Dear Parents & Families,

Our Hall refurbishment is now complete and it is fully operational just in time for many activities this week including our School Assembly, the OLW’s Got Talent Finals, the Parish Luncheon, our Dance Around The World End of Year Performance and our Parent Helper Afternoon Tea. It is certainly going to be a very busy week at OLW!

**ADVENT**

During the Church Season of Advent we begin to prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. As part of our preparation, our Year 2/3 & 3/4 classes our leading this week’s Assembly focussing on the gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Advent.

**YEAR 5/6 END OF YEAR EXCURSION**

This Tuesday our Year 5/6 students have their end of year excursion to Cliffhanger in Altona and Latitude in Heidelberg. Both venues are outstanding and will provide for an action packed day.

**DANCE AROUND THE WORLD**

Our End of Year Performance is this Thursday at 6.00pm. Please check the details in today’s newsletter.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

The P&F mega Christmas Raffle tickets went out last week with 12 great prizes and over $2,000 in prize value. Tickets are just $1 each or a book is $20. More raffle books are available from the school office for those who are able to sell additional tickets.

**GRADUATION MASS & SUPPER**

Our Year 6 Graduation Mass and Supper is being held next Wednesday, December 14, commencing with Mass at 7.00pm. In addition to the Graduation Pack, each student will also receive a Graduation Signature Bear as a gift from the P & F. We look forward to celebrating with the students and their families.

**2017 CLASSES**

Year 1 – Year 6 students will meet their 2017 teacher on Thursday December 15. On this day the students will spend a session working with their new teacher and will also bring home the online booking information for the Beginning of Year Testing which will take place on Tuesday January 31 and Wednesday February 1 from 9.00am – 1.00pm.

**END OF YEAR MASS**

Our End of Year Mass is on Friday December 16 at 10.00am. As well as celebrating this year achievements at the Mass, our current Year 6 students will be presenting our 2017 Year 6 students with their commemorative tops. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

**END OF YEAR DISMISSAL**

Friday December 16 is the last day students attend school this year. We will be finishing at our regular time of 3.30pm. Enjoy the week!

Kevin Burke

**SCHOOL CROOSING**

Judy the school crossing supervisor would like to wish Mr Burke, Staff, Students, and Parents at Our Lady of the Way, Kingsbury a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. She would also like to thank everyone for making her days at the school crossing very enjoyable. Best Wishes for the future to all Yr 6 going to secondary school.

**OLW SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**DECEMBER**

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Our Lady of the Way Parents and Friends

Tickets only $1.00 each or $20 a book

Christmas Hampers packed full of goodies and vouchers
5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th
Younker $50 Gundoonra Hotel Voucher and More

Complete Aquarium with $50 Gundoonra Lifestyle Aquarium & Aquatic

Car Care and so much set $150 Thanks to Automotive Youner, $50 Gundoonra Hotel Voucher, More

Glorious Outdoor Breakfast, $25 Gundoonra Hotel Voucher, $25 Can Murray

Wine Tasting, $25 Gundoonra Hotel Voucher, More

Beauty Products, $25 Eefa Boutique Voucher,adoration Creative Centre

Large Christmas Hamper including Giant Teddy Bear, Books,

Draw FRI 16th Dec

Mega Christmas Raffle
Dance Around the World
School Performance
December 8 2016

Our End of Year Performance is fast approaching. In class, the children have been studying their grade’s selected country. In the evening, the children will be presenting a dance on that country. For the performance, we are asking the children to wear the colours of their country’s flag or the country’s national costume. Clothing needs to be suitable to allow the child to move freely.

The countries are:

- Prep - USA - red, white and blue
- Gr 1/2 - China - red with yellow stars
- Gr 2/3 - Spain - red and yellow bands
- Gr 3/4 - Brazil - green, yellow and some blue
- Gr 4/5 - India - orange, white and green
- Gr 5/6 - Japan - white with red

All families are invited to come and watch the performance.

When: December 8
Where: School Hall
Time: 6.00pm – 7.00pm
There will be no charge

All students will need to return to school in their costume and go to their classroom by 5.50pm. They will be supervised in their classroom and be taken to the hall for their performance. They are not required to wear their costume during rehearsal.
Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury
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Parish Website: OLW Kingsbury

Mass Timetable
Saturday – Vigil Mass: 6.00PM
Sunday: 8.00AM and 10.00AM
Weekdays: 10.00AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 5.15 to 5.45PM
Rosary Monday to Saturday: 9.30AM
Divine Mercy Chaplet After Mass Daily
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday from 9.00 to 9.30AM

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 9462 1221

Entrance Antiphon: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

Readers for Sunday Mass
4th Dec 6pm J Glover 8am C Nguyen 10am R Cicognini
11th Dec 6pm E Nguyen 8am P Hearity 10am A Petrucco

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
4th Dec 6pm M Martin 10am J Aroquianadin
11th Dec 6pm L Gangi 10am D Grant

OLW Church Cleaning Roster
03rd Dec J McGoon, T McGree, D M Loriega, D I Corsa Me
17th & 31st Dec Professional Cleaners

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster
4th Dec Phil Tobey
11th Dec Hannah Smith

30th Nov Church Account $1053.00
Presbytery Account $724.00

3rd Dec: 6pm Mass. Today we remember Mrs Vilma Simonetto on her 10th anniversary.
4th Dec: 10am Mass. Today we remember Elvira Valenti on her 1st month anniversary.

Life Teen: A youth event hosted by Mill Park Parish in preparation for Christmas will be held on Fri 9th Dec, 6.00 – 9.30pm and is highly recommended. Details are on the notice board.

Christmas raffle: Will be drawn December 17th, after the 6pm mass.

Sun 6th Dec: Can we please have some helpers to dress the tables for the morning of the 6th at 10.30am.
St. Vincent De Paul: As the families now have enough clothing, toys, etc., I ask you to support St Vincent De Paul by sending any remaining clothing items you may have to their stores. Grateful thanks from the families you have helped and supported. Thanks, Dorothy.

Help a hero this Christmas is the theme of the Vinnie’s Christmas appeal. It is a heroic battle for many families to pay the rent, utility bills etc. With your help, Vinnie’s aim is make life a bit easier for these battlers, particularly during the festive season. The Christmas tree is decorated and there are tags for presents for local children with their ages and sex. Please return the tag with the present so we direct it to the correct child. Some of the children are older and you may wish to consider a voucher for them. There are appeal envelopes on the tree and plenty more available to make a financial contribution to the work of your local Vinnie’s members. All money received is spent on families in our area. Contributions of non-perishable food with long expiry dates are welcome. Please leave them under the Christmas tree no later than 11th December. The hampers will be distributed the week commencing the 12th December, 2016. The parishioners of Our Lady of the Way have a well-deserved reputation for their generosity and we thank you for it and are confident that you will continue the tradition in the Christmas appeal.

Advent wreath.
The candle of Peace is lit.

Father: Peace is a word that we hear a lot. It’s one of the things that we hope for. Christ brought peace when he first came to us, and he will bring everlasting Peace when he comes again.

Second candle is lit.
All: Peace is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at this candle we celebrate the Peace we find in Jesus Christ.

Father: Let us pray. Thank you for the peace you give us. Help us today and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with each other. We ask this in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem.

Amen.