



Our Lady Star of the Sea

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TERRIGAL

Newsletter – 27 November 2019

What's new this week

Mr VT's Liturgy
Tuesday 3 Dec at 9am

Christmas Concert
Wednesday 4 December
from 5.00pm

Year 6 Market Day
Thursday 5 December

ALL Library books due back
Friday 6 December

Year 6 Graduation
10 December at 6.30pm



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Term 4 - Dates to remember

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| Thurs 28 Nov | Choir at Tarragal Glen Peer Support Picnic |
| Friday 29 Nov | Teachers v Year 6 Cricket match K-2 Assembly – KS presenting at 2pm |
| Saturday 30 Nov | Parish Christmas Dinner at 6pm |
| Monday 2 Dec | Year 6 CPR Course Questacon Science Show Years 2-6 |
| Tuesday 3 Dec | Mr VT's Liturgy at 9am |
| Wed 4 Dec | Christmas Concert at 5pm Broken Bay Sports Persons Awards |
| Thurs 5 Dec | Year 6 Market Day |
| Friday 6 Dec | Year 6 Reflection Day School Captain Speeches to Year 2-5 |
| Monday 9 Dec | Colour House Captain Speeches |
| Tues 10 Dec | Transition Day Year 6 Graduation Evening |
| Wed 11 Dec | Year 6 – Luna Park |

Please [click here](#) to access school diary and obtain all upcoming dates

A note from our Acting Principal, Mr Todd Vane-Tempest:

Dear Parents, Boys and Girls

We are celebrating Wellbeing Week this week and although low key, we are using the theme of "Challenge Yourself". It is important for students to learn about the difference between a fixed and growth mindset. During class our students will learn to welcome challenges, learn from people around them and acknowledge their own weaknesses and focus on improving.



On Sunday a new Church year begins with the First Sunday of Advent. As a school each Monday morning we will have a short Advent focus and I encourage discussion and even an Advent Wreath for homes as we celebrate this special season in the lead-up to Christmas.



Family Advent-Christmas Concert – NEXT WEDNESDAY!

We are well into our planning for **next Wednesday evening's** (4 December) annual Advent-Christmas concert to be held on the oval. This is always a wonderful community event with a great atmosphere and this year will be no exception. Come along for a great evening. Families are encouraged to BYO picnic dinner and rug from 5pm. The concert starts at approximately 6.00pm with the school band and then the school choir playing and singing a selection of Christmas Carols. Following this each grade will sing a Nativity Song/Christmas Carol. The children are asked to wear the following:

- K-2 Any Nativity scene clothes, e.g. Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Angels or 3 Wise Men
- Years 3-5 Aussie Christmas clothes – boardshorts, Santa shirt's and Santa hat
- Year 6 Christmas clothes

Student Disco

Don't forget tonight it's the turn of our children to get out their dancing shoes and the theme is fancy dress Rock star/Pop star. Our discos are always very popular and well received and I'm sure tonight will be no exception. Thanks especially to Sharon Carson and her great team for all the work going into making it a great night.

Kinder Classes 2020

On Friday we had the final Kinder Transition morning and there was a wonderful atmosphere as our children met their classmates and teacher for their first formal year of schooling. The children also met their buddies formally and we had a beautiful Liturgy and blessing of our newest addition to OLSS!





I announced our Kinder teachers and classes for 2020 who are:

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| Kinder Starfish: | Mrs Laura Wales |
| Kinder Pelicans: | Mrs Rebecca Lynch |
| Kinder Dolphins: | Mrs Erin Houghton and Mrs Kylie Carey |

Over the next few weeks our children and parents will be able to “talk up” the new people in their lives in this exciting time. Thank you everyone who contributed to a great morning.

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Staffing – Classes

At this time of year it is very natural to start focussing on next year and curiosity about classes and teachers is often wondered. Presently, the Leadership team and myself are carefully thinking about where all teachers and classes will be placed. An enormous amount of work goes into this as we are a large community with many “moving parts”.

Parents have a vital role to play here. Whilst I appreciate the curiosity that is part of such discussions, the school cannot be rushed into decisions and announcements ahead of time. Please do not engage in gossip that might inadvertently undermine our very hardworking staff, or indeed families and children in classes. This achieves very little good but often sets the way for hurt feelings and difficulties.

Once our processes are completed, we will announce classes and teachers at a special ‘Meet the Teacher’ step up afternoon on **Tuesday 10 December**. In the meantime, please ‘talk up’ your child’s teacher and potential options in the lead-up to this date. It is the best way to ensure a positive build-up to next year.

Reports

Presently our class teachers are well into the very big task of writing end of year reports. As I begin the task of reading through each and every one, I am impressed with the very extensive knowledge of each student our teachers have and the eloquent way this is expressed. Parents will receive their child’s report on **Thursday 12 December** which will enable any follow-up interviews with teachers should parents wish to ask for this.

Year 4 2020 BYODD iPads for Learning

I have written to current Year 3 parents with all the details of the BYODD iPad program for 2020. With Christmas approaching this is one opportunity for parents to consider this option to obtain the iPad and of course any parent who has questions or may feel the financial burden is too great is strongly encouraged to make contact with me at school so we can discuss ways to support.

To further assist and support parents during this time the school will hold “Get to know your iPad” parent information sessions in the hall on the 3rd December from 2:00-3:00pm with a repeat session from 6:00-7:00pm.

P&F and Parent Advisory Council

On Tuesday evening we held our P&F Annual General Meeting. As per usual each year, several reports were tabled and we held our election for the new Executive and Parent Advisory Council. I extend my sincere appreciation to everyone who has served on the P&F and Advisory Council over the last twelve months and without whom our school community would not be as strong. I am a firm believer that a robust and rigorous parent body can only enhance our work together to support the children.

I especially acknowledge Kristie Stretton, our outgoing Chairperson who has worked tirelessly as a parent advocate, but also importantly as a school advocate. We have been very fortunate to have Kristie support many of our directions and as acting principal, I feel very indebted to her hard work for our school and children.

The 2020 Executive and Parent Council will be decided in the New Year and I ask everyone in our community to consider being part of the team of parents that regularly support and advocate for the school through this wonderful representative parent body.

God bless you and your families,

Todd Vane-Tempest
Acting Principal

A note from our Acting Assistant Principal, Mrs Wales:

University of NSW ICAS Assessments Results

Congratulations to all the students from Years 2-6 who participated in the English, Spelling, Science and technology, Writing and Mathematics Assessments. A special mention to the students listed who achieved outstanding results and will receive their certificates next Friday Morning Assembly (**Week 8, Friday 6th December**)

Mathematics:

MERIT

Year 5

Ella W

Year 6

Makenzie W

CREDIT

Year 2

Lucinda C

Year 3

Zach H
Seamus H
Amelia E

Year 4

Charles U
Jessica O'MJ
Abby O'MJ
Samantha H
Lin-Shin G
Harry G

Year 6

Lawrence U
Nicholas H

DISTINCTION

Year 4

Harrison E

Year 5

Sophie H-C
Albert C

Year 6

Maxwell B

English

MERIT

Seamus H Year 3
Abby O'MJ Year 4

CREDIT

Year 2

Zoe A
Eada C

Year 4

Jessica O'MJ- Year 4
Brianna S- Year 4

Year 6

Nicholas Husk
Makenzie

DISTINCTION

Year 4

Harry G

Writing

CREDIT

Year 3

Amelia E
Zach H
Li-Shin G

Year 5

Molly D
Ella W

Year 6

Lachlan B
Nicholas H

DISTINCTION

Year 4

Abby O'MJ
Brianna S

Year 6

Jess H

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT MASS

Tuesday 24th December 2019



The 6pm Christmas Eve family Mass is an opportunity for the primary school children of our parish to get actively involved in the retelling of the Christmas story. There are a number of ways your child can be involved this year. There are acting roles for Mary, Joseph, shepherds, wise men, angels, inn keeper and animals. We need clear strong readers for narrating and prayers of the faithful, we need children for the choir and there will be a liturgical dance and an offertory procession. No child will be turned away and we usually find a role for those who want to participate. Of course, there are always a number of people wishing to be Mary and the story allows for only 1 so those wishing to have one of the hotly contested roles will go into a draw. Please discuss with your child if they would like to be involved and what they would like to do.

We run **2 full dress rehearsals** to ensure things run smoothly on the night. **If your child would like to be involved they need to be able to come to these rehearsals:**

Costume fitting for pageant actors only Saturday 14 Dec 10.00am – 11am

Sunday 22 December: Full dress rehearsal pageant actors, readers & dancers only 1pm-3pm

Monday 23 December: Everyone 10am to 12noon

Tuesday 24 December: All pageant participants need to be at the church at 5pm for 6pm start.

I will be at school in the under croft during lunch on Wednesday 4 December to recruit.

We are always looking for parent helpers who can dress children and help with crowd control at the mass and at the rehearsal times. I would love to hear from anyone who is able to be of assistance.

Thanks Mel Boffo 0410 156 963

Library News from Mrs Hawton:

ROTATIONS Term 4

This week the rotations have changed and the **Pelicans (K, Years 2, 3, 4 and 5)** classes will be borrowing on Friday.



Week 7 Last week for borrowing – 26 to 30 November

Years 2-5 & Kinder Rotations Term 4

| | Dolphins | Starfish | Pelicans | Friday Borrowing |
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| Week 7- Last week for borrowing | Japanese | Library | Creative Arts/Music | Pelicans- Week 7 only |
| Weeks 8-10 | Library | Creative Arts/Music | Japanese | No Borrowing |
| No Borrowing | | | | Weeks 8-10 |

Year 1 Rotations Term 4

| | Pelicans | Turtles | Starfish | Dolphins | Friday Borrowing |
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| wks 6-10 | Japanese Drama | Drama Japanese | Library Creative Arts/Music | Creative Arts/Music Library | Pelicans Turtles (wk 6+7 only) |

Congratulations to the following students for completed their OLSS Reading Challenge Awards:

- Gold Award:** Leilania O (KS)
- Silver Award:** Isabella A (2S) and Lily D (3D)
- JF Bronze Award:** Jack B (1D)
- Bronze Award:** Isabella A (2S)
- A-Z Award:** Coco S (3D)

End of Year Library Borrowing

I regret that library borrowing needs to finish early at the end of the year as there are a large number of resources for which to account. I realise that this is very early to stop borrowing, however with classes coming and going, books circulating, returning and reshelving being ongoing, getting the library ready for 2020 would not be manageable or effective.

Below is an explanation of how the end of year will work.

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| Week 8 (2 Dec - 6 Dec) | Children return ALL library books & Guided readers by Friday 6 December |
| Week 9 &10 | Chase late returns/ Overdue & lost books / solve problems |

I hope that the children will continue to read. There are some great titles in their class libraries. This is a great opportunity to visit the local libraries at Erina Fair, Kincumber or Gosford. All of these libraries are open during the holidays with summer reading programs as well as holiday story time and art/craft activities for the children.

I would ask that all parents please remind their children to **return all library books by the end of week 8, Friday 6 December**. If a book has been missing for some time, I ask that you either replace it or send in the money to cover the cost of purchasing a new copy. Currently there are a lot of overdue books. Notes for these books will be coming home end of week 8 beginning of week 9.

Thank you for all your support throughout 2019.

Happy reading!
Hania Hawton
Teacher Librarian



General Information:

Canteen News - We are Online!

Please [click here](#) for more information on Flexischools.

The parent helpers are:

FRIDAY 29 November 2019:

- 8.30am-1.30pm
- 8.30am-11.30am Marissa Parke/Angela Turnbull
- 10.30am-2pm



WEDNESDAY 4 December 2019:

8.30am-1.30pm

8.30am-11.30am Beth Adderley

10.30am-2pm

FRIDAY 6 December 2019:

8.30am-1.30pm

8.30am-11.30am Sarah McArthur/Sam Rawling

10.30am-2pm Kathy Kennedy



WEDNESDAY 11 December 2019:

8.30am-1.30pm

8.30am-11.30am Leanne

10.30am-2pm

CHRISTMAS CANTEEN MEAL DEAL

FRIDAY 14 DECEMBER 2018

Don't forget to order online at Flexischools by [clicking here](#). Orders close 4.30pm Monday 9 December 2019. No canteen orders will be available on the day. The Canteen will be open at lunch time and fruit break as normal.



Thank you
Kerrie Clarke
Canteen

Parish News

Please [click here](#) for Parish Website.
Parish Office phone number 4367 4610.

School Banking

Our School Banking Day is **THURSDAY**
Please [click here](#) for information on School Banking.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

The second hand uniform shop is now contactable by sending an email direct to them olsosuniformshop@gmail.com with your request for second hand uniforms.

Sustainable School Shop

Please [click here](#) to access our 2nd hand uniforms on the Sustainable School Shop.

Before and After School Care

Please [click here](#) to get all the information about Before and After School Care.



Early Learning Centre

Please [click here](#) for ELC Website
ELC Phone Number: 4365 3222.



OLSS Village Hub & Playgroup

All are welcome every Tuesday during School Terms in the Parish Hall at 9-11am. Please [click here](#) for more information.



[Please click here to access our uniform shop](#)

Our Lady Star of the Sea Uniform Shop

Opening Hours:

Monday 2pm to 4pm

Friday 8.15am to 10.15am

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Please order online at Flexischools closes 4.30 Monday 9th December 2019

Christmas Meal Deal Friday 13th December 2019

Meal Deal 1

Chicken Burger with Lettuce Mayo + drink + small treat

Beef Burger with Cheese Tomato Sauce or BBQ Sauce

- Chocolate milk Strawberry milk Juice Water

All For \$6.50

Meal Deal 2

Sausage on long roll + drink + small treat Tomato Sauce or BBQ Sauce

Chocolate milk Strawberry milk Juice Water

All For \$6.00

Meal Deal 3

Fruit Salad + drink + small treat

Salad on a roll + drink + small treat

Chocolate milk Strawberry milk Juice Water

All For \$6.00

Meal Deal 4

Sushi +drink + small treat Please choose 1 of sushi fillings

Chicken Teriyaki + Avocado – Tuna + avocado – Avocado + Cucumber

Fried Chicken + Lettuce

Chocolate milk Strawberry milk Juice Water

All For \$6.00

Meal Deal 5 -5 Gluten free nuggets + drink + small treat