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Week 4 Term 2

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"Blessed are the merciful, for mercy they will find".

Dear Parents,

On Sunday night, I found myself in a frame of mind similar to that of most people on the eve of returning to work after some time off. However, with Monday morning came the realisation of just how delightful it was for me to be among my OLA 'family' once again. I would like to acknowledge the good work of Mrs Hey and other members of the leadership team in my absence.



In Week 10's Newsletter, I noted to watch this space for more on the Mysterion, God's saving plan. After the Resurrection, Jesus appeared at various times for over forty days until His Ascension into Heaven. Before He left, He promised His disciples that He would send 'a helper' to continue His work on earth. Sunday was Pentecost Sunday, the day the Holy Spirit – the 'helper' – came among Mary and the disciples allowing them to continue the work to spread the Word, building a world of justice and love, often referred to as the Kingdom or Reign of God. God's Kingdom is present today and continues because those baptised over the past 2000 years carried on Jesus' work. Through Baptism, it is presently our responsibility to continue building God's Kingdom and, in the process, earn our place in Heaven, made possible through Jesus' death and resurrection. This is at the core of the purpose of our existence. We have an opportunity to do this each moment of every day, with each person we encounter. I know I don't always do it as well as I should. Does anyone?

Sign of the times

It is not unusual for families to feel financial strain from time to time. These days are no exception. If anyone is experiencing such circumstances, I sincerely hope that you know that the school is here to help. You are invited to call me personally and can be assured of complete confidentiality.

Dates to Remember

Wed 25th May OLA Bootcamp 8.00am. All welcome
Thurs 26th May Stage 3 Girls soccer gala day
Tues 31st May ICAS Science – 7.55am
Thurs 2nd June Stage 3 Boys soccer gala day
Fri 3rd June Feast of the Sacred Heart – Whole School Mass at 10.00am
Pyjama Day – Students can wear their pyjamas to school on this day.
Tues 7th June Athletics Carnival
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – FRIDAY 10TH JUNE

NEWSLETTER

Feast of the Most Holy Trinity Gospel, John 16:12-15



Jesus said to His disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you to bear now. However, when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to complete truth, since he will not be speaking of his own accord, but will say only what he has been told; and he will reveal to you the things to come.

He will glorify me, since all he reveals to you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said; all he reveals to you will be taken from what is mine.'

Reflection

In last Sunday's Gospel, we celebrated Pentecost. Jesus is departing from us out of sight, but he continues to assure us of His presence through His gift of the Holy Spirit. It is through the Spirit that God's unconditional love brings about unity. This Sunday we celebrate the unity of the Father, Son and Spirit in Trinity Sunday. Jesus tells His disciples that the Father and the Son will send the Spirit to continue with their expression of love. When the disciples face uncertainty about the future, the Holy Trinity's presence will always be with them. They will never be alone. The intimate connection between Jesus and the Father as well as Jesus and the Spirit, is revealed in the Trinity. The Holy Spirit sent to the disciples continues the mission of Jesus. We also need to continue Jesus' mission, with God's unconditional love and guidance from the gift of the Holy Spirit that we receive through the sacraments.

(God's Word-Daily Reflections. 2016)

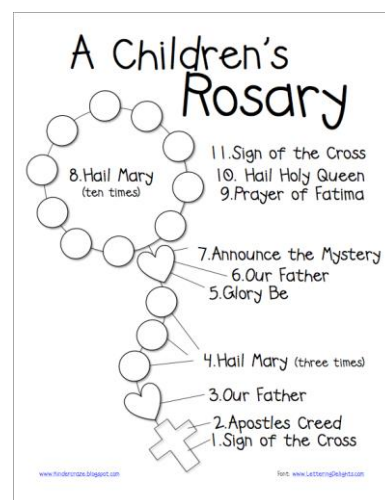


May is the month of Mary

The month of May is especially dedicated to 'Our Blessed Lady'. During this month many Christians spend time reflecting on Mary the mother of Jesus, through praying the Rosary. "The word Rosary means 'Crown of Roses'. Our Lady has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose and that each complete Rosary makes her a crown of roses."* The Holy Rosary is a perfect prayer to devote to Mary throughout May. The Holy Rosary allows us to reflect on the mysteries of joy, of sorrow and the glory of Jesus and Mary. The Holy Rosary is a prayer that we can all say together.



* <http://www.theholynosary.org/>



Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass-'Poor Man's mass'

Whole school mass will be at 10.00am on Friday 3rd June.

Pyjama Day Outreach

On **Friday 3rd June**, students will be allowed to wear their pyjamas as a way of Primary students being able to support the annual 'Vinnies sleep out'. Students can wear their pyjamas and joggers on the day. We ask that students bring in warm jumpers, clothes, blankets etc to donate to St Vincent de Paul to distribute to the homeless. Please send in above items before Friday 3rd June, as St Vincent de Paul will be picking up our donations on this day. Donations are to be taken directly to the classroom.



Literacy News

Whole School Writing Task

This week all students completed a writing task. Students listened to sound effects and 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. Thank you to this wonderful dad!



Bug Club is here! This is a digital reading resource that supplements our current reading program. Students will continue to bring home their guided reader. All students will have access to Bug Club at school. Here is the link for students to log on. Students will need to sign in and then click on the 'Bug Club' icon.

<http://www.pearsonplaces.com.au/>

For more information, please see link below.

<http://home.bugclub.com.au/MyPasses/pdf/parents-help.pdf>

Reading Afternoon

Thank you to the families who could join us yesterday for our reading afternoon. We will have another afternoon during "Book Week" next term.

Lisa Hurst, Literacy Coordinator



From the Office

Athletics Carnival – Tuesday 7th June 2016 (Change of Date)

Please ensure all notes are returned to school by next Friday, 27th May. If you are able to assist on the day, please complete the parent volunteer section on the note.

Book covering – if any parents could assist us in covering books for the library, please call into the office. We will provide you with contact. Thanks.

Banking – please complete the banking slip prior to sending your child's bank book to school. If the slip is not completed, it will be sent home not banked.

Big Boot Camp – Wednesday 25th May at 8.00am

All students and parents are welcome to join in the 'Big Boot Camp' on Wednesday 25th May at 8am. The K-6 Boot camp only happens a few times a year. This gives all students the opportunity to have a go at OLA Boot camp. Please bring a gold coin donation to support WYD. There will be no breakfast provided, so if you are joining in please bring in a bottle of water and a piece of fruit to eat after the exercise.

Invitational Netball Gala Day

We will be registering teams for the Netball Gala Day to be held on Tuesday, July 26. Boys and Girls from years 4, 5 and 6 have been asked to nominate if they wish to participate. Teams will be announced in the next few weeks.

We will require a coach, umpire and manager for each team. If you are able to assist, please email the office and mark the subject 'NETBALL'.

Jan Schroder



PBS4L UPDATE

Our new stamps arrived this week and we hope to start using them soon!!

As a staff we have been discussing how the students model our school rules in different situations:

RESPECT FOR SELF RESPECT FOR OTHERS RESPECT FOR ENVIRONMENT

Year One discussed what this looked like on their excursion to the zoo – on the bus and at the zoo. In the playground, we have addressed how it looks as the students move to the toilets and lines.

Teachers are observing students and recognising those who consistently meet our expectations.

Do you have these same expectations of RESPECT in the home and the community?

Maths Olympiad

On Wednesday, 27 students from years 4 – 6 participated in their first Maths Olympiad Problem Solving Contest. There are four more of these over terms 2 and 3. The students were nervous but applied themselves well with the tasks.

Last week they solved a problem similar to this one:

In the expression $PIE + TIE = KEPT$, each letter stands for a different digit. What number does the four letter word KEPT represent? The leading digit cannot be a zero in any of the numbers.

Solution next week. ☺



P&F NEWS

OLA FIESTA



Thank you to the grade representatives and their teams who have begun organising the logistics of their stall.

If you can help the grade representative, please email us at olapfc@gmail.com or contact us via our face book page.

We thank you in advance for your enthusiasm and support. We have had a wonderful response so far and look forward to working together.

DO YOU SELL CRAFT OR HAVE A 'MARKET STALL' HOBBY?

Do you make or sell candles, soaps, jams, baby clothes or knick knacks????

We are inviting school families and parishioners to be a part of the market hall at the OLA Fiesta. It would be wonderful to have a variety of market stall holders all under the one roof!

For more information, please contact Monique Falzon at moniquerosejewellery@hotmail.com

Thank you to everyone who attended the P&F AGM on Wednesday night. Congratulations to the incoming committee:-

Vice President: Kellie Owen

Treasurer: Melissa Strong

Secretary:

General Committee:

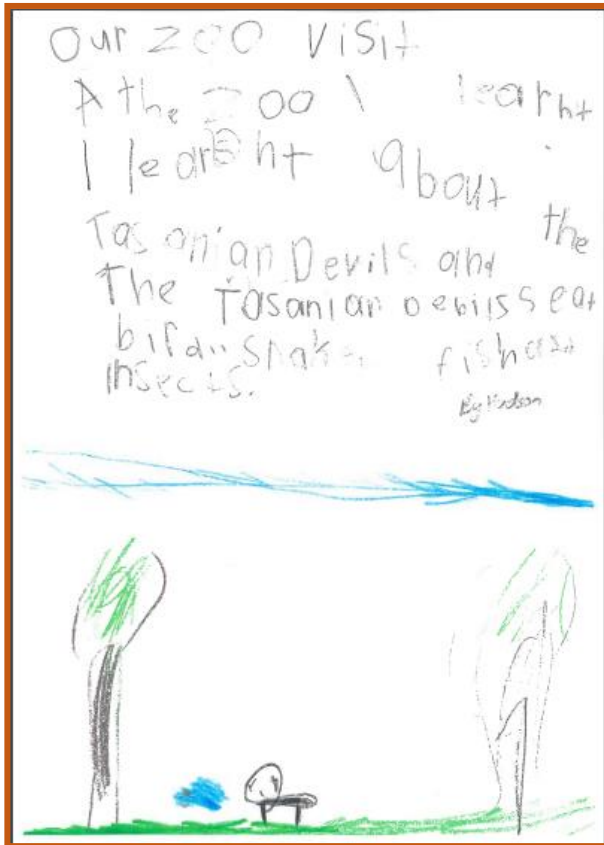
SPECIAL TREATS ROSTER – MAY 27: The roster for next week... Kylie Burt, Mariana Cutuk, Greta Vargas, Kylie Ross, Simone Tickell and Vanessa Lesar.
Thank you!



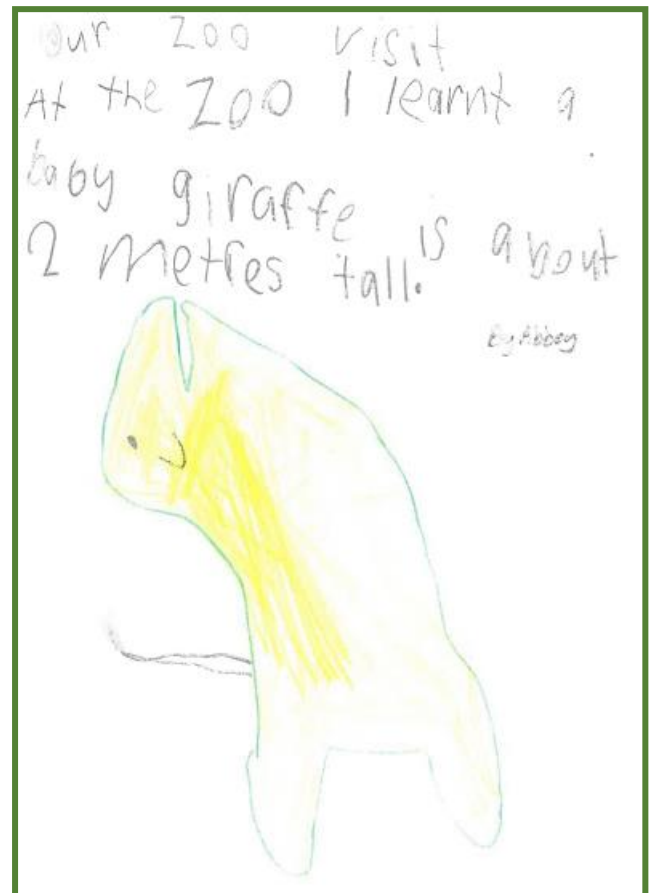
*Our Lady of the Angels
P&F Association*

From the classroom...1W

On Thursday, 12th May, Year One went on an excursion to the zoo. All the Year One students gained a deep knowledge and insight whilst at the zoo. We learnt about different living animals and the ways in which their needs are met by their habitats. We also learnt a few interesting animal facts. Here are some of the facts that we have learnt.



Our Zoo Visit. At the zoo I learnt about the tasmanian devil and the tasmanian devil eats birds, snakes, fish and insects. By Hudson



Our Zoo Visit. At the zoo I learnt a baby giraffe is about 2 metres tall. By Abbey



Our Zoo Visit. At the zoo I learnt that red bellies are poisonous. By Lachlan

About us

Interrelate is a community based, not-for-profit organisation with a network of centres across metropolitan, regional and rural New South Wales. This year, we celebrate 90 years of delivering relationship education and services to individuals, couples, families, children and schools across NSW.

Each year, we help over 60,000 individuals, couples, families and children to strengthen their relationships.

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GRAND OPENING SEMINARS

Rouse Hill

To celebrate our official opening, the following seminars are running at our Rouse Hill center:

Being a Mum **\$25.00**

Will help you become a more mindful parent and build skills to encourage closer relationships with your children.

Friday, 27 May 2016
10:00am – 1:00pm

Bullying Awareness and Cyber Safety Webinars **FREE**

From the comfort of your own home, understand more about the nature of bullying and learn practical tips to keep your children safe online.

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Tuesday, 31 May 2016
12:00pm – 12:45pm

The Challenge of Disciplining Your Children **\$25.00**

An interactive seminar on constructive techniques for disciplining and encouraging your children.

Tuesday, 31 May 2016
6:00pm – 9:00pm

Surviving the Modern Family (with Leanne Hall, Integrative Psychologist) **FREE**

This interactive seminar provides practical parenting advice for maintaining healthy relationships, a sense of humor and your sanity.

Friday, 3 June 2016
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Bookings Essential – Phone 02 8882 7850

Level 2, Vinegar Hill Memorial Library, 29 Main Street, Rouse Hill Town Centre

From the Parish Office...

Public Address - Box Hill Catholic School

Thank you to those parents who attended the Public Address. If you have a survey form, we ask that you return this to the parish office at your earliest convenience.

Sacraments of Initiation

First Communion Next Thursday, 26th May we have our First Lesson with the Parents and Children at 7.30pm. Please remember that these attendances are compulsory. The Piety store is also selling before and after all masses some really nice First Holy Communion items.

We're fundraising with Entertainment

The 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Book and Digital Memberships are here and features over \$20,000 worth of valuable up to 50% OFF and 2-for-1 offers for some of the best local restaurants, cafés, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel and much more **for only \$65**. So take advantage of the great offers available with your new Entertainment™ Membership now! Purchase your Entertainment™ Membership from **Our Lady of the Angels Parish** again to support our fundraising efforts. Contact the Parish office for further information if needed.

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

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Debating

Last week, our debating team won their first Interschool debate against Our Lady of the Rosary at Kellyville. Next Wednesday, our team will be debating Mary Immaculate, Quaker's Hill at our school at 1.45pm. Fellow students will be invited to support as the audience for this debate. Parents are welcome to attend.

Until next week, God bless and stay safe.

Eva La Rocca,

Term 2 Week 4			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Kinder B	Taylor Saward	Georgia Sourial	Jack Maher
Kinder G	Ben Parsell	Leila Swinden	Isaak Blye
Kinder W	Brayden Kingcott	Jack West	Roman Iori
Year 1B	Camryn Sammut	Giancarlo Mazza	Olivia Ross
Year 1 G	Isabella Smith	Esther Morgan	Hugo Vozzo
Year 1W	Madison Saward	Georgia Dolahenty	Kristian Cajic
Year 2 B	Ava Silva	Charlotte Muscat	Aidan Vilathgamuwa
Year 2 G	Amalia- Rose Trifiro	Charlotte Anderson	Lily Trimboli
Year 2 W	Harriet Preston	Taylor Cummings	Lucy Tapley