Dear Parents

In this age of technology into which our children have been born they are often more knowledgeable and skilful in using computers than we parents are.

There are many things parents can do to help and guide their children in safely using the Internet even though they may be less knowledgeable about how to actually access and use the Internet themselves.

Parents need to talk to their children about a number of things:

1. **The house rules** – establishing rules about the amount of time they are permitted to spend online and when they can do it eg. after homework, when chores are done, after some outside activity etc.

2. **Stranger Alert** - your children already know about not talking to strangers. You need to remind them that people on the Internet that they don’t know are strangers and they must not give out any personal information. Ensure their Email address doesn’t give their name-have them use a “pen” name or their pet’s name etc. instead.

3. **Place the computer in a central place** where there is plenty of family activity and you can monitor your child’s work. A computer in a child’s bedroom is out of sight.

4. **Surf the net together** so you can explore and assess the sites visited together.

5. **Teach your children** what to do if someone says something inappropriate or makes them feel uncomfortable, on line. Encourage your children to tell you about anything inappropriate they come across.

6. **Blocking and filtering software** is readily available to help prevent undesirable material entering your home via the Internet.

7. **Do not let your child give out his email address** without your permission. Much unsolicited material can come into your home as junk mail. Often this junk mail is very inappropriate. Complain to your Internet Service Provider if you continue to receive inappropriate junk mail.

8. **Never let your child use a credit card** online without your direct supervision and you are confident that it is a safe site.

Enjoy together the enrichment that the Internet can bring to your children’s learning in a safe, positive, educational and fun way.

*I would also like to congratulate our year 6 students for the compliments they received during their excursion to Canberra and thank you as parents for your co-operation and help as they arrived home on Friday evening.*

Carmel Agius
DELANY COLLEGE

Enrolment Applications are being accepted for Year 7 2012-2014.
For more information please contact Delany College 9637 7788
In the tradition & spirit of the Patrician Brothers

ST PAULS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Enrolments for Year 7 2012
St Pauls is currently receiving applications for Year 7, 2012. Enrolment packages may be obtained from St Pauls school office. Enrolments close at the end of May and the enrolment interviews will be held in June. If you have any queries please contact the Enrolment Secretary on 8868 3700.

CERDON COLLEGE MERRYLANDS
Aspire to Great Heights

Enrolments for Year 7 2012 
Closing Soon
Cerdon College is currently receiving applications for Year 7 2012. An Enrolment Package may be obtained from the School Office by contacting 0632 8759. Priority of enrolment is given to Catholic students from feeder schools and parishes. All applications should be received at the School Office by Friday 25 May. Applications received after this date may not be successful in the competition for places.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Term 2 Week 3/4
Thursday May 19 L. Saliba, M. Issac P. Hughes
Friday May 20 M. Cheng
Monday May 23 D. Anjoul, M. Demian
Tuesday May 24 H. Maroun, G. Caruso
Wednesday May 25 M. Incognito, A. Guaricci, C. Hitti

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Week 4
Kindergarten Anthony Lim
Year One Charbel Ndaira
Year Two Anthony Poumale
Year Three Cathy Li
Year Four Jordan Boulous
Year Five Kenneth McFarlane
Year Six Jacob Elkadi

COMING TO OUR SCHOOL SOON

BIRTHDAYS

Daniel Georges Annika Valenzuela Fox Alice Mitchell Jonathan Hanna Teya Elias
Reegan Pine Carlos Plara Ralph Morris Bongiwe Mpfu Isabella Caroso
Lisa Maree Mitry Christina Rizk Olivia Resman Alex Karma Carla Haddad
Badie El-Hussein Antonela Pavlovic Mitchell Kahale Layla Toufan Delisha Serwah Amankwatia
Nathan Boulous Mickayla Anderson

Congratulations to all those children who celebrate their birthday around this time and during the holidays.