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Week 9 Term 3

16th September, 2016

"Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth"

Dear Parents,

Today brings us to the last full edition of the Newsletter for Term 3. It has been another busy and productive week.

Upon enrolment of their child, all parents sign the following agreement...

I agree to support and participate in the life of the school, parent teacher meetings, liturgical celebrations, social and practical activities offered by the school. I understand that the school offers the Catholic vision of life as the basis of its teaching program. I agree to support and respect the Catholic teaching, values and mission of the school and my child's participation in the full educational program of the school. I agree to support the school to give effect to its policies, procedures and guidelines for the benefit of the school community.

I would like to acknowledge and thank everyone who took the time to meet with their child's teacher especially those who were considerate in keeping to the time allocated out of respect for the teachers and other parents. We highly value working in partnership with parents and I trust that, while brief, was a productive fifteen minutes, providing some direction for Term 4.

Congratulations ...

To Tiarne McLusky who was successful in the last round of Voice of Youth, Public Speaking and now will be competing in the Grand Final next Tuesday. Well done, Tiarne.

Congratulations to the following students who are the recipients of this term's Principal's Award.

Term 3	
Leah Ocampo	Caitlyn Palmer-Burton
Thomas Weldon	Marissa Farrugia
Alonso Buda	David Parada
Danielle Vella	Mikayla Bowden
Paige Mitrovich	Charlotte Garcia
Hudson Baker	Cody Kingcott
Joyce Ghobrial	Breanna Debrincat
Eva Mercieca	Kristiana Blazevic
Tayla Buxton	Ella Sievwright
Lucas Buda	



We look forward to sharing morning tea and a chat next Tuesday.

Thank you...

To the NSW State Government for their provision of a grant - \$20 000 – towards Out of School Hours Care at OLA School.

Upon the completion of the building project later in the year, classes will move into their respective learning spaces. With the increase in enrolments, the demand for KTOOSH is stretched to the limit. I am happy that the existing demountable will become available to relocate KTOOSH, among other things, allowing this important service for our school community to continue. The grant will certainly be very welcome in assisting with the purchase of furnishings and resources.

Over this holiday break, there will be considerable building work done in the current Y5 and Y2 space. I thank the teachers for accommodating this imposition. There will be as minimal disruption to learning time as possible. I thank parents for your cooperation and understanding as we approach the end of a seven year journey of building our new school.

Dates to Remember

Tues 20th	Skipping demo. Primary - 9.00-9.45am; Infants -2.15-3.00pm.
Wed 21 st	All Library books returned.
Fri 23 rd Sept	Stage 3 Touch Football – boys and girls LAST DAY OF TERM 3
Mon 10 th Oct	First day of Term 4 – Summer Uniform

Please pray for the children in OLA Parish receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this evening and next Friday night. Most of these are students in our Year 6.



NEWSLETTER

Sunday 18th September 2016: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C (Lk 16:1-13)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."



'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

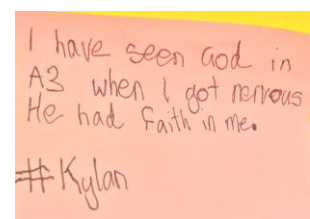
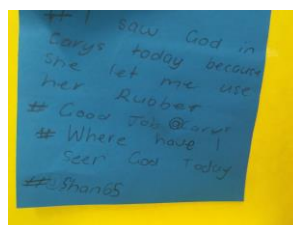
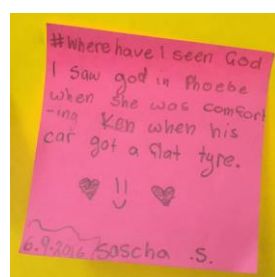
Reflection

In Luke's Gospel this Sunday, the theme is money and being genuine. Money is always something that can cause disagreement and hurt. Luke's Gospel sends a message of how money can get in the way of being a true disciple. The parable of the steward and his master describes the actions the steward upon learning that he is to be dismissed seem to us to be evidence of his suspicious dealings and yet the master praises his cleverness. When a steward entered into loans and deals on behalf of his master, he would build into the repayment a profit for himself. This was quite normal and acceptable. So the amount that the steward asked the debtors to reduce their debts to the master is actually the cut that he had built into the deal for himself. His actions are, surprisingly, quite noble and legitimate. What he is doing is ensuring that his master receives all that is owed to him whilst the steward is making himself more popular with the debtors because they don't have to pay back as much. It would be like a modern day salesman saying that he would forego his commission on the sale so that the purchaser didn't have to pay as much.

But why does Jesus use this parable? He makes the point that when the crunch comes – when the kingdom of God is imminent – monetary wealth is going to be meaningless. It is best to cut your losses and turn your energy to building relationships rather than riches.

(God's Word 2016-Daily Reflections)

YEAR 5 REFLECTIONS- WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD?



Way of Mercy Parish Celebration



On Saturday the 15th October at 10am at Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill there will be a regional celebration of the Way of Mercy.

The Year of Mercy is coming to an end and this is one way, where families form OLA community and Parish can come together to celebrate the Year of Mercy.

Mary Immaculate will be celebrating with a Liturgy in the morning where the Way of the Mercy Cross and relics of St Mary of the Cross and Mother Teresa will be there for people to venerate.

On Monday the 17th October at 9.30, OLA of the Angels will be celebrating the Year of Mercy with a short Liturgy and the students and their families will have the opportunity to venerate the Way of the Mercy Cross and relics of St Mary of the Cross and Mother Teresa.

We need around 4 adults to assist with carry the cross and then place it in an area for veneration. If you are able to assist with this, can you please Email the office. Attn Mrs Byrne

Operation Christmas Child



This year we have spoken about Pope Francis called this year the 'Year of Mercy'. Every day we look out for where we see God in our lives. It is the simple acts of mercy that can be most rewarding and see the face of God.

This year we have decided to support the Samaritan Purse Foundation for our Christmas outreach program. Samaritan Purse reaches out to children all over the world who need some Christmas cheer.

www.samaritanpurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/

Operation Christmas child is all about giving children from poverty or war stricken countries the precious gift of God's unconditional love. We are asking families at OLA to collect a shoebox from the office and fill it with something to wear, something to play with, something for school, something to love, something special and something for personal hygiene. The shoebox you pack with your family will very likely be the first gift the child has ever received.

If you and your family would like to participate in 'Operation Christmas Child', please contact the office by Email, note or in person to collect your shoebox. Attached to the shoebox will be information on how to pack your shoebox and labels for you to select a boy or girl and a particular age group. If you would like more than one shoebox let us know so we can collect more shoeboxes. The children have been learning about 'Operation Christmas Child' in class and are enthusiastic about the gift of giving. We have encouraged children to add a photo and note in each shoebox so the child/ren can see who has given them their gift. We would also like our families to send in a family photo with their shoebox to create a mural of OLA simple acts of mercy. #Where have you seen God today?



Literacy News

Vocabulary building tips

Engage students in rich oral language

Children also learn words through talk, especially from listening to and participating in high-level conversations. One study showed that young children whose parents use more “rare words” at the dinner table had higher vocabularies and later, reading achievement than other children (e.g., Beals, 1997).

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

Whole School Writing Task

This week all students completed another ‘Whole School Writing Task’. Students viewed an image and then wrote an imaginative text.



Our literacy focus this year is for all students’ writing to reflect an increase in the use of richer vocabulary. Well done to all students!

Reading is Cool! Reminder!

As part of our drive to raise the image of 'reading is cool', particularly among boys, we are seeking pictures of dads, or any males, reading a book.

This means one picture of dad/grandpa/friend/ etc reading a picture book. If possible, a really good idea is a shot of the person in work dress - ie a policeman in uniform reading.

Lisa Hurst

Literacy Coordinator

Uniform Shop - Important Notice

The uniform shop is going to be temporarily unavailable whilst renovations are taking place. This has been pushed back to the first week of next term until mid/end November.

Please check whether you are going to need any summer uniform prior to the end of term so that you can place an order. We have minimum stock of summer uniform at this stage, and will only order what is needed, as we do not have a lot of space to store a large amount of stock. Please DO NOT leave it until the last minute.

We thank you for your understanding and co-operation during this time.

Mrs Goldsworthy

Summer Uniform

Next week the students are allowed to wear their summer uniform if the weather is warm. Please note that they **MUST** be in either their full summer or full winter, not parts of both.

The students return to school in term 4 in their summer uniform.

ICAS Writing-

Congratulations to all who participated in the English competition with special mention to the following students:

Merit: Thomas Dobaj, Brianna Arellano, Emily Lenane

Credit: Remi Ferdinands, Maneesha Gunasekara, Karl Fischer, Phoebe Strykowski, Melissa Preston, Alicia Dersch, Georgia Domars, Harry Taylor, Janiya Delacruz, Emma Quijano, Jonathan Teo, Aidan Vilathgamuwa, Madison Zahra

Distinction: Lucy Tapley, Caitlin Palmer-Burton, Max Fischer, Lucy Taylor, Kiara Wijaya

High Distinction: James Apap

Skipping Demonstration-

To mark the end of the Term 3 skipping program, parents are invited to attend the skipping demonstration on Tuesday 20th September. Primary classes will be at 9.00-9.45am and Infants classes will be at 2.15-3.00pm.

Library Books-

Please return all library books by next Wednesday 21st September.

Lost Property-

Once again the lost property tub is full of clothing, particularly jackets and jumpers. Please check this for any lost items.

Could you please also check the jumpers and jackets that come home in your child's bag in case they do not belong to you. We have had a number of requests from parents who have clothing well labelled, but nowhere to be found. It is so easy for a child to put their jumper in the wrong bag during the day. Thank you

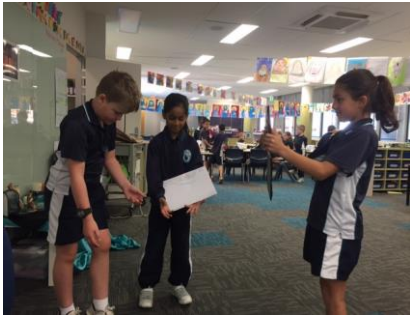
Head Lice-

With the warmer weather there have been a few cases of head lice in the school. Please ensure that you check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary.

From the Classroom....

3W

In Mathematics this week we have been looking at volume and capacity. Today we predicted and then measured how many unifix cubes fitted into the container. We also looked at a range of different measurements and were able to show what the amount looked like on a measuring jug.



The Story of Creation

Our group is making a poster and an iMovie based on the second day of creation when God created the sky, dry land, creeks, ponds and rivers. God said that all his work was good.



Small Fry

We are writing a short review about the Pixar movie Small Fry. It is based on the characters from Toy Story. We like the movie because it is funny. Our favourite character is Buzz Lightyear. By Rafael and Arya 3W



Today in sport we are playing soccer and touch football. We have been playing touch football for a couple of weeks now, but this is the first week that we have played soccer games. As a warm up, we played bullrush!

Akeesha and Anneliese 3W

Project Based Learning

In PBL we were given a country that neighbours Australia. Working together in groups we created a slideshow showing landmarks, festivals, national foods etc. We worked together using Google Drive for the first time!

Georgia, Eva, Kiara and Rachael 3W



Visual Arts – Japanese Symbols

I did the symbol for treasure, it was tricky to get the lines the same width. Bella 3W

I did the symbol for morning, I chose it because when it was on the screen it was the one that I thought that I would be able to do. Rachael 3W



AUTO PLACE X PETER BROCK DR, PROSPECT

TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2016

10AM – 2PM

Come along during the school holidays and ride in a safe environment with real traffic lights.

Bring your own bike and helmet

Face Painting

Parking is on site and free

Bring a picnic

Sausage sizzle and drinks

Adult Supervision required

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P&F NEWS

LAST CHANCE.....

Friends and families of OLA, you are invited to the OLA 'Bargain Buyers Shopping Tour' on Sunday, November 6th, 2016.



Departure: 7:00am sharp (Please arrive 15 minutes earlier)
Return: 6:00pm (approx)
Meeting point: 'Our Lady of the Angels' front gate. (1 Wellgate Ave, Kellyville)
COST: \$55 including a 2 course lunch.
Please confirm seats by sending money and note into the school office.

TICKETS & MONEY NEED TO BE CONFIRMED BY FRIDAY.



OLA FIESTA STALL HOLDERS

On Sunday Sept 25th at 12.30pm there will be a 'THANK YOU BBQ' for all those who took on the responsibility of organising a fiesta stall. An invite reminder was emailed out earlier this week. Lunch will be followed by a wrap-up meeting and a report of the final figures. In week 4 of next term, these reports will be presented at the PELF General Meeting.

SPECIAL TREATS ROSTER – Sept 23rd : Annemarie Bond, Rebecca Galea, Trish Ormsby, Maria Muscat and Angela Camilleri. Thank you!



*Our Lady of the Angels
PELF Association*

If you have any ideas or are interested in helping out in any way for any of the upcoming events please email olapfc@gmail.com

Boys' Shed - YOUR COMMUNITY YOUR CHOICE Community Grant

Our Lady of the Angels Boys' Shed has entered the *Your Community Your Choice* grant at Rouse Hill Town Centre. This competition is run monthly and we are entered for the month of September.

Should we receive the most votes, we will win a \$300 gift voucher to put towards buying some tools to assist us in improving the school environment.

PLEASE VOTE FOR US!!!!

go to <http://www.rhtc.com.au/what-s-happening/your-community-your-choice>

and vote for Our Lady of the Angels Boys' Shed.

From the Parish Office...

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations and God's blessings upon these children who are today receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation: William Trevor Seton Anderson, Brock Richard Bailey, Mirko Tomas Basic, Raphael Joss di Lorenzo Bousard, Cooper Nicholas Brown, Darci Susanne Buxton, Sebastian Matthaeus Cauchi, Rebecca Elizabeth Charlesworth, Brock David Crook, Daniella Lopresti, Ryan Muscat, Aaron Matthew Rebutan, Javier Lenin Silva, Tyler John Spiteri, Nicholas Sweeney, Jai William Turner, Kaitlin Michelle Wagner and Aidan Peter Williams.

We have a total of 82 children receiving the Sacrament over the next two weeks.

Reconciliation

Reconciliation for children in Year 2 and older will occur in Term 4. There will be an information night on Thursday, 20 October at 7.30pm.

Bingo!!

Get those Bingo markers ready - we have an awesome Bingo Night coming up with a HUGE cash jackpot of \$450.00. Everyone is invited! RSVP to the Parish office by Thurs. 22nd Sept.

R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

We are presently inviting any adults who would like to become a Catholic to participate in our formation program leading up to being baptised and received into the Church at Easter.

For more information, contact Shelly on 0421 610 826 or the Parish office at parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au

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

Assistant Priest: Fr John Rizzo

Parish Secretaries: Geraldine Farrugia and Rose Sultana

Sacrament Co-ordinator: Christine Leahy

Email: parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au

Website: www.ourladyoftheangels.org.au

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GOOD LUCK

On 19th September Jade R, Sebastian C and Tyler S will be representing the Parramatta MacKillop team and OLA in the NSW CPS Track and Field Championships.

We wish them the best of luck and may they achieve their personal best and represent OLA with pride and sportsmanship



Principal Award Recipients

Until next week, God bless and stay safe.

Eva La Rocca,

Term 3 Week 9			
Whole school			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Kinder B	Jack Maher	Taylor Saward	Eva Bond
Kinder G	Prasaia Merrin	Ruby Millers	Isaac Meighan
Kinder W	William Harvey	Sofia Costa	Trinity Manago
Year 1B	Jake Brown	Camryn Sammut	Thomas Gutwenger
Year 1 G	Alexandra Tirador	Isla Ovrahim	Ileesha Gunasekara
Year 1W	Grace Labbad	Aiden McGrady	Chloe Holden
Year 2 B	Michelangelot La	Isabella Cauchi	Janiya De La Cruz
Year 2 G	Daniel Knowles	Ava Camilleri	Lauren Caraos
Year 2 W	Georgia Falzon	Harriet Preston	Emily Lenane
Year 3 B	Jared Cleland	Ivana Edelinski	Angelica Manago
Year 3 G	Marc Skoljarev	Amelia Novelli	Mia-Bella Trifiro
Year 3 W	Salvatore Colosimo	Marcus Billyard	Arya Clements
Year 4 B	Alannah Lock	Austin Turner	Anton Blazevic
Year 4 W	Felicity Scott	Taleah Kingcott	Matthew Dalton
Year 5 B	Antonia Manago	Thomas Dobaj	Tatum Crook
Year 5 G	Natasha Eyles	Charlie Cutroni	Anthony Cutuk
Year 5W	Jade Richardson	Nicholas Hallal	Anthony Kamber
Year 6 B	Emily Odd	Maneesha Gunasekara	William Anderson
Year 6 W	AJ Abdallah	Elouise Gomez	Ethan Kurcubic