



“THE OLOF HEADLINES”

From the Principal

DAMIAN GAMBLEY Staff News

Last week Katherine Ferguson accepted the APRE position at St Francis Xavier, Goodna, to commence in 2019. We thank Kate for her wonderful service at OLOF since 2012. We know her enthusiasm and commitment will be truly missed at OLOF, but I am confident that she will be a fantastic addition to the St Francis Xavier community. Kate has been a fantastic member of the leadership team, always ready for the challenge and inspiring with new opportunities. Kate's lists of jobs and tasks that she has taken on here at OLOF are plentiful and each one she has done with professionalism and conviction. Thank you Kate for this passion for the students, staff and community of OLOF.

St Vincent de Paul Appeal – Free Dress Day

Please continue to bring in any items for the SVDP appeal. The Year 3 class has been doing a fantastic job promoting this worthwhile donation. To support the Appeal, we are having a gold coin donation Free Dress Day and the money will be donated to SVDP/Catholic missions. The Free Dress day will be on Tuesday, December 4 which coincides with our Swimming Carnival.

Year Level	Please Donate the following: -
Prep	Canned food
1	Pasta, rice
2	Tomato sauce, canned food, chips & nuts
3	Drinks -soft drinks , long life juice etc
4	Packet soups, biscuits
5	Breakfast cereal
6	Toiletries- toothpaste, toothbrushes etc

Uniform Shop

In 2019, the Uniform Shop will be open during the following times:
 January 14 – 18 & January 21 – 25, 2019, 9am – 12 Noon.
 The Uniform Shop will be **CLOSED** on:
 Monday January 28, 2019 (Public Holiday), Tuesday January 29, 2019 (Pupil Free Day) & Wednesday January 30, 2019 (1st Day Term 1).
 The Uniform Shop will **RE-OPEN** on WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6, Week 2, Term 1, 8am – 9am.

Booklists for 2019

The Booklist Packs for 2019 can be collected from the Office from Monday January 21, 2019, 9am – 2pm. If you order your booklists by December 17, 2018 they will be delivered to school free of charge and you will avoid paying the delivery fee.

Updating Details

Can I please ask all parents and carers to advise the Office before the end of term if you have had any change of contact details, such as a new address, a new email address or a new telephone or mobile phone number. It is vital that we have all the correct details for our OLOF families.

The Last School Day is Friday December 7, 2018 and school concludes with a School Assembly at 11.30am. All families are welcome to attend and students must be collected at the end of the Assembly.

27th November, 2018	
Week 8, Term 4	
Coming Up:	
Tuckshop	Nov 28
Uniform Shop	Nov 28
Christmas Concert	Nov 30
Sr Bernadette's Farewell Liturgy	Dec 03
Toddler Tuesday	Dec 04
SVDP Appeal Free Dress Day & Swimming Carnival	Dec 04
Year 6 Graduation	Dec 06
Last Day Term 4	Dec 07

Our School Goals:

- Be Respectful
- Be Safe
- Look After Property
- Follow Directions

From the Assistant Principal: Religious Education

KATE FERGUSON

Yesterday I had the pleasure of joining the Year 5 students on a Reflection Day. During the day students looked at JOY within the Gospel of Luke, JOY within their lives and how they can bring JOY to others as leaders of OLOF 2019. Some messages of JOY from these students included:

Kayleigh: I find JOY when I make people laugh.

Stella: I find JOY when I spend time with my family. My message to you is to spend time with your family.

Anderson: I find JOY when we play sports and play fair.

Fahid: I find JOY in having fun and being included. My message to you is include people in your games and have fun.

Throughout the school you will notice some of the artefacts they created during this time, including their walk of JOY outside the hall, prayer flags and prayer rocks in the classroom. Thank you to the staff involved in this day and the Year 5 students who were present themselves and JOYful beings!



A NOTE FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR - CAROLINE VAKACI

Managing the Holidays

A long summer holiday is a wonderful opportunity to support children to learn new skills, socialise effectively and have fun. Some activities that you might like to consider are:

- Cooking- always children to follow a recipe, measure ingredients, share their cooking with loved ones
- Reading- Public libraries are a lovely place to visit and will often have free activities for children over the break
- Playing board games- children can learn so much from board games; how to win with grace, how to loose with grace, how to take turns and share. This is also a lovely way for family member to spend quality time together.
- Painting and drawing- a truly creative and peaceful time.
- Play dates- are a great way for you to see how your child does play with other children and support them with skills that they find challenging.
- Making Christmas gifts and cards- Pinterest has lots of great ideas.
- Donating some outgrown toys and clothes to charity.

Wishing you all a peaceful and safe break!

REALLY COOL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received Really Cool Awards on Monday 26th November:

- Grace (Prep)
- Sarah (Year 1)
- Feranmi & Zach (Year 2)
- Ethan & Ramleen (Year 4)

ABOUT LEARNING

Come and join our Reading Circle on Friday. It will be the last one for 2018... but we'll start back on the first Friday of the 2019 school year! All welcome!

During the holidays, local libraries are a great place to borrow books, and get involved in holiday activities.

Happy Learning,
Therese Evans, PLL

A WORD FROM SR BERNADETTE

The other day I came across an alphabet with a difference. For each letter of the alphabet there is a little piece of wisdom for parents to help their child be successful as a student. Here are a couple:

J is for JOBS - giving children jobs at home teaches them responsibility as you encourage and support their effort (but don't do it for them); K is for KITCHEN - cooking with your children is a great way to spend quality time and teach lifelong skills like reading, following directions, safety, planning etc.

L is for LISTENING - what would you advise here?

Peace, Sr Bernadette