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Week 10, Term 1, 2017

6 April 2017



Dear Parents,

Our Year 5 students will lead us in a prayerful reflection tomorrow (Friday) at 2.00pm in the Cathedral as we prepare to move into Holy Week next week. When school returns we will reflect on the Resurrection with Year 3 and then during the Season of Easter various grades will lead us in prayer at Monday assemblies. Our Year 5 and Year 6 students will be joining St Leo's College for their enactment of The Stations of the Cross at 10.30am tomorrow in TLOCC.

Next week I encourage you to participate in the Parish Easter Celebrations and in conversation with your children, share with them the true spirit, meaning and symbols of Holy Week and Easter. Holy Thursday's ceremony is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a parish community to acknowledge and pray for the ministry of priesthood and the priests of our parish. Even on holidays every Church commemorates the Passion and Death of Christ at a 3.00pm service on Good Friday and there is something wonderfully uplifting singing Alleluia on Easter Sunday.

We have had a very busy term and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their dedication and commitment to their profession.

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday. I hope you have the chance for some rest and relaxation and enjoy spending time together as a family. Life in our modern world can be very busy and every so often it is good to take the chance to pause for a little while and remember how important our family is to us and thank God for the gift of each other. There is so much to see in our beautiful city of Sydney. With this autumn weather perhaps consider a trip to a museum, art gallery, the harbour or the Botanical Gardens together. I have gone on holiday a little early travelling with my husband to Vietnam yesterday and next week I will meet up with Mrs Cameron in Singapore as we attend an educational conference together. (All costs associated with my trip are being paid for by me.)

On behalf of all the staff of OLOR, I wish each of you Christ's blessings at this time and a very Happy Easter.

God bless you and your family.

Jacinta Crowe,

Principal

Prayer Reflection

*O Christ, as we follow you down the Road to Calvary,
Guide us to become active participants, not curious bystanders.*

*O Christ, as we stand with the mourners at the Cross,
Give us the love that can forgive those who trespass against us.*

*O Christ, as we witness the new life given to us through your Resurrection,
Empower us with faith to act and spread the Good News.*

(Palestinian women of Jerusalem, Prayers Encircling the World SPCK 1998)

Cross Country

Our Cross Country was held in lovely weather on Friday 31 March. With the new course it was easy to watch the runners and we were able to utilise the basketball courts as well. We are most appreciative of St Leo's College allowing us to use their grounds as part of this event. My thanks to our Sport Co-ordinators, Miss Tonnet and Miss O'Brien for their organisation of the event. Our infants classes also took part in an enjoyable tableau sport session where they played a series of activities co-ordinated by Year 6 students. Our Cluster Cross Country is scheduled for Week 5, Term 2, Tuesday 23 May.

Anzac Day – Wednesday 26 May (first day back)

We will be commemorating Anzac Day with a short ceremony on Wednesday 27 April at 2.15pm in the lower playground near the Anzac Memorial. Scouts, cubs and brownies are invited to wear their uniforms. All welcome.

Mothers' Day and Women Who Are Important To Us - Term 2

Mothers' Day celebrations are on Friday 12 May with open classrooms from 8.00am to 8.40am (for those who are unable to stay after Mass); Mothers' Day Mass at 9.30am followed by open classrooms again and then morning tea in TLOCC. The Mother's Day stall will take place on Wednesday 10 May. **Thanks in anticipation for dads who will serve the morning tea. If you would like to help, please contact the school office.**

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests will be conducted for all Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 students in Broken Bay Diocesan Catholic Schools from **Tuesday 9 May to Thursday 11 May.**

We ask that there be no interruptions to these classes on these days. If your child has an appointment scheduled for these days, can you please reschedule.

Diary Dates - Term 1 & Term 2

Friday 7 April

- Palm Sunday Liturgy @ 2.00pm in the Cathedral (**note 15 minutes earlier than advised**)
- OLOR P&F School Disco (see details and link for booking on Page 5)

- **Last day of Term 1.**

Monday 24 April

- Staff Development Day/Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 25 April

- Anzac Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 26 April

- **First day of Term 2.**

- Anzac Liturgy @ 2.15pm in the school amphitheatre



Skoolbag App On The Way

From early next term, we will be inviting parents to download the Skoolbag App as an additional way to communicate with parents, submit absence forms and provide up to date notifications of happenings at school. We will let you know when it is up and running.

We change into WINTER uniform in Term 2.
We will have a two week changeover time.
All children are to be in winter uniform by **Monday 8 May 2017**

Second-hand Uniform Shop Open Day: Wednesday 26 April @ 2.30pm

Some of our parents have commented on the new OLOR umbrellas that some of our staff have had the opportunity to use over the past 'very wet' month. They are available for purchase from the school office for \$20.00. Please feel free to drop in and pick one up.



Enrolments for Kindergarten 2018

If you have a little one starting next year or know neighbours or friends looking for placement in 2018, please have them contact the office for enrolment forms.

Parents & Friends Association

Below are two flyers for events coming up next term. The 'Raising Kids That Cope' seminar is being hosted by our OLOR P&F in the school library and the '1-2-3 Magic Workshop' is being held at St Patrick's Catholic School at Asquith.



RAISING KIDS THAT COPE

PREPARING YOUR YOUNG PERSON TO NEGOTIATE THE UPS AND DOWNS OF LIFE

This evening seminar will be helpful to parents and carers of all young people.

Tuesday 16 May, 7pm
in the OLOR School Library

Free for OLOR School Parents & Carers

(RSVP via Google Forms at a later date)

About the presenter ...

Ruth Fordyce works at The Resilience Centre in Sydney. She works closely with Clinical Psychologist Lyn Worsley, who developed the Resilience Doughnut model. Ruth has facilitated workshops around Australia in the area of resilience.

Find out more about Ruth at our website below.



"Combining Strengths to Thrive"

Website: www.theresiliencedoughnut.com.au



Resilience is the ability to bounce back and keep going in the face of adversity.

This can only be learned by facing difficult experiences!

Resilient young people:

- are resourceful
- persist when faced with challenges
- are optimistic
- do better at school

This seminar will:

- explain some of the resources and coping skills that help young people to deal with difficulties
- equip you with some simple tools for recognising and encouraging the strengths and supports in your young person's life that can assist them through times of transition and difficulty



Parent Education Program

Catholic Schools Office Diocese of Broken Bay – Parent Education Team

1-2-3 Magic Workshop

Building Emotional Intelligence & Managing Behaviour

Program consists of three, 2 hour sessions, working through a parent resource booklet

The program supports parents and caregivers with effective strategies to help their children self-regulate and manage their emotions and behaviour. Children who have developed social and emotional skills find it easier to manage themselves, relate to others, resolve conflict, and feel positive about the world around them.



Date: 26th April, 3rd May, 10th May

Time: 9-11am

Venue: Father Patrick McMaugh Hall

St Patrick's Catholic School, Royston Pde, Asquith

Parent workbooks are available for purchase on the day for \$10

RSVP: Please return the slip to the office or email by 6th April 2017
spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au

YES I will be attending the 1-2-3 Magic Workshop

Name(s)

Child's Class

CLASS	MERIT AWARD	PBL AWARD Say No To Bullying
Kindergarten Blue	Colin McC	Logan S
Kindergarten Gold	Maxine F	Daniel S
1Blue	Sophia K-F	Xavier V
1Gold	Noah S	Marissa S
2Blue	Isabella M	Gabriel C
2Gold	Zachary R	Maxwell C
3Blue	Wol A	Sophie W
3Gold	Matthew L	Liam C
4Blue	Ava M	Erika C
4Gold	Thomas J	Charlotte M
Year 5	Brendan C-E Ella G	Antony H Jackson M
6Blue	William C	Molly S
6Gold	David M	Jien Y

**Congratulations to the following students
who are celebrating a birthday over the holidays.**

12 April - Logan S (KBlue)
 14 April - Grace E (2Blue)
 John R (6Gold)
 15 April - Isabella M (2Blue)
 16 April - Jake S (5Gold)
 17 April - Ethan L (6Blue)
 19 April - Sophia K F (1Blue)
 21 April - Olivia McD (6Blue)
 Audrey M (3Gold)
 22 April - Oliver S (1Gold)
 23 April - Eleanor I (4Blue)
 25 April - Nicholas K (3Gold)
 27 April - Madison E (6Blue)
 29 April - Grace D (6Gold)



Happy Birthday!



**The above awards and birthday certificates will be presented at the first assembly of
Term 2 on Monday 1 May at 2.20pm**

Hornsby Cathedral Parish News

Congratulations to all the children who celebrated First Penance on Tuesday. I was impressed by the way the children were prepared and celebrated the Sacrament.

As holidays begin this week it is important for the children to experience the beautiful liturgies of Holy Week. I encourage all parents to come to a least one of the liturgies in the Cathedral.

Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper 8.00pm

Good Friday – Stations of the Cross 10.00am or the Lord's Passion at 3.00pm

Easter Vigil Saturday 6.00pm

Easter Day – 8.00am and 9.30am



(Very Rev) Robert Borg
Dean and Administrator
Hornsby Cathedral Parish

Sport News

Cross Country News

What a wonderful morning we had for Cross Country last Friday. We were very lucky that the weather held off for us. A big thanks to all the parents that came along to assist in the morning.

The Cluster Cross Country will be held on Tuesday 2 May, next term. We look forward to seeing how all our students go at Cluster. **We are still waiting on a number of students to return their permission notes.**

Good luck to the following students.

Raina J, Amelia E, Marianne D, Emily W, Grace E, Mariella D, Nathan C, Nicholas A, Xavier D, Zachary R, Cameron G, Christopher S, Rebecca J, Keira B, Sophie C, Ava M, Sadie J, Lily O, Nicholas K, Dominic D, Zac H, Nicholas G, Ashton S, William M, Charlize G, Erica H, Sophie F, Ariana G, Lucy M, Juliet L, Ethan L, Zac K, Liam P, Peter B, Jake C, Lachlan F, Tara W, Bella K, Jasmine K, Olivia M, Martha L, Ella G, Lachlan L, Cooper E, Lachlan M, Jack P, Matthew C, Conner P, Alice T, Jodie D, Sophie M, Oriana M, Hayley F, Lynsey F, Nicholas N, Luke S, Jordan S, Thomas E, William F, Matthew F.

Next term on Monday 1 May, all students that came 1st, 2nd and 3rd will receive their ribbons at the assembly.

Winter Trials

At the beginning of next term students will have the opportunity to select to try out for the Broken Bay sports teams in the sports of **Softball and Rugby Union**.

It is important to note that these trials are for children who display a 'representative level ability' in the chosen sport. While teams are 'open age' it is **strongly recommended** that only outstanding students in Years 5 & 6 be invited to attend.

Each school is allowed to send **4 students** maximum for each sport. All students have been given this information in Years 5&6. If any students feel that they fit this category please see me and I can give out the information.

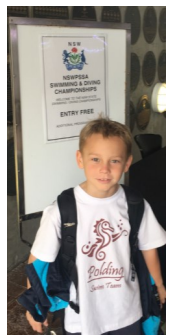
Carlee Tonnet - Sports Coordinator



Congratulations to the very talented siblings Charlize (4Blue) & Cameron (2Blue) who swam as part of the Polding team at the NSW PSSA Swimming Championships at the Aquatic Centre, Homebush Bay yesterday and today.

Charlize finished 13th in the State for under 10's 50m butterfly and achieved a PB time. Cameron finished 14th in the under 8's 50 freestyle also achieving a PB. The PSSA competition is between 10,000 Catholic, State and Independent schools in NSW.

Well done and we are very proud of you both.



Shhh...

Don't tell Mum!

Mothers' Day Stall

Wednesday 10 May

The ever-popular Mothers' Day stall will be running again this year. Each student will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of gifts for their mother, grandmother or much-loved female in their life. Gifts will be \$5.00 each.

Payment will be required in advance using Qkr, from Wednesday 26 April (Day 1 next term). Please note that orders will close on Friday 5 May at 3.00pm.

If you have not yet downloaded Qkr, it is recommended you do so in the holidays as we will be unable to accept cash payments.

Angela Cherry & AnneMarie Rapa
Mothers' Day Stall Coordinators.

What's Happening @ School & In The Community



Don't forget to register for the school disco on the last day of term.

Date: Friday 7 April 2017

Time: 4:45pm-5:45pm K-2: Pyjama Party 6.00pm-7:30pm Yr3-6: Hollywood Celebrity

Location: The Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Avenue, Waitara.

Please RSVP by **5 April 2017** via the google form

<https://goo.gl/forms/msNfcph360XIBlnp2>

SCHOOL24 CLOSING AT THE END OF THIS TERM

At the end of this term we are closing the old canteen ordering system School24.

Notification has been in the newsletter earlier this term advising parents to use their remaining balance.

At the end of the term, all monies remaining in the account will need to be reconciled. We are proposing that any balances up to \$5.00 will be donated to the Caritas Lenten Appeal unless you advise otherwise. Balances over \$5.00 will be refunded in cash and will need to be collected and signed for by a parent during May of Term 2. The canteen is still open tomorrow using School24 should you wish to use your balance.



DADS NIGHT OUT

WHO: Year 1 Dads
WHAT: Dinner and Drinks
WHERE: The Blue Gum Hotel, Waitara
<http://www.bluegumhotel.com.au/>
WHEN: Friday 7th April at 7:30pm
WHY: To enjoy a night out and meet some other Year 1 OLOR school dads
CONTACT: Peter Andruska (Owen's Dad 1G)
0439 733 320

All Year 2 Dads

It's time for a Year 2 Dads night out.

Please join us on Friday 26 May at the Blue Gum Hotel, Waitara from 7:30pm. We will be in the main/sports bar.

Hope to see you there. Any questions contact David Rapa 0412 673 059.



All Kindy Dads

It's time for a Kindy Dads night out.

Please join us on Friday 28 April at the Blue Gum Hotel, Waitara from 7:30 pm. We will be in the main/sports bar.

Hope to see you there. Any questions contact David Rapa 0412 673 059.



Year 1 Play in the Park

Ruddock Park, Westleigh

<http://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ruddock-park>

Friday 21st April from 10am

(second week of school holidays)

The park has play equipment, a riding track for bikes and scooters plus plenty of grass to kick a ball on.

Bring some morning tea and come and enjoy a catch up.

Contact Deb mob: 0410 338 752

(Ben and Sam's mum/Year 1 Class Parent)

Year 3 Play in The Park

Join us in the school holidays, if the weather is fine, for a catch up while the kids play. Bring afternoon tea, scooters/bikes, balls etc....

When: Thursday, 13th April at 2:00PM

Where: Ruddock Park, Coral Heath Ave, Westleigh



What's Happening @ School & In The Community



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Measles outbreak in western Sydney

There is currently an outbreak of measles in South Western and Western Sydney, with at least 9 people having acquired the disease in the region during March 2017.

The reported cases include children and infants who have attended childcare centres and secondary schools. There is potential for the measles outbreak to spread further as the infected young people have large social networks both within and outside of their schools, and some have travelled on public transport whilst infectious. Measles is highly infectious and anyone who isn't vaccinated is at risk of infection if they have had contact with an infectious case.

Immunisation is effective in preventing measles. It is important for everyone to ensure that they have received at least two doses of measles containing vaccine (MMR). Infants and young children are vaccinated with measles containing vaccine at 12 months and 18 months of age. Older children and adults born during or after 1966 should ensure that they have been vaccinated with two doses of vaccine. Unless people are certain they have had two doses of measles vaccine, they should visit their GP as soon as possible for **free** measles vaccination.

The first sign of measles is usually a high fever, a runny nose, cough, and red, watery eyes. The rash usually starts on the face and upper neck and spreads over the body, hands and feet. The rash lasts for 4-7 days.

People with measles symptoms should seek medical advice as soon as possible phoning the emergency department or GP beforehand, stay home from work or school, and limit other activities to avoid exposing other vulnerable people, such as infants, to the infection.

Further information about measles can be found on the NSW Ministry of Health website at:
<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/factsheets/infectious/measles.html>



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Advisory Council Member

Who we are

CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay is a social care and support agency of the Catholic Church. Committed to people of all faiths and cultures, we serve over 20,000 people each year in justice and love. With a current annual revenue approaching \$40 million, we assist children, young people, individuals, and families on the NSW Central Coast, Northern Sydney, and Northern Beaches.

How YOU can help

We are currently seeking new Advisory Council members to introduce new ideas and provide a broader base of experience including corporate expertise.

In particular, we are looking for:

- people with experience in the not-for-profit sector; and/or
- people with experience in the areas of IT, corporate governance and/or working with children and young people.

We encourage applicants from the Central Coast Aboriginal community to apply. Catholics regularly connected to their parish are encouraged to apply.

For further information, please contact Kim Schultz on +61 2 9481 2604 / kim.schultz@dbb.org.au by COB Friday, 14 April 2017.

**HOLY WEEK
HYMN
SERVICE
2017**

DATE: SATURDAY 8TH APRIL
VENUE: OLOR CATHEDRAL
TIME: APPROXIMATELY AT 6PM
(AFTER 5PM VIGIL MASS)
DURATION: LESS THAN AN HOUR
NOTE: SUPPER WILL BE PROVIDED
AFTER THE SERVICE
IN THE FR NULTY ROOM
CONTACT: ANGELA CHANG
hyojooni@hotmail.com