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Week 6 Term 3

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"There where you are, God is". St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Dear Parents,

Happy Father's Day

A Prayer for Fathers

*God, bless all the fathers of the world.
Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children.
Help them to be a father like YOU are.
Give them grace, strength, wisdom and love
to be teachers and guides
for the young who look up to them.*

Each year in September we celebrate Father's Day. It is a day for us to thank our Fathers for the sacrifices they make for their families. Fathers offer a pillar of strength and protection. They help and guide us drawing upon years of wisdom and unconditional love for their children.

God the Father gave up his only Son, Jesus Christ, so that we might be saved through him. He provides an example of the vocation of fatherhood. A vocation of sacrifice, courage, accountability and laying down one's life for another.

Yesterday, children purchased gifts from the Father's Day stall, made possible by our wonderful P&F team. I thank them for the time and dedication that they offer to the OLA community to ensure that our children and families can experience such wonderful opportunities.

This morning as a school community, we celebrated Father's Day with a BBQ breakfast. Thanks again to the generosity and tireless work of the P&F, who were on site from 6am to ensure that we were able to serve breakfast to the many fathers and children that were able to join us. It was very special seeing so many fathers sharing breakfast with their children.

The BBQ was followed by a beautiful liturgy, confidently led by our Year 5 students. During this liturgy, the essence and meaning of Father's Day was captured with heartfelt reflections.

We wish all fathers, grandfathers and father figures in our lives a very happy Father's Day and we especially remember our Fathers who are no longer with us on earth but hold a special place in our memory and in our heart.

Mr Steve Cauchi
Acting Principal

*Daddy I love you
For all that you do.
I'll kiss you and hug you
'Cause you love me, too.
You feed me and need me
To teach you to play
So, smile 'cause I love you
On this Father's Day.*

NEWSLETTER

Dates to Remember

Week 7 Thurs 6 th Sept	Verse Speaking Years 1 – 4 (Windsor)
Fri 7 th Sept	Stage 2 Touch Footy Gala Day
Week 9 Tues/Wed	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
Fri 21 st Sept	Stage 3 Boys Touch Footy Gala Day
Week 10 Fri 28 th Sept	Last Day of School for Term 3

OLA FORMATION GOAL: For students to further develop their knowledge of God's presence in their lives through a deeper understanding of the Scriptures.

Students at OLA are learning to reflect on the Scriptures using the THREE SENSES-Literal (About the story), Spiritual (Church teachings and sacraments) and Application (Being the Face of God through your Words, Actions and Thoughts)

After reading the Scripture story as a family think of the following questions:

WHERE IS GOD REVEALED IN THE SCRIPTURE? (SPIRITUAL SENSE)

HOW CAN YOU USE YOUR AWARENESS OF GOD'S PRESENCE IN YOUR LIFE? (APPLICATION SENSE)

Sunday 2nd September 2018, Gospel Reflection (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23) Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

Gospel Reflection

Many religious leaders have thought that some foods or some people are such a threat to the holiness of their followers that contact with 'unclean', 'defiling' foods or people must be avoided. Our Lord was totally opposed to the idea that holiness was something secured or gained by being quarantined or separated from any-thing or any-person. On the contrary, he could touch a leper or have a meal with a prostitute. Rather than defilement flowing from the leper or prostitute to Jesus, his life flowed into them repairing their broken humanity, healing them body, mind, spirit, holistically, making them holy.

The fact is that God, embodied in Jesus Christ, is contagious. The contagion of Divine Life is meant to flow into the inner depths of personality, into the heart. When this occurs, the Divine Life in the human person causes 'holiness'. We have to strive to put ourselves in the way of this contagion. We become holy when we allow ourselves to be touched by our Lord Jesus Christ. How do we do this? By hearing of His life in the Gospel, by being nourished by His life in Holy Communion, by being touched by the plight of those in whom He is to be found. St James in the second reading describes some who are particularly vulnerable in a patriarchal society with no social security system: the widows and orphans. No doubt, we can identify equivalent groups in our own society and overseas. We could take a moment to pray that we might be more conscious of the Holy Spirit germinating something in our hearts, making us holy from the inside out, that our holiness be authenticated by good works so that we may be holy as the Lord our God is holy. (LiturgyHelp.com, Fr Michael Tate)

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RE @ OLA

Week 7: 6th September- Confirmation-Lesson 1 (Parent and child)

-Confirmation date 14th September @ 6pm.

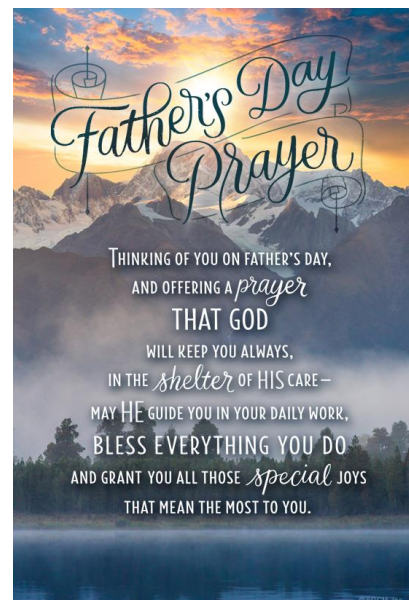
-Confirmation date 21st September @ 7pm.

Week 8: 13th September-Confirmation rehearsal @ 7.30pm.

14th September-Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 6)

Week 9: 21st September-Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 6)

**WISHING ALL OUR OLA FATHERS AND GRAND FATHERS A
WONDERFUL AND BLESSED DAY THIS SUNDAY.**



Literacy News

Ways to Build Children's Vocabulary

Read to them.....

Studies indicate that children do learn words from books read aloud to them. Most helpful will be reading aloud books and other materials (such as magazines or environmental print) that have some, but not too many, words that are new to children. Read-aloud of storybooks is important, but also important is read-aloud of other types of text, such as information books. Some research even suggests that teachers and parents highlight vocabulary more when reading aloud information books than when reading aloud stories.

Source: <http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/readingline/pdfs/ProfessionalPaper.pdf>

Whole School Writing Task

Next week the students will complete their third whole school writing task. We look forward to seeing the improvements in the students' writing pieces. The students have followed and utilised the 'Seven Steps to Writing Success' over the past two terms. We look forward to sharing these successes at our Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences in Week 9.

Root Word of the Week: *germ- seed, bud*

Words of the Week:

Infants: germ

Primary: germinate

Mrs Lisa Hurst

Literacy Coordinator



We had Tournament of the Minds last Sunday and we all had a great time. We did not win any major prizes but we did get the Spirit Award for the region of Western Sydney. To get this award the judges felt that we had faced a challenge working with a member of our group having an injury. Through this competition, we learnt how to speak in front of a large audience. We also learnt how to create a musical in a short amount of time. We had to wait a while between our main challenge and the spontaneous challenge. We felt we worked well as a time for the spontaneous challenge. Overall the day was fantastic and it is a great experience for all ages.

Georgia Domars and Patrick Leach

Dear Parents

We appeal for your cooperation to help us to keep your children safe in the morning arrival and afternoon dismissal times. As you know, the car park and surrounding streets are very busy particularly 30 min prior to the commencement of school and 30 minutes afterwards. We have stringent dismissal procedures that allow us to be able to account for the children and keep them safe. We have numerous teachers on duty and processes that allow us to safely dismiss approx 520 children each day within a 30 min period. However we also need your cooperation. Please adhere to the following procedures:

1. Only Kindergarten children can be picked up at 3pm.
2. Please use the drop off and pick up area of the car park when picking your children up or dropping off. The lane closest to the street is NOT a designated pick up and drop off area.
3. Please do not park in the designated pick up or drop off area as this blocks traffic and makes it a hazard for pedestrian traffic.
4. When parking in surrounding streets, do not park on kerbs, across pedestrian crossing or designated no stopping zones. Local police and council do patrol the area.
5. Do not exit your car to assist your children in putting bags and belongings in boot of the car or entering the car. Teachers on duty will assist the children.

We thank you for your cooperation in keeping the children safe.

You must not **STOP** at any time

Stopping includes when the vehicle is not moving
but the engine is still running

SCHOOL ZONE

Penalty from \$337 and 2 demerit points

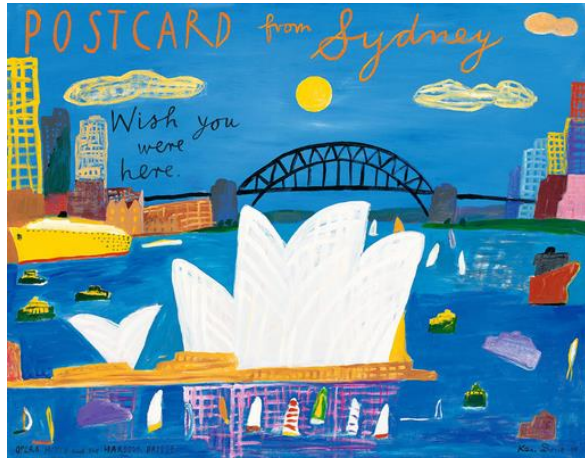


From the Classroom of 3B.....

Over the past few weeks in 3B we have been looking at the famous Australian Artist, Ken Done. Ken Done is well known for his use of simple lines and bright colours to represent iconic Australian places and things. We had a go at creating our own iconic Australian artworks using oil pastels, water paints and acrylic paints. We are quite proud of our efforts!



Ken Done



"Postcard from Sydney" Ken Done

Some of 3B's attempts at a Ken Done style artwork



Father's Day at OLA



From the Office.....

World Youth Day Tickets – please return these tickets, sold or unsold, by Friday 14th September. It is important that all tickets are returned as we need to account for all of them.

School Fees – The term 3 school fees were due and payable on 29th August. If you haven't already done so, please attend to the payment of same over the next week. If you need an extension of time, please contact Mrs Goldsworthy to advise of this.

If you have been paying by the flexible payment plan, I will be checking these over the next week or so. Occasionally we find that a payment has been missed or the direct debit has been stopped one payment short and so I will be letting you know if you need to make any further payments to clear the fees.

Notes to the Office – Please remember that when we request that notes be returned to the school office that the students put the notes in the officebag in the classroom. There is no need for students to come into the office in the morning to hand in the notes. This is a little bit of responsibility that the students have.

Mrs Goldsworthy

Extended Leave of Absence – It is a mandatory system and Government requirement that you seek permission and confirmation of approval of leave during the school term if the student absence is greater than 5 school days. Therefore, if you are planning on going on a holiday, the paperwork for this needs to be submitted and approved **prior to the leave taking place** and needs to have supporting documentation (itinerary, flight details etc). Notification of holidays for more than 5 school days, without Principal consent, is marked on the school roll as 'absence unjustified', even if you notify the school that you have been on holidays when you return. The Application for Leave form can be found on the school website, or request one from the school office.

Mr Cauchi

OLA will be celebrating National Child Protection Week on 2 September -8 September.

Our school will have a large love heart mural on display next Friday. Students, parents, and teachers are encouraged to draw pictures or write words to illustrate how we can help to create safer environments for our children.

There will be posters displayed around the school to promote this awareness. We can all play a role in creating safer environments for our children. Here are a few simple suggestions that we can all do every day: be kind, be a good role model, build community, respect young people, ask for help, don't judge. These are small but significant actions that can have a real impact on a child's life.

Regards,
Miss Nibal



Year of Youth Art Competition

Just a reminder that artworks are due Friday 14th of September Week 8 along with the 150 word reflection of how the artwork spreads joy.

If your child would like some feedback they can meet with me over the next two Wednesdays at 2nd break.

Following size and weight requirements:

- A maximum weight of 10Kg
- A minimum size of 30cm x 40cm (A3 acceptable) and a maximum size of 80cm x 120cm



From the P&F...



Father's Day Breakfast

THANK YOU to all those who attended this morning. It was a great opportunity for Father's to enjoy breakfast with their children before the Liturgy service. A special Thank you to all the helpers! These events are never possible without all the volunteers.

Also a shout out to **WesFresh Blacktown** for their kind donation of the Bacon and Eggs for this morning's breakfast. We are very fortunate to have their generous support. WesFresh are a wholesale outlet open to the public for Poultry, Meat, Small Goods, Seafood and Fruit and Vegetables.

25 Bessemer Street Blacktown

<https://www.facebook.com/wesfreshchickenoutlet>



Father's Day Stall – Thank you to all the volunteers who helped the students pick the special gift for their Dad. A special mention to Kelly Cleary for everything she did to make this a great day.

Thank you also to Madura Tea for their donation to the P&F. <https://www.maduratea.com.au>

Special Treat Lunch – Friday 7th September –
Pies and Sausage rolls – Order Form Attached
Orders must be in by Wednesday 5th September. No orders on the day



Movie Night – Saturday 21st September 5pm

Come along with your OLA friends to enjoy a movie night for the family at Event Cinema's Castle Hill. All tickets will be \$12. You will need to reserve your seat, as seats are limited. Why not make a night of it and enjoy the local restaurants for dinner. The movie to be confirmed.

Melbourne Cup – Tuesday 6th November

We will be holding the Melbourne Cup Raffle / Sweep this year. To go along with our Melbourne Cup theme, we are thinking of holding a social event during the day. This is a time to put your best outfit on, dress or suit, grab the fascinator or special tie and join your fellow OLA parents for some laughs.

Family Photos – November Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th

After the success of last year, you will have the opportunity to have a family photo shoot and get those much treasured family photos. Ask anyone from last year, the photo's were beautiful and just in time for Christmas made a beautiful gift. Details will be out shortly

Special Treats – Special Treats – Friday 7th September

Kylie Terzo, Joanne Zahorsky, Laura Krotofil, Claire Holden, Rebecca McDonald and Monica Ponturo



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Our Lady of the Angels P&F Association

From the Parish Office...

Family Fun Night - OLA Parish Bush Dance

Saturday, 13 October at 6.30pm

All Welcome to join in a fun night of dancing and socialising.

Great Live Bush Band entertaining.

You are welcome to BYO dinner or purchase on the night a sausage sizzle and light refreshments.

Yummy Krispy Kreme donuts will be on sale for dessert. (to cover the cost of the Bush Band).

Mass times:

Sat vigil: 5:30pm **Sunday:** 8:30am, 10am & 5.30pm. **Weekdays:** Mon -Sat: 9 am

Confessions:

9:30 am Sat

Baptisms & weddings: By appointment

Parish Priest: Fr Warren Edwards

Parish Secretaries: Geraldine Farrugia and Rose Sultana

Sacrament Co-ordinator: Mark Robinson

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Congratulations to this week's Archangel recipients: Michael E, Billy B, Sarah C, Ethan M, Harrison K, Payton N and Denzel C

Term 3 Week 6			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Kinder B	Vienna Gergely-Hollai	Alessia Costa	Hayden Muscat
Kinder G	Madison Ross	Sienna Galea	Jack Leahy
Kinder W	Arella Sales	Maddison Cutland	James Boje
Year 1B	Leonardo Festa	Ella Ciantar	Nicholas Thornton
Year 1 G	Natalia Ponturo	Kyra Heaney	Vincent Cappello
Year 1W	William Conn	Conor Browne	Sophia Mangano
Year 2 B	<u>EthanMihalic</u>	Evan Galea	Jasmine Vella
Year 2 G	Luka V.	Harry Jones	Clyde Naidu
Year 2 W	Jordan Holden	Georgia Sourial	Trinity Manago