



# NEWSLETTER

## Our Lady of the Rosary School, Kellyville

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Eight and a half years ago I wrote my first newsletter to you and now, sadly, this is my final one. During those years I have tried to share with you my hopes and dreams for our school and discuss with you any new ideas, proposals or problems we have faced. I hope you have found the newsletters informative and I have always appreciated the responses I have received to any surveys etc when I have requested your thoughts.

I have been very privileged to be the principal of such a wonderful school with highly talented and dedicated staff, committed and supportive parents and parish priests who have always been an integral part of the school. I will miss many aspects of my life at OLOR – the camaraderie and friendship of everyone, sharing a laugh or a frustration and hearing the sound of happy children involved in their learning. I know that I will shed a few tears in the next few days as I say goodbye to everyone but I also know that there IS a life after teaching and I am excited about the new prospects that are opening up for me.

Thank you all for your friendship, support and for being a part of my life for over eight years. I will miss you all.

It is also my happy duty to announce the name of our new principal. He is Mr John Spradbrow who is presently the principal of St Matthew's, Windsor and has been acting principal at Christ the King school, North Rocks for two terms. John will bring a wealth of experience to his new role and we are very fortunate that he is joining us.

A letter will be coming home today to all parents from the Executive Director, Mr Greg Whitby, introducing Mr Spradbrow to the OLOR community.

Kind regards,

**Pat Mervin**

**Principal**



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### Important Dates



|                   |                                                       |
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| Thursday 1 July   | Peer Support Final Session and Party                  |
| Thursday 1 July   | Year 1 Celebrations Day                               |
| Friday 2 July     | Term 2 Concludes                                      |
| Monday 19 July    | Term 3 Commences                                      |
| Wednesday 21 July | Confirmation Information Night for Parents at 7.30pm  |
| Fri 23 July       | PSSA Cross Country                                    |
| Sun 25 July       | Right of Commitment for Confirmation (11am Mass only) |

# RELIGIOUS REFLECTION

## 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year C – June July 4<sup>th</sup> 2010

### Based on the Gospel – Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20

Like the people Jesus chose in the Gospel story this Sunday, we are all called to spread the good news to evangelize. Because we have many churches, we may consider our country to be “Christian” but not everyone has personally heard the good news. In fact, more than one third of our population consider themselves “of no religion”.

Jesus has shown us that his message is for all people, not just the Jews and not just the people who belong to the Catholic Church. Jesus wants us to reach out to all people, to ask them to live by Christian values, and to tell them what God is doing in our lives.

In the last decade or so, the Pope declared a time of evangelization for the whole Church. This continues to be a responsibility for each one of us, not just our Church leaders and missionaries. Statistics show that a large majority of people who joined the Church were first introduced to the faith by a friend or relative.

Our ongoing commitment as Christians is to evangelize in our everyday lives by spreading the peace and love of God, bringing hope, joy and healing to everyone we meet.

Nikki Callan (REC)



## ENRICHMENT PROGRAM



### Chess

Congratulations to the following students who won the chess games last week:

Branden White  
Ben Manning  
Joshua White  
Branden Corcoran  
Jack Manning  
Emily Rozic  
Eric Scarcella  
Tomasso Debatista

Luca Flor  
Matthew Freeman  
Alex Arezza  
Kane Hourigan  
Joshua Barko  
Sarah Elias

### On - Line Science Challenge

Those students who received a note requesting payment for the On- Line Science challenge please make sure that the money is paid by THURSDAY 1st July to ensure a place for your child.

### Poetry and Rotary Writing competition.

Thank you and good luck to all the students who have entered the Poetry and Rotary Writing competition.

Regards

Joanna DelVecchio



## LIBRARY NEWS

### PRC

Our “Wall of Fame” is growing as children complete the PRC and return their signed forms to the Library. If your child has lost their form, please ask them to drop into the Library for a replacement form. If your child hasn’t completed the challenge yet, they could use the holidays to catch up. The PRC books are clearly labeled at the local libraries as school borrowing has finished for the term.

### Surprise Storytellers

Our “Surprise Storytelling” has finished for the term. This has been a valuable initiative promoting reading for pleasure which I am sure everyone has enjoyed.



### Book Returns

All books and classroom readers should have been returned to the library this week. Borrowing will resume in Week 1 of Term 3.

### Term 3 Events

We will be having our annual Book Fair in Week 4 and a theatre performance the same week, as part of our Book Week celebrations. More information will be sent home early next term.

### Long Service Leave

I will be taking LSL until week 7 next term. Mrs. Shirley King will be replacing me and Mrs Hunt will still be here on Wednesdays and Fridays if you need assistance. Have a great holiday break & thank you for your continued support.

## SPORTS SPECTACULAR

## STAR STUDENT

### Coaching Sessions

Thank you to Greater Western Sydney AFL and Parramatta Eels, who have been out this week to give brief coaching sessions to some of our classes.

We hope all student enjoyed the experience and we apologise if they could not get to everyone on the day.

We hope to run this training again in the near future.

### Zone Athletic

A note for the Zone Athletic will be distributed to students next term.

The date for Zone Athletics is Friday 13 August 2010.

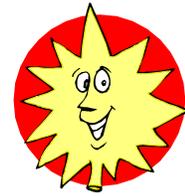
Enjoy your holidays.

Mrs Harvey



***“ I love My Mum because she give Me healthy dinner. I love My Dad because he takes Me to the restaurant. I love God because he gave Me a brain and heart”.***

By Matthew Van Biljon (KS)



## GENERAL NEWS

### Our Deepest Sympathy

We offer our deepest sympathy to the Campbell family with the recent passing of Sarah (3G) and Ryan's (1S) Great Grandmother. Our prayers are with you all.



### Mega Swim

Ben Wilson would like to thank everyone who sponsored him for the mega swim.

He raised in total \$920.70 for people with MS. In the 24 hours he swam 8 KMS.

Fantastic effort Ben.

### Important Notice Date Claimer: 1 September, 7pm Catholic Schools Parent Forum Learning for today's world

Topics include:

- What does contemporary learning and teaching look like?
- How does this impact on the learning environment (e.g. flexible learning spaces)?
- How can personalising learning cater to the diverse needs of all students?
- Does the educational research support this approach?

Hosted by Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta in partnership with the Parent Representative Council.

More details to follow in Term 3

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Concert in St Patrick's Cathedral: 1 July

The Sydney Symphony will bring the power of brass and organ to Parramatta for a special performance on Thursday 1 July at 8pm. Program includes music by Monteverdi, JS Bach, Richard Strauss, Wagner and more. Tickets: \$30. Bookings: Sydney Symphony Box Office tel (02) 8215 4600 or at: [www.sydneyssymphony.com](http://www.sydneyssymphony.com) <<http://www.sydneyssymphony.com>>

### Theology on Tap: 5 July

Immaculée Illegalize, (author of *Left to Tell*) survived the 1994 Rwandan genocide, hiding in a bathroom for 91 days with 7 other women, while most of her family was murdered. Come and hear her moving story of living faith, hope and charity that led her to forgiveness. Starts 6.30pm at PJ Gallagher's Irish Pub, 74 Church St, Parramatta. \$10 steaks before 7pm. For young adults 18-35. Details: [www.theologyontap.com.au](http://www.theologyontap.com.au) <<http://www.theologyontap.com.au>>

**SCENE – Sydney Congress Embracing the New Evangelisation: 12-16 July** Bishop Julian Porteous, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney and chair of the congress, welcomes people of all ages, especially youth, to come together and learn about the New Evangelisation, called for by Pope John Paul II. Details: [www.scene.org.au](http://www.scene.org.au) <<http://www.scene.org.au>>





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**Take Time**



Take time to THINK... it is the source of power.

Take time to PLAY...it is the secret of perpetual youth.

Take time to READ...it is the fountain of wisdom.

Take time to PRAY...it is the greatest power on earth.

Take time to LOVE and BE LOVED...it is a God-given privilege.



**BIRTHDAY NEWS**

Congratulations to the following students who will be celebrating Birthdays  
Wed 30/06/2010 - Tues 20/07/2010

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|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| ★ Jonathan Khairy        | Lavinia Jarman      | Tyrone De Vera      |
| ★ Lachlann Le May Wright | Liam Traynor        | Sarah Apap          |
| ★ Cameron D'Costa        | Joshua White        | Cameron Schofield   |
| ★ Tyler Pettersen        | Aiden D'Anastasi    | Rhys Murray         |
| ★ Angelina Kondakoff     | Camryn Casserly     | Alicia Knispel      |
| ★ Luka Pecar             | Logan Eyles         | Tasmin Knispel      |
| ★ Justine Cremona        | Tommaso De Battista | Nash Cain           |
| ★ Jacqueline Cremona     | Andrew Rimac        | Arman Zakarian      |
| ★ Mia Hourigan           | Christian Arango    | La'Tisha Bordador   |
| ★ Olivia Horsley         | Luca Natale         | Jaime Phillips      |
| ★ Zach Dimech            | Benjamin Plummer    | Gemma Ferris        |
| ★ Matthew Tramonte       | Hannah Blanch       | Jason Pandazopoulos |
| ★ Cassandra Lopez        | Bradley Sheehan     | Daniel Topic        |
| ★ Nicole Mustafa         | Renee Bonello       | Sophia Cappello     |
| ★ Andrew Scarsbrook      | Georgia Criss       | Luke Murray         |
| ★ Emily Cruceanu         |                     |                     |



**LOST PROPERTY**

Please Note: If anyone may have mistakenly picked up a foot orthotic at last week's Motiv8 session, could they please return it to the OLOR Office as soon as possible.

**REMINDER: There will be no banking this Friday 2 July—**  
**Thank you**



**CANTEEN CORNER**

*Well it is hard to believe we have come to the end of Term 2—we are half way through the year already.*

*A big thankyou to all of our volunteers for their time and hard work this Term. It is greatly appreciated.*

**REMINDERS: Sushi has finished for this term it will not be available until Term 4.**

**NEW MENU ITEMS FOR TERM 3**

**Volcano Roll**  
( lunch roll filled with bolognese sauce and topped with cheese and warmed )

**Strawberry Bites**  
( frozen strawberry pieces )

**Watermelon whizz**  
( fresh watermelon juice frozen )

Don't forget our exciting new menu is now located on the OLOR website. Just go to School and drop down to Canteen Menu. YUM YUM.

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 1**

| Monday 19 July                                                          | Tuesday 20 July                                | Wednesday 21 July                                                                    | Thurs 22 July                                                      | Friday 23 July                                                                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mary Zahra<br>Jacinta Berle<br><br>At least 1 more helper needed please | Rita Mizzi<br>Maria Zofrea<br>Veronique Wright | Linda Watters<br>Melissa Dimmock<br>(from 10.30am)<br>Justine Kropman<br>(from 11am) | Laura Egiziano<br>Terri Chessa<br>Tina Scriberras<br>Nicole Mooney | Lisa Lopez<br>Sascha Horsley<br>Michelle White<br>Vanessa Johnston<br>Monique Lao |