



St. Paraskevi Greek School

February 2018

Term 1, 2018 Up-coming events

- Monday, 5th February**
Classes begin
- Saturday, 10th February**
Greek Dancing classes begin
- Sunday, 11th February**
Agiasmos for Greek School
Meatfare (Apokriatiko) Lunch
- Week of 12th February**
"Meet the Teacher"
Information evening
- Monday, 19th February**
Clean Monday (Lent begins)
- Sunday, 25th February**
Sunday of Orthodoxy
(bring an icon to Church)
- Sunday, 25th March**
Feast of the Annunciation
Greek Independence Day
Celebrations - Opera House
- Friday, 30th March**
Public Holiday - NO classes
- Sunday, 1st April**
Palm Sunday & Lunch
- 2nd - 6th April**
Holy Week - NO classes
- Sunday, 8th April**
Great & Holy Pascha
- 9th - 13th April**
Final classes for Term 1
- Monday, 30th April**
Term 2 classes begin

Welcome back to all our Greek School families. We hope that everyone had a relaxed and blessed holiday and we look forward to seeing you all at the various Parish and Community events throughout the year. We would also like to welcome our new families and wish you all the best for 2018.

This year, we are pleased to welcome to our staff Miss Christina Koutsopoulos, who will be teaching Year 3 on Monday and Thursday. We look forward to working with Miss Koutsopoulos and wish her all the best for the school year.

Car Park

Please be aware that the church grounds and car park is a 5km driving zone. When driving into the church grounds, be aware of children moving through the car park. Please speak to your children about road safety.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones and electrical devices brought to Greek school by students are to be left in their bags and turned off. No responsibility will be taken by teachers for students' devices.

Teacher Meetings

Our teachers are happy to discuss your child's progress and any concerns you may have. If you need to talk to your child's teacher, please contact them to make an appointment.

Meet the teacher

During the week of February 20, parents are invited to attend their child's Greek school class at 6.30pm. This is an opportunity for the teachers to explain their classroom expectations, homework procedures and reward system. The teachers look forward to seeing you all at this event.

Greek School & Sunday School Agiasmos Service

On Sunday, 11th February, all students and their families are asked to attend the Church Service, where a special Blessing Service will be conducted to mark the beginning of the school year. Students will meet their class teacher at the church steps, straight after Holy Communion, at approximately 10am. Students are to wear their St. Paraskevi Greek School T-shirt or a plain white shirt and navy blue pants, skirt or culottes and black shoes and white socks. After the service, the Meat-fare Lunch will be held in the Hall and we invite all our Greek school families to join us for the first official function.

Greek Independence Day Celebrations

This year, the event will take place on Sunday, 25th of March. Once again, a bus will be organised by the Committee in order to assist our families with transportation. More information about this event will be given closer to the day.

Themes for Term 1

All year levels will be focusing on Easter as the Term 1 theme.

We encourage all parents, grandparents and Greek speaking relatives and friends, to speak to their children in Greek as much as possible. There are many online resources and apps which can be accessed. In particular www.123 Greek, who are the distributors of the texts used at our school. Greek movies, songs and children's programs can also be viewed via YouTube.

Wishing you all the best for 2018

Peter Kotrolas
Greek School President