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Newsletter
Term 3 Week 7

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

In this Sunday's gospel, we will hear the story of Jesus healing the deaf man. Jesus used the word "Ephphatha" which means "be opened". We are fortunate to have many opportunities as a Catholic community to "be open".

Jesus modeled his expectation with the deaf man. We know that if we are truly followers of Jesus, it is our responsibility to "be open" to all that life offers ~ in people and in events. We have many opportunities to "be open" to others.

As a staff continue to work with the children around...

The community of OLMC is safe and respectful

I want to acknowledge their commitment to "being open" in providing support for all children within our school community...

- ~ those who are very capable of behaving appropriately
- ~ those who experience difficulty in behaving appropriately
- ~ and those in between!

Thank you also to the many parents who see their child(ren)'s behavioural/social growth just as important as their spiritual, physical and academic growth. Our children's future literally depends on their ability to "be open" to all people, to learn the social courtesies of mutual respect for their parents, their teachers and their school community. As adults, we model our expectations in our words and actions by "being open" towards others. It is essential that, like Jesus, we are explicit about exactly what we expect of our children, model those expectations and support them to attain them.

So –

What do we expect of our children?

Are our expectations high enough?

Are we modeling what we expect?

If asked, would our children be able to name our expectations?

Do we teach our children how to meet our expectations?

Do our children link boundaries and consequences?

On numerous occasions, various members of our school community have raised concerns about inappropriate modelling by parents around the area of safety and consideration for others in our community ~

- ~ allowing children to cross the road without walking to the pedestrian crossing
- ~ double parking of an afternoon and blocking other cars from entering or exiting

What message are we portraying and modeling to our children about safety? Are the rules for others, not ourselves? How can we expect our child(ren) to follow rules, if we don't as adults?

Best wishes to all this week in living our adult responsibilities.

Steven
Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Week 7 - Communion Classes Begin

MUFTI DAY DROUGHT APPEAL

Fri: 8:30-3pm Stage 2 Touch Gala Day @
The Kingsway St Marys

Week 8

Mon: 9:15am Assembly- KG prayer

Tue: 8:15am Morning Workout (Yr4-Yr6)

6:30pm Band Concert

Wed: 8:15am Morning Workout (K-Yr3)

Fri: Mass - Yrs 5 & 6

Week 9

Mon: 9am Assembly - 6G prayer

Tue: 8:15am Morning Workout (Yr4-Yr6)

Wed: 8:15am Morning Workout (K-Yr3)

Week 10

Mon: 9:15am Assembly-6G

Tue: 8:15am Morning Workout (Yr4-Yr6)

Wed: 8:15am Morning Workout (K-Yr3)

Thu: 9:30am Year 5 & 6 Surf Education

Talk

NEWSLETTER

We are asking our families to please subscribe to our newsletter via our Webpage to continue to receive our newsletters. To do this please click to the [link](#) and fill in your details. From here you can update your email and an option to unsubscribe.

MERIT AWARDS

KB	Lucas, Alessandro	4B	Joel, Celinei
KG	Thomas, Aimie	4G	David, Rouba
1B	Zahara, Kruthi	5B	Gevin, Cristian
1G	Edward, Rohan	5G	Jarrood, Hasini
2B	Stella, Taliah	6B	Aryan, Claudia
2G	Sameet, Erica	6G	Ryan, Jemma
3B	Ryan, Zachary	CA	Matthew, Zahara
3G	Gabriella, Zien	PE	Jad, Deng

STAR CARD AWARDS

Gold Awards: Vincent ▪ Ethan ▪ Soleil ▪ Alyna ▪ Reuben ▪ Kiara ▪ Myraa ▪ Clara ▪ Yasemin ▪ Hannah ▪ Noah ▪ John

Opal Awards: Andrea ▪ Reuben ▪ Jesse ▪ Winona ▪ Ethan ▪ Iziah ▪ Marcus ▪ Ethan ▪ Ethan ▪ Deng ▪ Aimie ▪ Zachary ▪ Asaeli ▪ Liam ▪ Sam ▪ Leah

Platinum Awards: Estelle ▪ Zahara ▪ Anthony ▪ Angela ▪ Myra ▪ Simona ▪ Michaela ▪ Joel ▪ Saxon ▪ Tu ▪ Iniya ▪ Vincent ▪ Alanna ▪ Arkyn ▪ Pranav i ▪ Aurelia ▪ Natasha

Principal's Awards: Aleisha ▪ Bradley ▪ Marie-Jose ▪ Bridie ▪ Edward ▪ Angelina ▪ Charlotte



SPOTLIGHT ON RE

This week our school has been focussing on the plight of our farmers during the worst drought Australia has endured in the last 100 years. Today was "Dress as a farmer" with a gold coin donation. The money raised this week was over \$600 and is being sent to the St Vincent de Paul Drought Appeal providing not only food for animals but for the farmers their families and community needs. This is part of our outreach to others in light with our mission statement of "**compassion, dignity and justice**". We are also sending letters and cards of support to the families of St John's Primary School in Cobar, NSW. You might like to find the school on Google Maps and discuss this as a family.

PRAYER FOR RAIN

Lord God,

in you we live and move and have our being.

Help us in our present time of trouble, send us the rain we need, and teach us to seek your lasting help.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

AMEN

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge website closed last Friday for student access to online reading records. Miss Pirovic will be finalising the challenge record for students who were not able to do a final update this week. Congratulations to the children who completed the challenge during the past week: Ariana, Myra, Valli, Eva, Chelsea, Ciano, Yasemin, Aiden, Jonathan, Anabella, Rhianna, Serop, Amiel, Bracston, Claudia, Julian, Lara, Daniel and Advika.

BOOK CLUB

All orders must be completed online by Wednesday 12 September. No late orders will be accepted. All orders need to be placed online through [LOOP](#) or downloading the app. Please remember that **NO CASH** orders will be accepted.

P&F NEWS

A Fathers' Day Prayer

*God our Father,
we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.
We pray for all fathers: may they guide their children with patience and loving wisdom.
May they feel appreciated in all they do and supported as their hands work to provide sustenance and security for their families.
We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation;
may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.
We pray for grandfathers and great grandfathers;
may we value their wisdom and experience as they teach and guide us.
May they feel pride in their children and the support of family and friends.
We pray for fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering;
may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.
We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.
We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us,
but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.*

Amen

We hope all the Dad's, Grandads and father figures in our community felt special on Sunday. We hope you loved the small tokens of affection that your children chose for you at the Fathers' Day Stall. If you had an IOU at the office and forgot about it, you can still collect it. We would ask that you do so before this Friday 7th September.

Fathers' Day Breakfast

Thank you to Pauline and Paula for coordinating both the purchase of our new BBQ's and the Fathers' Day Breakfast. We hope everyone who came enjoyed their bacon and egg roll. Thanks also to all the people who helped to cook, serve and clean on the day. We could not have done it without you and we are grateful for your time and effort.

Fathers' Day Raffle

Congratulations to all the people who were lucky enough to win our Fathers' Day Raffle. Thanks also to Tanya and Simon and Virginia for their generous donations. We are extremely grateful for your constant support.

The Father's Day raffle winners are:

- First Prize:** \$100 Ultimate Gift Card C. H 2G
- Second Prize:** \$100 Bunnings voucher Sara 4B
- Third Prize:** 26 Litre Esky Manuel 4G
- Fourth Prize:** Supercheap Carwash kit Ryan 6G
- Fifth Prize:** Supercheap Carwash kit Adriana
- Sixth Prize:** Wine rack and wine Richard
- Seventh Prize:** Toolpro 10piece Screwdriver Set Rohan 4G
- Eighth Prize:** Grooming wetpack Ayden 6
- Ninth Prize:** Door Bell Lucas 4G
- Tenth Prize:** Light Gabrielle 4G

Second Hand Uniform

The Second hand uniform shop has a large number of boys' shorts in stock. If your son has grown over the winter months, come in and see if we can help. The Second Hand Uniform Shop is open on Monday afternoon from 2:45pm. If you have any donations for the Second-Hand uniform shop, please send them in to the office.

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