

# NEWSLETTER

**Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School** 

Week 3, Term 4

# Principal's Reflection

Dear Families,

As we have been preparing for our Mission Day activities this week, we have been reminding students that it is important to appreciate the things we have. Sometimes we take it for granted that we have clean water, electricity, food and clothing. There are many communities around the world, and here in the Northern Territory that struggle to

# Reflection

"You are generous and act generously, teach me your will"

- Psalms 119:68

have these basic needs. Please remember to support our school Mission activities on Friday. Parents are most welcome to come along and join in the liturgy at 8:30am and the Mission Markets from 12-1pm.

Bishop Eugene is currently in Rome, attending the Synod on the Family with Bishops from all around the world. In some communication with the Diocese, Bishop Eugene wrote "Please pray that the Holy Spirit will write with straight lines from our scribbly notes." In our lives, the Holy Spirit is with us, even when we don't know. We pray for Bishop Eugene, and ourselves, that we may be guided by the Holy Spirit in our interactions with others this week.

We again ask all families to advise us in writing of any changes to current enrolments or specific requests for child placement for consideration for 2016. We are currently in the process of placing students into their class groupings for next year. It is important that you inform us of any special needs for 2016. All requests must be put in writing and addressed to myself by Friday 30th October. If you are aware of relatives or friends who may wish to enrol their children for next year, please encourage them to forward their applications as soon as possible so that we can include them in our class configurations.

Thanks to the many families who have already finalised their school accounts for 2015. If you are having difficulties making payments, please contact the office and make an appointment to arrange a payment plan. Mrs. Tammy Richards - our bookkeeper -will be in touch with families who have outstanding accounts in the coming weeks. Payments can be made at the School office between 8:00 and 3:30pm Monday to Friday, by cash, cheque or EFT. Credit Card payments can be made over the phone or electronic payments can be made directly to the school.

We congratulate Erica Bunn-Kurnoth, Kiera Kurnoth, Cain Kurnoth, Jacob Seden- Kurnoth, Reuben Thomas, Sofia Marcayda and Sedge Santiago who made their First Communion on the weekend.

God bless you all and keep you safe,

Mr. Simon Duffy Principal







#### **Congratulations to the following students:**

Transition, Rm.8 -Marilyn Pulikotil

Jarrah Livesly

Rejoice Sowood TR/1, Rm. 9 -

**Tobias Thomas** 

Year 1/2, Rm.3 -Lachlan Ammerlaan

Year 1/2, Rm.4 -Max Hennessy

Year 1/2, Rm.6 -Mihaelia Bunn - Kurnoth

Year 3/4, Rm.14 -Saraya Mitchell

Year 3/4, Rm.15 -Dylan Seden-Kurnoth

Year 3/4, Rm.17-Leonardo Soares Year 5/6, Rm.10 -Charlotte Walsh

Year 5/6, Rm.12 -France Omana Year 5/6, Rm.13 -Isabella Paolucci

Sport Award -Maddison Grace & Suzi Akumu

A W.E.S.T Award is presented to a person who is Welcoming, Encouraging, says Sorry and is Thankful. This week's W.E.S.T Award goes to:

#### Cain Kurnoth



Happy Birthday to the following Students who celebrate their birthday in week 3:

- Riley Leeson
- Natalia Grant
- Lasith De Silva
- Kobi Markovsky-Cole

## BWIMMING

Below is a timetable of when classes are having lessons. This timetable has been coordinated with Royal Life Saving Instructors and cannot be changed. I would encourage students in the first two sessions (8:45-9:30 & 9:30-10:15) to come to school dressed in swimming gear (under school uniform) to ensure they are ready to begin. This program not only looks at stroke development, but survival and rescue skills. It's important for children to learn these necessary skills or at least to familiarise themselves with what to do in case of an emergency.

LESSON TIME	CLASS
8:45-9:30	Year 5/6 Rooms 10 & 13
9:30-10:15	Year 3/4 Rooms 14 & 15
10:15-11:00	Year 1/2 Rooms 3 & 4
11:00-11:45	Year 3/4 Room 17 & Year 5/6 Room 12
11:45-12:30	Transition Rooms 8 & 9
12:30-1:15	Year 1/2 Room 6

Children are to bring the following to school:

Bathers

Hat

- Towel Sunscreen
- Sandals/ thongs
- Rashie
- •Clean underwear to change into after their lesson

Please label your child's clothing. Students must change after their lessons, they are not to remain in their bathers for the rest of the day. We encourage your child to bring a plastic bag to put wet items in after their visit to the pool.

Kind Regards, Paulo Jellar

Paula Sellars

Deputy Principal/PE Coordinator







#### ENROLLING NOW FOR 2016

Enrolments are now being taken for Transition 2016. If your child turns 5 prior to 30 June 2016 he or she is eligible to commence Transition in January 2016. Please call into the office for an enrolment form.

We also have vacancies in Years 1-6.

#### **INTENTION TO RETURN IN 2016**

Please return your *Intention to Return* reply slip to the front office. An icy pole will be given to the children of families that return their slip by the 30th of October.



# Term 4 Calendar, 2015

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Assembly
Week 3 October 29th Sunday Ordinary Time	19 Swimming Programme	20	21	BOARD MEETING	23 Mission Liturgy – Rm 10 Mission Market Book Fair 7's Rugby Gala Day	Year 1/2 Room 6 Mimi Woolley
Week 4 Oct/November 30th Sunday Ordinary Time	26 Swimming Programme	27	28	29	30 Hockey Gala Day All Saints	Year 3/4 Room 17 Dell Williams/Kate Seery
Week 5 November All Saints Solemnity	2 All Souls	3	4	5	6 Beach Volleyball Gala REWARD AFTERNOON Transition 2016 Orientation - 8:30-10:30am	Transition/Year 1 Rooms 8 & 9 Lauren Copeland & Kelsey Crowe
Week 6 November 32nd Sunday Ordinary Time	9	10	11 REMEMBRANCE DAY	12	13 Gymnastics Gala Day ISA Appreciation Day	Year 5/6 Room 12 Jessie Martin
Week 7 November 33rd Sunday Ordinary Time	16 Advent Prayer	17	18	19 Transition 2016 Orientation 8:30-10:30am	20	Year 1/2 Room 3 Rowena Staude
Week 8 November Christ the King	23 Advent Prayer	24	25	26 Christmas Carols @ Holy Spirit School – 5:45pm	27	Year 3/4 Room 15 Anna Hill
Week 9 December 1st Sunday Advent	30 Advent Prayer	1	2 Academic Reports sent home	3	4 Whole School Mass, 8:30am	Year 1/2 Room Tracey Coco & Dell Williams
Week 10 December 2nd Sunday Advent	7 Advent Prayer	8 MultiLit and MiniLit Graduation Christmas Raffle	9 Year 6 Graduation Mass, awards and shared meal from 6:00pm	10 Water Activities T-5 REWARD AFTERNOON Students finish	NO SCHOOL	Leadership Simon Duffy & Paula Sellars

#### **BOOK FAIR**

Open 8am-5pm, School Library.

### **INTRODUCING...**

# Cherry Valenzuela

Cherry Valenzuela started working at Holy Spirit in March 2012. She is the Coordinator at Out of School Hours Care. Cherry was born in the Quezon City, Philippines. She graduated with a Bachelor of Education in Music Major in Voice. She was a front singer in a band for 10 years. She worked in China for 8 years where she met her husband Nathan and had their children Natalia and Zoe. She has 5 children. Her family moved to Australia in 2009.

Cherry studied for a Diploma in Children Services through Rowe Training and is now studying for a Bachelor of Education in Early Childhood. Cherry was the recipient of the 2014 NT Educator and Care Awards Emerging Professional Educator and she is a part of the team that won the 2015 NT Educator and Care Awards Outstanding Out of School Hours Care. When she is not in school she loves taking part in physical fitness activities. She organises Zumba and fitness classes. She also loves to sing and perform.

This year was very exciting for Cherry. Her children Marx, Chyrra and Chinette arrived this year so Cherry has all her family living in Darwin.

### OSHC NEWS...

Bookings and cancellations must be in <u>writing</u>. If you wish to cancel your child's booking, please sign and return the cancellation form at least 24 hrs. before the day you wish to cancel (Before 2:30pm for After School Care and before 7am for Before School Care). Cancellations received with less than 24 hours' notice will be charged as normal fee.

The *Change of Bookings Form* can be obtained from the front office and from the OSHC building. All bookings and cancellations must be in writing and made through the front office. Email accepted, please email to:

admin.holyspirit@nt.catholic.edu.au

### What's on at OSHC?

Thank you very much Parents and Teachers who supported our Fund Raising Car Wash. We raised \$148.50 to help our student Cienna Markovsky-Cole so she can go to Adelaide to play Soft ball. This is such a great effort from the children, parents and Educators.



#### **OSHC Activities for Term 4**

- October 23 25 Children and Educator will walk to Casuarina to shop and to submit our Drawing Entry at Casuarina Square Playground Drawing Competition.
- <u>October 28</u> Water Play (Side by side Water Slide)
- <u>October 30</u> Dress up Halloween Day (Fun and Games)
- Week 6 and 7 Swimming at Casuarina Pool
- Week 8 OSHC Christmas Party

#### MISSION MARKET DAY

Holy Spirit Mission Market Day, to be held on Friday, October 23rd, from 11am - 12.30pm. Each class is responsible for running their chosen stall and students can pay a small fee to participate in each of the activities. For a **gold coin** donation, they may also dress in casual clothes for the day. Students are also asked to wear bathers and rashies if they wish to participate in the Waterslide activity.

This is a fundraiser as part of World Mission Month and an excellent way for students to reach out to others in need. All money raised will go directly to Catholic Missions, who work with children in over 160 countries worldwide.

Below is a list of the exciting activities that we have in store! We are asking for your help by donating any items that your child's class may require on the day. Also, we invite any parents or friends who are able to volunteer their time on Market Day to please contact your child's teacher. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Warm Regards,

# Anna Hill

Religious Education Coordinator

CLASS STALL/ACTIVITY	MATERIALS REQUIRED
Community of Learners – Playdough	Flour, salt
Room 3 and Room 6 – 'Nails Paradise'	Nail Polish, remover, cotton buds, plastic table cloth
Room 4 - Tattoo parlour	Temporary tattoos
Room 8 – How Many Jellybeans In The Jar?	Jelly beans, bags of lollies (no wrapped lollies)
Room 9 – Lolly Jar Bingo	Lollies, jars
Room 10 – Coin Toss	Fun sized Chocolate Bars (wrapped)
Room 12 – Scooby Bracelets	Scoobies, loom bands
Room 13 – Water Slide	Bathers, rashies and thongs (on Market Day)
Room 14 – Disco	Glow Sticks
Room 15 – Ice Cups and Icy Poles	Zooper dooper and icy poles on a stick
Room 17 – Paper Plane Contest	Kinder squares

# **Community Notices**

### Art Antics - Art Classes for Kids 6+

Sports Vouchers accepted \$30 per session 2 sessions Monday - Wednesday 3:30pm and 4:45pm

Website: <a href="www.artantics.com.au">www.artantics.com.au</a> email: <a href="mailto:art.antics1@gmail.com">art.antics1@gmail.com</a>

PH: 0427 079 832

Facebook page: Art Antics - Art Classes for kids in Darwin





# Cur Programs...

#### Aussie T-Ball

The players will develop their skills and coordination through games and activities and then play a game each session. The program introduces children to the sport of baseball in a fun and safe environment through a modified game that uses a tee, safety bats and balls. At this level it's all about fun and participation.

#### Rookie Ball

This program is the "first step" towards a more traditional form of baseball while promoting sportsmanship and teamwork, the players will develop their playing "toolbox" building their confidence and knowledge as individuals and as a team. The players will be "pitched" to (Coach or Machine pitch), a tee will be introduced after 3 strikes















