Dear Parents & Families,

Congratulations to Bates on winning the Sports Trophy at last week’s Sports Carnival. This is for the fourth year in a row for Bates which is an outstanding achievement. Our Spirit Trophy is still up for grabs and will be presented at Assembly in the last week of school.

2016 CLASSES

As we move towards the end of this school year we are also completing many organisational matters for next year. Our only change to staffing is Mrs. Spokes is moving to a part-time position so we have appointed a new Literacy Coordinator. Our planned structure for our Classes and Specialists in 2016 is:
Prep – Mrs. Catherine Laycock
Year 1/2 – Miss Jessica Penzo
Year 2/3 – Miss Sylvia Kutypa
Year 3/4 – Mr. Tony Mizzi & Mrs. Lisa Micomonaco
Year 4/5 – Miss Huong Nguyen
Year 5/6 – Mrs. Deb Myers
Library – Mrs. Lisa Hrisikos
Art – Mrs. Lisa Hrisikos
Phys. Ed. – Mrs. Louise Schofield
Italian – Mrs. Grace Ciocciari
Reading Recovery: Mrs. Marie Spokes
Literacy Coordinator: Mrs. Allison Luff

Whilst there is a waiting list for our Prep class as we have 25 students, all other classes from Year 1 to Year 5/6 will have 22-23 students. Classes are structured for evenness based on a range of factors such as gender, academic needs, behavioural needs and social/emotional needs, to ensure optimal learning situations for all students. Year 1 – 6 students will meet their 2016 teacher on Tuesday December 15.

PREP 2016

Thursday, December 3 will be Story Time from 3.10 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. for the Prep 2016 children. The last Morning Orientation Session is on Tuesday, December 8 from 9.30am – 11.00am.

WALKATHON

All returned pledges will go into today’s draw for the chance to win one of six $20 iTunes. Good luck to everyone who has returned their pledges!

OLW STORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

On Thursday December 10 at 7.00pm all students will be involved in the telling of the story of the first Christmas. Our students have been practising the songs, and we have now selected some students from each class to act out the story. Information about costumes or dress will be sent home with each child or grade this week.

EDUCATION BOARD MEETING

Last week we held our final Education Board meeting for 2015. It was also the final meeting for two of our longest serving members, Loretta Baker and Sandra Dal Maso. Both Loretta and Sandra have been on the Board for seven years and have provided outstanding support and advice during this time. We are very grateful for their commitment to the school and for the time and energies they have invested to ensure the continued development of OLW.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets in the mega Christmas Raffle were sent home last week with a list of prizes to be won. We now have some additional prizes, which were not included on the list. These include:

✓ Fantail Xmas decoration tree, with essential VIP beautify voucher with $50 voucher from Rockdale Hairdressers, Ivanhoe.
- Sports package, children's tennis racquets, tennis bag, hotshot tops, backpacks, 4 Player Badminton Set.
- $150 voucher for car service.
- Magic Hand Car Wash Voucher

And still more to come!!!!!!

All prizes are on display at the school office, with tickets just $1 each.

**SUMMER SPORT**

Our final round of the Senior School Summer Sport Program is this Friday, December 4, with matches being played at Away v. Reservoir Primary. We wish all our teams the best of luck.

Enjoy the week!  

*Kevin Burke*

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### OLW 2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

**NOVEMBER**

- **MON 30**  
  JUNIOR SCHOOL AQUARIUM EXCURSION

**DECEMBER**

- **THUR 3**  
  PREP 2016 STORY TIME 3.10 – 3.30 P.M.
- **SUN 6**  
  WORKING BEE
- **TUE 8**  
  PREP 2016 ORIENTATION
- **WED 9**  
  YEAR 5/6 @ FUNFIELDS
- **THUR 10**  
  THE STORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS AT 7.00 P.M.
- **FRI 11**  
  REPORTS DISTRIBUTED
- **MON 14**  
  GRADUATION MASS & SUPPER
- **WED 16**  
  LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS DISMISSAL 3.30PM

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### SCHOOL DATES FOR 2016

**TERM ONE**

- STAFF RETURN - WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27
- STUDENT TESTING FOR YEARS 1 – 6  
  THURSDAY JANUARY 28 & FRIDAY JANUARY 29
- ALL STUDENTS COMMENCE LESSONS ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 1
- TERM ONE FINISHES THURSDAY MARCH 24  
  (EASTER – FRIDAY MARCH 25 to MONDAY MARCH 28)

**TERM TWO**

MONDAY APRIL 11 - FRIDAY JUNE 24

**TERM THREE**

MONDAY JULY 11 - FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 16

**TERM FOUR**

MONDAY OCTOBER 3 - TUESDAY DECEMBER 20  
(*Students finish FRIDAY DECEMBER 16)

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**The story of the first Christmas**

*Thursday December 10 at 7.00pm*
Dear Parents,

As you would be aware, we have our final Working Bee on Sunday December 6, from 9.00am - 12.00pm.

Many of our families have already attended our working bees this year and have done a great job in upgrading our school grounds. Our last main task is to mulch the new Reconciliation Garden where the Bollards and Friendship Bench were installed at our last working bee in order to complete this area. We may also prune some shrubs and remove old growth from some of the plants. Listed below are some specific jobs and tools required.

To assist in our planning, we ask that each family complete the attached form so that we will be able to organise and prioritise our tasks for the morning. If we do not have sufficient families who wish to attend, then we may postpone the tasks to the beginning of next year.

So come along to help maintain and develop our school. All families represented will be reimbursed the $50 Working Bee Levy from their school fees, and a wonderful morning tea will be provided!

Yours sincerely,

Kevin Burke & Tony Mizzi

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Working Bee Response Form

Family Name: ______________________________

Grade of Eldest Child: ____________________

☐ Our Family WILL be attending the Working Bee

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Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury
Presbytery: 13 Green Ave, Kingsbury, 3083
Parish Priest: Fr Terry Bergin
Tel: 9462 1221
School Tel: 9460 6684
Email: terrybergin1@bigpond.com
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
29th Nov 6pm J Conway 8am M Brown 10am A Petrucco
6th Dec 6pm L Lipson 8am C Nguyen 10am E McGoon

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
29th Nov 6pm G Verhoeve 10am N Buchan
6th Dec 6pm M Cusack 10am I Lowe

OLW Church Cleaning Roster
28th Nov Professional Cleaners
12th Dec J McGoon, T McGree, Justine/Kamil/ Tracy

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster
29th Nov Cath Mortell
6th Dec Christina Sant

25th Nov Church Account $1184.80
Presbytery Account $761.30

All Masses Sat 28th and Sun 29th Nov: This will be the last weekend for all the faithful departed from the Parish.
Saturday 28th Nov: Let us remember and pray for Fred Brown.
Monday 30th Nov: St Andrew, Apostle.
Thursday 3rd Dec: St Francis Xavier.
PARISH NOTICES


Priest: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Candle is lit.

Priest: Today is the First Sunday of Advent, in which we recall the hope we have in Christ. Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Parish Units: New contact person for our Units is Mr. Mark Dunne, 0429 017 333, email address: mark.dunne@vmch.com.au. Please contact him for further details if interested.

Christmas raffle: Set aside a few coins for our Christmas raffle. $1.00 a ticket.

Handmade cards: On sale now at $3.00 each. Available from the church foyer.

Anointing of the sick: 3rd Sunday of Advent. All Masses. 12th Dec 6pm Mass, 13th Dec 8am and 10am Mass.

Blessing of the Archway: On December 12th at 6pm mass, Father Terry will bless the Archway. All are welcome to attend. Our parish will have a special doorway to celebrate this year of Mercy. Also, there shall be a lot more things happening in our parish. Please keep an eye on the Bulletin and notice boards for information on upcoming events.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal December 2015: Over the next few weeks, we are asking for your assistance in supplying non-perishable goods for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers. Groceries (with a long use by date please) and other toys may be left under the Christmas tree next weekend. We ask that they be left there on or before Sunday 13th December. The hampers will be distributed during the week beginning 14th December 2015. Please place all donations under the Christmas tree, thank you.