**Term 4 Week 2**

**Important Dates**

**OCTOBER**
- *Thursday 20th:* 12noon Stage 2 to attend Mass.
- *Friday 21st:* 2.30pm Whole School Assembly led by 3/4P.
- *Monday 24th:* Intensive Swimming begins K-2 (2 week block)
- *Tuesday 25th:* 6pm Parish School Forum Meeting.
- *Wednesday 26th:* October Day
- *Thursday 27th:* 9.30-11am Kinder 17 Orientation; 1.30pm Stage 1 Prayer Celebration with a cuppa to follow
- *Monday 31st:* 12noon-1.30pm Kinder Orientation

**NOVEMBER**
- *Monday 7th—Wednesday 9th:* Year 4 & 5 Camp

**DECEMBER**
- *Friday 2nd:* Forum Street Stall
- *Friday 9th:* Swimming Carnival
- *Monday 12th:* Yr 6 Graduation
- *Wednesday 14th:* Christmas Concert & Forum BBQ.

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**6T Sydney/Canberra Excursion**

"My favourite part was the free fall at Questacon because it helped me to overcome my fears. It was scary at first but then it was fun" - Henry McErlean

“Our Sydney/Canberra excursion was a lot of fun. Activities were enjoyable and interactive” - Clare Mudge

“It was the best and most memorable camp that I’ve ever been on” - Zoe Howes

“Questacon was the best place I went because we got to see experiments, learn about science and go on the free fall” - Leeroy Delaney

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**Let us be guided by the Holy Spirit**

Allow him to speak to our hearts and he will tell us this: 

**God is Love**

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**Believe Achieve Succeed**
Dear Parents and Carers,

This Generation Seeks a Sign

People are constantly reading each other to see what kind of ‘signs’ they are. We notice when someone is generous and honest instead of selfish and deceitful. We notice when someone is joyful, peaceful and enthusiastic instead of angry, disconnected or apathetic. What kind of sign are you? Do you point people to Jesus through your friendliness, your generosity or your patience? Are you a sign of the coming kingdom of God?

It’s usually through the way we live our lives that people pick up the clues about what is important to us.

What could be a greater sign of the kingdom of God when the witness of people who forgive, love and serve?

Holy Spirit, help me to become more like Jesus, that I might be a sign of his love to everyone I meet.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR NATIONAL CAPITAL EXCURSION.

Our Year 6 students have just returned from an educational tour of the National Capital. While on this tour they participated in a variety of educational programs focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributes $60.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program. The students visited venues such as the War Memorial, Parliament House, Old Parliament House and the National Electoral Education Centre. This excursion was a rewarding experience for all students and they were wonderful ambassadors of our school. Thanks to the parents who gave of their time to come along and assist – Fiona Farragher, Danielle Howes, Melinda McCormick, Vanessa Mudge, Rick Denton, Brett Harley, Col Moore and Phil Taylor. Many thanks to Mr Tickle for all of his pre planning and organisation of the trip. All at home were certainly kept updated by the daily blog on Facebook and this was wonderful, once again thanks to Mr Tickle. We very much look forward to commence the consultation and planning for our Canberra/Sydney experience in 2017.

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION:

Yesterday saw the first of our 6 Kindergarten transition sessions for those students commencing in 2017. The students had a wonderful first up experience of “big school” thanks to Mrs Jansen, Mrs O’Reilly and the wonderful leadership shown by our current Year 4 students. A big thanks is extended to Emma Rixon and Gemma Habchi for the organisation of the morning tea for our new parents and to all in Kindergarten who supplied a treat for morning tea. It was certainly appreciated. We look forward to our next transition session which will take place on Thursday 20th October from 9:30am to 11am.

TERM 4 CALENDAR:

Please find accompanying this newsletter a copy of our Term 4 calendar. Please place this in a prominent place in your home for easy referral during what will be the last and very busy term of 2016.

Please note – any changes to the calendar will be published in our weekly Newsletter.

God bless and have a wonderful week,

Tony

Tony Hunter
Principal
**Community**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY to**

Sienna I.
and
Ruhara M.

**ASSEMBLY**

Led by Year 3/4P
FRIDAY 21/10/16
at 2.30pm

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**Curriculum**

**Weekly Spelling**

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Rule  The final –e is left out when adding –y.  eg. Scare
Scary

**Catholic Identity**

**WORKS OF MERCY:** During this Year of Mercy, students from St Brigid’s will be going out into the community to do ‘Works of Mercy’ by helping and spending time with others. Today Stage 1 visited the residents in the Parish units. The children worked happily, sweeping, washing chairs and gardening. Their help was very much appreciated. Well done Stage 1 students & teachers.

**STAGE 1 PRAYER SERVICE:** Ownership, creativity, prayer and participation are central to developing a Prayer Celebration. A list of dates are included in the Term 4 Calendar going home today. Stage 1 will celebrate next Thursday, 27th October, at 1.30pm. Stay and enjoy a quick cuppa afterwards.

**MERCY ON THE MOVE:** The Mercy Artworks will be visiting our school again in Week 3. The images are a new set and previously not shown. The theme of Mercy can be explored again through the new art and children will have the opportunity to respond creatively. Parents are most welcome to view the art in the hall.

**MONSTER RAFFLE:** The Forum is conducting a monster raffle which will be drawn on the night of the Christmas Concert. Every family has received a small book of tickets to sell. Please send to the office all sold tickets with money and/or unsold tickets. More ticket are available if required.

**SWIMMING:** Kinder, Year 1 and 2 will begin a two week block of Intensive Swimming on Monday 24th October. Please complete the permission note going home today and return ASAP. Swimming gear will also need to be organised in readiness for the program. No cost to families.

**BOOK CLUB:** Orders sent home today. If ordering at school please return the form with payment by 11am Friday, 28th October. On-line orders must also be completed then.

**SOCTOBER:** On Wednesday, 26th October students are asked to wear ‘Crazy Socks’ for a gold coin donation.

**WEAR CRAZY SOCKS**

**ENJOY A LUNCH TIME DANCE OFF**

Donations to Catholic Missions to help those in need!

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2:30pm—3:15pm (after Canteen)

All enquiries about uniforms to:
SUZIE SMITH
Phone  6632 2958
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Uniform order forms are available from the school office at any time. Second-hand uniforms available for a gold coin donation.
SCHOOL CANTEEN
Monday 24th Oct.: Suzie Smith and Jodie Johnston.
Please sign in at the office before going to Canteen.
If for any reason you cannot attend on your rostered day, please swap with someone. THANK YOU.

COMMUNITY NEWS
LITTLE ATHLETICS
Sign on days—Tuesday 25/10/2016 & Tuesday 1/11/2016 from 4pm-5.30pm at the Kyogle High School fields.
Enquiries to Emma Rixon 0422399841 or Rowena Nelson 0401290608 or email kyoglela@gmail.com

POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS WORKSHOP
We use evidence based materials & practical resources to help support parents/carers of children on the autism spectrum.
1 day Workshop on Tuesday 15/11/2016 from 9.15am-3pm (Registration from 8.30am) at Kyogle Golf Club.
You can register directly on website www.positivepartnerships.com.au
Further inquiries from Nicole McCormack on 0425 281 182.

FREE FAMILY FUN CRICKET DAY
Oakes Oval, Lismore on Sunday 23 October from 11.30am-1.30pm.
Children from 5 years—13 years who want to try cricket are invited with their families.
Free Milo & Jumping Castle.
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