



OLOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 5

6th November 2015

RE NEWS

Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy

Pope Francis has announced an 'Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy' year to commence on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (8th December 2015) and conclude on the Solemnity of Christ the King (20th November 2016).

"With the approach of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy I would like to focus on several points which I believe require attention to enable the celebration of the Holy Year to be for all believers a true moment of encounter with the mercy of God. It is indeed my wish that the Jubilee be a living experience of the closeness of the Father, whose tenderness is almost tangible, so that the faith of every believer may be strengthened and thus testimony to it be ever more effective."

(An extract from a letter written by Pope Francis to Archbishop Rino Fisichella)

Remembrance Day, 11th November

Next Wednesday is Remembrance Day which marks the anniversary of the armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). Each year Australians observe one minute silence at 11 am on 11 November, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

Red poppies are worn on blazers, shirts, jumpers and other items of clothing on Remembrance Day to remember those who died during a war. Poppies were among the first plants that came from the battlefields of northern France and Belgium during World War I. Some people believed the popular myth that poppies were rich in their redness because they blossomed from grounds that were covered with soldiers' blood.

On Wednesday at 11am we will gather as a school community to remember all the men and women who fought so bravely, those who suffered and those who have died. The students will wear poppies as a symbol of remembrance during our ceremony. We will pray for justice, freedom and peace and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world.

Year 3 Family/Parish Mass

Our next Family/Parish Mass for this term will be celebrated on Sunday, 15th November, at 9.30am. All families, especially Year 3, are welcome. Mass will be followed by morning tea in the Parish House.

Religious Literacy Assessment

Last term, students from Years 4 and 6 participated in the Religious Literacy Assessment. This assessment focussed on the key concepts being addressed in the Religious Education Program, 'Sharing Our Story' and the students' ability to make connections with Catholic traditions and religious life of the school and parish.

Students completed an online, multiple choice assessment consisting of 35 questions. These come under 7 categories: God, Jesus, Church, Prayer, Sacraments, Scripture and Christian Life.

We are proud of our students' results and congratulate them on their excellent efforts and achievements.

Year 4

School Average 76.2%

Diocese Average 68.7%

	School	Diocese
God	73.2%	70.1%
Jesus	79.6%	68.5%
Church	78.4%	68.5%
Sacraments	73.8%	67.8%
Prayer	74.2%	69.5%
Scripture	78.2%	69.6%
Christian Life	75.6%	66.9%

Year 6

School Average 80.2%

Diocese Average 71.0%

	School	Diocese
God	85.4%	74.6%
Jesus	74.4%	69.9%
Church	78.2%	67.7%
Sacraments	79.4%	71.3%
Prayer	88.6%	71.0%
Scripture	77.8%	70.3%
Christian Life	76.6%	72.6%

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 2016

This week we held elections for our 2016 SRC. Congratulations to all the students who were nominated by their peers to take part. The results of the elections will be announced soon.

Girl Candidates:

Jessica Lee
Hannah Mathews
Marisa Fattore
Amelia Polley
Alana El-Khoury
Kaija Craig
Charlotte Saker

Boy Candidates:

Kevin Sislian
Benjamin Waring
William O'Malley
Domenic Nesci
Kyan Smith
Christopher Boffa

REFURBISHMENTS

Refurbishments to 6P and 4D will commence on Monday 9th November.

We aim to keep the disruption to these classes to a minimum.

Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Morning

Parents are reminded that the next orientation morning will take place on Tuesday, 24th November from 9.30am till 11.00am.



CHANGES TO SCHOOL STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME

From Term 1 2016, Transport for NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme via a new online application process.

Automatic renewal

Most parents won't need to apply for a School Opal card if they have already been given a school student travel pass and will automatically receive a School Opal card in 2016.

Online eligibility assessment

The new online application portal will automatically assess eligibility based on distance rules.

Same eligibility rules

The eligibility rules for subsidised school travel remain the same for travel inside and outside the **Opal network**. Students may need to live a minimum distance away from their school:
Years K-2—There is no minimum distance
Years 3-6— 1.6 km straight line distance or 2.9 km walking distance or further.

Who needs to apply

An application is needed if your child has not had a travel pass before or if you have changed address.

How to apply

Step 1

Complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students

Step 2

Print, sign and date the completed application, then submit it to the school office for endorsement.

Step 3

The endorsed application will then be sent from the school office to Transport for NSW. Once approved, the School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.

Families Leaving OLOL in 2015

In order to plan for next year, would you please notify the school and complete a leaving form if your child does not require a place for 2016. New families coming into the area are currently seeking to enrol at OLOL.



SCHOOL EVENTS

Mon 9th	Refurbishment in 6P & 4D
Tues 10th	5C Reconciliation Year 4 Powerhouse Museum Excursion
Wed 11th	Remembrance Day Ceremony 11am
Thurs 12th	Year 6 Harry Potter Day
Thurs 12th	Year 2 Mass 9.15am Priest visit Yr. 3 10.30am
Sun 15th	Year 3 Parish Family Mass 9.30am
Mon 16th	Kinder 2016 screening commences
Tues 17/11	5P Reconciliation Kinder 2016 screening P&F AGM Meeting 7.00pm
Thurs 19/11	9.15am Mass Kinder & Yr. 1 Priest Class visit Yr. 4



Canteen volunteers needed!!

Wednesday	11th November
Wednesday	18th November
Monday	7th December
Monday	9th December

If you can help on any of the days above please call Carol on 0414 580 984.

The Our Lady of Lourdes Parent Group meeting will be held on:

Tuesday 17 November at 7pm.

The Annual General meeting will incorporate the OLOL Parent Group meeting held each term.

The Annual General meeting will see the election of the OLOL core group;

President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer. If you are interested in being nominated or would like a brief description on these roles please contact Rebecca Bigley on 0411 443 733.

The OLOL Parent Group is made up of parents of OLOL whose mission is to help to assist & support the needs of our school community which include staff, parents & parishioners.

Please see attached Nomination Form and Role Descriptions.



Extra-Curricular Activities -*Sporting News*

Swimming Lessons – Years Kindergarten to Four

In Week 3 of this term, a note went home to all students in Years Kindergarten to Four regarding the Swim and Survive program that is taking place at Coulter Swimming Centre. This program will take place every day for all grades involved from Monday, 30th November to Friday, 11th December. If you have not received a note regarding this event, spare forms can be collected from the school office.

Another note will be sent out closer to the starting date of the program, reminding children what to wear and bring each day for the swimming program.

If you have any questions regarding the program, please feel free to contact Mrs Drumond at the school.

AFL Years K-6

The AFL is hosting a 4 week after-school AFL program for Our Lady of Lourdes students in Years K-6 on Fridays starting in Week 7. The program is completely optional for children/parents to participate in and is designed to give students a taste of AFL and then provide them with the information necessary to join their local club for further involvement in AFL.

The sessions will run from 3:25 to 4:25pm at either Yattendon oval (if available) or on our school grounds. The sessions involve various skill games and activities deriving from a number of sports and the children will participate in age appropriate groups.

The AFL will provide free 30min sessions for K-2 classes during Week 6 in school time to show students the type of games/activities involved in the program. The students are then given their invitation and instructions regarding how to register online.

For Years 3 to 6, the AFL will briefly talk at an assembly about the program. Invitations (including instructions on how to register) are distributed to students at this time.



Representative Sports – 2016 Year 5 and 6 Students

In Week One of this term, a note went home to all the current Year 4 and 5 students regarding registering an ‘expression of interest’ for trialling for representative sports in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for children who display above average ability and/or representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.**

Please be aware that registrations for Basketball, Cricket, Softball and Tennis are now **closed**.

All other registrations will still be open until the 5th February, 2016.

Baulkham Hills Brumbies

The Brumbies were awarded the 2015 Club Championship Trophy from the Parramatta District Convent Rugby League Association earlier this month.

Brumbies vice-president Geoff Cowling said “It is great to win premierships, but more importantly we want to see players return each year to keep playing for the club.”

Congratulations everyone on a great achievement!

Gymnastics Competition

On Friday, 30th October, twenty two students represented our school at the Diocesan Gymnastics Competition at St Andrews Primary School, Marayong. The students had a fabulous day out on the floor with each of them performing at their apparatuses with style and precision.

Congratulations to the following students who placed in their apparatus events:

Max Langdon

1st Floor Routine

6th Short Vault

Tiago Quintal

3rd Volt

4th Static Routine

5th Floor Routine



Special congratulations to Max Langdon who was placed 3rd overall in the boys' competition. Keep up the awesome work Max as you are doing an amazing job!



A huge thank you to Miss Boulos, Mrs Barber and Mrs Fox who gave up their lunch times to help the students prepare for this event, as well as all the parents who ventured out to support us on the day.

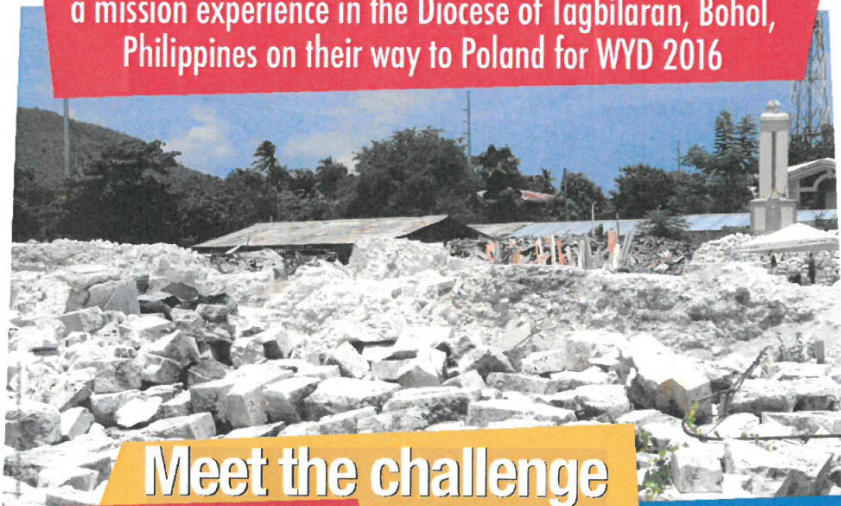
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WYD 2016



Pilgrims from the Diocese of Parramatta will be involved in a mission experience in the Diocese of Tagbilaran, Bohol, Philippines on their way to Poland for WYD 2016



Meet the challenge
of Pope Francis in helping and caring
for those in need.



Blessed
are the merciful,
for they will receive
mercy Mt 5:7



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SUMMER MENU

Term 4, 2015

Sandwiches

Honey	\$2.60
Vegemite	\$2.60
Cheese	\$2.60
Tuna	\$3.00
Ham	\$3.00
Chicken	\$3.00
Egg	\$3.00
Added Extras:	\$0.20 each
e.g. Cheese, Tomato, Lettuce, Mayonnaise	
Paper bag add	\$0.20

Salad Sandwiches

Tuna Salad Sandwich*	\$3.60
Ham Salad Sandwich*	\$3.60
Chicken Salad Sandwich*	\$3.60
Egg Salad Sandwich*	\$3.60

*Salads include tomato, cucumber, lettuce, carrot, cheese.

Salad Boxes

Served in a container with a fork provided.

GF Tuna Salad Box*	\$3.60
GF Ham Salad Box*	\$3.60
GF Chicken Salad Box*	\$3.60
GF Egg Salad Box*	\$3.60

*Salads include tomato, cucumber, lettuce, carrot, cheese.

Sushi

Chicken Cucumber	\$3.40
Chicken Avocado	\$3.40
Tuna Cucumber	\$3.40
Tuna Avocado	\$3.40

Note: There are NO alterations or variations to any roll.

Lunch orders must be at the canteen by **9.30am** to avoid disappointment.

No sushi orders will be accepted after 9.30am.

Chicken Roll*	\$4.00
Chicken Tender served on a roll with lettuce.	
GF Chicken Box*	\$4.00
3 Chicken Tenders served in a container.	
Hot Dogs*	\$4.00

THEN *Choose your sauce

Tomato or BBQ or Mayonnaise

Fresh Fruit

Only available over the counter at recess.

GF Slinky Apples	\$0.60
GF Slinky Apples	(supplied from home) \$0.20

Snacks

GF Apple Frozen Fruit Cup 110ml	\$0.60
GF Orange Frozen Fruit Cup 110ml	\$0.60
GF Strawberry Frozen Yoghurt 125ml	\$1.00
GF Mango Frozen Yoghurt 125ml	\$1.00
Honey Soy Chicken Chips 28gm	\$1.00
Sea Salt Chips 28gm	\$1.00
Grain Waves 28gm	\$1.00
Sour Cream and Chives	
Barbeque chips 27gm	\$1.00
Salt and Vinegar chips 27gm	\$1.00

Drinks

GF Plain Whole Milk 300ml	
GF with Sipahh Straw (optional)	\$1.80
GF Chocolate Milk 300ml	\$1.80
GF Strawberry Milk 300ml	\$1.80
GF Orange Juice 350ml	\$1.80
GF Tropical Juice 350ml	\$1.80
GF Apple Juice 350ml	\$1.80
GF Apple/Blackcurrant Juice 350ml	\$1.80
GF Pineapple Juice 350 ml	\$1.80

Treats

Please DO NOT add these to lunch orders.

GF Jelly Cups 200ml	\$1.20
GF Quelch Fruit Sticks	\$0.40
Funny Finger	\$1.00
GF Calippo Minis Raspberry/Pine	\$1.00
GF Lemonade Icy Twists	\$1.20
Paddle Pops	\$1.60

Please remember: Fresh Fruit and Treats are not available through lunch orders. Drinks, snacks and treats will be available to purchase over the counter.

If you have any enquiries regarding the canteen, the menu, the roster or unable to attend your rostered day, please do not hesitate to contact Carol Asimus on 0414 580 984.

Canteen Roster - Term 4, 2015

10am starts

Week 1	Monday 5-Oct-15	NO CANTEEN FOR THIS WEEK OF SCHOOL	Week 6	Monday 9-Nov-15	Natasha Smith
	Wednesday 7-Oct-15			Carina Morales	
	Friday 9-Oct-15			Erin Laws Deb Fernandes Chris Coorey	
Week 2	Monday 12-Oct-15	Alison Urquart	Week 7	Monday 16-Nov-15	
	Wednesday 14-Oct-15	Deb Fernandes Chris Coorey		Carina Morales	
	Friday 16-Oct-15	Egidia Di Mauro Samantha Younes Sonia Tannous			
Week 3	Monday 19-Oct-15	Amanda Higgins	Week 8	Monday 23-Nov-15	
	Wednesday 21-Oct-15	Deb Fernandes Chris Coorey		Carina Morales	
	Friday 23-Oct-15	Renee Smith Cathy Fattore Racquel Kneller		Libby Garratty Emily Williams Monica Tamas	
Week 4	Monday 26-Oct-15	Sonia Quarisa	Week 9	Monday 30-Nov-15	
	Wednesday 28-Oct-15	Carina Morales		Deb Fernandes Chris Coorey	
	Friday 30-Oct-15	Estelle Craig Gaib Zammit		Odette King Renee Smith	
Week 5	Monday 2-Nov-15	Alison Urquart	Week 10	Monday 7-Dec-15	
	Wednesday 4-Nov-15	Deb Fernandes Chris Coorey		Carina Morales	
	Friday 6-Nov-15	Gina Van Eyk Martin Van Eyk Egidia Di Mauro		Claudine Hardy Alison Langdon	
Please contact Carol on 0414 580 984.			Week 11	Monday 14-Dec-15	Carina Morales Deb Fernandes/Chris Coorey
				Wednesday 16-Dec-15	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR 2015
				Friday 18-Dec-15	

Please contact Carol on 0414 580 984.



Baulkham Hills Preschool is a community based, not-for-profit preschool service established in 1961 and provides a high quality education and care service for children aged 3-6 years old.

The preschool is managed by a parent committee (of children enrolled at the preschool) and is staffed by highly skilled qualified and experienced educators.

Our preschool strives to provide affordable, High quality care and education for children and their families.

Our Preschool has proudly been assessed and rated as ***“Exceeding National Quality Standard”*** under the National Quality Framework.

Please contact us if you are looking for enrolment to preschool 2016 as we have few limited spaces left.

We welcome all new enquiries.

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OVERTURE

14 NOVEMBER | \$5 | BELLA VISTA FARM
3pm-8:30pm | Kids under 9 FREE

Experience Tchaikovsky's great classic, beautiful historic surroundings of Bella Vista Farm. Performed live by The Castle Hill RSL Youth Orchestra.

Commemorate Remembrance Day with a short service.
PLUS enjoy food stalls, tours of the homestead, wildlife show and display, Devonshire tea, pipe band and FREE kids activities.

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