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Week 6 Term 2

1<sup>st</sup> June, 2017

## NEWSLETTER

*"There where you are, God is".*  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

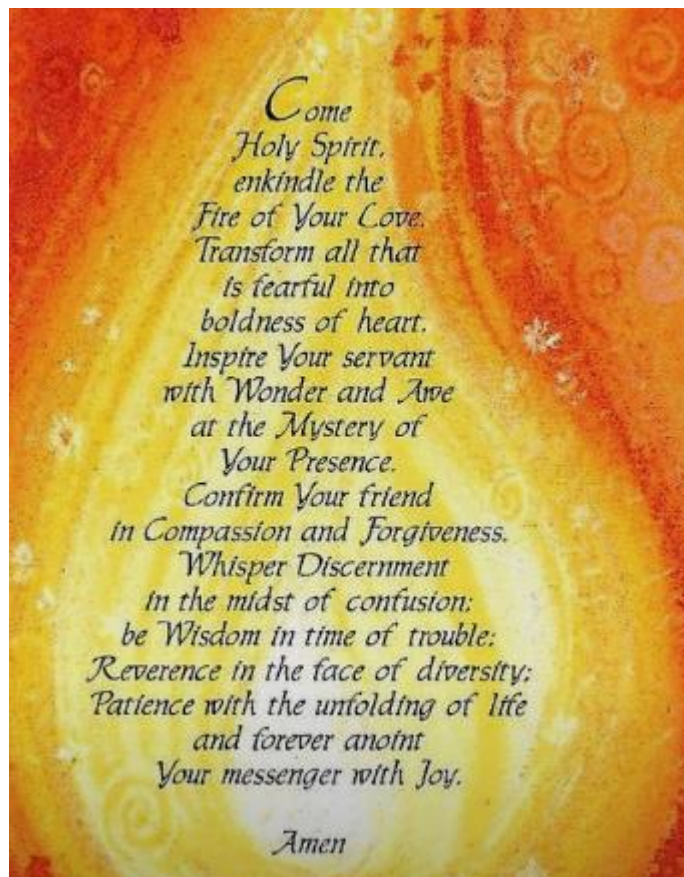
**Dear Parents,**

Please remember to attend Mass this Sunday, the feast of Pentecost, marking the beginning of Christ's church on Earth.

### Reminder

Tomorrow, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, is a pupil free day. There will be no supervision on this day.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Rug Reading afternoon.  
Also to those who supported the Biggest Morning Tea



### Upcoming Dates to Remember

<b>Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Staff Development Day – Children DO NOT attend school on this day</b>
<b>Tues 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Athletics Carnival
<b>Wed 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	3.30- 4.30pm. Year 1 –Parent Workshop: Understanding A-E Reporting/ Literacy – ways to help your child read (supervision for children available)
<b>Mon 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Public Holiday
<b>Tues 13<sup>th</sup> June</b>	7.55am ICAS Writing
<b>Wed 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	7.55am ICAS Spelling



# PENTECOST SUNDAY

## Gospel (Jn 20;19-23)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

***As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.***

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,  
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.  
For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven:  
for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.'



### Reflection

Pentecost is called the birthday of the church because before Pentecost, there really was no church. Jesus had ascended back into the heavens, the Apostles were hanging around, scared and confused, and nobody knew what to do. Going out to baptise people and preach about Jesus was the last thing they had in mind because their lives would be in danger.

But Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit – the force that turned a bunch of frightened, mixed-up folks into church. There was a rush of wind, tongues of fire, and then suddenly there was courage, knowledge, direction and commitment! Everyone started speaking and was understood, no matter what the language of the listener was! These were saints suddenly on fire with the Holy Spirit. And it all began with the wind and fire of the Spirit.

What changes in you do you wish the Spirit could blow your way? How can you cooperate with the Spirit? In what ways do you need more courage, knowledge, direction or commitment? What else might you need?

In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples before Pentecost? In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples after Pentecost?

When people speak about your school, would they say that it has school spirit? What do they mean by that? How is school spirit like the Holy Spirit?

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Katrina Byrne, Religious Education Coordinator

### THREE MORE FAMILIES NEEDED....

We are still looking for 3 FAMILIES to host Japanese Students (aged around 11 years).

To host a student, your own children can be of any age. Also, KTOOSH have confirmed that they will accommodate any of their families billeting Japanese students.

This has been a regular practice over the past years. OLA School acts as host to students from Nanzan Christian School in Japan. The students have always proven to be very polite and grateful and it has been a wonderful experience for the host family as well as their guests.

The following is the program:

26th July 2017 (Wed): Arr. OLA Primary School and meet host families (15:20)

27th (Thurs): Integrated program (at school)

28th (Fri): Integrated program (at school)

29th (Sat): Free with host families

30th (Sun): Group visiting SVD church in Marsfield (11:00-13:00- dropped at OLA grounds at 10.30am)

31st (Mon): Integrated program (at school)

1st Aug (Tue): Integrated program (at school), farewell depart (from school) at 13:00 approx

It is preferred that these children are billeted in twos and have their own room. The **host family will receive \$40 x 6 nights = \$240 (per students) X 2 students = \$480 per family**



If you are interested in considering hosting a couple of students, please email the school with 'Japanese' in the subject line. Families selected will be 'first in' basis.

We are looking forward to sharing in this rich cultural experience once again.



## Literacy News

### Helping Your Child with Spelling:

An old trick that really works is to have your child practice. Write each of their words, and then draw with a black crayon around each word. Then they can lightly colour the shape of the word. This is known as “studying the shape” (or configuration). Just make sure your child uses straight, not curved, lines when he outlines the word.

<https://childdevelopmentinfo.com/learning/tips-for-helping-kids-and-teens-with-homework-and-study-habits/spelling/#.WQsL5omGOgQ>

### Thank you!

Thank you to those who attended our ‘Rug Reading’ afternoon and participated in the Biggest Morning Tea this afternoon. It was a lovely way to spend the afternoon with your beautiful children, have a cuppa and a good book.



### Next week's WOW words are:

**Infants:** bonus

**Primary:** miniscule

Lisa Hurst, Literacy Coordinator

### Term 2 Year 6 excursion

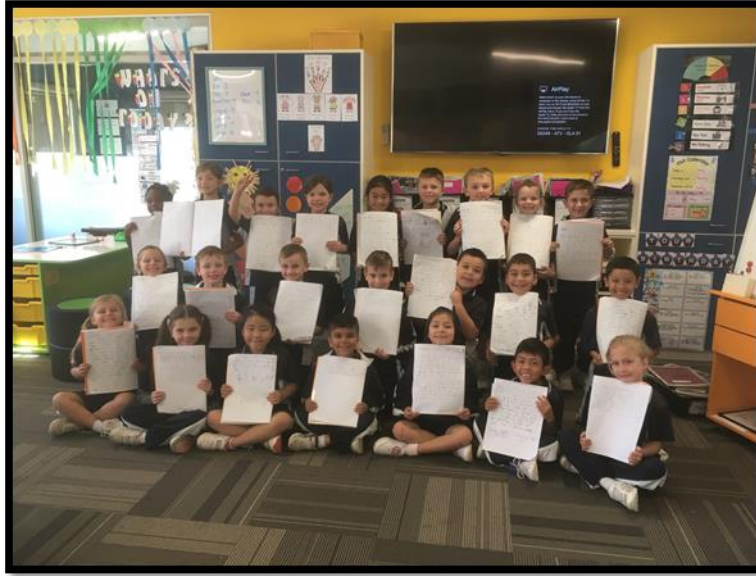
On Monday, Week 6, Year 6 went on an amazing excursion to Darling Harbour, to the beautiful Chinese Gardens and The Australian National Maritime Museum. We had to arrive at school earlier than normal so we could arrive in the city on time. First we went to the Chinese gardens to get some inspiration and explore our art unit that we will complete later this term. After spending a while in the gardens we travelled to the Maritime Museum and stopped to have lunch. After we finished lunch, half of the grade explored a ship called The Vampire while the other half of year 6 explored the museum. When we finished we had lunch and swapped so everyone got a chance to look at everything. At the end of the day everyone was tired. It was an amazing day of learning, which will support our Geography and Visual Arts units this term.

By Lily Cassar and Sascha Strykowski



# From the Classroom of 1G

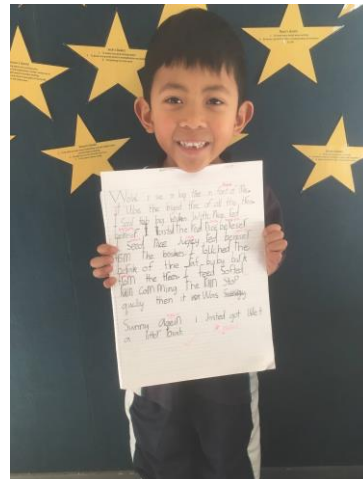
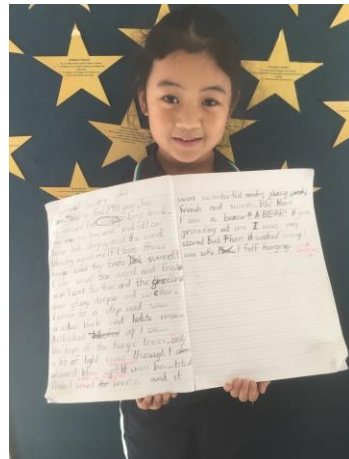
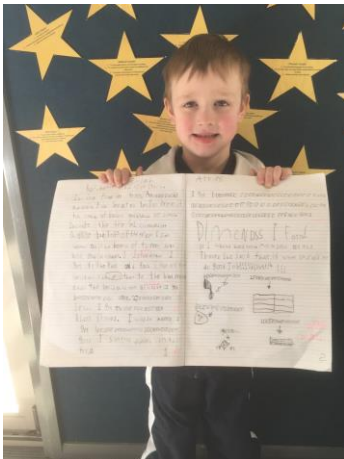
In 1G the past few weeks we have been becoming really excited about our writing. We have been learning how to create exciting beginnings to our writing we call them Sizzling Starts. A Sizzling Start is an exciting beginning of a sentence that immediately grabs that reader's attention and makes them want to read more. The students have been creating many different exciting beginnings in their writing. Some students have been using Dynamic dialogue, where the student uses a character's words to interest the reader like "Where have you been?". Some students have been using sounds like "BANG" and "Rarr". Other students have been asking interesting questions like, "Did you know?".



We have also been working on our ability to use our senses. We use our sight, touch, taste, smell and hearing to develop our describing skills.

In 1G on Thursday we created a sizzling start on the topic "Rainforest". The students came up with amazing Sizzling Starts, so amazing that they wanted to write more. All of the writing pieces were very detailed and descriptive. The students have been so proud about their writing pieces, they have loved challenging themselves and extending their descriptive vocabulary.

WE LOVE WRITING!



## Bishop Office

### Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)

Early-bird registration has now opened for the largest gathering of young Catholics since World Youth Day Sydney in 2008!

Bishop Vincent & Catholic Youth Parramatta invite young people from Year 9 to 30 years of age to celebrate the young heart of the Church, with 15,000 others, at this year's triennial ACYF being hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney (December 7-9) at Sydney Olympic Park.

Here's how to register:

- Student in our Catholic System – speak to your REC
- Student in State School System – contact Catholic Youth Parramatta
- Over 18 years of age – register as an individual
- Visit [www.acyf.org.au](http://www.acyf.org.au) now to secure the \$250 early bird rate before August

For all enquiries contact Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta, James Camden, 02 8838 3428, [jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au)



### Grace & Silence Retreat Day for Young Women: 10 June

A Silent retreat day for vocation discernment to marriage & family life, single life or consecrated life. Commences with an input. The day can be used as a general recollection day. Cost \$30 includes morning, lunch, afternoon tea and materials. Saturday 10th June 9:30am - 4pm. Mt Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Rd, Mulgoa. Registrations: Sr M Julie Brcar ISSM, tel 0408 728 334, [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com) and <https://www.facebook.com/events/1918258908407700/>

### St Philomena Association Holy Mass: 10 June

St John Vianney was very devoted to St Philomena. Pope Gregory XVI called her "the great wonder worker". Mass at noon with Confession from 11.30am. St John Vianney's Church, 17 Cameron St, Doonside. A short walk north from Doonside station, the one past Blacktown. Please bring a snack to share. Elizabeth tel or text 0423 15 44 63, [epeoples9@gmail.com](mailto:epeoples9@gmail.com) Facebook: Libby Peoples (events)

### A weekend for Engaged Couples: 9-11 June

Time for Us to Prepare our Hearts for Marriage - A weekend for Engaged Couples from 9-11 June. These weekends aim to complement pre-marriage courses to allow engaged couples to prepare their hearts so that they may give a total, free and faithful "YES" to their future spouses and contribute towards a fruitful marriage. The inputs and times of prayer and silent reflection will foster the preparation of your heart so that you may be a gift to your spouse and receive your spouse as a gift. Investment: \$200pp. For more information or to register: Sr M Julie Brcar ISSM, tel 0408 728 334, [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com) and <https://www.facebook.com/events/236581350078661/>

### Nigerian Mass in Igbo: 11 June

Rev Fr Chukwunonyerem Akamadu, Chaplain to the Nigerian Catholic community, will celebrate Mass at 11.30am at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. Contact Fr Akamadu tel 0451 174 438, Stella Nwosu 0405 478 472 or [stellanwosu@msn.com](mailto:stellanwosu@msn.com)

### Time for Us Weekend for Families: 16-18 June

Time for Us Weekends at Mount Schoenstatt include inputs for adults, programmes for children of all ages including baby-sitting, couple and family time, games fellowship with other families, prayer, reflection and Holy Mass. For more detail or to register contact: Sr M Julie Brcar ISSM, tel 0408 728 334, [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com) and <https://www.facebook.com/events/1835800090073744/>

### St. Anthony of Padua relic to visit Diocese of Parramatta: 20-21 June

To Mark the Centenary of the Apparitions in Fatima a Relic of St. Anthony of Padua, Venerated by both Sister Lucy of Fatima and Pope Francis will be visiting Australia in June 2017.

Tuesday, 20th June 2017, Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 8 Diana Avenue KELLYVILLE. Mass: 9:15am & 7:00pm.

Wednesday, 21st June 2017, St Anthony of Padua Church 27 Aurelia Street TOONGABBIE. Mass: 9:30am & 7:30pm.



One Holy Hour with prayer, reflection, meditation, praise & worship. 2017 is devoted to Praying for Vocations and Devotion to Mary as per our Holy Father's intentions for WYD 2018 in Panama. From 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by social gathering.

Mary, honoured as the Mother Thrice Admirable, offers 3 graces in the Shrine, this monthly event is a unique opportunity to experience them regularly: Discover your HOME in the hearts of Jesus and Mary; See breakthrough TRANSFORMATION in your life; and Get your spiritual boost to be an authentic WITNESS. In the Shrine at Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa.

#### The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: 30 June

Hear Rebekah Rojcewicz, highly experienced leader in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd from the US, speak over dinner on 'The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – A Gift to the Church at this Time'. Cost: \$60 per person. From 6.30pm at North Ryde RSL, cnr Magdala & Pittwater Rds, North Ryde. To book: <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=256587>. For more information: [cgsaust.org.au](http://cgsaust.org.au)

For more events please go to: <http://parracatholic.org/events/>

## P&F NEWS



**2 WEEKS TO GO.....**  
**FRIDAY JUNE 16th (8-9.30AM & 2.15-3pm)**

Thank you for your generous donations of second hand uniforms this year. If you have any items of clothing that you would like to **donate** to the 'OLA Second Hand Clothing Sale', please send in the **clean** items to the school office in a plastic bag as soon as possible.

In January we set up an OLA community group with the 'Australian Red Cross Blood Service'. If you would like to donate blood as a way to help other, please follow the link below.

Don't forget to mention you are part of the 'OLA Community Group' when you register.

Next blood drive: June 15 and 16 at 'The Fiddler'.

<http://donateblood.com.au/blood-donor-centre/rouse-hill-mobile-donor-centre-fiddler>



**Australian Red Cross  
BLOOD SERVICE**

**SPECIAL TREATS ROSTER - JUNE 16:** Annemarie Bond, Natalie Dolahenty, Kylie Terzo, Kelly Cleary, Belinda Connellan, Alison Streater *Thank you!*



*Our Lady of the Angels P&F Association*



## Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017

A reminder that next Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June we will be holding our athletics carnival at Centenary Oval, diagonally across from the school. All children are to come to school before the carnival to have their names marked off by their teachers, except for those students competing in the 800m race, who need to be at the oval by 8.20am for marshalling. If your child is competing in the 800m race and you are not able to drop them at the oval by 8.20am (or they are at OOSH), please make sure your child comes to the office by 8.15am so that a teacher can walk them across the road. All other students will be walked to the oval with their class teacher.

Students can wear a t-shirt of their house colour or their OLA sport shirt and they **MUST** have their school hat. Please ensure that all students have plenty of water, sunscreen and food on the day as they are not able to purchase anything at the grounds. This is like an excursion where students just need to bring what they need for the day in their excursion bag or a plastic bag. Please ensure ALL clothing is labelled.

Parent volunteers please meet Dance Fever teachers at the Oval at 9.00am for instructions.

### Cyber Safety talk

This morning, years 5 and 6 gathered together to learn about Cyber Safety. We had Senior Constable John Bollard, from the Riverstone Police Station, come and talk to us. He taught us how to keep safe when on social media and when gaming online. He outlined how important it is to keep ourselves safe, and gave us information about what the consequences will be if we misuse our devices. Constable Bollard helped us gain a good understanding of what constitutes cyber safety, and how vital it is for us to be safe online.

By Lily Cassar and Sascha Strykowski



### *From the Parish Office...*

#### **First Communions at OLA**

Tonight (Thurs. 1/6) we have our Instructional Mass at 7.30pm in the Church. This is for all children. We ask that you keep these children and their families in your prayers.

#### **Playgroup**

All Mums and Dads and Bubs are invited to come along to OLA Playgroup on every Thursday morning at 9.30am in the Parish Hall. For further information, please contact the parish office on 8883 4063.

#### **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

**Parish Secretaries:** Geraldine Farrugia and Rose Sultana

**Sacrament Co-ordinator:** Christine Leahy

**Email:** parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au

**Website:** www.ourladyoftheangels.org.au

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*Until next week, God bless, have a lovely weekend and stay safe.  
Eva La Rocca, Principal*



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