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Week 9 Term 3

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

Dear Parents,

Have you noticed the new play equipment at OLA? Over the last few weeks we have installed a number of new play equipment in the infants and the primary play areas. They are very popular with the children. As recent as this week, the Primary Play Gym opened just outside the KTOOSH demountable. This will be used for 'boot camp', class PE lessons and general play for primary children at recess and lunch. OLA students are very fortunate to have such wonderful facilities. I once again thank the P&F for their donation towards the funding of the Primary Play Gym.

Student-Led Conferences

It was wonderful to see so many parents attend the student led conferences earlier this week. As the name implies, the purpose of a student led conference is to give the students a 'voice' about their learning. It transfers responsibility and accountability for learning to the student, so they can clearly articulate their learning goal and reflect on their progress and experiences. For these conferences we trialed the new format with the rigid 15min appointment times and the interviews conducted collaboratively in the Year 5 and 6 learning spaces. I have received positive feedback on the process from staff and parents and further welcome your feedback on your experience of the student led conference.



Congratulations to the following students who are this term's recipients of the Principal's Award. The Principal's Award goes to a student who has consistently worked well and shown Gospel values towards others over the term. I look forward to the Principal's Morning Tea next Tuesday.

KB	Adel Sibayan	KG	John Vickers	KW	Ruby Masters
1B	Charlise Mitrovich	1 G	Riley Niemiec	1W	Chloe Bassili
2B	Patrick Pacella	2G	Luka Vaughan	2W	Rose Montgomery
3B	Olivia Ross	3G	Maia Villanueva	3W	Georgia Dolahenty
4B	Sarah McKeever	4G	Amalia-Rose Trifiro	4W	Boston Roberts
5B	Marcus Billyard	5 G	Leila Balangon	5W	Marcus Castellan
6B	Felicity Scott			6W	Taleah Kingcott

God Bless Mr Cauchi Acting Principal



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 23rd September 2018, Gospel Reflection (Mark 9:30-37) Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Gospel Reflection

Who are the righteous? This is a question that holds little interest today. We are more concerned with the successful and the famous. We want people to be honest, at least in their dealings with us, but we are more apt to applaud those who are clever. We commend people for making a good deal, for knowing how to get ahead or striking it rich. We extol the beautiful, the strong, the self-assured, those who have made a name for themselves, those who entertain us. We encourage people to be ambitious. Seldom is popularity based on righteousness. Yet righteousness is a pillar of the reign of God. Those who would enter that reign must be gentle and merciful, faithful and sincere, lovers of peace. They must be willing to take the last place, to be the servant of all. The righteous are not often held in high regard. They are often ridiculed and even persecuted. When they are considered a reproach to the standards of society, they may even be put to death. There are times when we might be inclined to envy and resentment, not wanting to feel morally inferior, and we might relish the opportunity of putting the virtue of others to the test. We may say that we want to draw forth their strengths, when we really hope their weaknesses will be revealed and they will prove to be no better than we are. Sometimes the righteous have nowhere else to turn but to Jesus, whose life they are following and into whose death they have been plunged. (LiturgyHelp.com, Dianne Bergant CSS)

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RE @ OLA

Week 10- St Francis of Assisi Prayer (Year 6) @ morning assembly.

Congratulations to the following students who received their sacrament of Confirmation last week.

Alissa A, Brianna A, Ava B, Mikayla B, Tamsyn B, Lara C, Gavin C, Natasha C, Jacob C, Alicia D, Georgia D, Ashton G, Gemma G, Samantha G, Olivia H, Isabella I, Thomas L, Charli M, Gabriella M, Kalan O, Zachary S, Jada S, Harry T, Eoin T, Julian V, Jane W and Charlotte Z

Please keep in your prayers the following OLA Year 6 students who will receive their sacrament of Confirmation tonight.

Anton B, Gabriella B, Michelle G, Nicholas K, Taleah K, Pierre L, Zachariah L, Olivia L, Alannah L, Rylan M, Marcus O, Ella O, David P, Jasmyn R, Felicity S, Zachary S, Klaudia S, Ayden S and Kenneth T



Dates to Remember

Week 10 Tues 25th Sept Dance Fever Skipping Expo

Infants: 9.00am Primary: 2.20pm

Wed 26th Sept Kindergarten Excursion to the City Fri 28th Sept Last Day of School for Term 3

Mon 15th Oct First Day of Term 4

Tues 16th Oct Yr 6 Excursion – Sydney Observatory
Wed 17th Oct Yr 6 League Tag Day – North Parramatta

Fri 19th Oct Yr 1 Incursion

Assembly: Yr 1 Verse Speaking Poetry

Literacy News

Holiday Tips for Parents-Avoiding the Summer Slide in Reading

Many children, especially struggling readers, forget some of what they've learned or slip out of practice during the holidays. Try these strategies to help your child improve their reading during the break and beyond:

- 1. **Six books to success:** Research shows that reading just six books during the holidays may keep a struggling reader from regressing. When choosing the six, be sure that they are just right not too hard and not too easy. Take advantage of your **local library**. Ask for help selecting books that match your child's age, interests, and abilities. Libraries often run reading programs that motivate kids to read, so find out what's available in your area.
- 2. **Read something every day:** Encourage your child to take advantage of every **opportunity** to read. Find them throughout the day:
 - *Morning:* The newspaper even if it is just the comics or today's weather.
 - *Daytime:* Schedules, TV guides, magazines, online resources, etc. For example, if your daughter likes the food channel, help her look for a recipe on the network's Web site then cook it together for more reading practice.
 - Evening: End the day by having your child read to you from the book he is currently reading (one of the six books, above). Have them rehearse a paragraph, page, or chapter before reading to you. Rereading will help them be more fluent able to read at an appropriate speed, correctly, and with nice expression.
- 3. **Keep reading aloud:** Reading aloud benefits all children and teens, especially those who struggle. One benefit is that you can read books your child can't, so they will build listening comprehension skills with grade-level and above books. This will increase their knowledge and expand their experience with text, so that they will do better when they read on their own.

It's hard to keep up a reading routine in a season packed with distractions and diversions. These suggestions will fit into a busy schedule and make reading fun!

Source:

http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/developing-reading-skills/three-ways-to-prevent-summer-slide

Date for Diaries:

9th November-Whole School Writing Task #4

5th December-2018 Spelling Bee and 'Rug Reading'

Lisa Hurst, Literacy Coordinator

Naplan

This week students in Year 3 and 5 would have brought home their 2018 Naplan results. I encourage you as parents to discuss with your child the positives and reinforce the message that Naplan is only one of many assessment tools that measure student progress and success. Formative assessment done each day in class informs the daily decisions teachers make around pedagogy and are an accurate tool to measure student performance.

Whole school analysis of Naplan data will allow us to drill deeper into the performance of OLA students and evaluate the effectiveness of our school goals and identify areas of strength and challenges. As yet, whole school data has not been made available to schools.

Dance Fever Skipping Expo

Parents are invited to view the skills their children have learnt over the past nine weeks at the Skipping Expo which will take place on Tuesday 25th September (Week 10).



Years K-2 9.00am – 9.40am Years 3-6 2.20pm – 3.00pm



From the Classroom of...

2B Geography: Geography PBL

In 2B we have been learning about Australian Geography and our connections to different places in our world. We have been researching different natural and manmade sights in Australia. This week 2B are writing an information text to share with their families at our PBL presentation on Wednesday, week ten. This information text is about their Australian Landmark. We would like to share with you a sneak peak of what to expect.













We cannot wait to show you our PBL projects and models on Wednesday !!! Have a great week.

From the office...

Payments - Please note that the last date for any payments to be received at the office next week will be Thursday morning. As it is the end of term and the end of month, there are finalising procedures that need to take place on Thursday and Friday.

Lost Property – The lost property tub is FULL. If you have lost anything, please go through it and if you didn't have the clothing labelled and there is something there that is not labelled, please take it and use it.

World Youth Day Raffle Tickets Are now Overdue

Thank you to the families who have returned the WYD raffle tickets. These MUST be returned either sold or unsold. Can all tickets please be returned as soon as possible as they will be sent to the Bishop's Office by the end of next week.



Did you know Your child's best learning time is the start of the school day just a little bit late doesn't seem much but That equals .. Which is ... He/she just and over 13 years of schooling that's ... missing, 10 minutes per day 50 minutes per week Nearly 1.5 weeks per year Nearly half a year 20 minutes per day 1 hour 40mins per week Over 2.5 weeks per year Nearly 1 year 1 hour per day I day per week 8 weeks per year Over 2 and a half years every learne every day



From the P&F...

Volunteer:
The HEART Of The

Movie Night – Saturday 21st September 5pm Christopher Robin

Those that pre-booked your tickets, see you at the movies!

Melbourne Cup



Melbourne Cup - Tuesday 6th November

We will be holding the Melbourne Cup Raffle / Sweep this year.

Tickets will be sent home at the start of Term 4. All tickets will be \$1.

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

Order forms will be in next week's newsletter.

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 photos were beautiful and just in time for Christmas made a beautiful gift.

Kindy Orientation - October 31st and 7th November

Yes can you believe that another Kindy Orientation is about to take place. This is an opportunity for the current Kindergarten to provide morning tea and welcome the new families. More details to come.

Secondhand Uniform Sale - 7th November

Our next Secondhand Uniform sale will be held on 7th November



Special Treats - Special Treats - Friday 21st September



Alison Streater, Belinda Connellan, Leonie Blazey, Monique Falzon, Katie Mandarano and Bianca Basile

If you would like to be added to the roster for next term, please send us an email.

Next P&F Meeting 7th November 2018



https://www.facebook.com/ourladyoftheangelspf/ olapfc@gmail.com 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 Email: parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au Website: www.ourladyoftheangels.org.au

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Archangel Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received the archangel awards this week:-

Zach Sprowles, Isaac Balangon, Ethan Billyard, Anton Blazevic, Thomas Cutuk and Julia Zammit.

Congratulations to 3W who have achieved the highest average Angel cards for the term. They will have a reward next week. Well Done!!!





Term 3 Week 9- Whole school							
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award				
Kinder B	Emily Prnjak	Flynn Richardson	Giselle Desira				
Kinder G	Locke Singh	Harrison Dolahenty	Keeley Vaughan				
Kinder W	Jasmine Fedele	Mia George	Alissar-El-Khoury				
Year 1B	Ella Ciantar	Alexandra Craven	Eva Lowe				
Year 1 G	Zavier Dabit	Ethan Maddaford	Kaley Chown				
Year 1W	Joshua Basile	Lola Quinlan	Brandon Ciantar				
Year 2B	Dominic Zimmermann	Paityn Ng	Ruby Millers				
Year 2 G	Luka Kurcubic	Venus Mabhena	Sofia Costa				
Year 2 W	Olivia Vella	Sienna Flores	Ivy Sawkins				
Year 3 B	Zoey Chown	Isabella Smith	Ebony Lynch				
Year 3 G	Julie Bolina	William Bowen	Lucious Cappello				
Year 3 W	Mackenzie Molly	Maddison Dyke	Ethan Streater				
Year 4 B	Zara Zivic	Sarah McKeever	Matilda Wallis				
Year 4G	Isabella Cauchi	Joyce Ghobrial	Gemma Haynes				
Year 4 W	Amelia Bond	Rihama Pacella	Harriet Preston				
Year 5 B	Isabel Williams	Peter Giovas	Makiah Arora				
Year 5G	Lucy Taylor	Denzel Chang	Rishi Pillai				
Year 5W	Drew Sammut	Zane Boatwalla	Angelica Manago				
Year 6 B	David Parada	Charlotte Zahra	Alannah Lock				
Year 6 W	Olivia Lincoln	Kalan Oxspring	Gemma Gladwell				

MindQuest 2018

Glenwood HS

Cnr Forman Avenue and Glenwood Park Dr Saturday & Sunday 10th & 11th November 2018

On Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th November 2018 the 89th NSW Talent Enrichment Weekend *MindQuest* will be held for primary students from Years 1-6 at St George Girls HS. These include gifted and talented students, gifted underachievers and students with above average ability with a special interest. Students will have an opportunity to participate in over 37 exciting, fast paced courses in the two-day program. They include courses in chemistry, earth sciences, drama, lego robotics, art and much, much more. Most of these highly successful courses have been run in the past and students' evaluations suggest that they have been challenged and enriched by the experience. The cost of the weekend is \$195.00 (including GST).

Contact the school for a brochure or Shelagh Poray 02 4959 7148 Closing Date: Friday 19th October, 2018



