



TERM 4

11 November 2015

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Dear Parents,

PILGRIMAGE UPDATE

As you are aware, Mr Patchell is on pilgrimage with fellow Principals in the Holy Land. He has kept in touch via emails and texts and by all accounts is having a wonderful experience visiting many well known sites and holy places including Mt Nebo, the Jordan River where Jesus was baptized, Cana, Mt Tabor, the Garden of Gethsemane and the tomb where Jesus' body was laid to rest. The group has celebrated Mass and had time for prayer at most of these places. While the pace is constant, there is still some time for rest and relaxation each afternoon. While visiting the Church of the Nativity, Mr Patchell lit a prayer candle and offered special prayers for our St John Vianney community. Please keep him in your prayers for continued safe travels.



REMEMBRANCE DAY – LEST WE FORGET

This year, November 11 marks the 97th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914-18). We now call this day Remembrance Day.

Today, at 11am, on the 11th day of the 11th month, our nation and the St John Vianney school community paused to remember, honour and give thanks for those who died or suffered for the freedoms we now enjoy in our land, Australia. They will live on in our memories and the memories of generations to come, through the stories, songs and images that remind us that they are extraordinary human beings. We will remember them.

Let us continue to pray for peace and freedom in our world and for those who are currently involved in conflicts around the world.

May God continue to hold them in the palm of His hand and keep them safe from harm. We pray that we and all people of Australia, may have the grace to live in a spirit of justice, generosity and peace. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION VISITS

*During the past few weeks, the children starting Kindy in 2016 have been coming to school for their orientation visits in small groups. They have been very excited about coming to "big school". **Mrs Field** and **Mrs Tierney** make sure the children have a wonderful morning visit. On these orientation mornings, a small group of our current Kindy students spend the morning session in a Year 1 classroom. All the current Kindy students have a turn going to Year 1.*

IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**2016 Kindergarten Oscar
& Samantha**

Advent Assembly

Christmas Assembly

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Thanks to Mrs Bayada, Mrs Sultana and Mrs Derjani who provide the Kindy students with a great morning in Year 1. We look forward to officially welcoming our new Kindergarten students into our school community in 2016.



ASSESSMENT AND TESTING

Teachers and students are currently working through a variety of assessments and testing. This data will assist to inform Semester 2 Reports. Thank you for encouraging your children to continue to work to the best of their ability as the end of the term draws closer. It is very important to maintain the usual routines of uniforms, homework and school procedures to ensure a smooth end of the year for all. Your continued support is very much appreciated.



THANK YOU MORNING TEA

*Our 'Thank You' morning tea is on **Tuesday 24th November at 10.00am** in the Multi-Purpose Room. This is our way of showing our gratitude to parents and grandparents who have so generously helped, in a variety of ways in our school this year. Invitations have been sent, your RSVP due by Tuesday 17th November.*



*God's blessing to all.
Georgina Cox
Acting Principal*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday morning our school community commemorated and remembered all the Australians who died as a result of war.

On Remembrance Day a minutes silence is observed and dedicated to those soldiers who died fighting to protect our nation.

In Australia and other allied countries, including New Zealand, Canada and the United States of America, the 11th November became known as Armistice Day, a day to remember those who died in World War One.

This day still continues to be commemorated in Allied countries.

On Remembrance Day we commemorate 97 years since the guns on the Western Front fell silent and reflect on the significance of this event. This day also enables us to pause and remember all of the men and women of the Australian Defence Force who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

We will remember them.
Lest We Forget.

Laura Rutherford
Religious Education Coordinator



ADVENT ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 9.30AM

Multi-Purpose Room

*Year 5 invites you to join our school community
in prayer as we commence the Advent Season*



CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Tuesday 15th December 9.30am

Multi-Purpose Room

Led by Year 2



STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2016

If you are aware that your child will not be returning in 2016, please contact the office as soon as possible as we are soon to organise classes for 2016.

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Thursday	12 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	13 November	9.15am -10.45am Oscar & Samantha Ice Blocks & Pop Corn – P&F 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR
Thursday	19 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	20 November	9.15am -10.45am Oscar & Samantha - Graduation 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR
Tuesday	24 November	10.00am Parent Thank You Morning Tea ~MPR
Thursday	26 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	27 November	9.30am Advent Assembly – Led by Year 5 ~ MPR 2.00pm P&F Meeting ~ Staff Room Ice Blocks – P&F
Thursday	3 December	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	4 December	11.45am Student of the Term, Clear Speaking Awards, Religion Awards Semester 2 Reports go home – K-6 Pizza ~ P&F
Monday	7 December	St Andrew's Orientation Day
Tuesday	8 December	9.30am Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly ~ MPR
Thursday	10 December	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	11 December	9.30am Year 6 Graduation Ice Blocks – P&F
Monday	14 December	Vision Valley Year 6
Tuesday	15 December	9.30am Christmas Assembly ~ Led by Year 2 2.00pm -3.00pm Change over afternoon
Wednesday	16 December	LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS
Thursday	17 December	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Friday	18 December	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

2016 DATES

Wednesday 27 January	Mathematics Assessment Interviews
Thursday 28 January	Mathematics Assessment Interviews
Friday 29 January	Mathematics Assessment Interviews

Mathematics Assessment Interviews are for students in Years 1-6 2016

It is an expectation every student in Years 1-6 books in for a Mathematic Assessment Interview

Information about booking a Mathematics Assessment Interview for your child will be sent home shortly.

Monday 1 February	Students in Years 1-6 return
Tuesday 2 February	Kindergarten begin
Friday 5 February	Primary (Years 3-6) Swimming Carnival

MERIT CERTIFICATES
Congratulations to the following Students:

KF **Bridget Mercado**
Claire Mallett
Brandon Duff
Caitlin Umadhay
Olivia Harrison
Vatican Talione

KT **Alexia Williams**
Sophia Miranda
John Carlo Manallo
Carlos Lopez
Kobe Sococ
Geneika Fadlen

IBJ **Chanel Morales**
Alanna Jomon
Myron Nicolas
Vikram Prasad
Elianah San Pedro
Adelle Hogan

ID **Justine De Abreu**
Matthew Buttigieg
Micaela Sibucan
Marcus Jones
Caitlin Ortega
Jerome Chin

2A **Isabel Jerez**
Breannan Scott
Jayda Ramia
Cadence Autagavaia
Deanne Jeremiah
Thomas Donevski

2B **Jai Abadiano**
Isabel Mitchell
Ysabella Sibucan
Jerrell Marticio
Angelica Mallett
Gabrielle DeGuzman

3B **Louise Feliciano**
Gabriel Olegario
Leisel Lacson
Jaiden Fidler
Cyanne DeLaCruz
Matthew Xerri

30 **Anastasia Prokhorov**
Ethan Castro
Chantik Tokhman
Adriel Padernilla
Madison Allie
Lasuba Aggrey

4C **Sophia Pastoral**
Sebastian Franjic
Adrian Padernilla
Larissa Mitchell
Atra Tokhman
Natasha Bernard

4M **Baiden Ngige**
Stephanie Attard
Paulo Ibanez
Lauren Chandler
Berend Slager
Leila Mamaril

5HJ **Mia Lovering**
Charlize Tahimic
Owen DeLuca
Marcus Nicolas
Clara Nourdine
Roslyn Langi

5R **Alexis Mitchell**
Jacob Palijo
Lydia Boktor
Memphis Canicula
Egieneille Timpoc
Czar Williams

6M **Evelina Dobysh**
Grace Angollo
Vila Hokafonu
Kate Slager
Justin Xuereb
Aidan Micallef

6R **Thomas Menezes**
April Mercieca
Caitlin Gunnion
Lachlan Zorzut
John Mekhael
Sabrina Nakhl

DEBATING NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ST JOHN VIANNEY'S DEBATING TEAM

Jacob Bayada, Thomas Hogan, Evelina Dobysh, Fritz Serrano, Kirsten Cruz, Caitlin Gunnion, Elsie Balilo, Christina Baik and Rishabh Shrestha have had a very successful debating season this year.

The team had an exciting debate against Good Shepherd, Plumpton on the topic 'That Music can change the World' which resulted in a draw for the two teams.

In the second debate against St Francis of Assisi, Glendenning on the topic; 'That there should be a Bicycle License' our team scored a convincing win.

The final debate also against St. Francis of Assisi, Glendenning on the topic; 'That pets are a problem' was also won by St John Vianney's Team.

These student have worked very diligently and their commitment and enthusiasm have helped them to develop their debating skills to a very high standard which in turn resulted in such a successful season. We are indeed very proud of them all.

Many thanks to **Mrs Moseley** for being our wonderful adjudicator. She has supported the debating for many years and we greatly appreciate it.

Urszula Dobrzynski
Debating coordinator



CHILD PROTECTION – DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA PARENT VOLUNTEERS

It is a Diocesan requirement that parents who volunteer at school must complete the CEO Online Child Protection Module. This training is available online at <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au> and **MUST** be completed every two years.

Click on child Protection Training

Click on For Volunteers

Read instruction and click on start the module.

If you are not sure whether you need to update your Child Protection, please contact the school office.



NEWSLETTER DATES FOR TERM 4

Wednesday 25 November

Wednesday 9 December



LATE ARRIVAL NOTES

Any student arriving after 8.55am needs to have a late arrival note **FILLED IN BY A PARENT AT THE OFFICE**. The late note stays in the office until it is entered into the new student data system and then passed onto the classroom teacher.

Students who arrive late, whose parents do not fill out the late form, will be entered into the data system as not having a legitimate reason for being late.



SCHOOL FEES ~ REMINDER



Thank you to all the families who have finalised their school fee account for 2015.

Just a reminder that all fees were payable by the end of Term 3, if you still have outstanding school fees, and you have not made any arrangements to finalise your account, please contact **Mrs. Fletcher**.

RESOURCE & TECHNOLOGY FEES ~ REMINDER

As you are aware Resource & Technology Fees are the only fees payable in Term 4 and were due for payment on **Monday 9 November**.

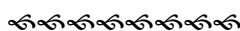
If you have not been able to finalise these fees or if you are not sure if you have paid would you be so kind as to contact Mrs. Fletcher as we are in the process of purchasing resources for the students.

Thank you for your continued support.



Kids On Keyboard 2016

Kids on Keyboard is a group program for students from year 2 to year 6. It is a great way to introduce a child to the world of music. They can learn to read music, understand its basics and play the instrument. Class runs before school. If you are interested in your child participating next year please contact **Mrs Christine Dieckmann** on 0409247424 for enquiries and enrolments.



P & F Diary Dates

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday November 13	9:00am	O & S Playgroup
Friday November 13	Lunch	Ice block stall
Friday November 20	9:00am	O & S Playgroup - Final Week
Friday November 27	Lunch	Ice block stall
Friday November 27	2:00pm	P&F Meeting
Friday December 4	Lunch	Pizza stall
Friday December 11	Lunch	Ice block stall
Every Thursday	9:00am	School banking

O & S Update

Our transition to school program Oscar and Samantha has now only two weeks to go. We have had a great response with over 50 children attending the program. The children are very excited and are having a lot of fun doing craft, singing songs and playing games. They are becoming very familiar with the school and meeting lots of new friends. Thank you to **Jason Cutajar** who helped to pack away all the chairs at the end of the program last week.

Ice Block Stall

The ice block stalls have been a great success with the children really enjoying these treats so we have now added some more ice block dates for the children to enjoy. The ice block dates are Nov 13th, 27th and Dec 11th. There is **no need to pre purchase just send the money with your child on the day**. Ice-blocks cost \$1 and Zooper Doopers cost 50c.

Popcorn Donation

The P & F would like to thank **Joel Icaca** and **Foxtel** who kindly donated over 200 bags of popcorn to help the P & F raise further funds. The popcorn will be on sale at our Ice-block stall on Friday 13th for 50c a bag. Children just need to bring their money on the day to purchase a bag of popcorn.

Chocolate Guessing Competition

Thank you to all the children who had a turn at the chocolate guessing competition. There was a great range of guesses from 13 to 500. However the correct number of chocolates in each jar was **187**. There were 3 children who guessed the same number and were the closest to the 187. Congratulations to **Lara Derjani (2B)**, **Matthew Xerri (3B)** and **Faustina Park (4M)**. They all guessed 185. Unfortunately there were only two prizes so Mrs Cox and Mrs Fidler drew the names of **Lara** and **Matthew** to win the prizes. We couldn't let **Faustina** go away empty handed so the P & F purchased a consolation prize for her.

Pizza Stall

The P & F will be holding a pizza stall for the first time on Fri 4th December. We will be selling pizza slices for \$1.50 a slice. There will be a meal deal available consisting of 2 slices of pizza and a popper for \$4. The children can choose between two choices of pizza toppings – Cheese or Ham & Cheese.

Next P & F Meeting – Friday November 27th at 2pm, Staffroom.

Come and hear some insights about what is happening at school. The conversation is always lively and the parking is great at 2pm. Grandparents, extended family and new faces are always welcome.

School Banking

School Banking is on every Thursday. The School Banking co-ordinator is Mrs Lisa Muinoi. If you have any queries/concerns about School Banking please send a note in your child's bank wallet for Mrs Muinoi to read. Alternatively, you can contact us via email or Facebook and we will forward your queries to Mrs Muinoi.

The Good Guys – Prospect

The Good Guys Prospect will provide SJV with vouchers redeemable in their shop from parents and friends who mentioned the school when they purchased items. Please be sure to mention SJV at the cash register.

Staying In Touch



You can stay in touch with news and events, contribute your ideas and helpful contacts through our “**SJV Parents & Friends**” page on Facebook.

Narelle Sinclair
P & F Secretary
sjv.pandf@gmail.com

Clothing Pool ~ Open every second Monday

The clothing pool will be open on Monday 16 November 2.30-3.00pm operating from the old canteen. We are still in need of any uniform items, summer or winter, in good condition, please leave items at the school office. Thank you.



OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on November 16, 2015 the last tour of the year.

Tour the College and discover why a Mercy Education is treasured for life and enjoy a ‘comfortable cup of tea’ with the College Leadership Team.

The College is now enrolling for 2017.

Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can be a Mercy Girl.



Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta is now accepting applications for Mercy Scholarships for Academic Excellence and Music Excellence. Girls entering Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2017 are invited to apply. Visit the College website www.olmc.nsw.edu.au for more information.

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KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTRE BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE SERVICE

Kindercare Learning Centre located in Doonside is a privately owned centre offering a variety of services including Long Day, Before & After School Care and Vacation Care for ages 0-12 years.

Full Government subsidy and eligibility offered.
Our centre is open 7am to 6pm all year round.

Our Before School Care operates from 7.00am – 8.45am.

Our After School Care operates from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.
For further enquiries, please contact Jackie De Abreu on

(02) 9622 8214 or visit our website www.kindercare.com.au

Bulk Billing For GP Services

OPENING HOURS

MON-FRI 8AM-6PM

SAT&SUN 9AM-2PM

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NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY

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AFTER HOURS SERVICES AVAILABLE

PARKING ON SITE AVAILABLE

PATHOLOGY ON PREMISES

DOCTORS AND PHYSIOTHERAPIST

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DR.CHARLES HAYES (MALE GP)

DR.VAN NGUYEN (MALE GP)

DILHAN JAYAMANNE (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)

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