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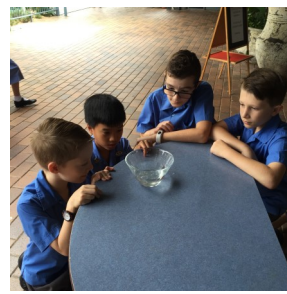
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Dear Parents,

GATEways Enrichment

During the last week I have had several opportunities to be grateful for the remarkable children we have here at OLOR, your children. Last Wednesday and Thursday we hosted a Gateways Enrichment Science Program here at school with over 60 students from a number of schools here each day. We had a number of our students attend both days.



A number of our senior students welcomed our visitors each morning and showed them where to go. I was on traffic control at the bottom of the drive and each day as parents went back to their cars after the registration many commented to me on their experiences and how articulate, friendly and helpful our students had been. They also noted what a fine school we have and wonderful. Later in the morning the presenters told me how caring our students were as the host school looking out for those who were the only person from their school. They were wonderful days of science discovery and problem-solving and I was thrilled that we were involved. I was so proud and as I reflected on the morning conversations I thought our students are doing exactly what we want them to do, living out our Mercy values, particularly in this instance, hospitality, respect and service, in their daily activity.

A Visitor From The Vatican

Last Monday we were fortunate to have a visit from His Excellency, Archbishop Angelo Vincenzo Zani, Secretary of the Holy See's Congregation for Catholic Education and Professor Monsignor Guy-Real Thiverge, the Secretary General of the Holy See's new foundation – Fondazione Gravissium Educationis who were visiting Broken Bay Diocese and meeting with Bishop Peter. His Excellency was interested in seeing how school operates in Australia so the large group of visitors moved throughout the school for about an hour. As he visited classrooms he saw Year 1 involved in English groups, Year 4 in the library, Year 4 at music, Year 2 at PE and discussed various aspects of Laudato Si with some of our 5/6 students as they showed him their work with Chromebooks. We talked about our emphasis on encouraging the little ones to be involved in creative, exploratory play and how we have designed play areas to support this. The Kinders had been waiting a while for the visitors to see them at play and as we walked onto the playground one of them ran past and was heard to say ... God is here now! Another great day.



Open Day - Tuesday 20 March

We look forward to showcasing our school during our Open Day on Tuesday 20 March from 9.30am - 11.00am. Our Choir and Senior Band will perform.

If any parents are available to assist with being tour guides on the morning for about an hour from 10am to 11am, we will provide you with a script for areas to be covered in the school. Please contact the office.

Diary Dates - Term 1

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| Saturday 17 March | - Blokes & Buddies BBQ @ 3.00pm (Kinder & Year 5) |
| | - Parish Mass @ 5.00pm (Kinder & Year 5) |
| Tuesday 20 March | - Open Day for 2019 Enrolments |
| | - P&F Leadership Meeting @ Forestville (to be confirmed) |
| Wednesday 21 March | - NSWCPs Swimming @ Homebush |
| | - Harmony Day Liturgy @ 2.30pm in the Cathedral |
| Friday 23 March | - Men in the Morning @ 8.00am in TLOCC |
| | - Palm Sunday Liturgy @ 2.30pm in the Cathedral |
| Thursday 29 March | - Staff Development Day/Pupil Free Day |
| Tuesday 10 April | - P&F Meeting @ 7.00pm in the school library |
| | - P&F Parent Tall "Mindset: The New Psychology of Success" @ 7.30pm |



School Library

Our library is the centre of our school in many ways and has many wonderful books for children to borrow each week. It is a labour intensive job putting the books back on the shelves after they have been returned. If you are able to assist with this task please see Library News for more information.

School Traffic, Parking & Drive-Thru

I have spent some mornings in our Parish car park this week observing the comings and goings of school parents. Thank you all the parents who do the right thing by following procedures with drive-thru or parking. Thank you all those kinder families who are doing drop off and pick up. The little ones have responded to it magnificently and it certainly makes the morning and afternoon routine run more smoothly.

I know in the morning and afternoon parents are trying to rush to work or other commitments, but the reality is for the safety of our children and all people sharing the car park, drivers need to be patient. Just a couple of reminders:

1. When dropping off in the drop and kiss zone in the morning, please wait in line for the car in front of you to move off. Don't overtake cars parked at drop off to slot in ahead of them. I noticed a couple of near misses as parents moved off. On that note, please move down to the bottom of the zone to allow other cars in behind you.
2. Please DO NOT park in the CatholicCare parking spaces, even if they are vacant. These are solely for CatholicCare parents. Even if you are quickly walking your child into school, these places are not for OLOR parent use.
3. When parked on Yardley Avenue for the afternoon drive-thru, you will be booked if you park in the Bus Zone. As with the morning drop off, do not jump the queue and park in front of any cars waiting behind the bus zone parking sign. Go up Yardley Avenue and join the queue.
4. Teachers supervise after 3.10pm and traffic is much less busy, we encourage you leave home even 5 minutes later to avoid the back log. Children are very happy to wait and chat with any friends outside the church until you arrive.
5. No cars should be parking along the fence in front of the school and on the striped section of the carpark.
6. A reminder that you shouldn't be on your phones while driving through the Parish carpark.
7. Please follow the instructions of the teacher on the pedestrian crossing. The teacher is there to control the flow of traffic and ensure that families cross the driveway safely.



P&F Parent Talk on Tuesday 10 April @ 7.30pm

I commend to you our first parent information session for 2018 organised by our P&F Association. Each term we have two P&F Meetings and for the last couple of years we have tried to make one each term an information session for parents. The second meeting is usually Week 8 each term but our P&F Executive will be attending a P&F Leadership Night hosted by Diocesan Parent Council on March 20 so our Term 1 Information Night will be on Tuesday April 10. Please read the flyer in this newsletter and register via the link.

God bless you and your family.

Jacinta Crowe
Principal



Bishop Peter A. Comensoli, invited the Year 6 leaders from across our Diocese to The Light of Christ Centre today. He wished to meet the students in person to encourage, inspire and support them in their leadership roles this year. Our Lady of The Rosary was ably represented by Lachlan, Ashley and Ella. They had a wonderful day mixing and chatting with their peers.



INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS

A letter was sent home with all students in Year 2-6 inviting them to register their child to participate in the University of NSW ICAS tests. These tests will be held over the next two terms on various dates.

You can register your child via the QKR app.

Registration and payment needs to be made by Tuesday 20 March at 9.00am.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Borrowing Days

Every week all children have the opportunity to borrow from our school library either with me or with their class teachers. Each child should have a library bag in which to keep their books. This helps to protect the books from food and drinks which may be in a school bag. If borrowed books are kept in this bag when not being read it makes life a little easier when it is time to return books to school (no more searching for books under the bed or in the family bookshelf !!!) Please check the class pages on our website for borrowing days for each class.



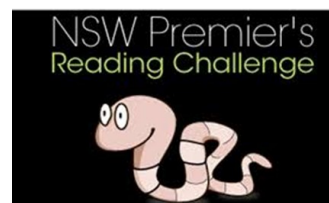
Parent Helpers

If there are any parents who are able to help with re-shelving books in the library I'd love to hear from you. I am mainly looking for parents who can help on **Mondays or Fridays** before school or at the beginning of the school day up to 9:00 am or at the end of the school day from 2:30pm but there is some flexibility. If you are available to help (it doesn't have to be every week) please email me at sandra.todd1@dbb.catholic.edu.au. At present there are a number of parents who have volunteered to help with covering new books at home. If you would like to be involved please email me your details.

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.

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. (see PRC Website)



Students who complete the Challenge will be recognised for their efforts with a certificate at the end of the school year. Permission notes for Kindergarten, new students in other classes and other students who have never participated in the Challenge will be sent home next week. For additional details including the rules of the PRC please visit the website – <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>.

Students who have participated in the PRC in previous years do not need to complete a permission note. Their username and password will remain the same. A reminder note of these usernames and passwords will be given to each student to keep in a safe place (in their English book, on the fridge at home...) Once the first book for the year is entered online, registration is complete. For those students who are new to the Challenge (including Kindergarten students), usernames and passwords will be sent home over the next few weeks once they have been registered.

The 2018 Challenge kicks off on **Monday 5 March** and closes on **Friday 31 August**. We have plenty of the PRC books in each category which can be borrowed from our school library. Happy reading!

Mrs Sandra Todd - Teacher Librarian

SPORT NEWS

The North Shore Cluster Carnival

The North Shore Cluster Carnival held on Tuesday 6th March was phenomenal! There was some tough competition between the 14 schools in attendance at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. The events included Individual Medley, Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Open Boys and Girls 100m Freestyle and of course the Relays. It was very exciting watching all the races! OLOR showed off their swimming talent throughout the many events for our school to place 3rd overall. Everyone in the team tried their best in their events and they were very proud to represent OLOR.

Congratulations to the following students who were selected to swim at the Diocesan Swimming Carnival tonight: Charlize G, Matthew C, Jacob S, Cameron G, Daniel J and Jonty M-J. We wish all these swimmers the best of luck with their events. By Matthew and Ella (Year 6)



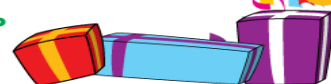
CLASS	MERIT AWARD	PBL AWARD Including Others
Kindergarten Blue	Joshua McC	William R
Kindergarten Gold	Benjamin L	Angie H
1Blue	Charlie B	Maxine F
1Gold	Alastair F	Olivia D N
2Blue	Luke McC	Sophie M
2Gold	Kezia F	Samuel R
3Blue	Kirsten M	Julian S
3Gold	Damien H	Isabella M
4Blue	Leo L	Audrey M
4Gold	Joshua S	Sam M
5/6Blue	Alexander T	Lachlan McC
5/6Gold	Charlie S	Logan D
5/6White	Zahlia M	Charlotte M

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

12 March	-	Jamie S (4Gold)
14 March	-	Ava M (5/6Blue)
		Alicia W (KGold)
15 March	-	Sophia V (3Gold)
18 March	-	Nicholas A (4Blue)



Happy Birthday!



Birthday & Merit certificates will be presented at the assembly on Monday 12 March in The Light of Christ Centre (TLOCC)

SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS

ROSTER:

Monday 12 March	- Georgina Madueno
Tuesday 13 March	- Audrey McCarry
Wednesday 14 March	- Volunteer needed
Thursday 15 March	- Volunteer needed
Friday 16 March	- Meredith Silvester & Wendy Dong
Monday 19 March	- Emese Turchanyi
Tuesday 20 March	- Suzanne Leverton
Wednesday 21 March	- Danielle Jones & Megan Davison
Thursday 22 March	- Dawn Stephens
Friday 23 March	- Alison Costelloe



FISH BURGER DAY: Wednesday 28 March orders close Thursday 22 March @ 9.00am.

FRIED RICE DAY: Friday 13 April: Fried Rice

Carmel Daniels, Canteen Manager

WELLBEING WEEK

At OLOR during Week 7 of each term, students, staff and community are invited to participate in various activities to promote a happier and healthier environment. Fortuitously we are also in the season of Lent, and we are encouraged to experience God's light and peace in our lives. Wellbeing Week provides us time as a community to engage in activities that promote a synergy between both. Each day at school in Wellbeing week there will be a theme to help the children focus on approaching life with energy and gratitude! There will be a number of special activities planned for the week and we would encourage you to take the time to allow more 'Silence, Stillness and Simplicity' to creep into our homes. There will be no home learning but we still ask that you read each day with your child(ren).

WELLBEING WEEK – Term 1, Week 7

	<p><i>Crazy Sock Day</i></p> <p><i>Bring your best dance moves to school and boogie in your crazy socks.</i></p>
	<p>Choose your favourite sporting jersey and wear it to school</p>
	<p><i>Wear your uniform inside out for the day</i></p>
	<p>WRITE A LETTER OF THANKS TO YOUR PARENTS</p>
	<p>Wear a crazy hair do and bring a joke to share at school</p>

RE REFLECTIONS

Caritas Fundraiser

To support our Project Compassion through Lent, our social justice leaders will run a number of fundraising activities. The first fundraiser will begin next week with a 'Staff Baby Photo Guessing Competition'. Each of the staff have contributed by bringing in an early photo of themselves and the leaders are planning to bring the collection around to each of the classes. It will cost the students 20c a guess as they try to match the photos to the names of the teachers. We anticipate this will be a popular activity and plan to visit classes and be present during a number of lunch times for students to contribute as well. The winners will be announced during our Holy Week celebrations.



True Value of the Catholic Church

In a bid to combat this inaccurate reporting, the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney has unveiled its first, in a series of videos, highlighting the irreplaceable services the Catholic Church provides to Australians through its extensive network of healthcare, education and welfare across the country. Importantly, it also considers the effect on society if these services were to be diminished or eliminated. The video illustrates why Catholic social services are vital and explains why the buildings in which they operate are not really ours to sell, because generations of Catholics have entrusted the material wealth of the Church to us to build these properties of hope and health so we can serve the real wealth of the Church – people in need."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXO48Ow40n0>

Walking the Way

Walking the Way is a school-based initiative in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay, designed to encourage parents in their sacred task of accompanying their children on their journey with God. There are four elements: Book & video / E-Bulletin / Parent gatherings / Annual retreat. Click here to view Lent 4 Year B: <http://sh1.sendinblue.com/7rd6d5p7vsc.html?t=1518748595>

Last year all parents in our school were invited to view this initiative and sign up for regular newsletters. New families and kinder families might be interested at this link.

Margie Raymond - Religious Education Coordinator

CLASS PARENTS FOR 2018.

Thank you to the following parents who have volunteered to take on the roles of Class Parents for 2018. We still have a vacancy in 5White. The spot in 5Gold was filled this afternoon.

2018 OLOR Class Parents			
Year	Class	Teacher	Name
Kindy	Blue	Kimberley Van Gent	Bec Mulholland
Kindy	Blue	Kimberley Van Gent	Jacqui O'Loan
Kindy	Gold	Sian Owen	Erin Jones-Drummond (Andersen)
Kindy	Gold	Sian Owen	Joanna Gower
Kindy	Gold	Sian Owen	Johannes Tjoa
Year 1	Blue	Sara Clarke	Domenica Scotts
Year 1	Blue	Sara Clarke	Therese Tully
Year 1	Gold	Daniel Mills	Kristen De Nardi
Year 1	Gold	Daniel Mills	Stephany Jones
Year 2	Blue	Reena Sinclair	Marielena Delgado
Year 2	Blue	Reena Sinclair	Judith Sullivan
Year 2	Gold	Jenny Bainy	Pip Ryan
Year 2	Gold	Jenny Bainy	Maxine Basili
Year 3	Blue	Michelle Le Patourel	Jamina Balfour
Year 3	Blue	Michelle Le Patourel	Julie Eccles
Year 3	Gold	Margaret Baldwin	Melissa Dibben
Year 3	Gold	Margaret Baldwin	Chloe Cullen
Year 4	Blue	Jess O'Brien	Fiona Westgarth
Year 4	Blue	Jess O'Brien	Julia Conn
Year 4	Gold	Lily Khoudair	Kim Baynie
Year 4	Gold	Lily Khoudair	Dawn Stephens
Year 5	Blue	Carlee Russell	Veronik Acevedo
Year 6	Blue	Carlee Russell	Alison Jeffries-Thierry
Year 5	Gold	Emma Korth	VACANT
Year 6	Gold	Emma Korth	Rima Elsom
Year 5	White	Margie Raymond	VACANT
Year 6	White	Margie Raymond	Rima Elsom

OLOR P&F NEWS



Tuesday, 10th April
OLOR Library

P&F Meeting at 7 - 7:30pm
Parent Talk at 7:30pm



Parents and Friends Association presents

“Mindset: the New Psychology of Success”

What if you could embrace challenges, struggles, criticisms and setbacks as a source of growth? You can. That's what a **growth mindset** is all about.

Research has shown that what makes students succeed is quite different from their cognitive abilities or the quality of the instructions they receive. Their success, in fact, depends on their belief about their intelligence and their abilities; that is their success depends on their mindset.

People with a growth mindset tend to experience greater success in work, relationships and life in general than those with a fixed mindset.

Help your children fulfil their potential.

RSVP by Tuesday, 3rd April

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER

“If parents want to give their children a gift, the best thing they can do is to teach their children to love challenges, be intrigued by mistakes, enjoy effort, and keep on learning. That way, their children don't have to be slaves of praise. They will have a lifelong way to build and repair their own confidence.”

(Carol Dweck, 2006; Mindset, the Psychology of Success).

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SCHOOL

DISCO TIME

WITH
BOP TILL YOU DROP

Don't forget to bring your gold coins as Year 6 will be selling treats, ice blocks etc. on the night.

Date: Friday 6 April 2018
Time: 4.45 – 5.45pm (Kinder-Year2)
6:00 – 7:30pm (Year3-Year6)
Location: TLOCC

RSVP: Wednesday 4 April 2018. Please provide your child's name and class on the online booking system:

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Any questions, please email Christina/Vanessa.

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vmarando@gmail.com

www.boptillyoudrop.com.au

Theme: Crazy Hair/Socks



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, WAITARA

OPEN MORNING
TUESDAY 20 MARCH 2018

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FOR 2019**

9.30am – 11am

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CONGRATULATIONS

To our Swimming Age Champions who received their medals at assembly last week.



Congratulations to Xavier D (3Gold) and Erica H (5/6 Blue). Both were selected to represent Hornsby Touch Football in the State Cup in Port Macquarie in February. This involved a weekend of playing different teams from N.S.W. in extremely hot weather.



Both Xavier and Erica were also meant to represent Cherrybrook Little Athletics at regionals in Homebush on the same weekend. Well Done!

SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS

BOOK IN YOUR BABYSITTERS

GLOR
Parents' Night Out

SATURDAY 30 JUNE, 2018



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Junior
SCIENCE ACADEMY

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY - mq.edu.au/about/holidays

- Children are introduced to science concepts and skills in a safe and supervised environment.
- Courses teach the concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft and other hands-on activities.
- Students are provided with experiences and activities that help them to understand a concept or gain knowledge in an active way.
- Courses are added and rotated each school holidays, and drop off and pick-up times are designed for the working parent.
- The Junior Science Academy is for children in Years K-6 in primary school.



Drop off	8.30am - 9.30am
Activities	9.30am - 4.30pm
Pick-up	4.30pm - 5.30pm
Cost	\$122



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SAT 10 MARCH | 11AM-3PM

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a day in the life of Loreto Normanhurst

Highlights include the Principal's presentation, tours of the school,
classroom demonstrations, student music & drama performances,
cake & food stalls in the gardens, BBQ, animal farm, train rides & more

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