

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic School

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Dear Parents,

Lachlan Ridley

1 March 2018

This week we returned to school saddened by the news of the death of a former student last Friday night, as the result of a tragic accident. Lachlan Ridley attended primary school here, leaving us at the end of Year 6 in 2011 to attend St Pius X College. On Sunday night many of his friends and their families attended the 6.00pm Mass in the Cathedral and as we gathered we remembered a gentle, unassuming young man who loved to surf and be involved in all life had to offer.

LINK TO: CLASS PAGES

We pray that his parents, Michael and Leica and his siblings will feel the support of those around them and God's loving embrace throughout these sad, difficult days. May he rest in peace.

> The ones we love remain with us For love itself lives on And cherished memories do not fade Because a loved one's gone.

The ones we love can never be More than a thought apart For as long as there is a memory They'll live on in the heart.

Special Needs

Last week we farewelled Mrs Sarah Kennedy as she was seconded to the CSO on the last day of the holidays to work as an Education Officer - Literacy this year. We have been fortunate that Miss Luisa Balestra has joined our team as Special Needs teacher working on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday. Luisa has been at school for the past three weeks going through a detailed transition with Sarah, working with the teachers and meeting students and families.

Premier's Reading Challenge

We will be participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge at OLOR again this year. Attempting the PRC encourages children to read (or to be read to), to select a variety of books to read and to keep an online record of what they have read. Please see next week's Library News for more details.

Jacinta Crowe - Principal

REC Reflections

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

Upcoming Dates:

We are celebrating a very special Parish/School Mass on Saturday 17th March at 5.00pm with Kindergarten and Year 5. All families are welcome.

Fish Burgers lunch orders will be on sale for lunch in the canteen on Wednesday 28th March. Orders can be made now via Qkr.

Mrs Margie Raymond (REC)

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Diary Dates - Term 1 Catholic Schools Week

Week 6 Tuesday 6 March Thursday 8 March

Saturday 17 March

Tuesday 20 March

- North Shore Cluster Swimming Carnival Year 6 Leadership Day
- Broken Bay Swimming Carnival Blokes & Buddies BBQ @ 4.00pm (Kinder & Year 5) Parish Mass @ 5.00pm (Kinder & Year 5) Open Day for 2019 Enrolments

| CLASS | MERIT AWARD | PBL AWARD Being an Active Listener |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| Kindergarten Blue | Emma J | Louie E |
| Kindergarten Gold | Sophie M | Larissa B |
| 1Blue | Timothy S | Eliana P |
| 1Gold | Julieanne A | Steve M |
| 2Blue | Seren D'S | Lily P |
| 2Gold | Sophia V | Aisling M |
| 3Blue | Jared F | Christopher M |
| 3Gold | Ben G | Cassidy C |
| 4Blue | Zac H | Lachlan L |
| 4Gold | Keira B | Raina J |
| 5/6Blue | Lucy B | Zachary O |
| 5/6Gold | Eleanor I | Ashley H |
| 5/6White | Ella G | Joey T |

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

5 March

7 March 8 March

10 March

11 March

Caiden G (5/6 Blue) Nicholas M (3Gold) Joddy C (2Blue)

- Leo J (1Gold)
- Jemima W (1Blue)

Sabrina C-E (3Gold)

Raina J (4Gold) Happy Birthday!

Birthday & Merit certificates will be presented at the assembly on Monday 5 March in The Light of Christ Centre (TLOCC)

OLOR Parents' Night Out SATURDAY 30 JUNE, 2018



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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