Issue No. 20, 15 July 2015

Dear Parents,

Welcome to term 3 at OLA. The weather is cool but the children are coping very well and a number of teachers have commented on how well the children have settled back into school routine. Their enthusiasm for learning is to be commended.

There are a number of temporary staff changes for this term. Both Ms Kerry Maher (year 3) and Mr Larry Mann (year 4) have had or will soon have surgery and will be absent for the next several weeks. Please keep them in your prayers for a speedy recovery. Mrs Jia will teach year 3 and Mrs Bell will teach year 4.

Mrs Fields (year 4) will commence maternity leave at the end of week 6 and Mrs Cantrell will take her class for the rest of the year. Mrs Geraghty will be on maternity leave from the beginning of term 4 and Mrs Murray will teach year 1G for this term with Mrs Garuffi.

Are you a gardener? I would love to start a gardening club at OLA. We have the gardens, a green house and have applied for a grant to buy an irrigation system. I am sure that there may be lots of knowledge, expertise or at least willingness to be involved among our parents and grand parents. If you would like to be part of this project, please contact me and we will get things growing.

Catholic Education Week
Catholic Education week will be held from 26 July to 1 August. The highlight of the week will no doubt be the Festival of Catholic Education which will be held in the grounds of the Cathedral of St Stephen on Wednesday 29 July, just prior to the official launch.

Andrew Chinn Concert
Tomorrow, as part of our celebrations for the upcoming Catholic Education Week and our feast day on the 14th August, Australian religious singer/song writer Andrew Chinn will be

Wilton Sacramental Programme
Confirmation – Parent Information Session
Tue 28 July 7-8pm OR Sat 1 Aug 4-5pm
At St Columba’s Church Wilston
Any queries contact Parish Office 3352 1730 or kbcc@bne.catholic.net.au
The OLA Athletics Carnival will be held FRIDAY (7.08.14) at the Mt Maria Playing Fields (Mott St), commencing at 9:00am. In order for the day to run smoothly we require parent volunteers. If you are able to help, please complete and return the below form. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the morning set up.

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**PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM**

Parent Name: ___________________________ Student/s Name ___________________________ Class: _______

☐ I am able to help at the OLA Carnival on Friday 7th August 2015.

☐ I am able to help with the 7:30am set up.
OLA Commemorative Coins

We still have the OLA Commemorative coin available at the office. The coins are $5 each. They commemorate the service and sacrifice of hundreds of Australian men and women who fought in the First World War. Whether you are Defence or not these coins are a wonderful keepsake for the children of OLA.

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Tuckshop News

Items no longer available on the tuckshop menu:
- Zucchini Slice
- Gelatos

New items to the tuckshop menu:
- Paddle Pops (Choc or Rainbow) $1.80
- Lemonade Ice block $1.00

Volunteers Needed — If you are able to help in the tuckshop just one Friday this term, it would be greatly appreciated. I also need a lot more volunteers for home baking on Mon, Wed and Fridays. Please contact Sue Smith on Susan.E.Smith@bne.catholic.edu.au

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It’s back! Woolworths Earn & Learn starts on Wednesday 15th July.

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program will help our School earn valuable learning resources.

It's simple to participate.

Starting on Wednesday 15th July, when anyone from our school community - staff, parents, friends - shop at Woolworths, they can collect stickers to place on sticker sheets available from Woolworths. They'll get one sticker for every $10 they spend*. Once they complete their sticker sheets they can place them in a collection box at either our school or the Everton Park or Brookside Woolworths.
**KIDS LOVE DRAMA  PARENTS LOVE THE RESULTS!**

Our unique drama system develops confidence and communication skills in children and teenagers. Dynamic and structured, our programme covers speech, movement, creative drama and language development with all students participating in an end-of-year production.

Our acclaimed drama programme is implemented by dynamic teachers who work enthusiastically to bring out the very best in your child.

Affordable Fees! No Hidden Costs!

Lower Primary (5-8), Upper Primary (9–12) and Youth Theatre (12–18).

Helen O’Grady Drama Academy

Please phone the Principal Margaret Treuel B.A., Dip. Ed. 3353 0555

If you would prefer this via email in the future please advise us by emailing brisbanenorth@helenogrady.com.au

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**STAFFORD CITY**

**BROOK RUN**

**Sunday 26th July 2015 from 9.00am**

It’s on again ... Brisbane’s newest and most exciting fun run along Brisbane’s picturesque Kedron Brook that encapsulates the spirit and active lifestyle of its local community.

**Race Categories & Times:**

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**SAMFORD RDA OPEN DAY**

**SATURDAY 1 AUGUST 2015**

9.00am to 1.00pm

The Jenny O’Malley Arena, Samford Showgrounds, Showgrounds Drive, Highvale

Enjoy the riding displays including ride-a-thorn, bake sale, sausage sizzle, partner stalls, information displays, horses’ birthday celebrations and face painting.

Come and have fun with us and see all the great work we do at Samford RDA.

Celebrating RDA Awareness Week 27 July - 2 August 2015

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**THE BIG FAT ARENA SPECTACULAR**

Be part of the largest production of HAIRSPRAY ever staged

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For more information visit:  http://www.harvestrain.com.au/#!hairspray-ensemble-auditions/c1n2n

Must be older than 9 years or older at time of auditions.