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Week 4 Term 3

16th August, 2019

"Celebrating 10 years of Education"

Dear Parents,

Yesterday OLA students attended Mass to celebrate the 'Feast of The Assumption'. An important day in the calendar of the Catholic Church where we celebrate Our Lady, the Holy Mother, having completed her course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory to live with her Son Jesus Christ forever. It is always a special occasion when we can come together as an OLA Parish community to celebrate Mass and I congratulate our children on the reverence they always display when they are in our beautiful church.



On Tuesday, I had the pleasure to join Mrs Byrne, Mrs Cheadle and Miss Arayon with four of our Year 6 students to the annual Education Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. Following the Mass, our Year 6 students set up a display outlining our Mission focus. Complete with posters, and a 'dignity pack', our students proudly articulated the importance of service to the less fortunate within our community. They even had the opportunity to present their display to Bishop Vincent! Thank You to Bella, Eva, Kiara and Rachael for representing OLA and showcasing our Mission focus.

In what has been another busy fortnight at OLA, today two of our Year 6 students presented their Voice of Youth speech in the cluster final at St Marks's Catholic College Stanhope Gardens. I congratulate Lucas who entertained us with his topic titled 'Don't Forget Your Sunscreen' and Kiara who informed us about the problems with 'Stereotypes'. Both speakers were eloquent in their speech delivery and need to be congratulated for the quality of their speeches. Also congratulations to Max who attended the cluster final as our reserve speaker with his speech 'Living in the Past'.



God Bless
Mr Steve Cauchi
Acting Principal

NEWSLETTER

Dates to Remember

Week 5:

Mon-Thurs Book Week – Book Fair – See times further in newsletter
Thurs 22nd Aug Book Parade – 9.15am; Rug Reading – 10.15am.
Fri 23rd Aug Assembly KW

Week 6:

Wed 28th Aug Fathers' Day Stall
Thurs 29th Aug Fathers' Day BBQ & Liturgy
Fri 31st Aug Assembly 3G & 3W

Week 7:

Tues 3rd Sept ICAS – Digital Technologies
Thurs 5th Sept ICAS – Science
Verse Speaking Year 1-4 (Windsor Function Centre)
Fri 6th Sept **STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – No students at school on this day**

PLEASE NOTE: FRIDAY 13 SEPT ANNIVERSARY FUN DAY

God speaks to us in many ways, including through the Sunday Scripture readings. We hear The Word and are given messages to help us show the face of God.

Sunday 18th August: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C (Lk 12:49-53)

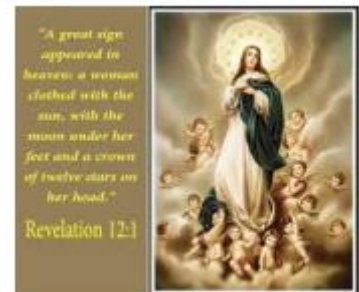
Jesus tells his disciples he has come for division. Today's gospel reminds us that the message of Christianity is not always a popular one. Sometimes we are called upon to speak a hard message; a challenging message; a confronting message. The message of the gospel frequently confronts our popular culture and accepted social practice. It often contradicts the expedient decisions of our political leaders. There is a responsibility on us to speak the hard message of the gospel even at the risk of unpopularity and even in the face of threat. The Christian heroes of our time are those who call leaders to measure up to the demands of the gospel.

Sunday, 25th August: Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time-Year C (Lk 13:22-30)

It is difficult to enter the kingdom of God. To be Christian is more than a name; more than a title. If we put our hand up and claim the title of Christian, then there are consequences that flow from that. Those who are disillusioned by religion frequently name hypocrisy as the major reason for their disillusionment. Sometimes, that's an easy out. We can't all live like Jesus all of the time. However, we are called to take Jesus as our model of the Christian life and to use his example as a guiding beacon. To call ourselves Christian is to try to be Christ-like in all our actions.

The Feast of the Assumption

On Thursday we came together as a community to celebrate and remember our mother Mary. May we always follow her example and live our lives as true disciples of Jesus. Over the weekend I invite you to offer your prayers to Mary through the Hail Mary. May she intercede in our lives and be with us through our trials and tribulations.



What is happening @ OLA in Religious Education

- ❖ Week 6: Thursday 29th August - Fathers' Day BBQ and Liturgy
- ❖ Week 7: Friday 6th September - RE Formation Staff Development Day

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES and MEMORIALS COMING UP

August

Saturday 24th SAINT BARTHOLOMEW

September

Wednesday 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday 21st Saint Matthew



Rotary Writing Competition

On Monday night I had the pleasure of attending the finals of the Rotary writing competition. 15 local schools were represented, with some very talented writers who were asked to write a narrative on the topic, 'A new person has come to our class'. I congratulate Patrick, Kiara and Zane for making the finals of this competition.

Mr Cauchi

OLA FUN DAY – FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

This year we are celebrating our 10th Anniversary with a Fun Day at Centenary Park on Friday 13th September. A note detailing the events of the day will be sent home next week. Please look out for details on this exciting event.

Literacy News

Sarah Davis Visit

This week our Infants classes had a visit from Sarah Davis, an award-winning illustrator. She discussed the process of illustrating a picture book, showing roughs and works in progress, and the basic principles of character design, composition, and constructing a visual narrative. Our students got to illustrate alongside Sarah and will use these as a springboard for writing. A wonderful way to start our Book Week celebrations.



Monty Pryor Visit- Monday 19th August (Primary classes)



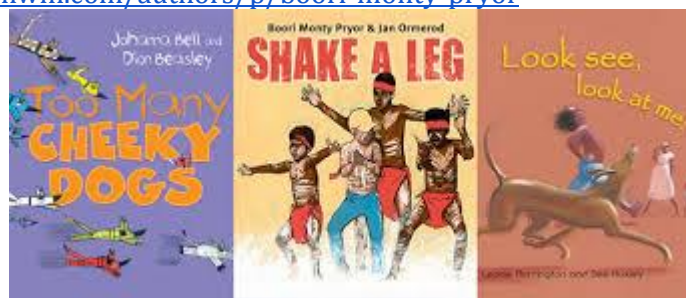
Monty is a multi-talented performer who has worked in numerous industries including film, television, modelling, sport, music and theatre-in-education. He is also known as an articulate public speaker on Aboriginal issues.

Monty Pryor was born in 1950 in Townsville, North Queensland. His father was from the Birrigubba of the Bowen region and his mother is from Yarrabah (near Cairns), a descendant of the KUNGGANJI. Monty played Basketball for the Queensland under 18's while studying at Pimlico State High and then went on to play Victorian State championship league for five years. He was the coach for the first National Aboriginal Women's Basketball team. Monty is an accomplished didgeridoo player who has performed

solo with the Brisbane Symphony Orchestra. Since the early nineties Monty has performed internationally at Museums, Theatres and Festivals.

Monty has collaborated with Meme McDonald on five books: *Maybe Tomorrow* (Penguin 1998), *My Girragundji* (Allen & Unwin 1998), *The Binna Binna Man* (Allen & Unwin 1999), *Nunjul The Sun* (Allen and Unwin 2002) and *Flytrap* (Allen & Unwin 2002). *Maybe Tomorrow* received a Special Commendation at the 1998 Human Rights Awards and *My Girragundji* was awarded The Children's Book Council of Australia 1999 Book of The Year Award.

<https://www.allenandunwin.com/authors/p/boori-monty-pryor>



All students: If you have a copy of Monty's books, please bring them in on the 19th August to have them signed. Students will have these signed after Monty's performance.

Term 3 Book Week:

Theme: 'Reading is My Secret Power'

Book Fair: to be held in the Library.

Monday 19th August - 8.20am – 9.00am

Tuesday 20th August - 8.20am – 9.00am

Wednesday 21st August - 8.20am – 9.00am

Thursday 22nd August - 8.20am – 11.30am

READING IS MY
SECRET POWER

CBCA BOOK WEEK
17-23 AUGUST 2019

Book Parade: Thursday 22nd August at 9:15pm. Please note the new time.

Students may like to dress as their favourite superhero and parade with a book this character appears in. Alternatively, students can come dressed as their favourite book character. A prize for best dressed in each grade will be presented at the end of the parade.

After the parade, parents are invited to visit our library to view the picture book displays and our book fair. 'Rug Reading' will begin at 10:15 followed by a family picnic. Could we please request no games or food to be consumed during our 'Rug Reading' time.

Root Word of the Week:

Week 7-ped-means foot

Week 8- mar- means ocean

Lisa Hurst, Literacy Coordinator



RESPECT FOR SELF, OTHERS, ENVIRONMENT

Our focus for the next two weeks is *respecting the property of others*.

Over the last few weeks we have noticed increasing issues with students touching or taking belongings of others. We have also noticed students not respecting school property, particularly the toilets.

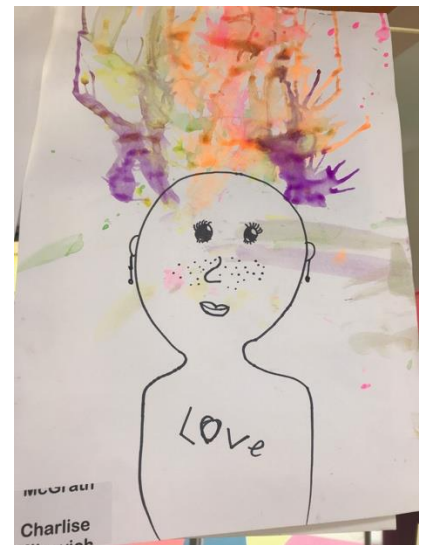
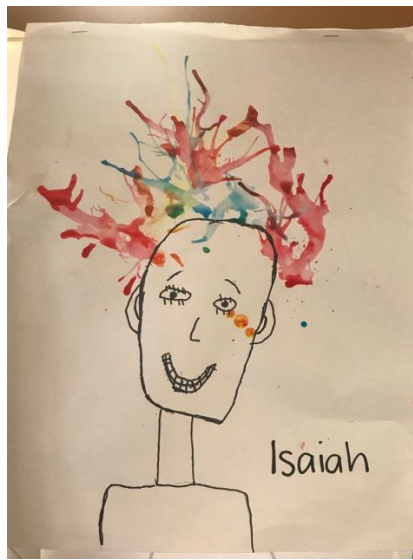
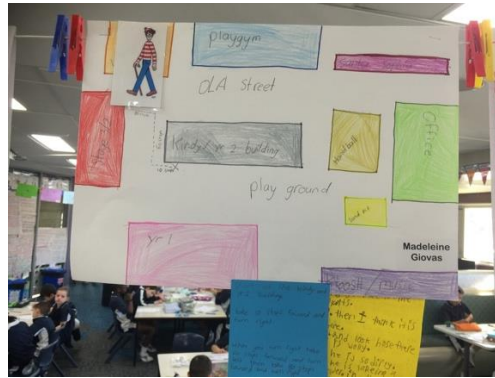
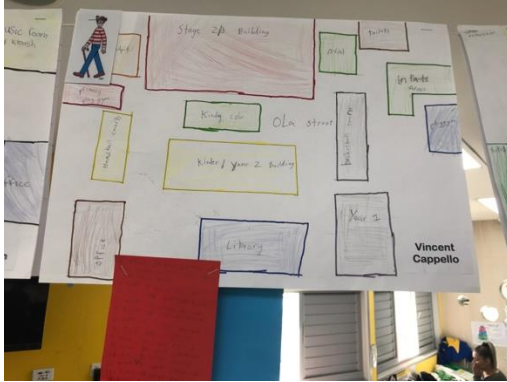
Over the next two weeks we will be reteaching our expectations in these areas.

Your support in discussing these expectations with your child is appreciated.

Focus	Respect for Self.	Respect for Others.	Respect for the Environment.
Care for equipment, <u>property</u> and nature	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Looking after our personal and school belongings.Stay off <u>verandahs</u> during breaks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Stay off <u>verandahs</u> during breaks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Keep bags zipped in <u>pigeon holes</u> or on hooks.Use toilet and toilet paper appropriately.Care for equipment, property and nature in all areas

From the classroom ... Year 2

In Mathematics this term the students have used positional language and compass directions to create a **Where's Wally** map. Students placed their Wally on the playground and wrote step by step instructions on how to locate him. In Creative Arts we have created a **Crazy Hair** design by blowing paint on a piece of paper using a small straw. Students were amazed by the crazy hair patterns created above their drawing. We are very busy practising for our Verse Speaking poems. We are working on using expression, hand gestures and articulation.



Year 6 Canberra 3 Day Excursion

I walk through the school gates and wait for one second and question myself, am I really going to Canberra?? Last week on the 7th to the 9th of August, Year 6 travelled to Canberra, and oh boy it was a whole lot of fun (even though we had to wake up extremely early!) We left for our exciting journey at 6:30am. We sat on the bus for an almost 4 hour trip! But I've got to admit, it was totally worth it.

Year 6 finally reached our first destination, Parliament House. While walking through the sightseeing entrance, little did we know that we owned Parliament House!! We learnt that anything with the Coat of Arms on it was owned by the public. There are two significant rooms located in Parliament House, The House of Representatives and the Senate. The House of Representatives is lower house of government (representing the people) and the colours represent the eucalyptus leaves. The Senate is the upper house (representing the states) and the colours represent the national flowers of Australia.

The next day we had to wake up extremely early for a whole day of fun and snowball fights! We all hopped onto the bus and were back on the road again for 2 hours! We first had to make our way to Cooma where all of our snow gear was. Year 6 quickly wore our snow gear and off we were AGAIN for three hours to Perisher Smiggins Snowfields! After an extremely long and bumpy road trip, we finally started seeing fluffy, white snow (some of us for the first time!) We scrambled off the bus and we all felt a huge gust of wind burning our faces!! Many snowballs were thrown at students and teachers!! That was an amazing and fun time!!



Ughh once again, waking up early for our last day in Canberra! We all rushed to breakfast and made our way on the road again to the Australian War Memorial. Year 6 learnt an extremely interesting fact that animals have a purple poppy and humans have a red poppy!! How cool is that! After an hour at the Australian War Memorial we travelled to Questacon. Questacon was a fun and interesting science facility and most of Year 6 got to experience going on the free fall slide! Questacon was a whole package of fun and we can't thank the teachers enough for putting so much effort and work into this excursion that we will never forget!

Written by Akeesha and Natalie

PACER Rebate

The Australia Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families meeting the cost of the excursion the Australia Government is contributing funding of \$20.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



Sports @ OLA

On Thursday the 16th of Aug many OLA students attended the Hills Zone athletics carnival. The students had a fantastic day and some great sportsmanship was shown.

Congratulations to the following students who attended the Hills Zone carnival.

Noah C, Patrick C, Eva B, Addison G, William H, Mia L, Ava-Rosemarie M, Ruby M, Rohan P, Aidan A, Jake B, Lucas C, Kobe C, Chloe H, Matthew K, Zachary O, Gabriela R, Camryn S, Claire S, Charlotte A, Amelia B, Isobel C, Emma C, Thomas C, Daniel K, Emily L, Jayden M, Jaeden M, Marcus M, Macy O, Ayden S, Madison Z, Sarah C, Salvatore C, Andre D, Ivana E, Marissa F, Parker G, Peter G, Natalie H, Jericho C, Bailey K, Hayden L, Kimberly M, Angelica M, Madison M, Sienna M, Zachary N, Kobe O, Noah R, Christian V



Congratulations to the following students who will be representing OLA at the Parramatta Diocesan Athletics carnival.

Thomas C, Noah, R, Salvatore C, Zachary N, Gabriela R and Natalie H.

Miss Marchant



Refurbishments

You will have noticed that the demountable currently used for KTOOSH and our music classroom received a refurbishment over the last school holidays. The toilet block on the end of KTOOSH also was refurbished, which included new toilets, paint, flooring and hand washers and dryers.

We ask your cooperation in talking to your children about looking after the toilet facilities throughout the school and if they witness any inappropriate behaviour in the toilets to report it to the teachers. Blockages to the system caused by food, toy items, excessive toilet paper, etc, as well as graffiti and other toilet maintenance caused by inappropriate use is not only an inconvenience when the toilets need to be closed but it also comes at a considerable expense. Please support us in having a conversation with your children about looking after our school facilities.

Morning Drop Off

We have noticed that there has been an increase in the number of students being dropped off before 8.20am. Please try to avoid dropping your children off before 8.20am as the children are unsupervised. If this is unavoidable, please speak to your children about the expectations that they are to sit next to the school gate and not play, especially with balls. Fr Warren welcomes the children into the church to sit quietly and pray reverently, otherwise they are to sit quietly near the school gate. Please consider KTOOSH if dropping off the children before 8.20am is a necessary regular occurrence.

LOST PROPERTY

There is SO MUCH lost property that the tub is overflowing, most of it with no names or they are illegible. If you are missing something, please check and take it, if it is your size and it is unnamed.



P & F News



Have you started getting sponsors?

Sponsorship forms were sent out on Tuesday 6th August.
There is a class tally listed on our facebook page to see how much your class has raised. OLA students do not pay to participate.
Any adults or siblings wishing to participate will need to pay a \$10 entrance fee which includes powder.

This is one you do not want to miss.

Father's Day

This year's Father's Day stall will be held on Wednesday 28th August and Father's Day breakfast will be on Thursday 29th August.
We will be asking for volunteers, so if you can help, please let us know ☺

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Second Hand Uniform sale will be held on Friday 20th September. We will have uniforms for sale from 8.20am till school starts. If you are unable to make it, you can send in an order form and we will process orders of first in first packed.
Stay tuned closer to the date for a list of available items and sizes.

Family Photography Sessions

Family Photography sessions will be held on Sat 7th December and Sun 8th December. Perfect for a Christmas gift for family.



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From the Parish Office...

Confirmations

Our first session for Confirmation for children in Year 6 and older will be on Thursday, 22 August at 7.30pm.

Please note that this session is **COMPULSORY** for all those who would like their child confirm.

Please also note that this is a **PARENT ONLY** session.

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: Mark Robinson

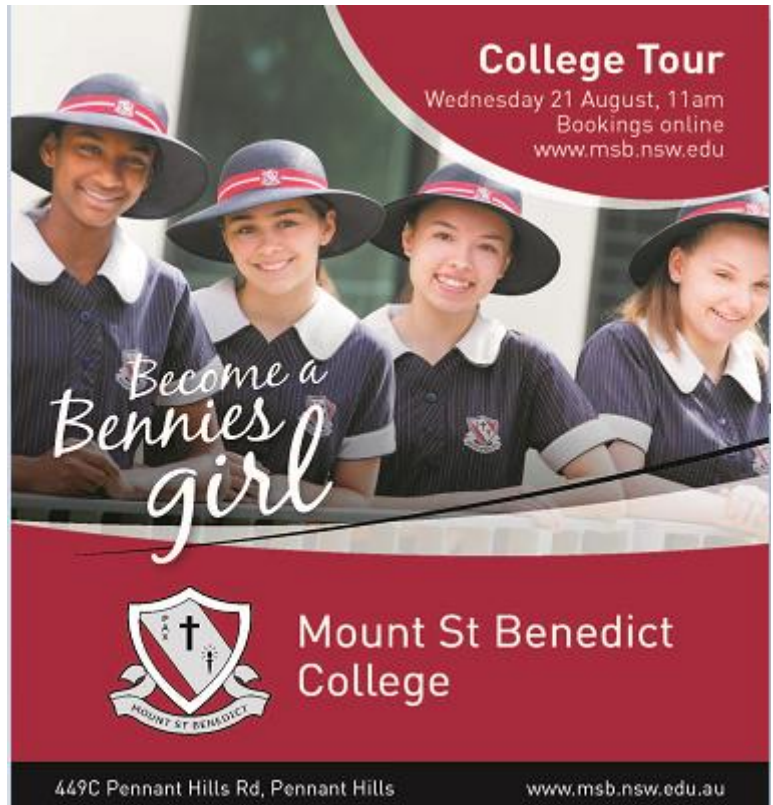
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Congratulations to the Abboud family (Jeanette KB) on the birth of her baby brother, Emile during the last holidays.



Please note: Families with a daughter in Year 5 should apply now for Year 7, 2021.

Registration for Waiting List forms should be lodged by the end of Year 4.

Premier's Reading Challenge

There is only 2 weeks left for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Please ensure all books are entered online and ready to be validated by the end of August.

*Congratulations to the following students who received an archangel award this week:
Maddix Laborte & Gabriella Ponturo*



Cool Kids Music Co – Parent Recital

Please note, that we will be having our parent recital at Our Lady of the Angels Primary School next Thursday afternoon (22nd August) straight after school

Academic Awards

Term 3 Week 3			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Kinder B	Luis Bonney	Scarlett Buchanan	Arlo Barry
Kinder G	Cooper Jones	Korbin Bruckard	Oliver Coughlan
Kinder W	Noah De Leon	Sofia Montgomery	Grace Maddaford
Year 1B	Brayden Zhu	Jennifer- Rose Murphy	Olivia Hartz
Year 1 G	Keanu Edelsinki	John Vickers	Locke Singh
Year 1W	Nate Sloane	Grace Tierney	Flynn Richardson
Year 2 B	Braxton Conliffe	Zoe Bell	Noah Cleary
Year 2 G	Maxmillian Nvene	Maddison Kuea Vilila	Natalia Ponturo
Year 2 W	Phoenix Rich	Eli Nobleza	Kaley Chown

Term 3 Week 4			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Year 3 B	Troy Noel-Osimen	Laura McKeever	Dylan Bell
Year 3 G	Jordan Nobleza	Natasha Cabarles	Luciana Salib
Year 3 W	Venus Mabhena	Clyde Naidu	Maraya Macario
Year 4 B	Georgia Dolahenty	James Conn	Paige Mitrovich
Year 4 G	Maddison Dyke	Olivia Cutajar	Maddix Laborte
Year 4 W	Jake Brown	Luke Smyth	Gabi Ribiero
Year 5 B	Georgia McQuaid	Aidan Vilathgamuwa	Boston Roberts
Year 5G	Alexis Beneke	Isobel Clarke	Ayden Stewart
Year 5W	Justin Medjumurac	Lauren Caraos	Thomas Cutuk
Year 6 B	Sienna Mooney	Chriatian Attard	Marc Skoljarev
Year 6 G	Marcus Castellan	Marissa Farrugia	Grace Bennison
Year 6 W	Sarah Cleary	Madison Mihalic	Nikki O'Neill

