



Newsletter 3rd April Week 10 Term 1 2019

"Inspiring learning for a better world."

75 Lorrimer Street Oakey 4401

Ph: 0746911067

Email: oakey@twb.catholic.edu.au

A trip into the past!!

The students in Year One and Two went on an excursion on Friday 22 April to the Cobb and Co Museum and The Bulls Head Inn.

At the Cobb and Co we looked at flight, and flying machines throughout history. We also experimented with a variety of materials and different ways to make them fly. We used hairdryers, fans and air to make our contraptions fly.

At the Bulls Head Inn we explored life in the past. We washed some clothes by hand, we looked at clothing of the past, kitchen of the past and talked about what life would have been like when the Inn was used



by weary



travelers.



The thing I like the best was The Bulls Head Inn because we got to do rotations.

Alex E.



The thing I liked best was The Bulls Head Inn because we got to do the washing.

Conor



The thing I liked best was the flying machines because we got to make something to put in the machine.

Brielle



Principal's Page

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we work through the final couple of days for Term 1, I'd like to thank our parents, staff and students for all of the great work and dedication this term. I've been extremely impressed with the level of work and engagement from our students throughout the term and I'm looking forward to building on this next term. Special mention to our fantastic Prep students for completing their first term of school. From my many walkthroughs of the Prep room, it has been amazing to see their progression and how quickly they have responded to school routines, eagerly engaging in their work.

When we return next term, we will move quickly into Anzac Day commemorations. I would like to encourage as many students as possible to take the time on this day to join the school in showing our respect to our fallen military personnel by marching with the school in the main parade. Please read the important notices and the skoolbag updates for further information

As you would recall earlier this term, we completed our School Renewal and Improvement process in which the school community spent 3 days working with the review panel to identify the areas in which the school was doing well and which areas require our attention for improvement. The completed report will be made available on the school website for community perusal. I would like to share two sections of feedback from the Executive Director and the review panel. From here the identified improvement strategies will be used to formulate our future strategic plans for the school. Thanks again to all involved in this process.

In reading the report I was delighted to find that a culture of high expectations is continuing to be nurtured in the school community with parents identifying a clear focus on academic success for each and every student. St Monica's also has a strong emphasis on the celebration of faith and life as evidenced by participation in class and staff prayer, school liturgies and masses, and these are identified by your community as important parts of the Catholic life of the school. – Executive Director Dr Patrick Coughlan

The review team has found many strengths, particularly in the collective mindset demonstrated by the school staff who consistently give the message that they hold their school in high regard and are happy to be on staff at the school. Parents interviewed are also appreciative of the efforts of the school leadership and school staff in their efforts to provide a quality educational environment for their children. – Review panel members

In closing, I'd like to wish you all a happy and holy Easter period and I look forward to seeing you all back on the 23rd April.

Regards

Mr Luke Barrett

Principal

STUDENT PROTECTION CONTACTS

Every school has student protection contacts who act as a point of call for reporting, advice or information. These people are provided with training each year.

At St Monica's, the student protection contacts are:

Kaylene Bruggemann

Cheryl Anderson

Susan Rodd

The school principal is also able to provide assistance for any students or members of the school community. You will notice posters around the school making everyone aware of who the contacts are.

APRE

The Gospel on Sunday was one of my absolute favourite Parables, "The Prodigal Son." For me, it is one of those parables that I can relate to so many of the characters. Many of us will have felt like the younger son, who wanted everything now; the Father, who only wanted his son home safe; and even the older brother, jealous of the treatment of the returning younger brother – the 'it's not fair' attitude. I have always felt, however, that the parable ends too soon. What happened to the older brother, did he decide to go into the party and celebrate the homecoming of his brother or did he stay outside and sulk, harbouring his jealousy and resentment? I like to think that the older brother joined the party and welcomed his brother home – perhaps that's the eternal optimist in me.

Letters have gone home this week to those students who made the sacrament of Reconciliation last year. These letters are an invitation to take part in the preparation for the sacraments of Communion and Confirmation. If your son/daughter has not brought home this letter, and you believe they are eligible, please contact me at the school.

Over the holidays, one of our staff members will be celebrating a very special sacrament. We wish Miss Wolff and Alex, all the very best for their Wedding Day. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Ah Quay back after the Easter break!

During Drama lessons over the past couple of weeks, we have been preparing our Easter Presentation. With Easter falling at the end of the holidays this year, we will be having our Easter Liturgy and Holy Week Presentation on Wednesday the 24th of April (First Wednesday back after the holidays) at 2pm. Each class will be presenting one aspect of Holy Week and we will finish with an Easter Celebration Liturgy. All are welcome to attend.

In the first week of Term 2, we will also be commemorating ANZAC Day, with the March on Thursday and with our own Prayer Remembrance on Friday the 26th at 2:20pm. We will be being visited by a member of the Oakey RSL at this time as well.

In Religious Education classes, students have been learning about the last week in Jesus' life, Holy Week. Please ask your children about this week (the second week of the school holidays) and take time to remember Jesus' sacrifice and to give thanks to God for his Resurrection.

Gracious God, as we remember the events of Jesus' last days, help us to be people of courage who are willing to reach out to others even when it is difficult. May we remember Jesus' example, and proclaim the Gospel message through our words and deeds. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

© 2018 LiturgyRitualPrayer.com and Emmaus Productions

May God bless you and keep everyone safe over the holiday period.

Lisa Cavanagh

APRE

Teacher Talk

Prep

Welcome to week 10 in Prep! We have been learning all about the story of Easter in Prep. We learned that Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and was greeted by lots of people.

We have continued our focus on rhyming words and have discussed made up and real words.

Last week we learned the 7 colours of the rainbow. We also discussed how there are also 7 days of the week, and have been singing our days of the week song very confidently.

Thank you to all the parents who have come to see me for parent teacher interviews.

Great effort to all of the preppies who have worked exceptionally hard on learning their sightwords and sounds! Keep up the great work!

Miss Ayden-Skye Wolff

Year 1

Students have been looking at sequencing stories. They have focused on the story Wombat Stew. After sequencing the story they made it into a recipe. With much enthusiasm the students followed the instructions and made their own Wombat Stew. It was delicious!!! They have also been practicing the strategy, 'try a different sound' by changing short to long vowel sounds when decoding and spelling words.

During Mathematics students are using dice to create number sentences and solve problems. They are also continuing to develop skills of locating numbers on the 100's board.

For Religion students are learning about the 12 friends who followed Jesus in his mission and ministry. Well done to all students for their reverence and participation during the Year 1 liturgy.

Congratulations to all students who have produced wonderful art pieces and handwriting that were displayed at the Oakey Show. Special congratulations to Charlie, Arabella and Jaxon who received a prizes for their art and Tyjaiah and Paige for great results with their handwriting. Nate received a prize for his Lego. What a fantastic effort!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this term. I wish you all a very safe, holy and happy Easter and look forward to seeing you after the holidays. God Bless.

Mrs Chris Conneely

New End of Term Award

At the end of each term, I will present The Good Samaritan Term Award to one student from each class.

St Monica's was founded by the Sisters of the Good Samaritan in 1921 and the sisters continued to be a presence in the school up until the 1980s. The Sisters of the Good Samaritan were themselves founded in the mid 1800s in Melbourne and followed the Charism of the Benedictine Order.

The values of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan and the Benedictines have been used to create the selection criteria for the Good Samaritan Term Award.

Criteria

- Leads more by example than by words
- Shows care, concern and compassion for others
- Demonstrates an awareness of God
- Actively participates in classroom and whole school prayer
- Shows hospitality to others
- Involvement in the school community
- Shows respect and does the right thing



The Sisters have a saying from St Benedict – “Listen with the ear of the heart”, which means to listen to how our heart is telling us to act – with compassion, kindness and concern for others. The recipients of the award each term (one from each class) will have demonstrated these characteristics throughout the term.

The first Good Samaritan Term Awards will be presented on assembly tomorrow.

Lisa Cavanagh

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2019

Wed 3rd April	School Cross Country
Thurs 4th April	Last Day of Term 1
Thurs 4th April	Whole School Mass 9am
Tues 23rd April	Start Term 2
Thurs 25th April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Fri 26th April	Inner Downs Cross Country

May 2019

Mon 6th May	Labour Day Public Holiday
Fri 10th May	School Athletics Carnival

June 2019

Thurs 6th June	Inner Downs Athletics Carnival
----------------	--------------------------------

Upcoming

Sun 12th May	Centenary of St Monica's Parish
Fri 7th June	Confirmation
Sun 9th June	First communion

Tuckshop

Helpers

Tuesday 23rd April

Claire Lawrence

Val Lawrence

Monday 29th April

Claire Lawrence

Val Lawrence

**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



P & F Notes

Thank you to all who attended the P & F Meeting. It was great to see new faces and to hear new ideas.

Easter Raffle: Thanks to Parents/Carers for the donations and also to all who purchased tickets. Over \$600.00 has been raised.

Thank you to the ladies for the wrapping of the prizes.

Term 2

The P & F will be operating the BBQ stall at the Athletics Carnival helpers will be needed on the day to make this a successful day. Please leave your name at the office if you are available to help. An hour or two of your time will be appreciated.

Pie Drive: This again will be run and a Mother's day stall will be organised.

Further discussion was held re fund raising.

A Trivia Night to be held in August and at the end of the year a Bush Dance.

For all this to go ahead volunteers are required give a little of your time, remembering at all times monies raised benefit the school.

Uniform Shop

Contact Chloe McIntosh on 0457 915 137 for any school clothing concerns.

Horse Events

Last week Bella travelled to Sydney with her Pony to compete in the Show Horse Council of Australasia , Grand National Horse and Riding Championships at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre .

The Grand Nationals is the biggest and most prestigious show riding event in Australia, and sees the best of Australia and New Zealand's horses and riders come together to compete, after qualifying in 2018.

Bella achieved an outstanding result of Top 10 in her event .



Oakey Show Prize Winners



Oakey Show Results

Colouring In Competition		
Award	Class	Name
First	Yr 3	Elanna Travers
Frist	Prep	Saj Arabego
First	Yr 6	Tahlia Hensley
Second	Yr 3	Sarah Edwards
Second	Yr 5	Isabella Anderson
Third	Yr 1	Sid McBride
Third	Prep	Chelsea Saldana
Highly Commended	Yr 2	Ruby Halter
Highly Commended	Yr 6	Hayden Waddell
Highly Commended	Prep	Nash
Handwriting		
Award	Class	Name
Show Champion / First	Yr 4	Abby Waddell
Frist	Yr 4	Cy Kummerow
First	Yr 2	Mac Werth
Second	Yr 2	Matthew Wilson
Second	Yr 6	Hayden Waddell
Second	Yr 5	Eva Lancaster
Second	Yr 1	Tyjaiah Smith
Third	Yr 4	Chloe Leerentveld
Third	Yr 1	Paige Murray
Third	Yr 6	Tahlia Hensley
Highly Commended	Yr 6	Norma Mullins
Highly Commended	Yr 3	Eliza Lancaster
Highly Commended	Prep	
Art		
Award	Class	Name
First	Yr 1	Charlie Bach
Frist	Yr 1	Arabella Long
Second	Yr 2	Ruby Halter
Second	Yr 2	Arabella McCormack
Second	Yr 6	Norma Mullins
Third	Yr 1	Jaxon Beitzel
Third	Yr 4	Jett Renyard
Third	Yr 2	Dylan McIntosh
Third	Yr 6	Hayden Waddell
Highly Commended	Yr 3	Isabell Fermino



**PLEASE JOIN US
IN CELEBRATING THE**



**CENTENARY
OF
ST. MONICAS CATHOLIC CHURCH
OAKLEY**

Our church is at the heart of the community, and many residents have been influenced by it or its congregation over the years. This will be a celebration for the entire community.

**SUNDAY, 12TH MAY 2019
9.00AM**

RSVP: St Monica's Parish Oakley - Tel: 46 911 043
Email: stmonicaoakey@gmail.com

Light refreshments will be served after Mass

Cross Country 2019

Results

AGE	BOYS	GIRLS
5Yrs Champion	Talon Cooper	Aida Rodgers
Runner Up	Mason Long	Ella Cosh
6Yrs Champion	Jack Challenor	Arabella Long
Runner Up	Heath Johnson	Mackenzie Steger
7Yrs Champion	Mac Werth	Charlie Bach
Runner Up	Conor Roderick	Peyton Ciesiolka
8 Yrs Champion	Zane Renyard	Sarah Edwards
Runner Up	Brady Weedon	Georgia Robinson
9Yrs Champion	Billy Brickwood	Laney Werth
Runner Up	Beau Kummerow	Elanna Travers
10Yrs Champion	Lincoln Hardwick	Amy Johnson
Runner Up	Jhonatan Santos	Bella Anderson
11Yrs Champion	Paulo Ameido	Eva Lancaster
Runner Up	Cooper-James Nelson	Hannah Owens
12 Yrs Champion	Hayden Waddell	Norma Mullins
Runner Up	Cy Kummerow	Tahlia Hensley

Kokoda 199

Fromelles 129

Beersheba 125



Important Notices

ANZAC DAY PARADE

All students are encouraged to attend.

Please assemble at the Oakey Railway Station for the Parade at 9.20am Thursday April 25th.

Please report to Mr Barrett and Mrs Cavanagh.

Full school Formal Uniform to be worn.

The march is from Railway Station to the War Memorial via Campbell St.

Children can be picked up from the Grand Hotel at approx. 11.15am at the completion of the ceremony.

FREE
**ARCHERY
ATTACK +
BUBBLE
SOCCER**

FOOD & DRINKS GAMES PRIZES STRICTLY 12-15 YEARS ONLY

QUEENSLAND Youth Week

MON 8 APRIL 9-11AM CLIFTON Clifton Show Grounds	WED 10 APRIL 9-11AM GOOMBUNGEE Goombungee Recreation Grounds
MON 8 APRIL 1-3PM WESTBROOK Westbrook Park	WED 10 APRIL 1-3PM KINGSTHORPE Kingsthorpe Recreation Reserve
TUE 9 APRIL 9-11AM MILLMERRAN Millmerran Indoor Sports Centre	THU 11 APRIL 9-11AM YARRAMAN Enrol Munt Sportsground
TUE 9 APRIL 1-3PM PITTSWORTH Pittsworth Show Grounds	THU 11 APRIL 1-3PM CROWS NEST Skelly Recreation Reserve

For more information:
YouthConnect@BCC
yconnect
www.bcc.qld.gov.au

ATTACK
mercy
YOUTH LEADERS
YOUTH CONNECT
YOUTH LEADERS

***Taking Bookings
Now.....***

***Piano lessons for
Children and Adults***

***(singing and guitar
later on)***

Oakey district

Starting after Easter!!

***Phone Rhonda
0428 483 218***

PIC•COLLAGE



Early Learning Centre

At Kids Patrol Academy we believe that children learn and develop through play and social interactions.

Learn * Play * Laugh

0455 483 577

58-60 York Street Oakey Qld 4401

oakey@kidspatrol.com.au

www.kidspatrol.com.au

IS IT BULLYING?

NOT NICE

When someone says or does something **unintentionally** hurtful and they only do it **once**...

That is **Not Nice**

MEAN

When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they do it **once**...

That is **Mean**

BULLYING

When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they **keep doing it, over a period of time, even when you tell them to stop or show them that you are upset**...

That is **Bullying**

