



NEWSLETTER

Our Lady of the Rosary School, Kellyville

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings!

What's in a name?

Do you ever wonder about the names of places buildings or people? One of the first questions we ask the parents of a newborn is "What are you going to call him / her? Generally as parents we have significant reasons for the names we choose for our children, the name means something to us.

It is the same for the official names of public buildings. We are about to name our new hall and Fr. Joe has asked us to name the hall after St. Bonaventure, a famous Franciscan friar from the 13th century. He was a great teacher and leader of the order. He was such a great teacher that after his death he was named a Doctor of the church. Bona venture means "**O good fortune**".

Our new hall is named after a very significant saint and the story of his life will give us a lot to think about.

As previously mentioned our new hall is being blessed and opened next Monday. I hope that many of you will be able to join us for the official opening, which is a significant event in the life of our school.

'When we pray, the voice of the heart must be heard...'



St Bonaventure

Pupil Free Day – Friday 24th Sept

As mentioned last week we are planning a pupil free day this term to review the 2010 NAPLAN data.

The data is being released on the 10th of September. Given the proximity to the school holidays, I felt it would be easier for parents if the day was at the end of the term.

John Spradbrow

Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES



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| Mon 6 Sept | Hall Opening and Liturgy |
| Wed 8 Sept | Mufti Day— Lollies |
| Thurs 9 Sept | Kindergarten Swimming Program |
| Thurs 9 & Fri 10 | Senior School Bathurst Excursion |
| Tues 14 Sept | Kindergarten Social Morning for 2011 Enrolments |
| Fri 17 Sept | Grandparents Day / Book Fair |
| Fri 23 Sept | Pupil Free Day |

RELIGIOUS REFLECTION

23rd Sunday of Year C – September 5th 2010

Based on the Gospel – Luke 14: 25-33

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus is talking about discipleship. Great crowds were following him to see the miracles he worked and to listen to his words. Jesus was explaining to them all that to be a true follower of his means more than just listening and watching.

It means that being Christian has to be more important than anything else in our lives and, even when difficult times come, we need to persevere to accept them willingly, uncomplainingly and even lovingly, as Jesus carried his cross.

We don't just suddenly find ourselves being followers of Jesus. It has to be a conscious decision. Jesus says that a builder doesn't begin a great tower block without first drawing up the necessary plans and making sure he has the money needed to start the venture and the means of acquiring further money as the building progresses.

At Baptism, we receive our first invitation to follow Jesus and, as we grow, we accept that invitation personally and act upon it. As Catholics, we have a number of "helps" along the way, e.g. the Sacraments. We follow Jesus because he is our only way to God who created us.

We know Jesus wants us to enjoy our lives here on earth with our family and friends and also wants us to follow him with willingness and commitment.

Nikki Callan (REC)



ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

ON LINE SCIENCE CHALLENGE



This Friday, 3rd September Year 3/4 On-Line Science Challenge. Students will be completing the next experiment. This week's experiment is about Portable Power. It is a good idea to read about what you will be doing on Friday so that you have some background knowledge about the topic. You can do this by visiting www.giantclassroom.com.au and log in to check out the experiment and then go to www.enrichmentworld.wikispaces.com before the day and check out the websites that are there about the topic. It is important that students wait with their parents at the gate until either Mrs DelVecchio or Mrs Couter come to collect them. It would be appreciated if parents can park their cars in the car park behind the church in order for teachers to easily park their cars in the car park in the morning. Make sure that you complete the questions about the experiment you have completed as soon as you can. There are still many students that have not completed the questions for the previous experiments.

ADVANCED NOTICE - ONLINE SCIENCE CHALLENGE FOR YEAR 5/6 WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER DUE TO BATHURST EXCURSION

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **William Spencer (SN)** as he has become the new fisherman of the school, receiving two trophies—Castle Hill RSL Fishing Club Peter Lynch Memorial Trophy Junior Champion and the Castle Hill RSL Fishing Club Junior Trophy—Best Junior. Well done William.

Also a big congratulations to **Sinead Leahy (3D)**, **Leah Tallon (3G)** and **Maddie Tallon (SN)** who are heading for stardom after being featured in the September issue of TOTAL GIRL magazine. Go Girls.

Deepest Sympathy

The OLOR community would like to express our deepest sympathy to the Banno family. Natalie (4s) and Philip's (3s) Aunty recently passed away. Also please remember the Floro family—sadly Isabella (4P) and Jayden's (2D) Grandmother recently passed away. Could you please keep them in your prayers.



GENERAL NEWS

Voice of Youth



Yesterday our School hosted the Cluster final of the Voice of Youth Competition. Schools in attendance included St Madeline's—Kenthurst, St Bernadettes—Castle Hill, Holy Cross Glenwood and our school.

Each school had 3 representatives and ours were Georgia Couter, Eamon Dunphy and Jack Donnelly.

The standard of the speeches was very high and our children's efforts were outstanding on the day. We are very pleased to announce that Georgia was selected as the winner and will represent our cluster at the finals in October. Well done Georgia

UNIFORM CHANGE OVER

Please note as of today 1 September, students are allowed to wear either full winter uniform or full summer uniform at the discretion of parents.



In Term 4 students are to wear full summer uniform only.

Coles Shopping Dockets for sports equipment.



You may be aware that Coles are running a shopping docket promotion to assist schools to acquire sports equipment. We have registered to participate in the promotion but do not feel that we need any equipment. We are hoping to collect lots of dockets and assist St. John's at Riverstone: a small Catholic School near us. Small schools find it more difficult than us to raise funds and to benefit from promotions like this one.

We could collect the dockets for ourselves, however, this is an opportunity to help another school.

Coles Supermarket dockets can be sent into the office. Thank you for your help with this.

SPORTS SPECTACULAR

LIBRARY LOOK



NSWCNA Junior School Championships

Great weather and great netball. I haven't attended a netball gala day for several years and yesterday it was terrific to see the standard of our students. They were fabulous. We sent three teams to the state championships who had not had the opportunity to get a great deal of practice and we had a wonderful result.

The Senior boys had a mixed day with 4 wins, 3 losses and a draw. Boys always make netball look like a hybrid of several sports (from hot potato to AFL) and is always great entertainment value. They played really well and improved dramatically with several surprise packages exploding onto the court.

Both the 12/13 Girls and our Mixed Juniors had sensational days, without losing a match. The mixed Junior team had the added dimension of the girls combining with boys and whilst this may have proved awkward—they worked really well together and proved unbeatable—some definite unbeatable stars there. The Senior Girls netball was of an exceptional standard and a pleasure to watch. They are outstanding.

Thank you so much to Mrs Brown and Mrs Horne for your help in coaching the Junior and Girls teams and for our other parents who helped out in transporting our children. As always it is great to see our very supportive parents.

A huge huge thankyou to our two old old ex-students Abby Papenhuyzen and Rachael Horne who umpired all day. It is always great to see you again and we greatly appreciate your help on the day. Congratulations to you all on the day.....

Thank you

Mrs Harvey

12/13 Girls—Tayla Fraser, Georgia Quick, Chloe Sidhu, Ashley Silva, Olivia Cappello, Emily Horne, Sophie Martin, Emily Rozic, Rachel Farlanga and Nicole Gough

Senior Boys—Callum Gracie, Luke Smith, Jordan Lane, Ryan Papenhuyzen, Jarryd Baffico, Sean Du-Crest, Aaryn Favell, Ryan Barton, Ranier Pasahol, Joshua Gilmour

Junior Mixed—Paolo Bonnani, Kyle Ekstrom, Jordan Brown, Lizzie Raggio, Sophie Cappello, Halle Neal and Sinead Dunphy.

Bonjour! I have returned after a wonderful holiday and it's lovely to be back. A big thank you to Mrs Shirley King and Mrs Hunt for looking after the library so well in my absence and for all their hard work running this year's Book Fair. I would also like to thank you all for your support with the Book Fair and I am looking forward to buying some great new resources with the commission.

A second Book Fair will be hosted at the school by The Children's Bookshop, Beecroft on Grandparent's Day (Friday 17th September). This will have different stock to Scholastic and will just be a browse and buy format.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is now finished for 2010. We are unable to validate any more records. We have had a fantastic response this year with 317 students completing the challenge. Well done to all these people.

Mrs. Julie Walter
Teacher Librarian



PARISH INFORMATION

Enrolments for First Holy Communion in 2010

Enrolments for First Holy Communion will be at all the Masses (except 11am on 11th Sept) on 11th/12th and 18th/19th September. Children who made their First Reconciliation are eligible to enroll.

Parish Maintenance Team

Would you like to be part of a team of volunteers who maintain our parish premises? There are items which regularly need updating such as painting the speed humps, replacing bitumen on the driveway etc? If you are able to be part of this useful team, please call the parish office on 9629 2595.

TOT with Bishop Anthony: 6 September

Bishop Anthony will be the guest speaker at the next Theology on Tap (for young adults 18-35). Starts 6.30pm at PJ Gallagher's Irish Pub, 74 Church Street, Parramatta. With WYD in Madrid just a year away, Bishop Anthony is inviting the young people of the Diocese to share in the spirit of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. See the video at: (<http://www.parra.catholic.org.au/youth>) www.parra.catholic.org.au/youth

PJ Gallagher's Irish Pub has generously offered to sponsor 1 TOT attendee to join a WYD pilgrimage priced at \$3,590. To be in the running you must fill out a raffle ticket at a TOT event between July & November 2010. Tickets are FREE!

Jesus the Christ – Fully Human, Truly Divine

The fourth national e-Conference on 16 September is an opportunity for every parish to have a world-class faith formation opportunity delivered locally. The principal speaker, Fr Gerald O'Collins SJ, will engage you as he shares his insights into the life and ministry of Christ. An initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference hosted by the Broken Bay Institute. To register as an individual or as a group, go to (<http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/>) www.bbi.catholic.edu.au



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BIRTHDAY NEWS

Congratulations to the following students who will be celebrating Birthdays
Wed 1/09/2010 - Tues 7/09/2010:

- ★ Jarryd Baffico
- ★ Caitlin Synnott
- ★ Anthony Pecar
- ★ Breanna Egiziano
- ★ Gabriella Gallardo
- ★ Peter Osterlund

- Matthew Drane
- Liam Van Bilton
- Imogen Lane
- Paige Millingham



★ Sorry—Mitchell Shorrock and Aaron Smith were omitted from last week's
★ newsletter—Happy Belated Birthday!



RAFFLE TICKETS

Just a reminder that raffle ticket order forms need to be returned to the office by 3 September 2010. Tickets are just \$2 each and there are 10 tickets in each booklet. Please order as many booklets as you think you may be able to sell as any unsold tickets can be returned to school."

**THANK YOU THANK YOU
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Thanks to all parents and children who supported the bottle drive last week. It was a great success. Your support is truly appreciated.

Also a big thank you to all the organisers and helpers of yesterday's Father Day Stall. Without your time and effort the day would not have been possible.

Regards
OLOR PRC



Next Wednesday 8 September we will be holding our 3rd and final mufti day for our school fair. Children may wear mufti clothes in exchange for \$2. The money raised will help raise funds for the BEST lolly stall ever seen at an OLOR fair. We want to provide an exciting stall with a great range of 'good quality' lollies and sweets.

CANTEEN CORNER

NEW MENU ITEMS FOR TERM 3

This term the canteen has some new products available.

- WATERMELON WHIZZ \$1.00**
- FROZEN STRAWBERRY BITES 50c**
- FROZEN WATERMELON BITES 50c**
- FROZEN ORANGES 20c**
- VANILLA ICE CREAM CUPS \$1.50**
- FROZEN STRAWBERRY YOGURT \$1.80**

Please remember that if you are unable to perform your allocated canteen duty please call Kym ASAP. Be aware that on days where we have insufficient volunteers, we have no option but to close the canteen.

Canteen Money

A reminder to parents when returning money to the canteen or placing lunch orders **please secure the envelopes or bags** to avoid money getting lost or going missing. If you have any questions please feel free to contact either:
KAREN
0430 764 603 or
KYM 0430 753 382.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Canteen will not be open on **Monday 6th of September 2010** due to the Official Opening and Blessing of our New School Hall.

Students must remember to bring their own lunch, snacks and drinks on



Congratulations to all those who contributed to Daffodil Day. OLOR collected \$234.75

Also a big thank you to the families who assisted with the Vinnies Sleep out. Our revised

THANK YOU

Mrs Michelle Newman would like to thank the very honest students who recently handed in the lost property of Hayley (KS). She is very grateful

Canteen Roster Term 3 Week 8

Monday 6 Sept	Tuesday 7 Sept	Wednesday 8 Sept	Thursday 9 Sept	Friday 10 Sept
CANTEEN CLOSED	Sue Mifsud Sharon Rowe Kara Levy Renai Bone 1PM CANTEEN COMMITTEE MEETING FOR ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS VISITORS ALSO WELCOME	Anna Dunphy Zelka Winsloe Donna Findlay Louise Banno	Natalie Rozic Cathy Barko Michelle Dean Helen Kelava	Katrina Littlefield Sue Ellen Roberts Cathie Viertel 3 More helpers please

SPORTS SPECTACULAR (cont)

DIOCESAN ATHLETICS



A record 28 students participated in the Diocesan Carnival at Blacktown Olympic Park last Friday.

We continued with another record with 16 athletes being successful in gaining selection in the Parramatta Team for the Interdiocesan Carnival to be held in September.

A huge congratulations to all our athletes on their fantastic efforts on the day. It is a terrific achievement to reach this level of competition and each and every one should be very proud of their success.

Below is the list of those who will compete at the Interdiocesan Athletics with their results last Friday included.

One special mention should be given to Kyle Ekstrom who broke the Junior Boys Discuss record for the second time this season—both at Zone and Diocesan. Congratulations Kyle (he is also a great goal shooter).

Thankyou to those parents who helped with left on the day—our support system is fantastic. Read on and be proud of your achievements:

Phillip Banno—9 Years 100m (2)

Aaron Creagh—11 Years 100m (2)

Kyle Ekstrom—10 Years Discuss (1)

Tayla Fraser—11 Years 800m (1)

Joshua Littlefield—10 Years 100m (3)

Aidan Noor—10 Years Long Jump (3)

Ryan Papenhuyzen—12 Years 100m (3) and Long Jump (1)

Joshua Roberts—9 Years Standing Shot SWD (4) and Standing Long Jump SWD (3)

Kaitlyn Rozic—8 Years 100m (4)

Tahlia Silcock—12 Years High Jump (3)

Daniel Topic—11 Years Discuss (3)

Kaan Yenigun—12 Years 800m (3)



OLOR Female 4 x 100m Relay (3) - Carley Russell, Maddison Gilmour, Marisa Varrica, Emily Mooney

OLOR Male 4 x 100m Relay (1) - Aidan Noor, Kyle Ekstrom, Philip Banno, Joshua Littlefield

Special Note: Congratulations to Kiana Chessa (ex-student) who ran in the 100m for her zone on the day—great effort—5th