



NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

TERM 1
WEEK 3
2013

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, KELLYVILLE

Greetings!

One of the nice things about seasons is that they reoccur. You can re-experience all the pleasures of spring and summer each year. If you are like me you may enjoy the cooler weather each year and not so much of the intense heat.

One of the pleasant things about the reoccurrence of lent each year is that it provides us with the opportunity to renew ourselves with new spiritual goals.

One of the best things for me about Lent is the reminder of the unconditional forgiveness of God. The fact that we can start over and over again is a gift that we struggle to comprehend and accept.

Just as difficult sometimes is the expectation of our forgiveness for others. This can be really difficult, especially if we are hurt deeply.

On Sunday we heard the story of the apostles being asked by Jesus to cast their nets out further. Fr. Joseph described this as an invitation for us to “stretch” ourselves, try a little harder.

We have been asking the children to try this “stretch” out this week. We are encouraging them to see how they can try a little harder to forgive, to use gentle words; to be the face of Jesus to others.

Best wishes with your Lenten goals,

John Spradbrow

Principal

PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS

Please find below the parent information evening schedule. Your attendance is greatly appreciated.

Year 2: Wednesday, 20 February 6.30-7.30pm

Year 3: Tuesday, 19 February 6.30 – 7.30pm

Year 4: Monday, 18 February 6.30 – 7.30pm

Year 5/6: Tuesday, 19 February 6.30 – 7.30pm

IMPORTANT DATES 2013

Wed 13 Feb	Ash Wednesday
Tues 26 Feb	P & F meeting at 7.30pm
Mon 4 Mar	OLOR School Photos
Mon 11–Fri 15 Mar	Catholic Schools Week
Mon 11 Mar	School Liturgy at 2pm
Sun 17 Mar	St Patrick’s Day
Sun 24 Mar	Parish Working Bee
Fri 29 Mar	Good Friday Station of the Cross
Mon 1 Apr	Easter Monday
Fri 12 Apr	Term 1 2013 Ends
Sat 20 Apr	Parish Dinner Dance
Mon 29 Apr	Term 2 2013 Begins

SPORTS SPECTACULAR

Zone Swimming

Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday 26 February at Oasis Pool, South Windsor.

Notes for all competitors will go home today.

If they could be returned ASAP, it would be appreciated.

Parents please note: Relays are the last event of the day.

As with all carnivals we are expected to provide parent volunteers to time keep on the day, so if you could please let me know if you can assist for any amount of time and we can share the load.

Thanking you in anticipation of your very generous support.

Congratulations to the following students on their selection:

Maddie Martinuzzo	Luca Flore
Kaitlyn Rozic	Chris Watters
Kyla Hau	Ryan Chessa
Georgia Matheson	Noah Hemmings
Nellie McMillian	Thomas Shorrock
Jacqueline Watters	Will Bowd
Lauren Mooney	Jack Tramonte
Caitlyn Lopez	Hamish Matheson
Erin Gracie	Nathaniel Lowe
Emily Mooney	Nathan Thuaux
Sophie Gibbons	Marcus Ashton
Trinity Gosper	Raymark Rosauo
Courtney Griffin	Nash Cain
	Andrew Scarsbrook
	Tom Donnelly

Tennis at OLOR



From next Wednesday lunchtime, students are welcome to "come for a hit" at lunch on the basketball court/carpark.

No equipment is required....all will be provided.

Just come and have fun.

Rugby League



I am attempting to get our Rugby League teams up and going for our big May event.

If there are any parents who are accredited League coaches and are willing to help trial our students could you please contact the school office.

Many thanks
Vicki Harvey

SIGNING IN & OUT OF SCHOOL

Please be aware that all students who arrive late to school must be signed in at the office by their parent.

BELL TIMES

8.15am	Supervision commences
8.42am	Line up Bell.
8.45am	Commencement Bell
11am – 11.30am	RECESS
11.30am-1.10pm	Classes
1.10-1.20pm	Eating Time
1.20-1.52pm	LUNCH/PLAY
1.52pm-2.44pm	Classes
2.44pm	Warning Bell to Pack up
2.54pm	1 st Bell
2.57pm	Dismissal Bell

In addition any student who is required to leave school early, under any circumstances, **must also be signed out of the office by their parent.**

This includes those students who are required to leave early on a regular basis as well as students who have provided a note to their class teacher. Your support with this process would be greatly appreciated.

PARISH BUSINESS DIRECTORY

We are in the process of arranging a business directory in our parish. If you are interested in showcasing your business to parishioners and friends please contact Jim Taggart on 0418 467 057 or email taggart@taggartgroup.com.au or call 9894-9155.

We would like to launch the business directory by 1 March 2013. Costs for advertising per annum are: \$150 for a business card size, \$275 for half a page and \$400 for a full page, plus GST.

Great News! Each business advertised in our directory will receive a free QR code personalised for their business and a listing on an on-line local business directory.

RELIGIOUS REFLECTION

"KID'S CHURCH" is now available on Sundays at 9am and 11am Masses in our parish. Children will be invited to leave the Church for about 20 minutes at the beginning of Mass and return before the Offertory.

LENT BEGINS ON ASH WEDNESDAY 13 FEB

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their 18th year until the beginning of their 60th year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their 14th year (CCL97, 125f). Australia's Catholic Bishops invite the faithful to join with them to observe the Fridays of Lent as special days of penance in the wake of the sexual abuse crisis including:

- * The prayerful reading of Holy Scripture;
- * A Holy Hour of prayer and petition before the Blessed Sacrament;
- * Penance, in particular fasting and abstaining from meat.

LENTEN PROGRAMME IN THE PARISH

Br. Louis will lead a Lenten Program in the parish house/office beginning Tuesday 19 Feb. at 7.45pm (after 7pm Mass).

Everyone is invited to attend.

MEDICATION UPDATES 2013

Parents please remember that if your child has medication stored or administered at school due to anaphylaxis, allergies, illness or asthma that you are required to complete a Medicine Administration Form 2013.

In addition, any Action Plans that your child may have should also be provided to the school as soon as possible with a current photo attached.

It is critical that these forms and action plans are updated annually by your child's doctor so that our records are accurate and reflect the needs of each individual child. If you have any objections to having your child's Action Plan on display within the school could you please contact the school office on 96292566.

It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child's medication remains current.

CONTACT DETAILS 2013

As we are commencing the New Year, we would like to ensure that all our records are accurate. Consequently, it would be appreciated if you could please check that all contact details are current ie. address, email, home, work, mobile and emergency phone numbers.

Many thanks for your support.

CLASS BLOG SITES

<http://kindyolor.edublogs.org/> - Kindergarten

<http://oloryear1blog.edublogs.org/> - Year 1 Blog

<http://oloryear2.edublogs.org/> - Year 2 Blog

<http://thrivingthrees.edublogs.org/> - Year 3 Blog

<http://fabulousfours.edublogs.org/> - Year 4 Blog

<http://fantasticfives2013.edublogs.org/> - Year 5 Blog

<http://click2year6.edublogs.org/> - Year 6 Blog

Stephen Bamford
IT Coordinator

What do the parking signs around my school mean?



No Stopping means... No Stopping!

You cannot stop in this area FOR ANY REASON

Penalty \$298 and 2 demerit points. Council's Compliance Officers will be enforcing parking restrictions at your school!

The Hills Shire Council | Ph: 9843 0555 | www.thehills.nsw.gov.au



OLOR Parents & Friends Association

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Treasurer: Katrina Littlefield
Secretary: Sandra Blair
Fundraising: Vacant
General Committee: Anna Valeriano,
 Frances Gray
 Monika Walter

TWILIGHT OPEN EVENING GILROY CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Wednesday 13 March 2013

Commencing at 6.15pm in the Brother Damien Harvey Hall.

The College focuses on quality education within the nurturing environment of a faith community. The mantra for this year is *"everything counts and everyone matters"*.

We offer a diverse and comprehensive curriculum including vocational and TAFE courses. Extra-curricular programs in Music, Choir, Band, Drama, Debating, Toastmasters and Sport complete a well-rounded program.

Gilroy is a Technology rich learning environment with all students using notebooks or iPads.

In our latest HSC results Gilroy was ranked 150th in NSW and was the highest performing school in our drawing area.

College Tours will be conducted at 5.30pm and 7.00pm only. Bookings are essential please phone the College office to *confirm your place on 8853-8200*.

Be Inspired
 Visit us on our Open Day
 10.00am - 2.00pm
 Sunday 3 March 2013
 Principal's Address 11.00am and 1.00pm
 Enquiries: Reception 9980 0444
 449C Pennant Hills Road
 Pennant Hills 2120
 www.msb.nsw.edu.au

Mount St Benedict College

COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish Dinner Dance on 20 April 2013
 7 - 12pm
Dural Country Club
 662A Old Northern Road, Dural

Mark your diary for our Parish Community Dinner Dance.

Everyone can be involved in this event by:

- Providing gifts - any gifts (e.g. \$5 and \$10 worth of one dollar scratchies, paintings...) anything that can be raffled at our Parish Dinner Dance. Red/White wine should be delivered to the office.

- All bookings, including table bookings (10 per table) can be made through the Parish Office (see Angela) Raffle Tickets will be sold at each of the Masses from now until the dinner dance.

Please support our parish and make this a great evening.

Congratulations



Cassie Palin in 5C recently competed at the National Dance Championships, held at Jupiters on the Gold Coast with her dance school, Avenue T Dance Centre. She competed in dance troupes for ballet, open jazz and jazz in her age group and took out first, second and third place. She also competed in Broadway Cup (musical theatre) and placed second. Well done Cassie!

Australian Open

Thomas Kropman ventured down to Melbourne these Christmas holidays to experience some spectacular tennis. Tom is a member of Max Tennis Kenthurst, who had organised a 5 day trip to Melbourne. Tom was lucky enough to watch some amazing tennis (including Sam Stosur and Serena Williams) but the highlight was when Thomas got to play on centre court (Rod Laver Arena) with 13 other member of Max Tennis. The day finished watching Bernard Tomic and Tom even managed to get his autograph. Tom also managed to get the attention of the chair umpire who asked him to be quiet during the Tomic match! For his first visit to Melbourne he couldn't have asked for a better time.



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