



Our Lady Star of the Sea

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TERRIGAL

Newsletter – 28 October 2020

What's new this week

Year 5 students have a great time at Camp

**P&F AGM
Tues 3 Nov @7pm**

Term 4 - Dates to remember

Thurs 29 Oct	Year 5 Camp
Friday 30 Oct	Year 5 return back from Camp
Tuesday 3 Nov	Year 5 Geography Excursion P&F AGM – via Zoom at 7pm
Thurs 5 Nov	Year 6 Virtual Canberra Excursion Day 1
Friday 6 Nov	Year 6 Virtual Canberra Excursion Day 2

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



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A note from our Principal, Mr Robert Peers:

Dear Parents and Children

Tomorrow I will be accompanying our young leaders from Year 5 who will be taking part in their Leadership Camp at the Outdoor Education Centre at Mangrove Mountain. We were delighted to quickly arrange this overnight experience when restrictions eased on school camps and I look forward to spending quality time with our future Year 6 leaders. We are very grateful to Fr Pawel for coming to celebrate Mass with the students as well as providing experiences which will bring out leadership qualities outside the school setting.

Our community is welcome to follow the camp blog which can be found at www.robpeers3.edublogs.org and the password is olsos2020.

Jack Costa Awards for Catholic Life and Mission

We were thrilled with the very prayerful way all our children took part in the rosary procession last week. It was a beautiful experience and a lovely reminder of the inspiration from our dear late friend, Jack Costa as a witness to our Catholic faith. Although some technical issues caused a bit of disruption with the Zoom, the general intent was clear for all. Thank you to our children, well led by Mrs Laura Wales and class teachers for the beautiful and reverent way each took part.

Following the procession, we were able to present our annual Jack Costa Awards for Catholic Life and Mission. These awards recognise students whose behaviour and presence is reflective of our Catholic faith and values. Congratulations to each of these recipients: *Charlotte B; Fletcher P; Samuel D; Max P; Mabel H; Luella V; Lily D; Summer M; Eadie S; Amelia M; Noah T; Ruben B; Sophie B; Oliver L.*



This year's recipients for the Jack Costa Awards for Catholic Life and Mission

Sympathy

On Sunday morning we heard the news that Mrs Sue Gahan's father, Brian passed away peacefully after battling illness for some time. It's a time of mixed feelings for Sue and her family as although he is now out of pain, there is great sadness that he is gone. Please keep Sue and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Progress on New Principal Appointment

Thank you to the parents who engaged in the recent consultation survey from Catholic Schools Broken Bay about the appointment of a new principal. The process has progressed and although I am not directly involved in the appointment, I have also been consulted as to what should be considered in making such an important choice. I understand interviews will be held very soon, and not long after we should be given the news as to who will lead our community from next year.

Once the announcement is made, I will be working closely with the appointee to ensure a seamless and successful transition takes place.

Book Fair

As outlined elsewhere in this newsletter, we are holding our Book Fair this week in the library. There to support future books and resources for the library. Although COVID-19 restrictions make it very different to usual, we encourage parents to get involved and be part of the excitement. Thanks to our teacher-librarian, Hania Hawton for the effort and work that has gone into this, especially amongst COVID restrictions.

Admin and Reception Upgrade

Our new admin space is up and running and although there are some finishing touches still to come, we are delighted with the more open space, and the welcoming atmosphere that now exists. I'm very grateful to our admin staff, along with our librarian Mrs Hawton for their patience during the renovations. There is also a new informal interview room which can be used for various parent meetings and this will be a much more pleasant way to discuss issues as needed. There is still some work to be completed with sound resistance in the foyer and finishing touches, and we look forward to the finished results soon.



Reception



New Interview Room (next to reception)

Creative Playground

The rain this week has slightly pushed back our commencement on the Creative Playground, and so we look forward to seeing progress underway as soon as conditions allow. Stay tuned and we are very grateful to our P&F and Fair by the Sea for funding this opportunity for the children when it is complete.

We also have a staff committee exploring some 'loose part' resources to complement the playground when it is complete. This should also provide some wonderful opportunities for the students and we thank all who are working hard to bring learning to the outdoors when all is completed. Stay tuned.

P&F Annual General Meeting

The P&F AGM will be held on Tuesday 3 November at 7pm. Due to COVID restrictions, the meeting will be via Zoom. Parents are encouraged to attend and can receive a Zoom invitation by emailing President Adam Haines on Adam.Haines@outlook.com

Agenda is:

- Prayer and welcome
- Principal Update
 - Report for 2020
 - Transition towards new Principal 2021
 - other news
- President's Update
- Treasury Update
- Committee updates
- Elections for Office Bearers for 2021.

Written nominations for 2021 Executive positions can be received prior to the evening by emailing secretary Li Wallis on Lianne.Wallis@health.nsw.gov.au. In the absence of written nominations, verbal nominations can be made on the night.

Afternoon Pickup

Thanks everyone for your continued support of the morning drop-off afternoon pickup procedures as we continue to navigate COVID-19 restrictions. Below is a reminder of our afternoon pickup roster for this week and our last week of term next week:

THIS WEEK

1st Wave at 2.45pm: **MACKILLOP** and **TERRY** families
2nd Wave at 3pm: **POLDING** and **CHISHOLM** families.

NEXT WEEK

1st Wave at 2.45pm: **POLDING** and **CHISHOLM** families
2nd Wave at 3pm: **MACKILLOP** and **TERRY** families

God bless you and your families

Robert Peers
Principal

News from Assistant Principal Mrs Kennedy:

Tell Them From Me Parent Survey

We would like to invite all parents and carers to complete the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM)* Partners in Learning survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community, we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at *Our Lady Star of the Sea, Terrigal*.

You can access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL below:

www.tellthemfromme.com/olss2020

The "Tell Them From Me Parent" Survey is anonymous, voluntary, easy-to-use and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. It is based on a comprehensive questionnaire covering parents' perceptions of their child's experiences at home and at school.

Research Behind the Survey

The *TTFM* Parent Survey is based primarily on Joyce Epstein's framework for fostering positive relations between the school and the community. Insights into parent and staff communication, activities and practices at home, and parent voice on the school's support of learning and behaviour, all build an accurate and timely picture that schools can use for practical improvements.

Maria Kennedy
Assistant Principal

News from School Office:

School Office hours

Please note the School Office is open Monday to Friday from 8.10am until 3.30pm.

School Photos

We have been informed by the School Photographer that we should have School Photos in 2-3 weeks.

Library News from Mrs Hawton:

Scholastic Book Fair

Our Scholastic Book Fair is well under way with all the students having the opportunity to write out their wish lists.

Parents can see the books available on Compass, **Book Fair 2020** scroll past the instructions to see the photos.

All Pre-paid orders are **DUE TOMORROW**

Purchasing books will be online (pre-payment option on back of wish lists) **just the final amount and highlight the books you have purchased.**

Reminder -NO CASH PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Thank you for supporting our school Book fair.



Happy reading,
Hania Hawton
Teacher Librarian

Canteen News - We are Online!

As mentioned at the end of term, as we move to the Summer months, we have reviewed how we might best proceed with our canteen to both comply with ongoing COVID-19 restrictions and support our children with warmer weather approaching. The following will apply from our return next term:

- We will continue to operate without volunteer helpers for the time being.
- Lunches and lunch snacks (apart from below) will remain pre-ordered and paid via Flexi-Schools.
- Added to our lunch and snack venue, a limited number of ice-blocks and drinks will be available to purchase directly and sold in lunch and fruit break. Students may bring coins (preferred) for these and we will have strict procedures of putting received coins into a 'quarantine' dish, and change will be served from a separate 'quarantined' float. There will be minimal handling of change by canteen staff.

The menu for this purpose is below:

Quelch Juice Sticks-----	\$1.00
Frozen Juice Cup-----	\$0.50
Lemonade Icy Twist-----	\$1.60
Calippo Minis -----	\$1.00
Juicies-----	\$1.00
Paddlepop-----	\$1.60
Vanilla Ice-cream Cup-----	\$1.00
Ice Mony -----	\$1.00



Milk, Juice and water also available.

Please order lunch on the Tuesday by 10pm for Wednesday & Thursday by 10pm for Friday

Thank you everyone

Kerrie and Heidi

PS Don't forget you can always message myself if your child is unable to attend and I can cancel order in the morning for you (before 8:30am)

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

General Information:

Parish News

Please [click here](#) for Parish Website.

Parish Office phone number 4367 4610.

School Banking

We have been advised by Commonwealth Bank that all school banking will temporarily cease and will advise when it will commence again.

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.



Uniform Shop

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

For pricelists, opening hours and shop details, login/register online www.alintaapparel.com.au

Alinta Apparel Pty Ltd Phone: **0437 133 032** Email: starofthesea@alinta.com.au



THE UNIFORM SHOP

Need Uniforms for 2021?



The Uniform Shop is now conducting fittings for students requiring uniforms for 2021.

Any student that may require special sizing are required to be fitted and order by 31st October 2020 to avoid disappointment.

Contact your School Uniform Shop to organise your uniforms or to make a fitting appointment.

Layby payments available in store.

Thank You

Uniform Shop
www.alintaapparel.com.au