



By The Way



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Our Lady of the Way Parish Weekend Mass times: Saturday Vigil 6pm, Sunday 8am and 9:30am.
Weekday Mass times: Tuesday 6.00pm, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am,
All welcome!

Principal's Message

AROUND THE Grounds @ OLOW

Dear Our Lady of the Way Community

As you are aware, the staff have been involved in extensive professional development around Spelling. We have explored the curriculum, examined data, current pedagogy and research. Misty Adoniou is recognised as a leading expert in Language, Literacy and TESL at the University of Canberra and her paper "Why some kids can't spell and why spelling tests won't help", outlines some interesting points worth considering.

Adoniou reports that spelling remains the most relentlessly tested of all literacy skills, but is the least taught. She continues by stating that sending home list words on a Monday to be tested on Friday, getting children to write their spelling words out ten times or looking, covering, writing and checking does not teach spelling.

So what should spelling teaching look like?

Effective spelling teaching focuses on more than sounds. We have 26 letters that make 44 sounds and several hundred ways to write them. So while sounds or phonics are important to learn to spell, they are insufficient on their own. Only about 12% of words in English are spelt the way they sound.

To effectively teach spelling, students need to learn about finding meaning in the words they spell, how words make their meanings and where words come from. This occurs through students learning phonological skills (sounds), orthographic skills (letter patterns) and morphological skills (meaning and origin of words).

We have just begun the journey to develop an ongoing whole school approach for teaching spelling that addresses the areas for effective teaching of spelling.

Yours sincerely
[Donna McFadzean](#)
Principal Leader

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

Our teachers are currently completing students' Semester 1 reports to provide information to parents/carers about their child's learning during this time. A note will be sent out via Compass in week 7 outlining the information in the reports as well as when they will be available to parents/carers on Compass and when bookings for Student/Parent/Teacher conferences will be open.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Feast Day Fun Day

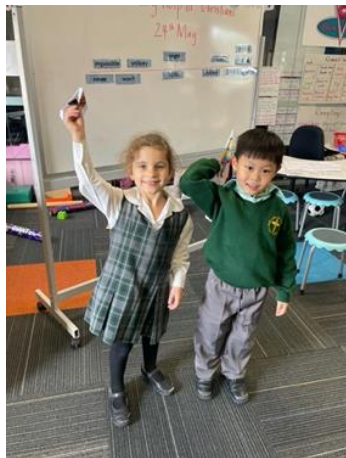
Thank you to the many families who joined us to celebrate our feast day on May 24.

Despite the rain, we had lots of family members attend the beautiful liturgy prepared by Year 4, the picnic and the activities run by the staff.



On the day we saw:

- some great dance moves in Kindergarten
- creative minds and Lego in Year 1
- aeronautic designs in Year 2
- tricky questions in Year 3
- master builders in the Sensory Garden sandpit - led by Year 4
- some 'old school' ball games under the COLA - led by Years 5 & 6



It is wonderful to be able to take part in community events once again.



Mary Help of Christians pray for us.

Let us pray.

Creator God, you who made this great land of Australia and placed her within the patronage of Mary, help us to be people who want to care for others, who reach out with compassion to those who need our support and who welcome and include those who feel excluded and uncared for. With the help of Mary, help us to live our lives as faithful and trusting followers of your holy Word. We ask this prayer through Jesus your Son. **Amen**

Bibles for Our Lady Help of Christians, South Lismore

Last term we held a fundraiser to support the flood victims and in particular, an invitation to 'buy' a Bible for Our Lady Help of Christians in South Lismore who lost so many resources.

Thanks to the generosity of our community, we were able to send thirty-three Bibles to Our Lady Help of Christians. Each of the Bibles had a sticker to recognise the families that contributed.

Kristy Hauge, the Assistant Principal of Mission at Our Lady Help of Christians, wanted to pass on her heartfelt thanks to all of the families at Our Lady of the Way that contributed. Here are some photos of the Year 6 students using the Bibles.



Carole Day

Religious Education Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

Our Yr 2 - Yr 6 Athletics Carnival is on Monday 20 June at Blair Oval, Creek Road St Mary's. **Please note this is a different venue than the one we have previously been to.** A note with all the information will be added to Compass this week and there will be a google form to complete regarding how your child will go home from the carnival.

Our Kinder and Year 1 students will have their own special mini-carnival at school on Monday 27 June. This carnival will focus on the skills that have been taught during Motiv8 lessons this term, as well as team building. More information will be sent home closer to the day.



Date	Event
Wednesday 15 June - 7pm	First Eucharist Rehearsal for Year 4 students
Saturday 18 June - 4pm	First Eucharist for Year 4 students
Monday 20 June	Yr 2 - Yr 6 Athletics Carnival at Blair Oval
Mon 20 th – Thurs 23 rd	Parent Student Teacher Conferences
Monday 27 June	Kinder & Yr 1 Mini- Carnival at school
Friday 1 July	Last day of Term 2
Monday 18 July	First day of Term 3

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Our company started in 2001 and over the past 21 years we have performed hundreds of CAMPS, CLINICS, PARTIES and IN-SCHOOL events for Primary school children. Basically we perform the best sports events on the planet for kids of all abilities. When a child attends a Motiv8sports event they receive our members jersey for free and a commitment from our team to provide them with amazing safety and supervision.



OUR COACHING TEAM ARE AMAZING!

Our coaching team led by Coach Brad are first aid trained, have completed their working with children clearance and most importantly... they are amazing role models. Our coaching staff are energetic, happy, fun and inspiring humans who love to motiv8 children. When a child attends Motiv8sports we are committed to building their confidence, resilience, and determination.

WHAT HAPPENS AT A MOTIV8SPORTS CAMP?

At a Motiv8sports camp your child will receive their jersey and be placed in a group of 16 to 22 children the same age. If your child has friends going then we can even place them in the same group. The Motiv8sports Olympics as a legendary event we hold only once every calendar year. Campers are assigned a country they represent and earn points for in a quest to WIN the Motiv8sports Gold Medal and be crowned Olympic Champions. Camper will experience our hybrid team sports including: Super Soccer, Flagball, Big Dog Cricket, Ultimate League, Street Hockey, Ballers, Sector-8 and a long list of other cool sports. Each afternoon campers will enter our Olympic Colosseum and take part in 8 different Olympic individual events. The Motiv8sports Colosseum has to be seen to be believed with a D.J pumping music, medal presentations on the Motiv8 podium & a truck load of prizes up for grabs.

WE HAVE 4 EVENTS TO CHOOSE FROM THESE HOLIDAYS. TO MAKE A BOOKING PLEASE FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW or FEEL FREE TO CALL US DIRECT on 0402 200 479

*** TIME: 8.30am to 3.30pm daily * COST: \$110 (2day) - \$150 (3day) AGE: Kindy to YR6**

CAMP 1: MON 4th - WED 6th JULY
Nepean Christian School (3 day)

CAMP 2: THURS 6th - FRI 7th JULY
St Clair High School (2 day)

CAMP 3: MON 11th - TUES 12th JULY
Kingswood High School (2 day)

CAMP 4: WED 13th - FRI 15 JULY
Penrith Anglican College (3 day)



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