Dear Parents & Friends,

Our new school term has started off positively and it has been wonderful to see all of our children committing so enthusiastically to their learning and reconnecting with friends. I wish to acknowledge the dedication of our staff, who through their thorough preparations, have ensured that the new term has commenced so productively. We look forward to a successful term ahead and value the opportunities to work together in a spirit of Belief, Harmony and Responsibility.

On the first two days of the term, staff participated in a range of professional learning activities. Teachers and education assistants attended the second day of our PD on mathematics. Our recent focus explored effective teaching in the areas of geometry and measurement. The second day of our professional activity witnessed all staff participating in a spiritual retreat facilitated by Mr. Francis Leong of Catholic Missions. The focus of the retreat was ‘Nourishing a Merciful Heart for our Common Home: Linking Laudato Si’ with the Year of Mercy’. Staff were led through spiritual exercises and a deeper understanding of Pope Francis’ teachings on the spirit of poverty, service and mercy. It was a highly engaging workshop that connected with many aspects of the school’s 2016 priorities.

School has received detailed feedback from last term’s Insight SRC surveys undertaken by parents, staff, School Board and students (Y3-Y6). I thank everyone who took the opportunity to complete the surveys. Comprehensive information is now available in helping school understand its successes and the opportunities for continuous improvement. Staff and the School Board have engaged in a detailed review of the data and made comparisons to the strategic directions within school improvement documentation. The data is extremely positive and shows strong trends for growth over time. A summary of the data analysis will be shared with our families later in the term and at our next P&F meeting.

The School Board and P&F Executive have been busy as the new term commenced. The Board has continued its planning for Stage Two of the nature playground and has started to plan for the resurfacing of the playground. During the holidays the remaining windows were installed into the classrooms. Meanwhile, the P&F Executive has continued to enhance its dedicated work in the school. It has updated its governance procedures, as well as planning ahead with important events including the Athletics Carnival (please note date change to Dianella Reserve on Friday September 9th) and Father’s Day. I thank both the School Board and P&F Executive for their generous and determined work for our community.
Principal’s news continued.

A reminder that the Term Three Planner was included in the final newsletter of last semester. It is also available on our school website. Inevitably some dates have changed due to unforeseen circumstances, so please continue to check newsletters, our website and direct messages sent via SMS or email.

It promises to be an exciting term ahead for our Year Six students. Their school camp is fast approaching and it will be a great adventure for the children. In early September we will come together as the Year Six children receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Yesterday evening, families joined together for the Confirmation Workshop. I thank Father Stan, Mr. Gray, Mrs. Russo, Catechists from the Parish and Catholic Education Office and our students and parents for making the evening an enriching experience.

This Sunday we join together to celebrate Father Laurence’s sixty years of devotion to religious life, his fiftieth year of priesthood in Australia and his recently celebrated eightieth birthday. These are special milestones for Father Laurence and many of those years were in service to our parish community. Please join us for Mass on Sunday at 9am, followed by a shared morning tea. Details and a RSVP slip were sent home last week.

On Friday week, Mrs Cruttenden and the Year Four Class are organising a “Dress Like a Pirate Day” for children’s cancer research for our whole school. We will be joined at our assembly by a former student, Chloe, who has bravely fought the disease and is doing amazing work in raising money and awareness of cancer. Please look out for further details in this Newsletter.

Finally, as you will know I will be seconded to the Catholic Education Office in mid-August until the end of 2017. Mr. Gray will be our Principal until the end of this term and the position has been advertised. Our community will be informed as soon as the appointment process is completed. I look forward to my remaining weeks here, as a small part of this tremendous community that works so enthusiastically together in the best interests of all our students. I wish everyone a successful term ahead.

God bless

Dan Wood
Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Due to unforeseen events, Woodchester Reserve will be unavailable to host our Faction Athletics Carnival in 2016. For this reason, we have had to find an alternate venue.

The 2016 Faction Athletics Carnival will now take place at Dianella Regional Open Space on Friday 9th September. The reserve is situated on the corner of Light Street and Alexander Drive, next to the Jim Satchell Recreation Centre, with car park access via Light Street.

Further information regarding the carnival’s schedule and outline of events, will be sent out closer to the date.

Steven Mammoliti
Sports Coordinator
‘He (Jesus) said to the crowd, “Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.”

Luke 12:15

Preaching at a morning Mass recently Pope Francis reminded his hearers and us that, ‘God’s salvation does not come from great things, from power or wealth, nor from clerical or political parties, but from the small and simple things of God.’ Jesus warns us of the temptation of putting all our hopes on material possessions to the detriment of our spiritual needs in Jesus’ parable on the Rich Man, the man made one mistake: he failed in gratitude. He could have used his good harvest to do ‘the small and simple things’, as the Pope suggests. Instead, he concentrated on his selfishness and greed consumed him. Let us pray for gratitude and detachment: gratitude that enables us to share God’s goodness with the less fortunate; and detachment that sets us free from the enslavement of material possessions and greed so that we can serve God in the least of our brothers and sisters.


Generous God,
Your abundant love and goodness has no favourites.
Give us compassionate and loving hearts.
May we hear the call to reach out to all, especially the most vulnerable, in the same spirit of love, compassion and understanding.
Amen.
Happy Birthday

30th June to 27th July 2016

Our Community

School Reports
School reports have now been loaded onto Seqta Engage. You can access the site with this link https://ololnoll.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/ or go onto our website and click on the Seqta Engage Icon. http://www.ololnoll.wa.edu.au/

Canteen
Due to the lack of parent helpers, Mrs Samuels is unable to process lunch orders when she is setting up for the day. All lunch orders are to be left in your child’s classroom in the lunch box. Please note change can not be provided by the Canteen or School Banking.
Thank you for your understanding.

2016/2017 Entertainment Books
2015/2016 Entertainment Books are still available for $65.00.
We have 2 books left, If you would like to order a new book please see Mrs Cruttenden (Yr 4) or the office staff.

School Website
For further details regarding the following, please refer to the School Website www.ololnoll.wa.edu.au
- School Banking
- Canteen
- Uniform Shop
- Term Dates
- Parish Mass Times
- Lodging of Absentee notes
- Seqta Engage

Mathlete of the Week
Well done to Marcus Ng in Year 1 who is our winner of the Mathlete of the Week trophy for Week 1.

Our Community
Please continue to keep in your prayers all members of our community who are sick or who have relatives and friends who are ill at this time. We especially ask that you keep in your closest thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations to Maria Biju (Yr 6) and family on the safe arrival of her baby sister.
Together with E’Co Australia Pty Ltd, we are fundraising to help 3rd world countries. We are simply asking you to go through your household and give to this programme all your unwanted clothing, linen, shoes and bags. These items go straight to the 3rd world countries that need it: where they are shown how to clean and repair these goods before selling them at market. Your unwanted items will raise money, which we will donate to OXFAM to help struggling communities gain better access to water.
We are still looking for class representatives for Year 3, 5 & 6! If you would like to volunteer for the role please register your interest with either the Front Office or Joanna Wood on 0413 189 801.

P & F News

Wow! we are now into the second half of 2016 and we have lots happening this term.
◊  P&F Meeting 9th August
◊  Faction Athletics Carnival Sausage Sizzle
◊  Father’s Day stall

So keep an eye out for our posters and newsletters, along with messages on our P & F Facebook page or contact your P&F or class reps for more information.

The format of the P&F meetings has changed. Moving to a more forum based approach. Each meeting will provide a relaxed environment in which to meet other parents and friends, as well as providing guest speakers on topics that are requested by you. The next meeting will be held at 6.30pm on Tuesday 9th August. Everyone is welcome so please come along and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of pizza while getting an update on recent P&F news and the nature play project.

Thank you for all the feedback from last term. We value your comments and try to address any concerns raised. Here are just a couple of comments we received:

“The event was excellent because families especially the children enjoyed it very much. Aside from that parents were able to socialise with other parents.”

“Providing healthier snacks at our events”

“For the Mother’s Day stall my feedback would be that products were appropriate for the event and would come in useful for a mother, As for the prices it was set at a cheap, low prices and the products were worth every cent”

Are you on Facebook? We have a P&F private group on Facebook that we invite all parents to join. We use this channel as another way of communicating P&F related information to parents. It is only used to supplement the school newsletter. If you would like to join, ask for the instructions on how to from the front office.
That time of the year is almost upon us when we come together to celebrate Book Week and Book Fair.

This year Book Week/Fair will be celebrated in Week 4 from Monday 8th August to Thursday 11th August.

**Book Fair times:**
- Monday: 8.15-8.45am and 3.00-3.30pm
- Tuesday: 8.15-8.45am and 3.00-3.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.15-8.45am and 3.00-3.30pm
- Thursday: 8.15-8.45am and 3.00-3.30pm

Lunch time for children 1.00 -1.15pm

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**Music News—Mrs Happ**

In Term 2 Pre Primary to Year 6 learnt to sing “Pass the Song Along”. This was an initiative of the Spirit of the Streets Choir for Sing for Health Week in May. “Pass the Song Along” is written by Singer/Songwriter Bernard Carney. He hopes something magical happens when people sing together and we are all on the same pulse. It unites the school with the outside community in song. I have really enjoyed teaching the song and I hope the children have enjoyed learning it.

Mrs Happ
Music Teacher

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**Book Week and Book Fair**

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**Australian Olympic Village Art Work**

Last Term, the children from Years 1-6 all participated in an Olympic Art Project. 10 pieces of Artwork from each class were selected to represent our school in the Rio Olympic Village. The selected work will line the Aussie village walls with inspiring messages of good luck and inspiring artwork.

Parish Event

The Languages of Love
An opportunity to enrich your married life!

At every stage of married life there is something new for couples to learn about one another and their relationship. Couples with the strongest marriages regularly take time out to nurture their relationship, to work at understanding one another better and to discover new facets of their marriage. Love Languages are a powerful, research supported, way for couples to discover new opportunities for responding to one another and to bring about an even closer more connected relationship.

When: Sunday, August 21
Time: 3.30-5.30pm
Where: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall, Nollamara.
Cost: A free parish event for married couples followed by wine and cheese.
What you need to bring: Your spouse!

Presenters: Karen and Derek Boylen

Pirate Day– Friday 5th August

The Year 4 class are organising a Pirate Day and Cake Stall on Friday 5th August. All money raised will be donated to Childhood Brain Cancer Research.

You are encouraged to come dressed as pirates for the day. Teachers too!! We will collect treasure (your gold coin donation!) and will sell cakes at morning tea time.

We look forward to seeing everyone dressed as pirates! Aaarrggghhh!!

Lost Property

Our Lost Property basket is over flowing! If you have recently lost a tracksuit jacket or jumper, please come into the front office as we have a number of winter items that need a home.

Can all families please check the names on their child/children’s clothing as a number of children have lost jumpers and jackets. Please leave these items at the office or with your class teacher. If you find clothing not belonging to your child, yours might be in the lost property basket!
PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS
TIPS FOR PARENT NEWSLETTERS

1. Let your children know that “We can talk with someone about anything no matter what it is”. Encourage children to keep talking until they feel safe.

2. Let your children know that “We all have the right to feel safe at all times”. Encourage children to talk about their feelings with you.

3. Teach your children that “They are the boss of their body”. Talk to your children about the names and the functions of both public and private parts of their bodies.

4. Safe touch is important in children’s lives. Children need to know that there are many different types of touch and learn to recognise whether a touch is safe and loving or unsafe and unwanted. Teach your children that it is OK to say NO or STOP if they feel uncomfortable or confused about a touch.

5. Play “How could someone feel safe even if…” games in the car. Help your child to brainstorm strategies they could use if they were feeling unsafe.

6. Ask your child who is on their “helping hand”. This is a list of adults your child feels comfortable talking with. Encourage them to practice contacting their network people.
Helping Hands

Our Lady of Lourdes now has a Helping Hands group who are available to help you in times of distress or crisis. If you are having difficulty getting your children to school or preparing meals because of illness or other reasons, please contact Janet in the office so we can organise some help for you! Please be assured that your privacy will always be respected.

Community News

AUGUST 9 IS CENSUS NIGHT. OUR MOMENT TO PAUSE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Look out for your household’s Census letter. Use the unique Census Login to complete your Census online on August 9th, or follow the directions to order a paper form.

Pilates for the Soul: If your soul could do with a bit of stretching, the Centre for Faith Enrichment is for you! Check out the wide range of online and face-to-face courses and events on offer by visiting www.cfe.org.au. An on-site crèche is available on request. ALL are welcome (you don’t have to be Catholic!), there are no exams or assignments, and the environment is always relaxed and friendly. P.S. Have a child preparing to receive a Sacrament? Go to www.cfe.org.au and click “Sacraments Website”!

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Email sdds_australia@bigpond.com for a complimentary first lesson by quoting this newsletter.