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God Bless
R J Klimionok
Campus Principal

PARENT PRAYER
HOMEWORK CENTRE
PARENTS AND FRIENDS

I remember a situation that occurred when I first started teaching here at the Bethany Campus. I was teaching a Year 8 Maths class and I asked the students to rate me as a teacher, and give me positive and negative feedback, and assess that I could improve in. It was up to them whether they kept it anonymous and could say what they liked. I received some excellent feedback that helped me to improve my teaching skills.

One of the students wrote that she was scared of me and signed her name. That concerned me, so I had a meeting with her to discover what the issue was. She said I was tall and loud, especially when I helped her one on one, because she had very sensitive hearing.

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As a busy parent it’s easy to give your voice a work out when you don’t get the cooperation you want from your children.

You know how it goes.
You want your son or daughter to give you some help and they don’t respond.
Perhaps, you want a child to stop annoying his or her sibling.
Or you simply want your kids to QUITEN DOWN inside.
When your request for cooperation is ignored.
So you do what over 90% of parents do. That is, you repeat yourself. Then if that’s still ignored you RAISE the volume.
‘I’ll yell at them. That should work!”
Hmm, I’m not so sure. Usually yelling only succeeds in producing parent-defeating kids.

If yelling, shouting or raising your voice is a habit you’ve developed to get cooperation then here’s a great strategy to use instead.
Next time your kids ignore a reasonable request move close to them and quietly repeat your request once.
No aggression, just expectation.
It means you may need to stop what you are doing. So be it.
Proximity is a powerful influencer. Great teachers know this. That’s why they move around in class so much: to teach and also to manage.
So save your voice for conversation, encouragement and affection.

Use your body effectively to manage kids.
The key, of course, is to do it.
My challenge for you is to bite your tongue when you want to yell. Take a deep breath (as the Mood Meter teaches you) and move into your child’s proximity. Don’t stare him down. Just be close to him or her.
Keep doing it and the cooperation levels you get from your kids will increase astronomically over time.
But you’ve got to do it.
In future don’t yell, move closer.

Michael Grose
Cross Country 2015

On Friday Week 2 we had our annual Interhouse Cross Country. We started the day with a mixed bag of weather. The day was initially delayed by half an hour due to a heavy shower of rain. Once this passed, we were able to continue with the morning of races. We had a very fast start to the day with Lachlan Downing smashing the Open Boys 4km record and the next three runners all going under the previous record set last year. Things slowed down from here, but it was great to have as many students running as we had and then to have all the walkers finish off the morning to get their team extra points. In the end it was a tight finish in teams aspect of the competition with the following results:

With North winning this year, each house has had their name on the Cross Country trophy at least once since we started our campus trophy in 2011. As for individual results, here are the top 3 finishers for each age group:

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Term 2

MISSION POSSIBLE

CAMBODIA

Casual Day

Friday, June 12

$2 Gold coin donation for Casual Clothes

All funds raised help Cambodia

Parents, please note

Movie Fundraiser

As this movie is M Rated, this Fundraiser is only available to Year 11 and 12 Students, Parents & Staff. It is not available to Year 7—10 students.