



Our Lady of the Rosary School

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
Fr Brendan - 9623 1962

Newsletter

TERM 2 WEEK 6

We Follow Jesus

5TH JUNE 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 6th June

- Fete Meeting
3.30 - 4.30pm

Thursday 7th June

- Celebration of Learning
2.00 - 2.30pm
Feast of the Sacred
Heart of Jesus

Friday 8th June

- Whole School Athletics
Carnival—Blair Oval

Saturday 9th June

- Fr Brendan 40th
Anniversary Year 6:00pm
Mass

**NO CHILDREN ON
THIS DAY**

**MONDAY 11TH
JUNE**

**QUEEN'S
BIRTHDAY
HOLIDAY**

Tuesday 12th June

- 8.45am - Morning
Assembly
- Y5 attend Sacrament of
Reconciliation

Wednesday 13th June

- Don Bosco- Yr 3

Thursday 14th June

- Back up date Athletics
Carnival

Friday 15th June

- Y4 attending Parish Mass
- Don Bosco- Yr 6

Monday 18th June

- 8.45 - Morning Assembly

Tuesday 19th June

- Y6 receiving Sacrament of
Reconciliation
- Y3 First Reconciliation
Parish Meeting

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends .

Why do you wish to enrol your child at OLR?

During the recent Kindergarten 2019 enrolment interviews I have had the privileged opportunity to listen to parents express their strong desire for a Catholic education for their children. While many stated reasons relating to the high quality of teaching and learning opportunities within a faith community, other parents communicated the positive qualities they see and hear from our children, parents and teachers. I have been very heartened by the way in which parents have expressed the many reasons why they specifically wish their child to attend Our Lady of the Rosary Primary. Sincere thanks to all our children and parents who promote our school community and serve as ambassadors for OLR. Please inform your relatives, friends and neighbours that we are currently enrolling for Kindergarten 2019.



Communication with Class Teachers

If Parents have matters of concern or issues they would like to communicate with the school community the process to follow is:

- The first point of contact is your child's class teacher. As you know teachers are always available to assist if there are concerns, questions or difficulties.
- The usual procedure to manage these matters is firstly your child's class teacher or the stage coordinator.
 - Kindergarten Stage Leader is Mrs Nicole Darby
 - Year 1 and 2 Stage Leader is Mrs Julianne Regan
 - Year 3 and 4 Stage Leader is Mrs Amanda Cassis
 - Year 5 and 6 Stage Leader is Mrs Josie Edwards
- If there are more serious concerns please contact the assistant principal or principal.

To ensure availability please phone the office on 8856 8301 to make an appointment.

If you wish to speak to your child's teacher regarding your child's progress it is necessary to make an appointment for before or after school.



From the Principal cont'd.....

TAKE YOUR COAT!

It is a battle in many households – parents wanting their children to wrap up warmly against the cold weather and the children not wanting to.

What is the psychology behind these daily battles — the cognitive or other barriers that might be preventing children from seeing the good sense of their parents?

Tina Grotzer is an expert on children's understanding of causality — loosely, cause and effect — and on how that understanding informs their decision-making in a complex world. She is a cognitive scientist and a teacher with a background in developmental psychology as well as helping to raise four children.

She developed a series of lessons for second and third graders about what might best be called “the science of coats” — lessons exploring the purpose of insulation and the concepts of heat and temperature. The lessons confronted a common misconception among young students: that coats themselves are a source of heat energy.

Could our battles be solved with a lesson in thermodynamics?

There is some value in helping children understand how coats work, if for no other reason than the science is useful. As adults, we tend to say to our kids, 'Put your coat on, that will make you warm.' What we really mean is, the coat will keep you warm. But it's even more powerful to say, the coat will keep your warmth inside. They keep what's inside in, and what's outside out, as much as possible. So the coat is helping you because then it's not just that it's protecting you against the cold; it's actually holding in something that is yours — your heat energy.

But an appeal to my child's budding science identity won't solve these daily battles, because various social-emotional issues around agency, autonomy, and executive function come strongly into play as well. Agency is one of the most powerful cognitive motivators for children. They learn and grow when they can see and feel the consequences of their own actions. They begin to understand cause and effect during their first year, and they thrive on empowerment — something parents can readily hear as toddlers start to say “I do it myself”.

Inevitably, children test that power, separating from their parents, and building their decision-making capacity.

Their sensory-processing motors are running on high, too, and the feel of a coat with its bulkiness and constriction is often unwelcome, so they'll discard it so they can run and be active.

Running is a reason why the coat feels burdensome; children are generally more active than adults, so they're more comfortable in the cold. They probably don't need a coat as much as we think they do.

As they get older, it becomes all about the peers — ‘Nobody else is wearing a coat.’ That's the group that they care about, and those are the voices they're hearing. So, at that point, parents come second.

As parents, we know that letting go is always painful. But if we can frame the coat battles as a sign that our children are starting to make their own claim on the world, that they are asserting their identity and that they are building their sense of confidence and self-worth - and that we are helping them do that - then maybe the battles can come to an end.

Parents always have to take the long view, even if, in the moment, it can be hard.

Sounds good. Just take your coat!!

Thought for the Week

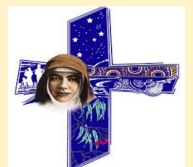
“Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so shall you become”

James Allen.

Have a Blessed Week

Michael Siciliano

PRINCIPAL





From the Assistant Principal's desk...

Welcome to my desk. In each Newsletter I will provide general information, ideas and tips for parents in all key Learning Areas. If you have a particular question or query or anything you would like more information about, please let me know.



Gift of Reading

On Monday, we held our **Book Launch** at OLR. This is linked to our Literacy goal for 2018...**We are working toward building the Reading and Comprehension skills of all of our students.**

As part of this goal the teachers put together

a special day to raise the profile of reading in our whole school community.

We were able to reach out to our CEDP colleagues and members of the community, who came on board to support our project. Our special guests included Emma Hussar (our local member), Kim Franke (a representative from Scholastic) as well as the IT and media team from the Catholic Education Office.

Emma Hussar spoke to the students about the importance of reading and gave the **gift of a Bookmark to every child.**

We were extremely fortunate to enlist the support of Scholastic who generously gave the gift of the book Pig the Star by Aaron Blabey, to **every family in our school.**

We started the day with an hilarious dramatisation of the story by our teachers. A special mention to Mr Eid and Mr Eisenhuth who dressed up and performed the role of the 2 main characters.

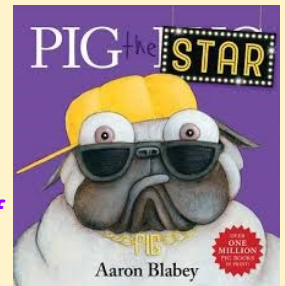
The whole school read the story together, which was an amazing experience. It was wonderful to see siblings and families sitting together sharing in the wonder of reading.

The teachers created some engaging and creative activities in the classrooms including watching **a personalised video message from Aaron Blabey, the author of the book.**

Each class had the opportunity to visit the Photo Booth for their own photo shoot.

Munch and Crunch was also a great success! Thank You to the parents who sent items in to be sold.

We finished the day with Peer Support where the students worked with children from all grades to talk about the themes of humility and kindness.



See the Our Lady of the Rosary facebook page for more photos.



We hope that families continue to share and enjoy the story together in their homes as reading really is a gift and it is the key to unlocking endless opportunities in our world.

"A Book is gift you can open again and again".

A huge thank you to the parents/grandparents and friends who were able to join us on the day. It really showed what a wonderful community we have here at Our Lady of the Rosary.



Kind Regards.... Let us remember that as many hands build a house, so many hearts make this school.

Mrs Julianne Regan
Assistant Principal



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS at OLR

From the page of the Religious Education Coordinator

Parish Mass times are listed for your convenience.

You are invited to join the believing community for Holy Mass at one of the many available times. We are blessed to have this choice.

Saturday 6.00pm.

Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am & 5.30pm

Choose a Mass time that is most suitable time for you and the family.

The Our Lady of the Rosary School Mission Goal for 2018 is stated below:

All students will know how to live our school motto 'We Follow Jesus' through **prayerful reflection and **exploration of scripture** using **the three senses** (Literal, Spiritual and Application).**

The **Three Senses** is a way to unpack scripture and delve deeper into its meaning and message. Ultimately scripture is inviting us to respond to this new learning which will be evident in our thoughts, words and actions.

1. Literal Sense.

To understand the Literal Sense we need to understand the information presented 'on the page'. We need to be successful in locating the following information.

<p>Literal sense</p>	<p>WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? WHY?</p>
<p>Geographical context ~ Historical context</p>	

2. Spiritual Sense. To understand the Spiritual Sense of a piece of scripture we need to see between the lines and discern a deeper meaning and make connections with Catholic teaching, practice and tradition.

<p>Spiritual sense How does it reveal God?</p>	<p>WHAT CONNECTIONS CAN I MAKE TO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Catholic Church teaching, practice and tradition? - Sacraments? - Morals, Catholic Values? - My path to Heaven
<p>Father ~ Son ~ Holy Spirit</p>	

3. Application: The Application Sense is pondering how the Literal and Spiritual Sense applies to our life. What does the Scripture call me to do, and I am invited to reflect on ways that I will love God and my neighbour today and in the days and weeks ahead.

<p>Application sense Applying the literal and spiritual sense</p>	<p>What does it call me to do in my life?</p> <p>How do I love God and my neighbour?</p>
<p>Prayer ~ words ~ thoughts ~ actions</p>	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS at OLR cont'd.....

LITERAL: John 19:31-37 The pierced Christ.

After the account of the passion and death of Jesus, John adds and repeats the personal seal of his testimony, Christ is dead. The soldier did pierce his side and from Jesus' pierced heart blood and water come out. For John, this is the moment of the revelation of the meaning of the sacrifice. What John the Baptist had said much earlier on the shore of the Jordan suddenly became clear: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Christ's redemptive blood was poured out, on the earth, re-

SPIRITUAL

What does this passage reveal about God?
Jesus?

What sacrament is present?

God gave his only Son for the salvation of all humanity.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Christ's redemptive blood was poured out. The blood and water coming out of the side of Christ announce a new age with **Baptism and Eucharist** as its sacraments

Allegorical

SPIRITUAL

- what connections can I make to Catholic teaching

CV2. Community and the Common

Good: going out of your way to help others without expecting anything in return.

CV4: The search for Truth and Wisdom

CV7: Hope and Resurrection

At that point John recalls another prescription of the Jewish ritual 'Not one of his bones shall be broken' Ex 12:46)

Moral

SPIRITUAL

-how does this passage lead me to heaven?

Believing in sacred scripture even with eyes of faith.

-Baptism and Eucharist to nourish and strengthen my spiritual journey.

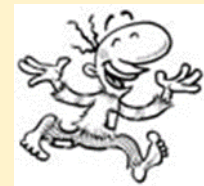
Living the Virtues of faith, hope and love.

-like Mary I am called to action, by living the Good News of the Gospel.

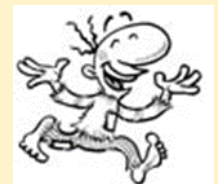
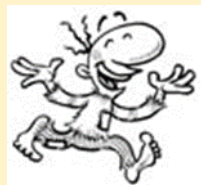
Anagogical

APPLICATION

How does the Literal and Spiritual Sense apply to my life?



What does it call me to do?



Friday June 8 - FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

This Feast is an important reminder of the unconditional, faithful love of God for all people.

After Lent and the fifty days of Easter we now return to Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Year- a time of growing closer to the Lord.

It is a reminder that most of our lives are spent in the very ordinariness of each day and that is where we are invited to live the gospel... loving in the daily... and the feast of the Sacred Heart reminds us of our loving God.

*RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS at OLR cont'd.....***Verse before the Gospel 1 Jn 4:10**

Alleluia, alleluia!
 God first loved us
 and sent his Son to take away our sins.
 Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 19:31-37**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

One of the soldiers pierced his side with a lance, and immediately there came out blood and water.

It was Preparation Day, and to prevent the bodies remaining on the cross during the sabbath – since that sabbath was a day of special solemnity – the Jews asked Pilate to have the legs broken and the bodies taken away. Consequently the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with him and then of the other. When they came to Jesus, they found he was already dead, and so instead of breaking his legs one of the soldiers pierced his side with a lance; and immediately there came out blood and water.

This is the evidence of one who saw it – trustworthy evidence, and he knows he speaks the truth – and he gives it so that you may believe as well.

Because all this happened to fulfil the words of scripture:

Not one bone of his will be broken; and again, in another place scripture says: **They will look on the one whom they have pierced.**

The gospel of the Lord.

R Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Mrs Colleen Fuller

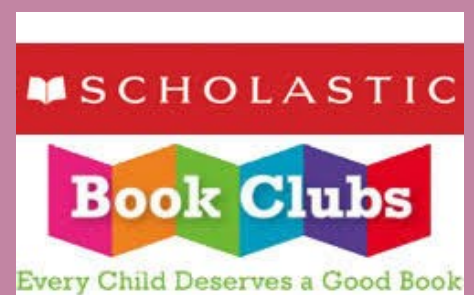
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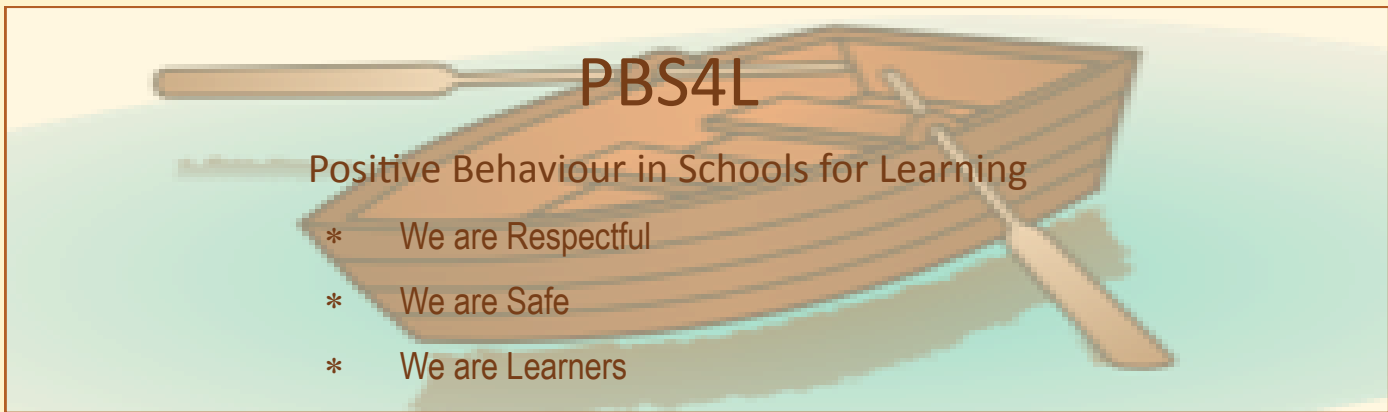
From The Library

Issue 4 of Scholastic Book Club was sent home with students today. Please have all orders paid online or monies returned to the school by Tuesday the 19th of June. This will be the only issue of book club until term 4. In term 3 we will be holding our exciting annual book fair, where students and their families can come in to the school to explore, as well as purchase, first hand the wonderful range of quality books from Scholastic. More information will be provided closer to the date.

I would also like to say a special thank you to the wonderful parents who have generously donated their time recently with covering new resources we have purchased for the school. It is greatly appreciated as it allows the resources to be accessible to the students quite quickly. If anyone is interested in covering resources for the school, please contact me at the school on 8856 8301.

Kind regards,
 Mrs Weston
 Library Administrator





PBS4L Update:

This Term classes are focusing on specific lessons to assist students developing their positive behaviours in all settings of the school. Each week there will be a focus that the whole school will work on together. We encourage you to have a conversation about this with your children at the end of each week to help them strengthen these skills.

Week 5. Be Safe: We walk and move safely.

Week 6: Be Safe: We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.



<p style="text-align: center;">Rowboat Co-ordinator Award</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sailboat Assistant Principal Award</p>
<p>Sophie Sawyer Beau Shearer Charlton Golez Tyrell Nguyen Teischa Acuna Jasroop Bajwa Dylan De Leon Kiera Geoghegan</p>	<p>Holly Blazevic Matilda Khairallah Renee Woodward-Smith Joshua Shadad Amosia Soatini Aleu Aleu Mel Arou</p>

Congratulations

YOUNG LEADERS CIVIC RECEPTION

Our School Captains representing Our Lady of the Rosary at the young leaders Civic Reception hosted by the Mayor of Penrith, Councillor John Thain to acknowledge and congratulate the 2018 School Leaders from the Penrith Local Government Area.



CONSENT FROM PARENTS



If for any reason you **DO NOT** want to have your child's name, photographs, voice (audio), image (video) and Works to be published in hard copy and digital form on school and diocesan websites, school and diocesan social media channels, promotional materials, newspapers and other media for the purpose of promotion and communication of CEDP activities or programs, training materials and resources please advise the school in writing.

PLEASE NOTE: Parents are reminded to take photos of ONLY their child.

Thanking you in anticipation.



Congratulations to the Lagowala family (Navya KN)

on the arrival of a baby girl on the 23rd May 2018.

Wishing you all lots of happy and wonderful memories together!!

God bless and best wishes!

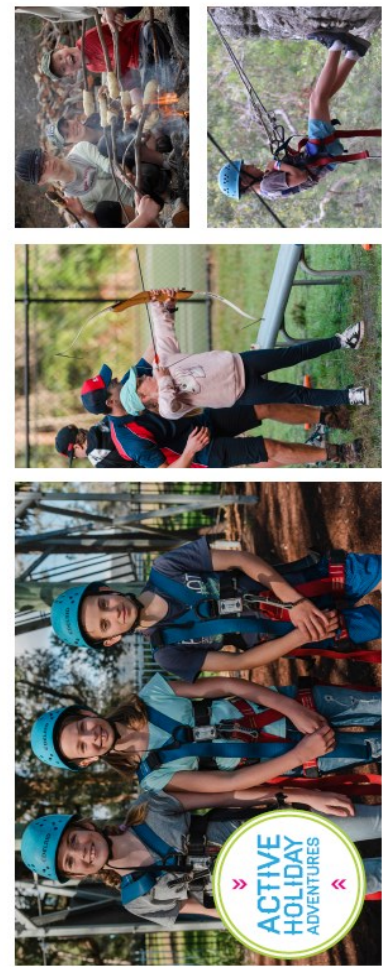




OFFICE OF SPORT
SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
PROGRAMS

Have an active holiday adventure at one of our exciting residential camps these winter school holidays!

- New friendships
- Great value
- Fun
- Safe



BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

For the best holiday fun, our popular residential camps get kids and teens outdoors, learning new skills and making new friends. Our residential programs include:

- 24 hour supervision
- Instructor led activities
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Supervised transport (where applicable)

DON'T MISS OUT
BOOK NOW BEFORE PLACES FILL

For further information phone the Office of Sport on 13 13 02 or book online at

Residential programs for winter 2018

For kids:

- Adventurer (Broken Bay, Millson Island and Myuna Bay)

For teens:

- Adventurer (Broken Bay)

Check out our website for a range of day programs in your local area.



DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

CatholicCare Sydney

Do you know any seniors in your community who could use a little help at home? Our home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call Catholic Care Careline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

Heart Women's Conference: 7-9 June

A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Invite your daughters, mothers, sisters and friends! Men – What women in your life can you spoil by sending them to Heart 2018 at Fairfield RSL? Full Registration Cost: \$199 (See our website for other registration options). Register: Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com or email: heart@TheCatholicGuy.com, phone 1300 734 880

The Pope Francis Movie: 10 and 16 June

Playing at the Sydney Film Festival this 10 and 16 of June – Pope Francis: A Man of His Word. Wim Wenders' (Buena Vista Social Club) new documentary is a personal journey with Pope Francis, rather than a traditional biography. Selected for the 2018 Cannes Film Festival. Tickets at: www.sff.org.au

Vocation Retreat: 16 June

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth are offering an individual discernment weekend retreat from 16 June 2018 at 3:00 pm for women (aged 18-35) who want to discern their vocation to religious life. This retreat is a unique one-to-one encounter. It includes prayer times, talks and accompaniment. It is a great opportunity to have a live-in experience with the sisters. Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP: Sr Paula via email vocationscsfn@gmail.com or mobile 0449 656 406.

Refugee Week: 17-23 June

Jesuit Refugee Services are requesting parishes, community groups and individuals to join in a unique fundraising event - Cook2Connect - during the upcoming Refugee Week, to support asylum seekers and refugees living in the community. The fundraising event will enable JRS to continue and extend the help they now offer to our suffering brothers and sisters. To register, call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or email Joanna.brooke@jrs.org.au or visit www.jrs.org.au.

Catholic Women Speak: 21 June

On June 21, Catholic women from the Diocese of Parramatta will be given the chance to share their views on the opportunities and barriers to their participation in the Catholic Church at 'Catholic Women Speak,' a special consultation session organised by the Council for Australian Catholic Women. RSVP by June 18, 2018 via director.opw@catholic.org.au or Andrea 0487 388 873. Starts from 5.30 pm at Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta (enter via Ross St).