



# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic School

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Week 4. Term 1, 2018

22 February 2018

LINK TO: [CLASS PAGES](#)



Dear Parents,  
As we journey through Lent some words of wisdom from Pope Francis.

## DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

*In the words of Pope Francis*

- *Fast from hurting words and say kind words*
- *Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude*
- *Fast from anger and be filled with patience*
- *Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope*
- *Fast from worries and have trust in God*
- *Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity*
- *Fast from pressures and be prayerful*
- *Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy*
- *Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others*
- *Fast from grudges and be reconciled*
- *Fast from words and be silent so you can listen*

### Parent/Teacher Meetings

My thanks to those parents who are taking the time to meet with your child's teacher over these weeks. It is a valuable opportunity to share insights about your own child and to discuss some of the areas the teachers will be focussing on and how you can be involved at home. As always we are very fortunate with the calibre of our teachers and the dedication and enthusiasm they bring to their craft. The partnership between school and home is extremely important to us.

### Parents & Friends Meeting

Many thanks to those parents who attended our P&F Meeting last Tuesday. It was wonderful to see quite a number of our new parents as we unpacked our Strategic Direction for 2018. At this meeting the P&F presented \$40,000 to the school. This will go towards our gymnastics lessons this term, the purchase of Chromebooks in Stage 2 and some new furniture pieces that will be purchased in Stage 3. We will be sending the parent volunteer Google form for school events in 2018 via email tomorrow morning. Please complete the form and submit by Friday 3 March. Thank you to parents for their support in 2018.

### Refurbishment around the school

Over the Christmas break we had quite a lot of refurbishment done around the school. All Kinder, Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 classrooms were painted, the Kindergarten toilet was renovated and new tiles in the disabled toilet. Carpet was laid in the music/art space as it was transformed into a 5/6 classroom. My thanks to Mrs Ward who managed all these processes. Additionally, through a grant available through OOSH, we have resurfaced the half court and added artificial grass right to the edge of the court.

### Kindergarten Information Night

Next Tuesday 27 February, we invite all Kindergarten parents to an information night starting at 7.00pm in the library. The Kinder teachers will outline what the children have been doing in class and answer any questions parents may have about their children and the classes going forward.

## Diary Dates - Term 1

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| Friday 23 February | - Men in the Morning @ 8.00am TLOCC                      |
| Thursday 1 March   | - Year 3 Excursion to Coastal Education Centre Long Reef |
| Week 6             | - Catholic Schools Week                                  |
| Tuesday 6 March    | - North Shore Cluster Swimming Carnival                  |
| Thursday 8 March   | - Year 6 Leadership Day                                  |
|                    | - Broken Bay Swimming Carnival                           |
| Saturday 17 March  | - Blokes & Buddies BBQ @ 4.00pm (Kinder & Year 5)        |
|                    | - Parish Mass @ 5.00pm (Kinder & Year 5)                 |
| Tuesday 20 March   | - Open Day for 2019 Enrolments                           |

### **Open Day at OLOR**

We invite families in the area for our Open Day on Tuesday 20 March from 9.30am to 11.00am. Should you know of any families with children starting school in 2019, please invite them to join us. Enrolment packs will be available on the day

### **Dates for High School Open Days**

Mercy College: Sunday 4 March @ 11.00am  
Mount St Benedict's College: Sunday 4 March @ 10.00am  
Oakhill College: Sunday 11 March @ 11.00am  
St Leo's College : Tuesday 13 March @ 4.00pm

### **Australian Oz Tag Team**

Congratulations to Miss Jess O'Brien who has been selected in the Australian Oz Tag Team. What an achievement!

### **Men in Morning**

We look forward to seeing you for our first Men in the Morning of 2018 in The Light of Christ Centre from 8.00am tomorrow morning. Dads and significant males, uncles, grandads, in our students lives are welcome. See ad below.

### **GATEways**

Next week on Wednesday and Thursday, we will be hosting students from neighbouring schools at Eureka Science Days facilitated by scientists and science educators. Students for this program will be arriving at OLOR by 8.15am (before our busy time in the morning) and will leave at 2.30pm before our traffic builds up in the afternoon. A number of OLOR students will be involved in these days.

God bless you and your family  
Jacinta Crowe  
Principal

### **OLOR P&F Executive Team for 2018**

David Westgarth - President  
Rebecca Mulholland - Vice President  
Angela Hiley - Secretary  
Adam Ryan - Treasurer  
Christina Crasto and Vanessa Marando - Social Coordinators  
AnneMarie Rapa and Angela Cherry - Class Parent Coordinators  
Marie Stephens - Catholic Schools Parent Coordinator Representative  
Katherine Co-Elliott - Communications Coordinator

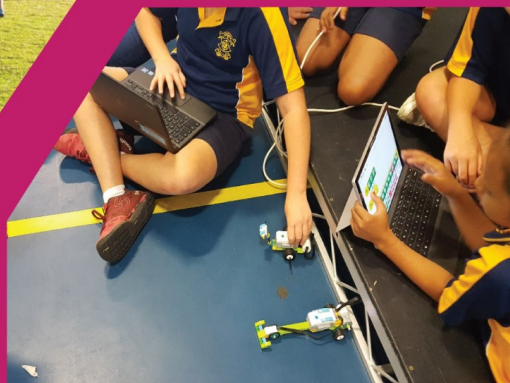
### **WHAT DO I DO IF MY CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL?**

If your child is absent from school, please either contact the school office in the morning by phone or email OR send a notification via Skoolbag. If you do not contact the office, an SMS will be sent to your mobile checking if the child is at home. You need to respond to this SMS. All absences require a written explanation from parents when the child returns to school.



Men  
In The Morning

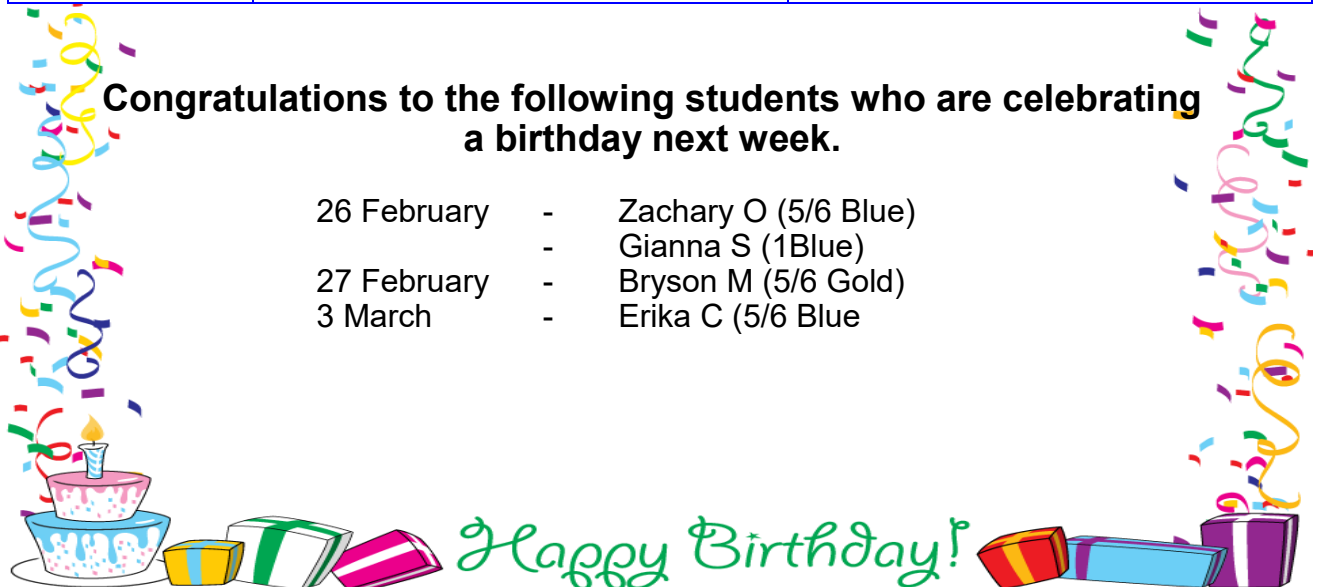
Friday, 23 Feb  
8am - 8:45am  
TLOCC



CLASS	MERIT AWARD	PBL AWARD Being an Active Listener
Kindergarten Blue	Ali H	Claudia C
Kindergarten Gold	Sofia C	Sebastian S A
1Blue	Rory R	Thomas M
1Gold	Charlie McM	Daniel S
2Blue	Thomas W	Chanel C
2Gold	Michael M	Hannah C
3Blue	Alfonso B	Amelia E
3Gold	Whitney C	Grace M
4Blue	John M	Verity Z
4Gold	Paddy S	Sophia Q D
5/6Blue	Amber A	Joshua E
5/6Gold	Hayden B	Amelia E
5/6White	Brendan C E	Owen M

**Congratulations to the following students who are celebrating a birthday next week.**

26 February - Zachary O (5/6 Blue)  
 - Gianna S (1Blue)  
 27 February - Bryson M (5/6 Gold)  
 3 March - Erika C (5/6 Blue)



**Birthday & Merit certificates will be presented at the assembly on Monday 26 February in The Light of Christ Centre (TLOCC)**

## Religious Education News

As we focus on this Lenten time in the church it is important to also remember how we can support our neighbours worldwide through Caritas Australia – Project Compassion. Each class will be displaying a poster and collect for the campaign through their giving boxes. All students are encouraged during this time of Lent to not only think about repentance and peace with God, but how we may visibly act through Lent in giving and being generous to those in our community and the wider world. For more information and resources, you may like to visit the Project Compassion website:

[www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)





# Parish News

**2018 Sacramental Program:** Enrolment for the 2018 Sacramental Program closes this Sunday 25 February, after 9.30AM Mass. Enrolment forms and information sheets are available at the back of both churches and also available on the Parish website <http://www.hornsby.dbb.org.au/> Please contact the Parish Office on 9483 2300 if you have any questions.



**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, WAITARA**

**OPEN MORNING**  
**TUESDAY 20 MARCH 2018**

**ENROL NOW  
FOR 2019**

**9.30am – 11am**

**Come and see what a Catholic education can offer your child.**

Our students thrive on quality education in a Christ-centered community, nurtured in a secure and challenging environment. Our Mercy values of Respect, Hospitality, Integrity, Compassion and Service underpin all we do.

School tours can also be arranged by appointment.

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# Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

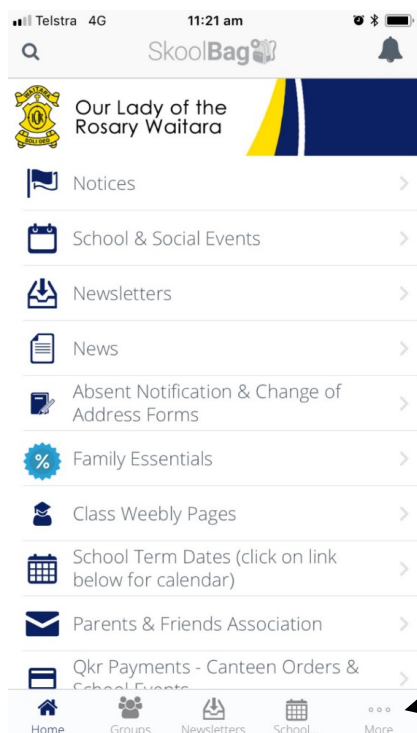


Skoolbag is one of the many ways we communicate with our parents. Notifications of events, changes in transport arrangements and latest news is sent instantly via the app. Parents can send an absent note or change of address form directly to the school and you can access the school calendar, Class Weebly and P&F page via the app.

A reminder that both the Class Pages and P&F pages are password protected. Contact the school office if you can't remember the password.

Information on how to download the app is available via this link: [Skoolbag App Information](#)

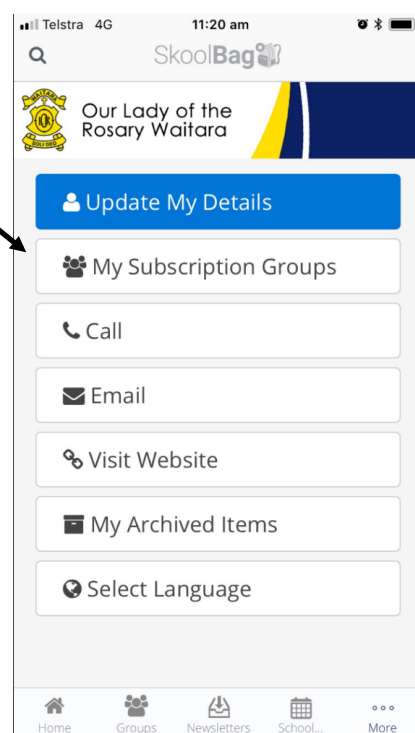
If you already have Skoolbag on your phone, remember to update your child's classes under your profile.



**MY SUBSCRIPTION GROUPS**  
TO CHANGE YOUR CHILD'S CLASS

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**MORE**

TO OPEN UP YOUR PROFILE PAGE



## Sport News

Congratulations to the following students who will represent OLOR at the North Shore Cluster Swimming on Tuesday 6 March. Permission notes will go home to parents tomorrow.

Anneka B  
Ashley H  
Benjamin E  
Caitlyn E  
Cameron G  
Charlize G  
Daniel J  
Ella G  
Emily W  
Erica H  
Erika C  
Hannah C

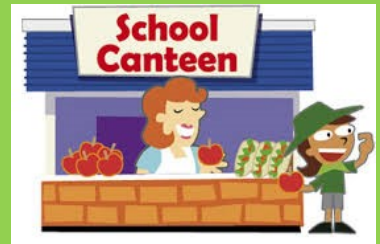
Hayden B  
Jacob S  
Jonty M-J  
Julia G  
Luke McC  
Mariella D  
Matthew C  
Nathan C  
Owen A  
Rebecca J  
Ruby M  
Sophia C  
Zachary H

# What's Happening @ School

## SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS

### ROSTER:

Monday 26 February	- Jenny Roberts Mendoza
Tuesday 27 February	- Sanchia Fernandes
Wednesday 28 February	- Jackie Della Vedova
Thursday 1 March	- Tracey Clark
Friday 2 March	- Marilou Fields & Cristina Loh
Monday 5 March	- Helper please
Tuesday 6 March	- Madeleine Schappi & Alex Sturrock
Wednesday 7 March	- Danielle Jones
Thursday 8 March	- Dawn Stephens
Friday 9 March	- Cara Moretti & Sandra Bangayan



### SPECIAL CANTEEN DAYS - TERM 1

Monday 5 March: Sushi or Chicken wrap (Orders via Qkr from 23 February)

Wednesday 28 March: Fish burger Day (50cent from each burger order goes to Caritas)

Friday 13 April: Fried Rice

Carmel Daniels - Canteen Manager

## School Community News



### Netball Registration 2018

#### Normanhurst Netball Club

We are looking for girls who are nine or under in 2018 to play in our under 8s and under 9 teams.

Season starts early May, games are on a Friday night.

Email us if you are interested and we will send you more information.

[normonetball@gmail.com](mailto:normonetball@gmail.com)

### WRITING YOUR OWN SPIRITUAL STORY THURSDAY, 15 MARCH 2018



*"Story is a way in which we come to know and understand ourselves, others, the world around us, and even God"* Kevin M Bradt SJ

You might have read the spiritual classics and stories told by others, but you may never have had the opportunity to write down parts of your own spiritual journey. This day combines time for participants to reflect on writings from the desert monastics to Augustine, Benedict and Pope Francis, children's stories and poetry as inspiration for writing down stories from their own spiritual journey. No previous writing experience is necessary.

#### FACILITATOR:

Dr Peter Mudge is a consultant and lecturer in religious education and spirituality. Peter has completed undergraduate and post graduate studies in spirituality and the spiritual classics. He has written parts of his own spiritual journey.

TIME: Gather at 9am for a 9.30 start. Session concludes at 3.30pm

COST: \$30 Morning Tea provided, bring your own lunch

BOOKINGS BY: Friday, 9 March 2018

8752 5390 or [mtsbenedict@goodsams.org.au](mailto:mtsbenedict@goodsams.org.au)

### Mount St Benedict Centre

449d Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills (Entrance via Hull Road)



### TO ALL OLOR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

#### Welcome to Prouille Soccer 2018

#### ALL LOCAL FAMILIES ARE WELCOME TO JOIN PROUILLE FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Prouille Football Club is a small but distinctive club, based around the PROUILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL, WAHROONGA in the Upper North Shore of Sydney. We attract players from the Prouille School and through our links with the Holy Name Parish Community of Wahroonga and other local schools. Everyone is welcome.

Prouille FC is in the Northern Suburbs Football Association (NSFA) competition and offers opportunities in Junior (U6-U12), U13 Super League, All Age, O35/O45 Men's and Women's soccer, in our own unique way.

All Kindy kids will receive a welcome pack upon registration including shin pads and training bag.





## EXPO & INFORMATION EVENING



**Tuesday 13th March 2018 4pm – 7pm**

- Principal's Welcome 4.30pm, 5.30pm and 6.30pm – hear what St Leo's has to offer
- Visit our curriculum stands and displays, talk to students and teachers
- Enrolment and curriculum information packs available
- BBQ and light refreshments hosted by our Hospitality students
- An opportunity to witness our amazing supportive community
- The Light of Christ Centre, entry via Yardley Ave, Wahroonga (limited parking)

**Enrolling now – Year 7 – 2019 & 2020**

16 Woolcott Avenue, Wahroonga, NSW, 2076 | t: 9487 3555  
e: stleos@dbb.catholic.edu.au | www.stleos.nsw.edu.au @stleos

# Open Day

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 11am - 2pm**



**MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

CHATSWOOD

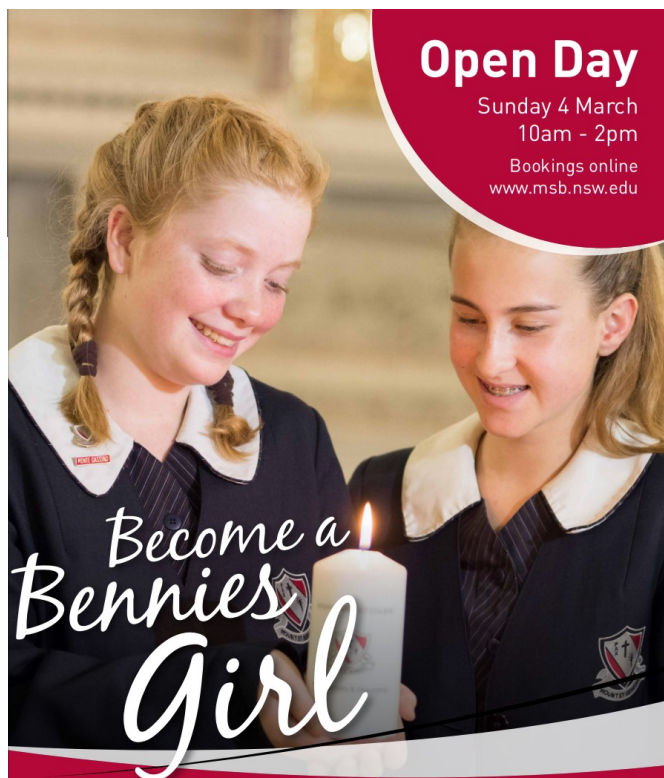
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101 ARCHER STREET, CHATSWOOD

## Open Day

**Sunday 4 March**  
10am - 2pm

Bookings online  
[www.msb.nsw.edu](http://www.msb.nsw.edu)



**Mount St Benedict College**

449C Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills

[www.msb.nsw.edu.au](http://www.msb.nsw.edu.au)



# OAKHILL COLLEGE OPEN DAY

**Sunday, 11 March 2018**

11.00am – 3.00pm

423 – 513 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill

*Inspiring students to aspire to greatness*

**[www.oakhill.nsw.edu.au](http://www.oakhill.nsw.edu.au)**



## Parent Information Evening for Year 7 2020

**Thursday 8 March 7pm**

Visit [www.msb.nsw.edu.au](http://www.msb.nsw.edu.au) for more information.  
Enquiries: Mrs Narelle McClure 9980 0406. Limited parking on site.



**Mount St Benedict College**