



NEWSLETTER

Our Lady of the Rosary School, Kellyville

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings!

Welcome to Term 3, I hope that the school holidays provided some break from the routines of school lunches, uniforms and homework.

I had the opportunity to visit all the classes on Monday, the children seemed very settled and happy to be back in the school routine; well most of them did.

I have been very impressed with the friendly nature of the children and the warm welcome they have offered me. I am looking forward to being part of the OLOR community.

Thank you to the staff for all the preparation that went into the start of Term 3. It is appreciated.

Gathering Information

I have already observed some great things at OLOR, however, one of the benefits of change is the opportunity to view what is happening with "fresh eyes". I am asking the community to assist me gather some information about OLOR School (to take a look at the school with "fresh eyes").

I have two questions:

- What is working well at our school?
- What can we do better or differently?

I'll collate your responses along with those of the staff and children and use these to plan how we work together. Thanks for help with this.

A Matter of Justice

Last term I listened (whilst driving to North Rocks) to the book "**Not For Sale**" – **The Return of the Global Slave Trade and How We Can Fight It.**

It was a very challenging and confronting book. I had no idea of the extent of modern slavery. I didn't know that there are 27 million people world wide in slavery today including people here in Sydney.

On Monday night, I attended a presentation by the author of the book (David Batstone) on the modern slave trade. Again it was a very confronting presentation. There is good news though; each of us can do something about it. Could I encourage you to have a look at the website below and have a think about what we can do. Let me know if you would like to be part of an OLOR action group.

<http://www.notforsalecampaign.org/>

John Spradbrow

Principal

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Important Dates

Wed 21 July	Confirmation Information Night for Parents at 7.30pm
Fri 23 July	PSSA Cross Country
Tues 27 July	Cake Day (Year 1 to supply) Netball Gala Day
Sun 25 July	Right of Commitment for Confirmation (11am Mass only)
Mon 2 August	Pat's Celebration Morning Program



RELIGIOUS REFLECTION

17th Sunday of Year C – July 25th 2010

Based on the Gospel – Luke 11: 1-13

Prayer is our direct link with God and the source of our personal relationship with God. In this Sunday's Gospel, the disciples saw that Jesus' experience of prayer was quite different from theirs. What he taught them was not new words but a new understanding of a relationship with God.

Prayer is our daily conversation with God who loves us and will always be there for us.

Many people say, "God doesn't give me what I ask for", yet in the Gospel reading Jesus says, "Ask, seek, knock." We can be absolutely sure that God will give us what is good and necessary for us and for our spiritual growth and development. God has our well-being at heart although at times we may have difficulty seeing this. Jesus gave us the "Our Father" to pray that we may be as forgiving and understanding with others as God is with us.

By spending time and developing our personal relationship with God, our celebration of Sunday Mass will become more meaningful and important to us.

Nikki Callan (REC)



ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

UNSW Competitions

A reminder that the English Competition will be on Tuesday 3rd August and Mathematics on Tuesday 17th August.



ONLINE SCIENCE CHALLENGE

Online science challenge begins this term on Friday morning. If your child is participating they would have received a letter this week with their log in and password details.

For dates and information about the experiments visit the website www.enrichmentworld.wikispaces.com and click on the Online Science Challenge link on the left hand side.

It is a good idea if your child reads through some information about the experiment before they come for their session.

Due to safety reasons, parents are required to wait with their child at the gate until either Mrs DelVecchio or Mrs Couter come to collect them at 7.50am.

Regards

Joanna DelVecchio



PRC NEWS

Next Friday we will be having the first of 3 multi-day to collect items for our Fair which will be held on Friday 22 October 2010.

Friday 30 July, the children may wear mufti clothes in exchange for a full can of soft drink. These cans must be a brand i.e. Coke, Sprite etc. We will be collecting these cans to sell at the Fair. The cans will be collected from both of the school entry points.

Thank you

OLOR PRC

LITTLE ATHLETICS

Hills District Little Athletics

Welcomes children aged 5 (tiny tots) - 17 to join in family fun and fitness with Little Athletics. **Registration Days for 2010/11**

season will be held on **Friday 20 August 6pm – 8pm/Sunday 29 August 10am - 2pm at A.H. Whaling Reserve, Roxborough Park Rd, Baulkham Hills**

New athletes will be required to provide proof of age at registration. Please bring Birth Certificate, Blue Book or Passport. Register online at <http://www.laansw.com.au> from 1 August 2010. **Season commences 8am Sat 4th Sept 2010.** For further enquires please contact Joanne 8677 0188 / 0404 452 210 or Trish 9634 3213.



SPORTS SPECTACULAR

OLOR Kids Set New Record

Next Tuesday 27th July, over 150 children from our school will be participating in a netball gala day. This is a record number of children from OLOR taking part in a single representative sports event—almost one quarter of the entire school population!

Congratulations to all the girls and boys on having a go in this non-competitive carnival where the emphasis is on participating, being active and above all having fun. Many thanks to all those involved in the organisation of the day, especially Mrs Luland, Mrs Batten and Mrs Bawden and to all who are assisting on the day itself. Best wishes to all teams on the day. I know you will do us all proud. Get out there and have a fun day.

Mark Devlin

Assistant Principal

ZONE ATHLETICS

For your information notes for Zone Athletics will be distributed this Friday.

It will be greatly appreciated if these notes could be returned to school as soon as possible.



GENERAL NEWS

Catholic School Parents Forum: Learning for today's world

Wednesday 1 September 2010 7.00 pm for 7.30pm - 9.00pm (Tea and coffee served on arrival) Holy Spirit Primary, 7 Todd Row, St Clair
Q & A panel-style format. Panel includes executive director of schools, Greg Whitby, a principal, teacher and parent from the Parramatta Diocese and educators from outside the diocese.

Topics

What does contemporary learning and teaching look like?

How can personalising student learning cater to the diverse needs of all students?

How does teacher collaboration improve teacher quality?

How does contemporary learning impact on the learning environment? (e.g. need for flexible learning spaces, acoustics, classroom management, etc)?

Does the educational research support this approach?

RSVP and submit a question online by 25 August via www.parra.catholic.edu.au

The panel facilitator will select a range of questions in each topic area for the panel to respond to and, time-permitting, questions from the floor will also be accepted. Any unanswered questions on the website will be responded to following the panel.

PARISH INFORMATION

CONFIRMATION

Candidates and parents please remember Information Night: 7.30pm this Wednesday 21st July in the parish office.

Commitment Mass: 11am Sunday 25th July. Confirmation Day: 11am Sunday 12th September.

"SACRIFICIAL GIVING" ENVELOPES

There are still envelopes awaiting collection from the back of the church by families who donate regularly in this way. Please collect them. If you would like to receive a box of envelopes for your family but have not registered, please call the parish office. Credit card facilities are available from the parish office.

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a programme designed specifically for those who wish to become Catholic. The programme involves a process and more of a journey by which the person is introduced to the catholic faith and at the same time given the opportunity to reflect and discern their decision. We are accepting names of those interested. Simply call the office during working hours and leave your personal details. Fr Paschal will then contact you with more details about the RCIA programme.



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STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

The Solo Parent Ministry (Centacare Catholic Social Services) is holding its next Workshop for those who are separated or divorced, at the Diocesan Assembly Centre, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown on Wed 28th July. 6.30 for 7.00 pm start. This month we are focusing on "Assertive Communication": how relationships are enhanced when we communicate to others in a way that is appropriately assertive rather than aggressive or passive. Bookings are essential; to do so contact Sr. Eileen on 9933 0205 or eileen.quade@ccss.org.au
<mailto:eileen.quade@ccss.org.au>

BIRTHDAY NEWS

Congratulations to the following students who will be celebrating Birthdays
Wed 21/07/2010 - Tues 27/07/2010

Cooper Price	Adam Bright	Jasmine Corcoran
Sophia Crapis	Kiara Drewery	Braith Sandy
Paul McPhillips	Tiarn Maxwell	
Jack Tramonte	Tiffany Krkac	
Roberto Ferreira	Benjamin Wilson	
Jayden Sandy	Tiarnie Apap	
Jordan Prince	Brendan White	



School Fees

Dear Parents

Please be aware that School fees for Term 3 2010 will be issued by CEO at the end of this week. Fees will be due by 20 August 2010.

CANTEEN CORNER

NEW MENU ITEMS FOR TERM 3

This term the canteen has some new products available.

WATERMELON WHIZZ - \$1.00
(fresh watermelon juice frozen)

FROZEN STRAWBERRY BITES - 50c
bag(frozen strawberry pieces)

VOLCANO ROLL \$3.90
(lunch roll filled with bolognaise sauce and topped with melted cheese)

DONT FORGET ON Monday its "**CHICKEN CHIPPY DIPPER DAY**"
"\$4.00 (3 crumbed chicken fingers with mashed potato and gravy) This special finishes at the end of Term 3

ALSO STILL AVAILABLE
CHOCOLATE MOOUSE CUPS .80c
JELLY CUPS .60c
BANNANA CUSTARD CUPS \$1.00
UP AND GO \$1.80

Please Note: Burgerman chips are no longer available and will be replaced by Cheese Balls 50c per pack.

As always we are on the lookout for new volunteers for the canteen. This week we will be sending home a **volunteer registration form**. Please keep in mind that volunteering is a great way to help our school.

WE ARE DESPERATE FOR EXTRA HELPERS NEXT THURSDAY AND FRIDAY. PLEASE CALL KYM ASAP IF YOU CAN ASSIST.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact either:
KAREN 0430 764 603 or
KYM 0430 753 382.

Canteen Roster Term 3 Week 2

Monday 26 July	Tuesday 27 July	Wednesday 28 July	Thurs 29 July	Friday 30 July
Karen Bonanni Tracey Hunt Mary Boulos	Vicky Apap Lisa Kalocsai Helga Traynor Julianne Cappello	Leonie White Joanne Tremonte Melissa Pala	Saadiya Abid 2-3 more helpers needed please	Angie Maxwell 4 more helpers needed please