



# THE OLOF HEADLINES



## From the Principal

### DAMIAN GAMBLEY

**Parent Teacher Interviews:** This term in Week 10 on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June there will be parent teacher interviews. Last week a form was sent home to be completed and returned to the classroom teacher or the Office. If your child has lost the form please go to our school website under the tab parent information where you will find copies of the form, or ask at the Office.

**Long Service Leave:** This week Therese Evans has begun a well-deserved long service leave. We look forward to hearing all of her stories when she returns next term.

**Cross Country Team:** Last Thursday we had over 40 students participate in the Catholic Zone cross country. It was great to see the commitment that the parents and students had to turn up to training over the last few weeks' pay off, with some great individual as well as team results. A big thank you to Mr Green for his coordination of this team.

**Disco:** Thank you to the P&F for their organisation of the Disco last Friday night. It was great to see the colours of the rainbow and all the funky masks.

**Brain Twister:** I regularly get asked by some keen students to solve various riddles. Some of them are so good I thought I would include them in my newsletter to get us all thinking. The riddle today is from Ramleen:

*Everyone has it and no one can lose it? (Answer in next week's newsletter).*

**Ongoing Staff Collaboration:** This week we will have staff from Our Lady of Lourdes and St Stephens gather with our staff for our regular cluster gathering to discuss how we live out Pope Francis' Message of sustainable practices. It is great to see this collaboration with other schools to develop wider networks and professional sharing.

**External School Review:** As you are aware this term we have participated in the external school review of our school. Last week we looked at the commendations. This week I have included the Affirmations.

Our Lady of Fatima School is "affirmed" on:

- Contacting parents via personal phone calls/meetings from teachers to provide positive affirmation of student effort and progress.
- Opportunities for staff to meet and plan with teachers of same year levels in other single strand schools such as the Murri School and St Pius X, Salisbury.
- The visible display of all staff professional goals on a Staff Learning Wall. This is innovative and enables opportunities for collective accountability and capacity building.
- The Learning Reflection Logs which have been implemented to support student learning and to empower student ownership of their learning. Learning logs promote effective practices and capture differentiated teaching and learning strategies and supports available to students.
- The emerging focus on building teacher capacity in numeracy to improve student outcomes and engagement.
- The considered, careful approach to the establishment and collection of documentation for the NCCD and the assistance provided to staff to understand and implement the NCCD process.
- The use of data to inform teaching, learning, differentiation and resource allocation.
- The work of teaching staff in implementing Accelerate Literacy Learning strategies and bringing about change in practice.
- The consistency of pedagogical practices employed across the school.
- Collaborative partnerships established with schools, sporting groups and community associations.
- The provision of personal spiritual formation time with a Spiritual Director, available to all members of staff.
- The creative use of discretionary funding combined with human resources to implement new engagement initiatives including Toddler Tuesday, Reading Circle and Parent Engagement sessions.
- The commitment to whole of staff capacity building ensuring that all staff feel valued and confident in their roles.
- The recognition of the importance of consolidating and embedding practice, thus ensuring the sustainability of improved practice.
- The effective use of, and openness to, partnerships that enhance student learning and wellbeing.

<b>4<sup>th</sup> June, 2019</b>	
<b>Week 7, Term 2</b>	
<b>Coming Up:</b>	
Uniform Shop	Jun 05
Secondhand Winter Uniforms Sale	Jun 05
Tuckshop	Jun 05
Reading Circle	Jun 07
Coffee & Chat	Jun 10
Toddler Tuesday	Jun 11

**Our School Goals:**

Be Respectful

Be Safe

Look After Property

Follow Directions



# From the Assistant Principal: Religious Education

## NATASHA GALVIN

### Wellbeing Week

This week the school has been participating in Wellbeing Week. Our theme this term, 'Being Healthy is...', has involved students, staff and parents in a number of activities.

Monday ... *Being Healthy is Being Active* ... dancing in the hall at both breaks

Tuesday ... *Being Healthy is Eating Well* ... fruit kebabs and platters

Thursday...*Being Healthy is Having a Healthy Mind* ... meditation for students, staff and some quiet time for parents at pick up.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

Have you made a time to meet with your child's teacher? These interviews are a valuable time to sit with classroom teachers to discuss what your child has been learning and their goals to move their learning forward. If you haven't booked an interview, or if you need a note, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

### How do we care for our world and the people in it?

Pope Francis wrote a letter to people everywhere in 2015 called *Laudato Si*. *Laudato Si'* discusses the damage being inflicted on the Earth by humans and calls on 'every person living on this planet' to make changes to their lifestyles to protect the planet. It deals with many environmental issues including pollution; climate change; water; loss of biodiversity and decline in the quality of human life. In his letter Pope Francis asks us to work together to create a better world for future generations and asks us to make the necessary changes in our lives in order to take care of, respect and value our 'common home'. On Wednesday our staff and the staff from Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Stephen's will look more deeply at the Pope's call to action and ways this can be enacted at a school and classroom level.

Our prayer this week is for our world...

*God of the sun and moon, of the mountains, deserts and plains.  
God of the mighty oceans, of rivers, lakes and streams,  
God of all creatures that live and move on this sacred Earth,  
We are formed by Christ into your people  
Called to bring the world into your marvellous light.  
May we know our ecological vocation  
So that we will care for this earth which you have created.  
We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## AFTER SCHOOL CARE AT OLOF



To all of our wonderful families at OLOF, come join us at the Afterschool Care program.

We offer a healthy afternoon tea of fresh fruits & yogurt followed by wraps or crackers, depending on the day & of course the children.

This week the children have been hanging about on the playgrounds, playing spy hide & seek with our brand new walkie-talkies & binoculars.

Come on in & join the fun, there is so much to explore.

For more information contact:

Miss Lucy on 0408488966 or  
co.aciacaridgeoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.

## FLYING HIGH AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received Flying High Awards on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:

- Chanel (Yr 1)
- Theodore (Yr 2)
- Lado (Yr 3)
- Tatiwanni (Yr 4)
- Meliza (Yr 5)
- Brandon (Yr 6)

## ABOUT LEARNING

*All parents, carers and children are invited to join our Reading Circle each Friday at 8:20am at the Library. Come along, read and enjoy some time together.*

The Learning Disposition focus this week is CURIOSITY.

How does that work? Where does that come from? Why does that happen? CURIOSITY is an important learning disposition to foster in our children. You can help your children to follow their interests and find the answers to their questions.

Happy Learning,  
Therese Evans PLL

## \$1 WINTER SALE AT THE UNIFORM SHOP

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June during the Opening Hours of 8am – 9am, the Uniform Shop will be selling all secondhand donated Winter Uniforms for **\$1 a piece**. This includes jumpers and tracksuit pants. Come along and grab a bargain!