Dear Parents,

It is great news that the Conclave of Cardinals have now decided upon a new Pope, Francis I. It will be interesting to see how Pope Francis’ rich experience of working for social justice impacts on his position. We pray that he will be guided by the Holy Spirit as he leads our Church.

Thanks to those wonderful parents who were able to help out yesterday, we had a fantastic morning tea and sausage sizzle to celebrate Catholic Schools’ Week. Thank you also to our teachers for welcoming our VIPs into their classrooms to showcase the learning taking place in our school. It was nice to see the large number of parents who were able to take time from their daily duties to visit their children at school. I am sure your children were very pleased that you were able to share in this special day with them.

Thank you also for your support of our Caritas Cake Stall on Tuesday. We raised $221.40 which will go towards directly assisting people in poverty. Your contribution of cakes and other tasty treats are greatly appreciated.

Have a great week,

Dan Gubby.

A Prayer For Pope Francis I

O God, who in your providential design willed that your Church be built upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles, look with favour, on Francis, our Pope.

Grant that he may be a visible source and foundation of unity in faith and communion for your people.

Through Christ, our Lord.

Upcoming Events

- See RE News for upcoming Masses and Liturgies
- School Photos- Thursday 21st March
- Book club due - Thursday 21st March
- Family Retreat– 23rd & 24th March
- Good Friday– 29th March
- Easter Monday– 1st April
Announcement Of Our New Pope
Yesterday we welcomed the announcement of our new Pope. Pope Francis I is the first Latin American and Jesuit pontiff and is known to be a very humble man. We join with Catholics all over the world praying that the Holy Spirit be with him as he takes up this very important role as leader of our Church.

Catholic Schools Week
What a wonderful way to celebrate our OLHC Parish school community. It was great to see so many parents and other VIP’s join us yesterday for Mass, lunch and our open classrooms. The children were very proud and excited to be able to share these activities with their invited VIP's.

Thank you to Megan Yates, Petria McRae and their parent helpers who organised morning tea for our visitors after Mass which gave many a chance to catch up and chat.

A special thank you to Shaun Copper, Alison Bruggy, Jeanette Flynn, Ros Badcock, Tracey Filicietti and Sandra Pratt who helped with the cooking and serving of over 400 sausages to our children and guests… we could not have managed this task without your support.

Sacrament of Confirmation
It has been great to see so many families at our workshops over the last two Thursday nights. Another important part of this sacramental program is attendance at Mass each weekend leading up to and after the reception of the sacrament allowing the children to experience being part of our faith community and the formal worship aspect of our faith. We thank those families making the commitment to attend Mass and these workshops.

As this Sacrament draws closer, I ask everyone to keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Canteen Roster
Friday 15 March
Sharna C
Helen S

Wednesday 20 March
Sharna C
Heather M
Rebecca O

Friday 22 March
Sharna C
Jeanette F

Any extra assistance on the day in the canteen would be greatly appreciated.

Child Protection – working with children check.
All volunteers and parent helpers must complete the form online, https://check.kids.nsw.gov.au/volunteer-declaration.php, print, sign and return to school. The Principal will need to sight either your drivers licence or passport.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2014.
Applications for enrolments for Kindergarten 2014 are now being accepted for children who turn 5yrs of age before 31st July 2014. Application forms are available from the school office.

My first year Northern Star 2013
Keepsake special covering of the northern Rivers region Kindergartens will be inside The Northern Star on Monday 25th March.
Student Awards from Week 6

Kinder W- Oliver C – fantastic sentence writing.
Candice Mc - wonderful spider web artwork.

Kinder R- Natalie B – joining in during class discussions.
Leo D - fantastic work in Maths.

Year 1A – Amelia S – receiving 5 stickers in one day on her sticker chart.
Luka B – receiving 5 stickers in one day on her sticker chart.
Jett E – receiving 5 stickers in one day on his sticker chart.
Zac N – receiving 5 stickers in one day on his sticker chart.
Billie W – receiving 5 stickers in one day on her sticker chart.
Callum R – receiving 5 stickers in one day on his sticker chart.
Jacob R- receiving 5 stickers in one day on his sticker chart.
Soren W- receiving 5 stickers in one day on his sticker chart.

Year 1C- Alex C – quietly completing set tasks.
Ella L – working quietly to achieve in all tasks.
Reagan G – following directions.
Lilli R- great improvement in reading.

Year 2A- Jay M- good use of fullstops and capital letters.
Payton H – quite consistent application to class.
Will P- improved attitude and application to task.
Natalie B – improvement in spelling.

Year 3/4Mc- Emma P- improved knowledge in 3D shapes.
Liam W- doing extra work.
Jack Mc- improved comprehension activities attitude.

Year 3/4W- Jessi B - for seeking help when needed and always being ready to work.
Sam H – for settling in class and trying hard to complete tasks.
Sofia B – her cheerful outlook and persistence on tasks given.

Year 3/4P- Ned S - great Yr. 4 leadership this week.
Amelia E- her persistent efforts in all tasks.

Year 5/6Ma- Ben L – outstanding efforts and achievements already in 2013.
Jessica P- a great start to 2013 and your Yr. 6 studies.
Georgie E- being an outstanding role model for all to follow, ‘Sensational’.
Adrian B- for being a ‘Top Fella’, hardworking polite, kind and sensible. An absolute Champion.

Year5/6F- Saun Mc – trying hard to complete all tasks.
Dakota E – completing all tasks and being a positive member in class.

Year 5/6Mo – Harper M- always contributing in class discussion.
Charlee D – a great catch in cricket.

School Uniform Shop
Opening Hours
Wednesday – 1.30pm to 3.20pm

School Photos
21st March 2013
If family photos are required (2 or more children attending OLHC) please collect an envelope from school office.

School Fees
School fee accounts have now been mailed. Term one fees should be finalised by the end of term one.

After School Care:
It would be appreciated if overdue accounts for After School Care could be settled promptly. If you have noted a discrepancy in your account please contact the School Office on Wednesday, Thursdays or Fridays to discuss.

Book Club
orders are due Thursday 21st March.
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