

# NEWSLETTER

Term 3 2011

29th July, 2011

Welcome back to St Nectarios Greek School for Term 3. We hope the holiday break provided you with opportunities for recreation, relaxation and time with your children and friends.

## 2011 TERM DATES

Term 3 Fri 29<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 30<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4 Fri 21<sup>st</sup> October – Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> December

## SESSION TIMES

Sessions currently operate on  
Friday: 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm

## DIARY DATES

### *Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August:*

Lesson scheduled to take place at the St Nectarios Hall from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. The lesson includes the attendance of a church service.



### *Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September*

End of term celebration activities at the St Nectarios Hall from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

## ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students experience success if there is continuity of attendance. It is important that students attend Greek school frequently, as this will enhance their learning.

If a student misses a significant number of lessons it could prevent the student from advancing to the next level.

## COMMUNICATION DIARY

All students have been issued a communication Diary. In this diary students write their homework and communication between the school, teacher and home can occur. If you need to discuss something with the class teacher please feel free to write in the diary.

## HOMEWORK POLICY

The teachers give homework on regular bases to their students. If your child needs to leave early then they must discuss with their teacher what homework needs to be done prior to next lesson. If a student has been absent it is important to contact others as appropriate and obtain the homework. It is important that all of the homework is completed by the due date. This will help to build up the student's confidence and knowledge in the language. If any students fail to complete a significant amount of their homework, and as a result have not made sufficient progress, it would prevent them from advancing to the next level.



## GRADUATION POLICY

Students will only graduate if they have demonstrated sufficient attendance, completion of schoolwork and homework.

## CURRICULUM MATTERS

Year 6, 7 and the year 4s using the blue book, will be issued with a reading book and workbook. The total cost of both books is \$65.00. If you already have a reading book (ie year 5 and 6 will be given book 6 and year 4s will be given book 2) the cost will be \$41.00. Payment can be made to Afroditi Devrelis.

Teaching staff request that parents/caregivers refrain from disrupting the classes by conducting discussions outside the classroom. If a parent wishes to talk to a teacher please do so after the lesson or by appointment. Additionally, we would like parents to wait outside the classrooms, ie under the verandah, to collect their child(ren). Thanking you in advance.

## NUT FREE

We request that no nuts or products containing nuts are allowed at the school. This includes peanut butter, nutella, muesli bars and anything cooked using nut oils. We have children who are allergic to nuts.



### **SCHOOL FEES**

Outstanding school fees must be paid asap. The cost is \$60.00. Payment can be made to Afroditi Devrelis.

### **HEALTH CARE PLANS**

The school needs a doctor approved health care plan from children who are on ongoing medication or are asthmatic. Forms may be obtained from Afroditi Devrelis.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Just a friendly reminder St Nectarios holds Sunday School immediately after Holy Communion every Sunday. The lesson continues until the end of the service whereby the children are returned back to the church in time to receive *antidoron* (church bread).

Although many children receive religious education in their daily schooling or attend our Orthodox Colleges, attending Sunday School will allow children to become a part of the parish life through learning about the Gospel message and actively participate in the celebrations of the feast days of the church.

### **ST NECTARIOS UPCOMING FEAST DAYS**

**Saturday 6th August**

\* ***Holy Transfiguration of Christ our Saviour***

**Monday 15th August**

\* ***Dormition of the Theotokos***

**Wednesday 14th September**

\* ***Exaltation of the Holy Cross***

On these large feast days we will celebrate with Matins and the Divine Liturgy in the morning followed by a luncheon in the hall next to the church. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

### **KEEPING IN TOUCH**

Notices and information regarding the Greek School is now available electronically. Should you wish to be included on our Greek School Email Distribution list please email us at:

[school@stnectarios.org.au](mailto:school@stnectarios.org.au)

### **ST NECTARIOS WEBSITE**

We encourage you to view our Greek School Newsletters online at: [www.stnectarios.org.au](http://www.stnectarios.org.au)

This is the official website of the Holy Monastery of Saint Nectarios. This website provides access to service times, notices of upcoming events as well as the newsletters for our Greek School.

### **FEEDBACK AND QUESTIONS**

We encourage all to contact one of the staff members should you have any feedback, questions or concerns. Alternatively please email us at: [school@stnectarios.org.au](mailto:school@stnectarios.org.au)

Wishing both you and your children a blessed Term.

With love in Christ,

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