



Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Primary School, Wyoming Newsletter

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Dear Community,

John 14:23-29: Christ promised his Apostles, the night before his death, that when he returned to the Father, the Holy Spirit would be sent to them. He would teach them all things and recall to their minds all that Christ had taught them. We should call on the Holy Spirit to help us daily. There are times in the lives of many of us when we are tempted to doubt about what we are called on to believe, or to hesitate with regard to what we are called on to do. It is on such occasions that the help of the Holy Spirit is especially necessary. He will not fail us if we turn to him earnestly and sincerely.

Building Update

It seems like we have been so close to occupying our new building all this term. It has now been professionally cleaned with all furniture and AV equipment delivered and installed. The landscaping in Area 2 and 3 is complete, with underground sprinklers. It is now in the hands of the powers that be to let us know when we can take ownership of the building. Any day now!

NAPLAN

The students in Year 3 and 5 completed their last NAPLAN tests yesterday. Any child who missed an assessment has until this Friday to make it up. After that they are marked as absent. You may have heard in the news that many online NAPLAN schools experienced connectivity issues causing anxiety to both teachers and students. Here at OLR, I am pleased to report that, apart from a few minor connectivity issues on the first day, we have had a problem free run with the online NAPLAN assessment. The children are to be commended on their positive approach to the tests.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020 closing May 31

Thank you to those, current and future, parents who have submitted the enrolment forms for 2020. Interviews and screeners have been conducted throughout the last two weeks. If you know of someone considering our school then please alert them to the fact that enrolments will close at the end of this month. Please don't delay to avoid missing out for next year.

COMPASS

Thank you to those who were able to attend the COMPASS information session last night. As of today less than half of our school community have logged into Compass.



It is important that all parents download the COMPASS App as this will be our major form of communication with parents moving forward. Parents will also need the Compass App in order to book their Parent/Teacher Interviews to be held in Week 9 this term. As an earlier email this week outlined you will now receive an SMS at 9.30am notifying you of your child's unexplained absence that day. It will then direct you to the compass app in order for you to fill in the reason for your child's absence.

Carpark

Safety around pick up and drop off times is being reviewed due to a number of reports regarding unsafe practices, particularly at pick up time, and the use of the Church and Staff carpark. The need for disabled access is noted. Lisa Tashe, the Catholic School's Office WHS officer, will visit on May 29 to assess carpark safety and to develop evacuation and lock down procedures for the new building.

Thought of the week.

God Bless

Maria Kennedy – Acting Principal

*"Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and they bless you, the giver."
-Barbara de Angelis*



Faith-tips for the Journey

Troubled or afraid? (Jn 14:27)

As Jesus imparts his gift of peace, he says to his disciples, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid (Jn 14:27).' Yet we know that Jesus' own life was far from untroubled; it included fear and anguish. Why the apparent contradiction? And how do we make sense of our own fear? There are no easy answers, but perhaps we can draw some strength in knowing that the peace of which Jesus speaks is not a 'quick fix' to life's difficulties. It is more like a deep surrender to all that life brings, trusting that God's love ultimately holds us. A bit like the way a parent holds a distressed child. It's not a quick fix, but the love is real and assured.

Act: This week, reassure your spouse and children of your love: give warmer hugs, longer eye-contact, gentler touches.

Pray: Teach your child Jesus' words as a simple mantra for when they are afraid: 'My peace I give you'.

Remember: Jesus understands our fears, and is always with us.

Thank you to all the families who celebrated the Parish Family Mass this past Saturday evening, especially those who assisted with a special ministry.



Social Justice
(Every Little Bit Helps)



The Year 5 and Year 6 students have held their first Mini Vinnies meetings, and are currently in the planning stages on how they can assist the OLR community in supporting the St Vincent de Paul Society. More information to come.

A Gem of Pope Francis...

"God proposes Himself, He never imposes Himself; He enlightens us, but never blinds us." @Pontifex

Dates for your Diary				
Week	Date	Celebration	Place	Time
5	2-Jun	Ascension of the Lord	Church	9:00 AM
6	9-Jun	Pentecost	Church	9:00 AM
7	15-Jun	Parish Family Mass (Yr 4-6)	Church	6:00 PM
	16-Jun	The Most Holy Trinity	Church	9:00 AM
8	23-Jun	The Body and Blood of Christ - First Holy Communion	Church	11:30 AM
9	25-Jun	Year 3 Mass	Church	9:15 AM

ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – Sherylyn Kenney

School Photos will be taken on Wednesday June 5. Students are to wear their full winter uniform. Ordering envelopes and online instructions will be forwarded in the coming weeks. All students will have their photo taken and you will have the option to purchase from a variety of packages. Sibling envelopes are available from the school office. SRC and extra-curricular photos will also be available at a later date.

The University of NSW ICAS Assessments will be conducted during the first 3 weeks of September. The format this year is online (excluding writing). More information will be sent home regarding entry, fees and dates for the assessments.

OLR RULE OF THE WEEK



Assistant Principal Award
Our Personal Best Live Justly
Respect All
Congratulations to:

Tyler K 2G

DIARY DATES

Wed	May 8,15,22,29	PPP Parenting Program
Thur	May 23	Athletics Carnival
Wed	May 23	Messy Parenting Project - CSO
Wed	May 29	Playgroup 9.00am
Wed	May 29	Winter Appeal Fundraiser
Wed	June 5	School Photos
Mon	June 10	Public Holiday
Fri	June 21	Reports go home
Fri	July 5	Last Day of Term

NEWS FROM THE FLO – Melissa Evans



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL,
WYOMING

Wed May 29, June 6 & June 26

NEWS – Catholic Schools Office

Messy Parenting Catholic conversations about raising a family

Parent Retreat Day. Catholic Schools Office Diocese of Broken Bay
Thursday 23 May 2019. 9.30am -2.00pm at Canisius Spirituality
Centre Pymble

RSVP: sallyannebutel@dbb.catholic.edu.au
Cost: \$20 payable on the day
More info: walkingtheway.dbbcsso.org

CANTEEN NEWS – Stacey Tamblyn

Fri May 24 Kylie C / Annette S / Maree A
Mon May 27 Ash T / Jodi M
Wed May 29 Marg S

Tap [here](#) for 2019 Canteen Menu

LIBRARY – Louise Foyel



National Simultaneous Storytime is here!

Today OLR shared Matt Cosgrove's book, *Alpacas with Maracas*. It was a wonderful event, where all classes read the story and participated in some fun activities, both during library lessons this week and in class.



WINTER APPEAL FUNDRAISER – Year 6

Year 6 will be hosting a **Winter Appeal Fundraiser** at school on **Wednesday 29th May, 2019** (Week 5) commencing after recess and finishing before lunch (11.15am-1.15pm). As part of our baptismal call to serve, we are focusing this fundraiser on the people in our community who are poor, in need or marginalised in any way.

PARISH NEWS

First Holy Communion

First Communion Day Sunday June 23 at 11.30am

Enrolment and Parent Information Session:

This Sacrament commences at the time of the Parent Information and Enrolment Session.
The last session is for parents only.

Thursday 23rd May 7.30pm to 8.30pm

