

OLOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 4

20th February, 2015

Last Sunday we celebrated a special Family Mass with the Our Lady of Lourdes Church Community. It was wonderful to see so many families attend the Mass.



The First Sunday of Lent.

This Sunday's Gospel reading is from Mark 1:12-15 and tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News. (Ref: Liturgyhelp.com)

*Lord our God,
through your observance
of these forty days of Lent,
you curb our desires
and turn our hearts to you.*

*May we learn to resist the temptations
this world holds out before us
and walk blameless in your sight.
Grant this through our Lord Christ,
your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*

Amen.
(Ref: Daily Prayer 2015)

Welcome BBQ

It was great to see so many of our families attend our welcome BBQ. I am sure everyone had a good time.

A special thank you to all our parents who organised this event. You all did a wonderful job and your support is very much appreciated.



Certificate of Merit Awards Recipients

Congratulations to following students who received a Merit Award at last Tuesday's assembly:



KS

James McGirr
Jasmine Fernandez
Estelle Johnsson
Nicholas McNally
Henry O'Brien

KZ

Noah Jeong
Paul Mejalli
Maia Evans
Emilia Rebaza
Murray Rankin

1D

Declan Mission
Lara Alam
Noah Ranola
Benjamin Krastev

1H

Nehansa Ununuwara
Jasper King
Lachlan Compton
Sienna McCarthy

2H

Lauren McGirr
Owen Modafferi
Benjamin Gontarczyk
Emily Fogg

2W

Ryan Schiller
Abbie Pickard
Jessica Truong
Abigail Giandinoto

3GB

Samuel Waring
Cade Levis-Fleischmann
Liam Fernandez
Mia Chahroua
Olivia Nesci

3S

Brooke Whittaker
Tiago Quintal
Christian Walker
Jack Gontarczyk

4A

Braydon Wickman
Flynn Fitzpatrick
Ella Fernandez
Grace Attard

4D

Erin Boffa
Jasper van Eyk
Tianna Hallal
Jack Vater

5C

Srivishnu Nalluri
Isaac Yu
Raymond Draybi
Charlotte Saker
Kristian Younes

5P

Jessica Lee
Benjamin Waring
Jai Kneller
Naomi Baranowski

6M

Lauyrn Thomas
Daniel Otter
Ryan Duffy
Luke Harrod

6P

Bronte Padget
Tayla Saab
Lilly Rawstron
Trevin Fonseca

OLOL Twitter Account

Calling all Tweeters and Followers! Our Lady of Lourdes Baulkham Hills has an official Twitter account. If you have a Twitter account, please feel free to 'Follow' the Our Lady of Lourdes Baulkham Hills Twitter Feed.

The Twitter handle is: @olol8Hills

Early Years Assessment

“Early Years Assessment” for Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 students was introduced by the Catholic Education Office.

Over the next few weeks, the teachers in Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 will individually assess the children’s progress in Literacy.

Assessment for Kindergarten includes:

Letter Identification and Concepts about Print.

Assessment for Year 1 includes:

Reading Fluency and Comprehension (Running Records)

Word Reading Test

Writing Vocabulary

Hearing and Recording Sounds in Words

Year 2 Running Records

This data is then recorded and sent to the Catholic Education Office.

UNSW International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Parents will have received a note outlining the various University of NSW Competitions your child may enter.

The competitions are:

Maths \$8.00	English \$8.00
Science \$8.00	Writing \$18.00
Spelling \$12.00	Digital Technologies \$8.00

These competitions are optional and parents may nominate some or all of the competitions for their children to enter. Please ensure each child has his/her own entry form. **DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY** as you will be billed on your Term 2 school fee account. All children, whether they are taking part in these competitions or not, are to return the form to the school by Monday, **16th March**.

School Tours

School Tour dates for new families wishing to enrol in Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School 2016 are as follows:

- * Wednesday, March 11th, 2015 at 10.00am
- * Thursday, March 26th, 2015 at 10.00am
- * Wednesday, April 1st, 2015 at 7.00pm
- * Thursday, April 30th, 2015 at 10.00am

Please email the school

ololbhills@parra.catholic.edu.au to inform us if you wish to attend any one of these sessions.



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Friday 27th February from 8.45am till 9.15am, Tuesday, 3rd March from 2.45pm till 3.15pm and Wednesday, 11th March from 2.45pm till 3.30pm.

Social and Fundraising Committee News

Welcome to 2015!

The OLOL Social and Fundraising Committee is always looking for new ideas and members.

Our school community thrives on the support of our families and the amazing group of volunteers who co-ordinate a variety of events, which change from year to year. Some have become tradition and this year is no exception.... IT'S FETE TIME!!!!

The Committee and all its helpers make a valuable contribution by raising funds benefiting the children and school community. We also organise fun events to further foster strong relationships in our community. It's a fun and rewarding experience and we need you.

Come along to our first meeting of the year and be a part of what promises to be another great year.

Attached to the newsletter is a flyer with more information or contact Carina Morales on 0414 412 422. Look forward to seeing you there.

2015 Fun Run Fundraiser – 13th March 2015

In conjunction with the School Cross Country we are having a Fun Run as one of our fundraiser events for 2015. It will be held on Friday, 13th March 2015. Sponsorship forms will be sent home next week. Please assist your child/ren in finding sponsors for this event.

If you can help on the day, please contact Carina Morales on 0414 412 422.

A reminder that all parent helpers must have completed the online child protection information session and completed the prohibited employment declaration form available from the office.

Uniting Care St. Matthews Preschool Baulkham Hills

We currently has some vacancies
for 4 year old children

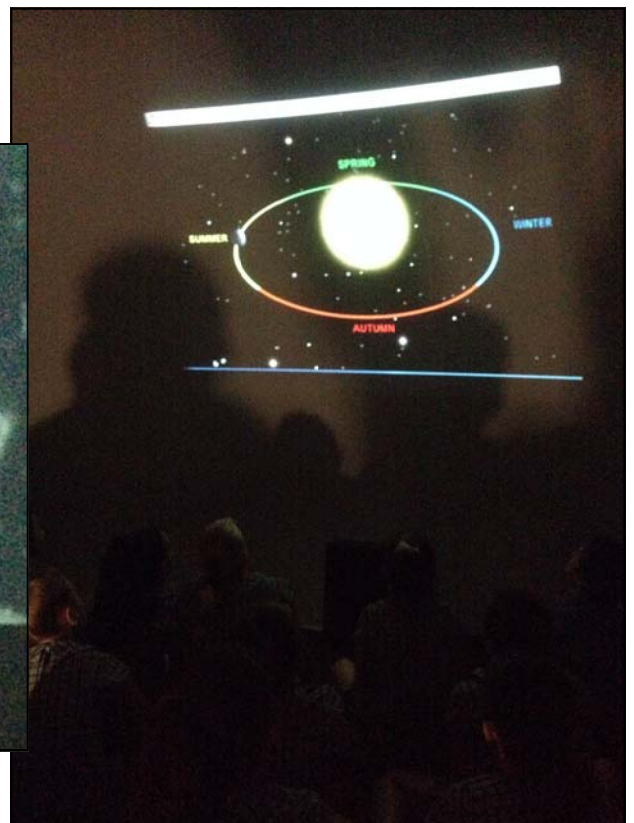
If you or any friends are looking for a Preschool
(9.00am till 3.00pm)
for your 4 year old child,
please phone the preschool on

9639 8570

to arrange a visit or for further information

Planetarium Visit

On Thursday, 12th February, a mobile planetarium (an inflatable dome) came to OLOL. Year 5 entered the planetarium and they were able to experience the wonders of space and our universe through movies and real life pictures projected on the ceiling and walls of the planetarium. Year 5 learnt many new things about Space and it was a fun way to begin our Science and Technology unit.



1H's visit to the Sydney Children's Hospital

On Tuesday, 1H went to Sydney Children's Hospital at Randwick. It was a very long bus trip. We went through three tunnels and across The Harbour Bridge.

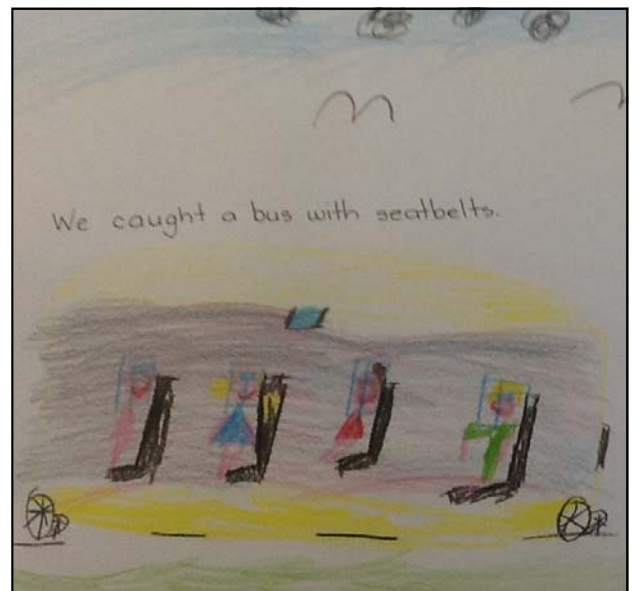
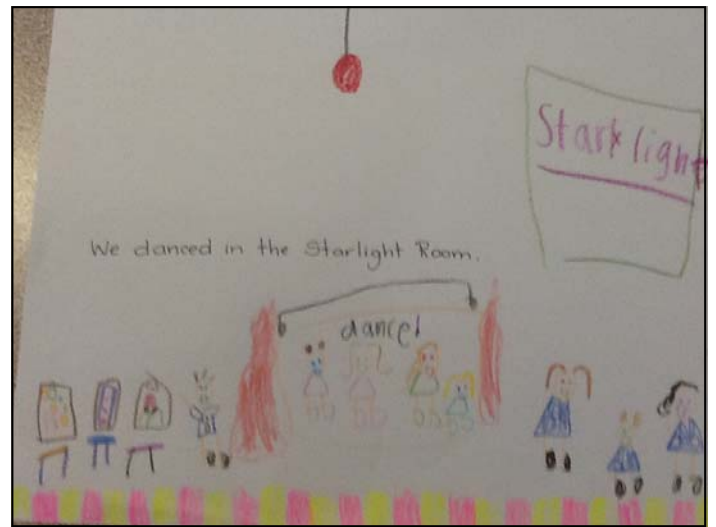
First, we sat in the foyer and ate our morning tea. Nicola came and welcomed us. Next, we followed Nicola to the education room. We met Dr Theresa. The Child Life Therapists also visited us. We played hospital bingo with them.

Then we found the fairy garden. Katrine gave us a healthy morning tea. We explored the garden and found a wishing well, a fountain and fairy houses. We thought it was a nice place for sick children to visit.

After that, we tiptoed upstairs and surprised Captain Starlight. In the Starlight Room we danced.

Finally, we went downstairs and met the Dietician, Teacher and Physio. They all showed us how they help sick children in hospital.

Year One had an awesome and exciting day. We enjoyed learning about all the jobs you can do at a hospital.



Stepping Beyond: Support for those Separated or Divorced

CCSS Solo Parent Services Monthly Support Group, "Stepping Beyond" will be held again on the last Tuesday of the month for those who are separated or divorced.

Venue: CCSS Centre 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown

Date: Tuesday, 24th February

Time: 7.30 – 9.30

Cost: \$5.00

Registration: Eileen or Rita Phone 99330205

or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au.

See Flyer on Parish Notice Board.

Respect and Integrity - showing good manners and communication skills

- ◆ Saying 'please', 'thank you'
- ◆ Excuse me please / Waiting for your turn to speak
- ◆ Don't talk over the top of others



SCHOOL EVENTS

<u>February</u>	
Sun 22nd	First Sunday of Lent
Mon 23rd	Hills Zone Swimming Carnival
Thurs 26th	9.15am Mass Year 6 Fr Giovanni/Wim class visits Year 1
Fri 27th	Diocesan Swimming Carnival
<u>March</u>	
Sun 1st	Second Sunday of Lent
Tues 3rd	4D Reconciliation
Thurs 5th	9.15am Mass Year 5 Fr Giovanni/Wim class visits Year 2
Sun 8th	9.30am Catholic Schools Week Mass Third Sunday of Lent
Mon 9th	Catholic Schools Week

Fresh SUSHI ROLLS

Available MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY!

Four to choose from:

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

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

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the school?
Do you want to help raise funds to better the learning environment of the children?
Do you want to share your ideas, skills and time?

The OLOL Social & Fundraising Committee
NEEDS YOU!!

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US

Our first meeting for the year will be held
on Tuesday 3rd March 2015 @ 7:30pm in The Learning Centre.
Light supper will be provided
Please see the newsletter for details on committee or contact
Carina Morales on 0414 412 422 for further details

