



Our Lady of the Rosary Kellyville

Term 2, Week 8

20 June 2018

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Week 8

Monday 18th June

- * Whole School Assembly 11.20am

Tuesday 19th June

- * PE: Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2
- * Chess Club (Recess)
- * Library: Year 1 and Year 2

Wednesday 20th June

- * Gardening Club 7.30am
- * PE: Years 3 and 4
- * Parish Mass Year 1 @ 9.15am
- * UNIFORM SHOP 8.30-1.30pm
- * Library: Year 6

Thursday 21st June

- * PE: Years 5 and 6
- * Parish Mass Year 3 @ 9.15am

Friday 22nd June

- * Music and Band
- * **Treat Day. Bring your pocket money for a treat.**

Week 9

Monday 25th June

- * **Photo Catch up day 9am**
- * **P&F Meeting 7pm**

Tuesday 26th June

- * PE: Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2
- * Chess Club (Recess)
- * Library: Year 1 and Year 2
- * Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala

Wednesday 27th June

- * PE: Year 3 and 4
- * Uniform Shop 8.30am—1.30pm
- * Parish Mass @ 9.15am for Year 2

Thursday 28th June

- * PE: Years 5 and 6
- * Parish Mass @ 9.15am for Year 4

Friday 29th June

- * Music and Band
- * **Band Evening Performance 7pm (Teaching Services Students)**
- * Parish Mass @ 9.15am for Year 5
- * **Treat Day. Bring your pocket money for a treat.**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I cannot believe how quickly Week 8 of Term 2 is upon us. The last day of term will be Friday 6th July. My staff and I will return on Monday 23rd July and the students will return for classes on Tuesday 24th July.

On Friday 8th of June we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart at Mass. I thank all the staff involved for their work and of course, Father Alejandro in putting a beautiful and reverent service together. We also farewelled Mrs Angela McNamara from Year 4 that day and last Friday we wished Mrs Helen Gilmour the very best for her six month secondment to Emerton. We thank both teachers, wish them all the best, and thank them for all they have given to OLOR.

Sadly, many of our students are still consistently late and some are unaccompanied by a parent or carer. This means that they will be marked as “unexplained partial absence” on their files which then reflects on their school report. Your co-operation to accompany a late student to the office is appreciated.

One of our PBS4L behaviour expectations is “Care for Appearance” under the rule Respect for Self, and therefore we expect that girls hair accessories should be limited to school colours and small sized bows and ribbons. Boys hair needs to be above shoulder length if left out or tied back. Many of the boys are wearing their shirts outside of their trousers. The boys winter uniform is to be tucked in and the neck tie is to be tied properly. I have seen many unacceptable variations over the last 2 weeks. Given the cold weather, could you please ensure that your child has a jacket or jumper with them every day. Your co-operation in this matter is requested.

We remind our existing families who are still needing to enrol siblings for 2019, to please forward your completed enrolment applications to the office ASAP so we can progress to the final stages of your enrolment.

A reminder that there is a MAKE-UP PHOTO DAY this coming Monday 25th June for all the students that were not here on the original photo day. This is the only make up day for this years photos.

This week I will leave you with this thought:-

Kind words are short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless. - Mother Teresa

Have a lovely week.
Annelise Stockey

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

REMINDER Monday 25th June

- Photo Catch Up day
- 7pm P&F Meeting

Monday 26th June

- Soccer Gala for Boys/Girls Stage 2

Friday 29th June

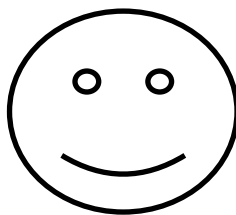
- Band Evening Performance

Monday 23rd July

- Staff Development Day

Tuesday 24th July

- First day back for students—Term 3



**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THOSE STUDENTS THAT RECEIVED THE
PRINCIPALS AWARD AT ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY**



2018 SCHOOL FEES

First period school fees were due and payable by 21st March 2018. Period 2 statements have been mailed out and are due and payable by 6 June 2018. Thank you to all the families who have paid their period 1 fees. If you are yet to pay or do not have your statement please contact me on 8664 7800 or email tdigiuseppe@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Payment may be made by Cash, Cheque, Credit Card at school or Bpay or Billpost as per the statement.

If you would like to set up a weekly, fortnightly, or monthly arrangement, please do not hesitate to call me and I can work it out for you.

If you are experiencing any financial difficulties, please call me for a confidential chat. It is better for you to come in to speak to me so that we can develop a support plan rather than allowing a debt to accumulate. We are here to support you.

Mrs Tracey DiGiuseppe

Financial Secretary

tdigiuseppe@parra.catholic.edu.au or call 8664 7800

Religious Education

Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass



On Friday 8th June, we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and farewelled Mrs McNamara. Fr Alejandro broke open the scripture and deepened our understanding of Jesus' love for us. The Sacred Heart is depicted in images as pierced, surmounted by a cross and encircled with thorns. Light radiates from it to show that it is a burning furnace of love. The Heart of Christ summarises the paschal mystery, the death and resurrection of Jesus that were inspired by divine love. Devotion to the Sacred Heart focuses not only on the love and mercy Jesus has for us but on reparation for sin. We pray that our hearts may become like the Heart of Christ.



Last Friday, we also farewelled Mrs Gilmour. We ask God to bless Mrs McNamara and Mrs Gilmour as they continue on their journeys, and we thank God for their goodness and gifts. We hope Mrs McNamara and Mrs Gilmour will remember always that our love and appreciation for them are etched on our hearts. You may like to view this Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KN8vhQN_wNY

First Reconciliation

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville, invites all parents with children in Year 2 or above, who have been baptised, to attend our First Reconciliation Information Session on **Thursday, 21st June, 2018 at 7.15pm, or Friday 22nd June, 2018 at 10am, at OLOR Church**. This is a meeting for parents only. Please note you will need to attend one of the above sessions to complete your child's enrolment. We ask that you please complete the enrolment form by following the link below, no later than close of business Wednesday 20th June, 2018.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdv_4fa87QzI3OZl3bj-p9ILpXet24Npf-v20kYulZquOKGiLw/viewform?c=0&w=1



The meeting and all subsequent dates included in the sacramental program for Reconciliation are compulsory. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office on 9629 2595 or via email sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au

We are looking forward to preparing your child for the celebration of this wonderful sacrament.

Final Reconciliation dates for your diary

Parent Information Sessions

Thursday 21st June, 2018 at 7.15pm
Friday 22nd June, 2018 at 10am

Children and Parent Preparation Days

Saturday 11th August 4.30pm
Sunday 12th August 9.30am
Sunday 12th August 4.30pm



Reconciliation Ceremonies

Wednesday 29th August
Thursday 30th August



News from Sr Antoinette

Dear Parents,

I found this excellent article on Mindfulness which I hope will be some food for thought for you.

Helping Children Learn Mindfulness

Posted by [Mind Fuel Daily](#) | [Feed The Spirit](#), [Mindfulness](#)

During this busy time of year, it's as important for children to cultivate a sense of peace as it is for adults. Kids feel the pressure (unknowingly) as the end of the term frenzy picks up... If tired, stressed-out grownups have a difficult time staying in the moment, just imagine how hard it is for youngsters.

Teaching children mindfulness not only helps them behave better, it's a skill that serves them all through life. The most effective way to teach inner peace is to model it. Make "finding quiet moments" a family affair, and everyone will benefit.

Practice Simple Approachable Meditation

The first step in any meditation practice is breathing. Children of all ages can learn to be in the moment by focusing on their breath. Sit in a calm place with your child and instruct them to listen to the sound of their breath or watch the way their chest rises up and down.

Appreciate Nature

Hang a bird feeder in a quiet spot in your yard. Get the whole family to go outside to silently listen, and watch for birds. Spending even a few moments focused on the sounds of nature in your own backyard is a simple and effective distressing activity.

Be Happy with Less

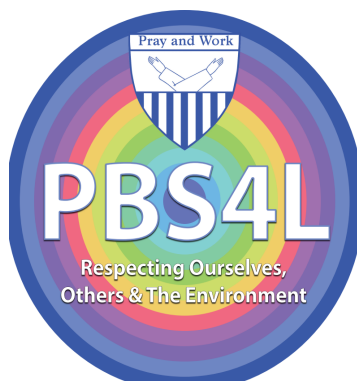
No, this isn't about clearing out cupboards or giving away unwanted toys. That's stressful! Kids can learn to be happy with less by taking a moment to appreciate what they already have, no cleaning necessary. As a family, take a few minutes out of the day to think of at least one thing each member is grateful for, and record your appreciations in a gratitude journal.

A THOUGHT

"All people smile in the same language"
Franklin D. Roosevelt

LOST PROPERTY : I am quite concerned at the amount of lost property that is accumulating at OLOR. Part of the problem is that most of it is unmarked or the names are fading with constant washing. My suggestion is maybe investing in name tags that can be sewn or attached to the jacket/ hat etc.

The staff are certainly encouraging the children to be responsible for their belongings and reinforcing the marking of everything. I know that we can work together on this matter.



FOCUS: "Respect for Others"

This looks like :

- *Listening attentively*
- *Safe and caring hands*
- *Speaking and acting with kindness*
- *Respect for others space and belongings*
- *Fair play*
- *Including others in friendly games*

"The goal of Positive Behaviour Support is 'not perfect' children'. Rather the goal should be creating the perfect environment for enhancing their growth"

-Randy Sprick



12th June, 2018

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Dear Families,

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is first and foremost an experience of God's boundless mercy. Not only does it free us from our sins, it also challenges us in a special way to offer the same kind of mercy to others. It is with great joy that Our Lady of the Rosary Parish hopes to walk with you and your child as you embark on this journey toward the loving Father who runs out to meet us, welcomes and forgives and opens for us all, the door to our true Heavenly homeland.

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Please bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate and a free will offering of \$40 per child in an envelope with your child's name clearly marked. This offering helps offset the costs of preparing children for the Sacrament and the maintenance and upkeep of our church.

We ask that you please complete the enrolment form by following the link below, no later than close of business on Wednesday 20th June, 2018.

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God Bless

Erin Kennedy

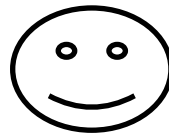
Sacramental Co-ordinator

sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au

SPORTS NEWS FROM MRS HARVEY AND THE SPORT TEAM

REDUCE, REUSE RECYCLE!

Please send in any clean, empty jars (WITH LIDS!) you have in the back of your cupboards. We are especially looking for large Moccona Coffee jars that you may have in your staff rooms at work and any other glass jars suitable for storing dried herbs and spices in. Other good ones are pasta sauce jars and jam jars. Please give them to Mrs Harvey or Mrs Stitt in the Sport Room next to 3B. You will see examples in the photo below of the type of jars we are looking for. If you have time and can also soak the labels off, that would be such a help to us. We are needing lots of jars and de-labelling is going to be a huge job. Many thanks and happy jar finding.



GARDEN CLUB

As we prepare to build more veggie gardens, and begin to equip our future garden kitchen, we would love some donations of the following items:

- Newspaper
- PVC pipe ...food grade pvc ... 12cm or more in diameter and 60cm -1.2m long
- Pre-loved wheel barrows
- Jars please see Mrs Stitt's information above.

Our raffles continue with more citrus, potatoes and mystery bags to come.

A reminder we have plenty of lemongrass, parsley etc for those wishing to add a bit extra to your meals.



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL Thursday 7th June

After the deluge on Wednesday, and clouds continuing to roll in, niggling doubts plagued my mind... but...it's going to be fine, the radar says so, it's going to be fine!!!! I hope!

And what a spectacular day emerged as the fog lifted and our 800m runners joined all the early birds at the oval.

It could not have been better!

I hope everyone had a really enjoyable day.

As always, there is a huge list of people to thank in making the day run so smoothly (I am not going to mention everyone as I know I will forget someone and I won't mean to offend).

Thank you

To all the parents and students who came early to run the 800m.

To all our students who dressed up and participated and hopefully had a great day

Our wonderful and enthusiastic house captains you are all winners ...thank you

Mrs Heiler and the parents who made the best ever bacon and egg rolls and sausage sandwiches

All the parents who time-kept, recorded, judged, started, marshalled, raked pits and stayed to clean up at the end of the day

All our staff who are always so supportive

Pete we couldn't do it without Pete our maintenance man and chief transporter of equipment

Our secretaries...all the behind the scenes paperwork – our backbone

Marian college for their year 10 students and of course, Mr Adam Thomas

Our beautiful past students who volunteer to come back and help each carnival...Kiana and Jess

And finally, last but not least, Mrs Stitt, Mrs McBrien and Mrs Prince.

*****Their final carnival.....A special mention to all our parents who have been so supportive for so many years. You will be hugely missed but I hope YOU have fond memories of our carnivals and that those memories will always bring smiles to your faces...Thank you all so so much.

And now ... the BIGGGGGGG CONGRATULATIONS to our HOUSE WINNERS....

BLUE: Athletics Champions

RED: Spirit Champions

and our

AGE CHAMPIONS

Boys:

Junior:	Fabian F
Runner up:	Ethan TS
11 year:	Sam H
Runner up:	Christian D and Josh H
Senior:	Sam S
Runner up:	Julian R

Girls:

	Kiara F
	Sarah H
	Elana R
	Georgia B
	Sienna S
	Gabriela F

CROSS COUNTRY NSWCPs

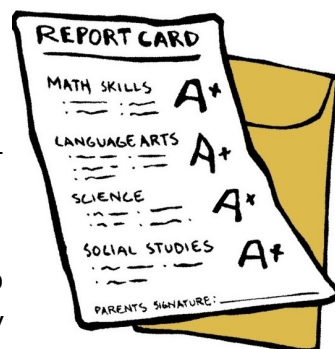
Congratulations to our six athletes – Zach H, Josh H, Julian R, Gabi Mc B, Elana R and Gabriela F, on their sensational performances last Friday, June 15th at Eastern Creek, in very blustery conditions. All the students ran very well and should be proud of their achievements.

A special **thank you** to Mrs McBrien for giving up her lunchtimes and training the students.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Please be aware that Semester 1 Reports will be going home in Week 9 - 27th June 2018.

We ask that if parents would like to meet with their child's class teacher to discuss this report that they email the teacher directly or alternatively email the school at: olorkellyville@parra.catholic.edu.au and indicate the required teacher in the email subject field.



Accordingly, the request will be forwarded to the class teacher so they can make an appropriate date and time.

Please note that Wednesday 4 July (Week 10) from 3.30pm – 7.30pm has been allocated for teachers to hold late meetings for parent teacher discussions.

Subject/Paper	School Year	Official Sitting Date
Digital Technologies	3-6	8 May 2018
Science	3-6	29 May 2018
Spelling	3-6	13 June 2018
Writing	3-6	14 June 2018
English	3-6	31 July 2018
Mathematics	3-6	14 August 2018



**ICAS EXAM DATES
(REGISTERED STUDENTS ONLY)**



**TERM 3 FIRST DAY BACK FOR
STUDENTS
TUESDAY 24TH JULY**



WORKERS WANTED We are looking for people in construction and other trades who could help us out with the renovations of our church. Are you able to do this (or do you know anyone who might be interested)? Please contact

Angela in the parish office at 9629 2595, leaving information about your business and how you might help. We're putting together a list of those who would like to tender. Thanks and blessings in advance for anything you might donate to help keep our costs down

OLOR IS NUT FREE

We have an increasing number of children in our school who suffer from an anaphylaxis reaction to certain foods etc. but in particular, nuts.

To assist in our duty of care for these children, direct nut products or products that list nuts as an actual ingredient, eg. peanut butter and nutella, are not permitted at Our Lady of the Rosary School. Please also keep this vigilance when sending in birthday cakes, cupcakes and other confectionary for whatever purpose. Additionally, we will continue to ask that children not to share their food.



EVERY DAY MATTERS

CHANGES TO STUDENT LEAVE APPLICATIONS: COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) has procedures and guidelines in place to achieve high standards of student attendance in collaboration with parents. Parents are required by law to ensure that children aged between 6 and 17 years attend school. Schools are required to monitor and keep a register of student attendance and explained absences.

Requirements for Extended Leave from attendance for student absence and travel

- 1-4 days absence: Parents **must** notify the school principal by mail or email (written) at least 2 weeks before leave date.
- 5 or more days absence: Parents must complete and submit the [*Application for Extended Leave*](#) form at least 2 weeks prior to commencing leave (Copies of travel documents must accompany this application). If approved the Principal issues a [*Certificate of Extended Leave*](#). If the Principal declines this application (i.e it is not within the best interest of the child to take leave and be absent from school), a letter notifying parents that the application has been declined would be forthcoming.

****NEW FORMS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE AND THE OFFICE****



Supervision from 8.15am

**PLEASE MAKE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR
CHILDREN OUTSIDE OF SUPERVISED HOURS**

PLEASE HELP US COMMUNICATE WITH YOU HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE SKOOLBAG APP YET?



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Skoolbag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool. This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers important information as soon as it happens example: school news, event reminders, cancellations and much more.

To install it, just search for our school name "Our Lady of the Rosary Kellyville" in either the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or on Windows.



HAVING ISSUES WITH THE Skoolbag app

If you find you are not receiving messages or have lost your alert ping, sometimes it is just a matter of removing and re-installing the app.

System updates sometimes cause these minor issues.



USE YOUR Skoolbag app TO NOTIFY YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

1. Open Skoolbag app
2. Click on eForms
3. Select Absentee Form
4. Complete all fields
5. In the last field you need to tap and then you can sign with your finger on your phone screen
6. Press Submit

This will send an instant email to the school to advise your child's absence.

This document is now legally acceptable as an Absentee Notification as the form is signed. You will not need to send in an additional note when your child returns to school.

This eForm is not to be used for extended Family leave.

- Applications for leave are available from the School Office.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

New directive from the Diocesan Office 25th May 2016

BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE A CURRENT NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

Please note: Until both the ‘Volunteer Form’ and the ‘Module’ have been completed, parents will not be able to assist in any capacity as a volunteer within the school. (The school receives notification when you complete each section).

‘Building Child Safe Communities’ is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. **It is now a requirement that all volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form** that confirms expectations in relation to behavior whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centers. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

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Volunteers – please click on ‘[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers](#)’ by accessing the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the ‘Volunteers and Contractors-Click here’ image (halfway down page on the right hand side).



This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 1—Volunteer Form and follow the steps

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted.

- Your details will be maintained confidentially in a central database
- **A copy of your confirmation will then be emailed to the School / location where you are volunteering to be kept on file.**

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

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A reminder that you once you receive your confirmation email, you will need to complete the Child Protection Module.



www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the ‘Volunteers and Contractors-Click here’ image (halfway down page on the right hand side). This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 2—Complete the Online Training Module

Once you complete this online module the school will receive notification that it has been completed and you will be cleared to volunteer.

Therefore in brief :

1. To complete form go to: www.parra.catholic.edu.au and follow Step 1 above
2. Wait for confirmation email
3. On receipt of the confirmation email follow Step 2 above to complete Child Protection Online Module
4. Wait for confirmation email
5. The School will receive an email confirming that you have completed both steps and are now cleared to volunteer.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support of Catholic Education.



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