



Newsletter 9th May 2018 Week 4 Term 2

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Happy Mother's Day



"Blessed be all mothers
Who have come into our lives
Whose kindness, care and loving
Remain with us to guide.

Your inspiration in us
Made us strive in every way
Especially to remember
Helping others makes our day.

Mothers, this little tribute
Flows directly from our heart
You are so loved and cherished
Invaluable, one and all, you are".





A PRAYER FOR ALL MOTHERS

*Loving God, thank you
for all the mothers in the world.*

*Bless them so that they may always
give life and nourishment to their
children through their firm faith,
generous and selfless love, good
example and constant concern for
their bodily and spiritual health.*

*Grant that we, their children, may
honor them always with a spirit of
profound love, respect and
thanksgiving.*

*Grant this through Christ our
Lord. Amen.*

**HAPPY
MOTHER'S DAY!**

- Catholics striving for Holiness -

God Bless

Lisa Cavanagh

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IMPORTANT NOTICE -AFTERNOON DUTY IN EARLY YEARS AREA

Please note that teacher supervision in the Early Years Area is provided from 3:05pm to 3:25pm each day. As this is a very busy thoroughfare from all points in the school, and difficult to keep a track on all students, we have taken the decision to not allow students to play on the play equipment at this time. All students who use this area to wait for parents (predominately Prep, Year 1 & 2) are to sit on the aluminium seats around the tree until they are collected by parents/responsible adult. Parents are asked to collect your children promptly.

Teacher Talk

Prep

This week in Prep we have been busily preparing for Mother's Day and the students were so excited to have all their Mum's in the classroom this afternoon to celebrate Mother's Day! We have just about finished the alphabet after focusing this week on the letters W and X. We look forward to making whales and x-rays on Friday for craft. This week in Maths we have continued to explore 3D shapes and the number 13. In science we have been exploring our senses and why we need them. Enjoy your weekend and Happy Mother's Day to all of our beautiful Prep Mums!!

Mrs Rebecca Thomas

Year One

Students will continue rewriting sentences using pronouns to replace proper nouns to improve the text. During Mathematics students are partitioning numbers using including place value and using the language of direction to familiar locations. 'Caring for Creation' is the key focus during Religious Education activities this week. Students have been listening to Old Testament and Dreamtime stories.

Happy Mother's Day to all our wonderful mums. May your day be filled with love and laughter. We hope you like the special gift we have been working on!

Mrs Chris Conneely

Year Two

In Mathematics we are comparing the value of notes and coins. We explored open ended questions where there is more than one correct answer along with closed questions. Using notes and coins we investigated different ways to make a set amount. This week we explored the /ai/ sound for spelling and brainstormed a list of words which feature alternative spelling using /ay/ and /a_e/. In Geography we identified what is a place and looked at personal places. We explored Google Earth and the features of maps. In Digital Technologies we created our own keyboard, ready to explore sequencing steps when creating code.

Yours in Christ

Mrs Rowena Staude

Year Three

In Year 3 we are continuing with our mathematic fractions unit. In English we are working on improving our comprehension skills. We have been practising retrieving information directly from the text.

We are still waiting for a sunny hot day to complete our science experiment which involves heating up chocolate! The students have been predicting what they think will happen when we leave the chocolate in the sun but we haven't had a hot enough day to melt the chocolate.

Please don't forget to keep reading every evening and to bring in homework books every Friday.

God Bless and have a great week.

Miss Ayden-Skye Wolff

Teacher Talk

Year Four

It's week 4 already, the term is certainly flying. In reading we are focusing on the keywords. Keywords within the question help us find the words in the text we need to answer the comprehension question. We will continue to work on this skill throughout the term. In math we have been exploring shapes, square centimeters and converting common fractions to decimal fractions.

May all our mums have a wonderful Mother's Day, filled with love, laughter and happiness.

Mrs Cheryl Anderson

Year Five

This week in Maths, we investigated symmetry and continued to work on developing our problem solving skills. In Science, students shared the information about the light sources they located in their homes, and the purpose of these. The students have been practising their narrative writing skills in English, whilst in HaSS, we looked at the various personnel who enforce rules in our society.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our Mums a very Happy Mothers' Day! Thank you for everything you do for your children and I hope they spoil you on Sunday!

Mrs Kaylene Bruggemann

Year Six

Hello from Year Six

We have had a busy week culminating in the Labour Day holiday on Monday. The students should have brought their test pads home for your perusal and signature. Their results in number facts and measurement have been very pleasing, especially Mrs Tyrie's group of hard workers. A special mention to Lilly-May and Zac who both scored 100% in their measurement test.

We are currently studying two stories about Vietnamese refugees who fled their home country after the Vietnam War. We will examine the author's style in both books and discuss similarities and differences. Various comprehension strategies will be taught using the QAR model and students will write summaries of the stories focusing on varied sentence beginnings, the use of descriptive adjectives, clauses and complex sentences to write cohesive text.

Regards,

Mr Michael West

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2018

Fri May 11th	Mother's Day Stall
Sun May 13th	Mother's Day
Sun May 13th	Mass 8am
<u>Tue May 15th</u>	<u>Naplan</u>
<u>Wed May 16th</u>	<u>Naplan</u>
Wed May 16th	Pie Drive Forms Distributed
<u>Thurs May 17th</u>	<u>Naplan</u>
Sun May 20th	Liturgy 8am
Sat May 26th	Family Mass 6pm

Tuckshop Helpers

Tuesday 14th May 2018

Kym Owens
Linda Leerentveld
Patricial Hausler
Katie Owens

Thank you ladies for
volunteering your time!

Weekend Masses

St Monica's Parish

1st, 4th & 5th Sunday – Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

2nd Sunday – 8.00am

3rd Sunday – 8.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

Our Lady of the Annunciation, Peranga

2nd Sunday – 10.00am

4th Sunday – 10.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

Oakey: Saturday 6pm

Peranga: Sunday 10am

Oakey Community Playgroup

St Monica's Primary School

75 Lorrimer St Oakey

Every Thursday 9-11am

(Except School Holidays)

President: Tricia Brownsey 0408 675 945

SUPERLearners

Term 2 Week 4

Prep:	Arabella
Year 1:	Connor
Year 2:	Macey
Year 3:	Bryant
Year 4:	Abbey
Year 5:	William
Year 6:	Claire

SUPERLearners

Term 2 Week 3



Inner Downs Cross Country

Last Wednesday 2nd May St Monica's had four children head over to Highfields State School for the Inner Downs cross country trials.

Bonnie, Cooper, Rory and Sonny all competed in the 10 years age group.

It was a cold and drizzly run for all the children, yet they still all ran their hardest and were all great representatives for our school.

Well done Bonnie, Cooper, Rory and Sonny!



P&F News

Thank you to mighty crew who manned the Chip Van at the Oakey Rodeo.

A job well done by the few helpers!

Pie Drive

Order forms will go out on Wednesday 16th May. Payment (cash or cheque) is to be returned to the school office with the order forms, no later than Wednesday the 6th of June. Delivery date for orders is the 22nd of June.

Helpers will be required for the delivery day.

Race Day

This year it has been decided to hold a Race Day, this will be our major fundraiser for the year.

The Race Day will be held early September, with the date still to be finalised.

If there is someone out there with the expertise of running such an event, or anyone who would like to donate their time in the organising of the Race Day, please contact the school office for further information either by phone 46911067 or email oakey@twb.catholic.edu.au.

Volunteers Still Required!

Secondhand Uniforms

Don't forget to purchase your winter jumpers from the Secondhand Clothing Shop.

Please contact Chloe McIntosh on 0457915137 for all enquiries

Size 4 & 6 shirts and dresses are required, donations of these would be appreciated.

Oakey Parkrun

Located at Arthur Shooter Park the Oakey parkrun is held every Saturday at 7.00am. This is a 5 km course where you run against the clock. It is free to register so go online to <http://www.parkrun.com.au/oakey/>. When you register you will be given a barcode. Present the barcode at the parkrun and your time for the course will be recorded each time you run. Families are welcome to run, jog or walk the course. A great, active way to start each weekend!

Music News

Anzac Day Concert

On Saturday the 27th April the senior choir performed at the Civic Centre. We had nine of our students performing during the matinee and 11 on stage for the evening concert. They did a wonderful job and were superb ambassadors for our school. I would personally like to thank the parents who went above and beyond bringing in their children in to the Oakey Civic Centre.

Dalby Eisteddfod

Our section in the Dalby Eisteddfod is on the morning of the 8th of June. Unfortunately I have had to withdraw our Junior Choir nomination. Attendance has been very sporadic this year and we just don't know the repertoire. This is a real pity for the 4 students who come every week to sing during lunch time.

The 4/5/6 choir section begins at 9am. Stay tuned for further information.

Sing Out

Sing Out is happening this year at the Empire Theatre. The year 4/5/6 choir are involved and will spend the day in Toowoomba on the 14th of June with a concert that evening. I'm really looking for to an exciting day of workshops and seeing the children performing as a choir and in the massed choir. It is always spectacular.

Susie Fredline

Music Teacher



St. Monica's School — Winter Uniform

With winter well on its way, we are reviewing our winter uniform requirements. The current winter uniform as stated on the school website is set out in full below.

If you feel that your child requires additional clothes for those very cold days, the school would like you to add the following layers:

Boys & Girls - Navy blue long sleeved skivvy to be worn under their school dress, dress shirt or sports shirt

Girls - Navy blue tights – no leggings please.

As stated on the St Monica's School website, the current Winter Uniform includes the following:

Prep Students:

St Monica's sports shirt

Girls **Navy blue** skorts

Boys **Navy blue** shorts Stubbies brand – BCS06 or BCS37N

White socks (*no ankle socks*)

White sports shoes.

Prep students: Winter: please layer with the following:

Navy blue long sleeved skivvy (boys & girls)

Navy blue (*only*) tights (girls) – no socks if wearing tights

Bottle green fleecy track pants (boys & girls)

St. Monica's School Bottle Green Fleecy Pullover with embroidered crest

St. Monica's School Bottle Green Jacket with embroidered crest

Years 1 to 6:

Girls: Formal –

St Monica's tartan dress uniform

St Monica's School Bottle Green Fleecy Pullover with embroidered crest

St Monica's School Bottle Green embroidered school jacket

Navy blue (*only*) tights, optional – no leggings

All black shoes (may be leather or sports).

Girls: Sports Uniform -

St Monica's sports shirt

Navy blue skorts

Bottle green fleecy track pants

St Monica's School Bottle Green Fleecy Pullover with embroidered crest

St. Monica's School Bottle Green Jacket with embroidered crest

Navy blue (*only*) tights, optional – no leggings

White socks (*no ankle socks*)

White sports shoes.

Boys: Formal –

St Monica's button up short sleeve shirt with tartan collar

Long navy blue short (Stubbies brand – BCS06 or BCS37N)

Long navy blue pants (Ruggers brand), optional

St Monica's School Bottle Green Fleecy Pullover with embroidered crest

St. Monica's School Bottle Green Jacket with embroidered crest

Navy socks (*no ankle socks*)

All black shoes (may be leather or sports).

Boys: Sports –

St Monica's sports shirt

Long navy blue short (Stubbies brand – BCS06 or BCS37N)

Bottle Green fleecy track pants

St Monica's School Bottle Green Fleecy Pullover with embroidered crest

St. Monica's School Bottle Green Jacket with embroidered crest

White socks (*no ankle socks*),

White sports shoes.



The St. Monica's School uniform is currently available at Oakey Craft and Saddlery.