11th October 2016, Welcome to Week 2 Term 4,

Dear Families and Friends of OLOF,

Welcome back to an action packed term 4. We have been given the initial plans for our school hall if you are interested in having a look at them they are on the school website as well as in the office. Last weekend in the Australian, Our Lady of Fatima was identified as being in the top 50 (number 23) most improved schools in NAPLAN, congratulations to all the staff for their hard work in achieving this fantastic results. Additionally, we also saw a 100% increase in students who attended school every day last term. These certificates were handed out at an assembly on Monday. Well done to these students and we look forward to even more 100% attendance awards in term 4. Last week we had street science here looking at hands-on science it was a great day see the other parts of the newsletter for this information. On the last Tuesday of term 3, 16 students in the school choir attended a wonderful evening with the combined choir. Thank you to the parents who attended, special thanks to all of the students and the teachers Patricia Serrano and Therese Evans for coordinating their choir for 2016. A reminder that next Monday the 17th October is a student free day. Teachers will be gathering with local Catholic schools ensuring that we have a consistency of teacher judgment across the schools.

REALY COOL WINNER’S WEEK 2 - Sano Yr. 1, Reet Yr. 4 & Iliana Yr. 1

PLAY LEARN CREATE for 0-8’s

May you have a week full of focus. Damian
A WORD FROM THE ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (APRE)

Welcome back to all our dedicated students and families at OLOF! I hope that you are all well rested and ready for our last term of great excellent teaching and learning and culminating activities to finish off our 2017 school year.

ENGLISH:
This term each year level will be reading a novel or being a part of a book study for pleasure in their classrooms. The following books are what your child is reading in their class. It’s great to know what your child is reading so you can ask questions about the story!

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SCIENCE:
Last week we had the privilege of having Street Science out as an incursion for the students to participate in Science Learnings! The students LOVED it and here are a number of things that was said about the day!

In Prep, we saw a Science Show. The things we liked the best were; touching and eating a cloud that we made, pouring water to make the snow, playing with the snow and seeing the rocket balloon going up to the chicken. Zach said, ‘it was exciting when I poured the water into the powder and the powder turned into snow’.

In Year 1 we made slime. We poured water into the powder which grew larger and expanded, it turned into ‘snow’. We then got a cup of coloured liquid, put glitter and cornflour into the liquid, stirred it and then put borax into the liquid, stirred and then it turned into SLIME!!!!

Yesterday we did science next to the library and there were two teachers called Mrs Meli and Mrs Emma. My favourite part was when we made snow. I like making snow because I like soft objects. I felt excited when I touched it. Ramleen H (Yr. 2)

On science day we made slime and snow. It was the best day ever. My partner and I made the snow. The first experiment was the slime. Keliary, Sierra and I had the same colour blue. I picked blue because there was no red and we had to only pick one colour. The snow we made was really easy. At the end we got a bag and a wristband saying Junior Scientist, and we got to take it home. I was so happy and excited. Siobhan W (Yr. 2)

Today, at the Science Show, we investigated living and non-living things. We were allowed to use these really cool microscopes that you could hold in your hand and use like a video camera. We took close-up pictures of bugs, coins, pretzels and corn. Then we went out into the garden and looked for other things to see with our microscopes. It was awesome! (By Year 3)

Today we learnt about science some people came from Street Science. They came to teach us about chemicals, alginate and last but not least calcium chloride. They also showed us how to make fish eggs, worms and bouncy balls. We got to add different colours and different sizes of the worms. We also got these glasses to protect our eyes. If we squeeze our science bouncy balls it will pop. We also got a science license and we got a wristband it says JUNIOUR SCIENTIST and I think today was my best day ever. By Abel J (Year 4)

On the 5th of October we had some visitors come to our school. They were a part of a program called Street Science. Our visitor’s names were Melissa and Emma. Melissa taught us how to make slime and snow. Everyone had fun and enjoyed the time we spent with them. We learnt so many fascinating things from them. First we made slime. There were two types of slime: glitter slime and bubble slime. We also got to make fake snow. It was as soft as a daisy. Year 5 really hope we get to do this again next year! Teina H (Year 5)

Gemma Camilleri (Acting APRE)

A WORD FROM SR BERNADETTE

Child safety is a priority for everyone-family, school, and society. Recently the media have alerted us to the increasing dangers to children online. Information technology is an amazing and extremely helpful part of life today yet the dangers of misuse and abuse seem to increase. As in so many areas of life, a healthy balance is needed. The following hints are not new but is helpful to remember them:

- Keep regular and open communication with your children
- Keep all internet devices in common family areas
- Check the privacy settings on the social media accounts of your children
- Install blocking/filtering software on computers

Peace
Sr Bernadette

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY TRAVEL REBATE

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Semester 2, 2016

- Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?
- Has your school’s learning support teacher assessed your child’s travel capability rating as ‘semi-independent’ or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at www.schooltransport.com.au by 31 October 2016.
Late applications cannot be accepted.