NAPLAN RESULTS...

By now you will have received your child’s NAPLAN results if they sat a test in Year 3, 5 or 7 this year. My job is to look at the big picture.

NAPLAN is made up of 5 areas: Reading, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation, Writing & numeracy.

The students we have in Year 7 this year, sat NAPLAN 2 years ago in Grade 5, and 2 years before that in grade 3. The results of these students as a cohort show us that this school has a significant impact on their learning. It also suggests that we have some work to do: plan and work for best practice with Writing, Grammar & Punctuation.

I think the numeracy results are quite astounding! It says if your kids complete their primary education at OLW they are operating at a much higher level in maths than if they went somewhere else!

Possible Class structures for 2013.

Thanks to mums, dads and carers for letting us know you are staying at OLW in 2014, or sadly not staying. Next year (2014) we may be looking like this:

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This is based on an enrolment of 392 students. If we were to have 401+ students enrolled – we will have a significant change to staffing, which may mean a change to the shape of OLW classes above.

If you have any comments or concerns please email me.

If you think we are a good school – let people know!

JP

John Parkinson | Principal | Our Lady of the Way Catholic Primary School | Petrie | Qld|

community ... faith ... learning ... diversity

We don’t come to school to be better than others.
We come to school to better ourselves by being able to work with others.
Dear Parents,

On Sunday we listened to the Gospel of Luke 17: 11-19, the story of the healing of the Lepers.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

This simple narrative of Jesus healing the sick shows how radically he breaks down the barriers of prejudice and crosses the boundaries that make some people outcasts. This Gospel speaks not only of liberation but also of God’s all-embracing and inclusive plan of salvation. It is also a story about gratitude…. Finally, it is a story about coming to faith and the power of faith to save and raise us up. Healing the disease is likened to the fulfilment of the promise of salvation. (Break Open the Word, 2013)

Fr Dave’s Installation as Parish Priest On Sunday we will celebrate the installation of Father Dave as our new Parish Priest. The Mass will be at 9am. I hope many families are able to come on Sunday for this celebration.

Bandanna Day Next Friday 25th Oct at 9am we will celebrate Bandanna Day and award a student with the Dane Lewis Award for Excellence in Communication. Each year we celebrate Bandanna Day and remember Dane, a past student of OLW who lived his short life bravely. Dane died after battling Leukaemia. Bandannas & Pens will be on sale in the school office.

Kind Regards,
Jo Scott-Pegum

DATES TO REMEMBER

14th —17th October: Term 4, Week 2 - Book Fair in Library
18th October: Swimming Carnival at Lawnton Pool
21st October: Pupil Free Day
25th October: Dane Lewis Award presented at the Bandanna Day Liturgy
25th October: Bandanna Day Liturgy 9am. Bandanna’s $4 and Pens $3 on sale in office.
25th October: World Teachers Day
28th October: Homestyle Bake Fundraiser order collection 3pm in Dalaipi.
6th November: Prep’s Orientation evening (parents only) for 2014, 7pm
7th & 8th November: Prep’s Orientation morning for 2014, 9am – 10.15am. Parents coffee and chat at the same time.
7th & 8th November: Uniform shop open for Orientation days. Information on page 3

PLEASE NOTE UNIFORM OPENING DAY’S HAVE CHANGED SEE PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS

‘My School Rules’ competition has started at Warner Village shops. Our school has the chance to win a share of $8000 in prize money. Competition closes 3rd November
NEWS FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

If you are a parent of a child entering Prep next year, the Uniform Shop will be opening Thursday 7th Nov from 10:30am to 1pm and again Friday 8th Nov from 10:30am to 12:30pm after orientation for purchasing your Prep uniforms.

Trading hours for this term:

- Monday mornings 8 to 9:30am (not open on 21st Oct due to student free day)
- Thursday afternoons 2:30 to 3:30pm

In addition to this the shop will also be open Saturday 30th Nov 9am to 12noon.

Back to school trading days: 2014

Saturday Jan 18th 9am to 12noon
Wednesday Jan 22nd 1:30pm to 3:30pm
Tuesday 28th Jan 2:30pm to 3:30pm
Thursday 30th Jan 8am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm

For all enquiries or placing of orders, please contact Maria McAllister via email on uniform.shop@yahoo.com.au with your name, mobile and school your child attends.

WELL DONE

On Sunday Daniel participated in the Australian Martial Arts Championship (AMAC) Queensland State Titles.

He achieved a 1st place in swords and a 1st in sumo wrestling. Daniel is now eligible to compete in the AMAC Australian Titles in November which will be held at the Gold Coast.

Good Luck Daniel.
ITALIAN NEWS

We started this term remembering the Feast day of St Francis of Assisi by listening to a story about his life. Saint Francis’ feast day is observed on October 4. On 13th March 2013, upon his election as Pope, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina chose Francis as his papal name in honour of Saint Francis of Assisi, becoming Pope Francis. St Francis is the Patron Saint of animals, the environment, Italy, merchants and stowaways.

Our learning continues with reading, writing and speaking about our pets. Hai un animale domestico? Si o No. Io ho un pesce rosso. Si chiama Paolo. Guarda il mio gatto. Ecco il mio cane. Questo è il mio tartaruga. (Do you have a pet? Yes or no. I have a goldfish. Its name is Paul. Look at my cat. Here is my dog. This is my turtle.)

Leggi il conversazione. The students will also be reading and then role-playing a conversation between the crocodile and the cockatiel.

Ciao, Grace Bone.

CHOIR NEWS

Thank you to all the students who have expressed an interest in participating in the Christmas Choir Competition to be held at the Morayfield Shopping Centre on Thursday or Friday, 7th or 8th November. As yet, the date and time of our choir’s performance has not been confirmed. Later on in the week, a note with these details along with a permission form for the children to travel by bus to and from the Shopping Centre will be sent home.

Thanking you, Grace Bone.

LIBRARY NEWS

We are having our BOOK FAIR this week.

Days/times: Today and Wednesday 8.15 - 3.30pm, Thursday 8.15 - 11.00am.

The Book Fair is an excellent opportunity to not only find some Christmas gifts but to also help our school.

A great BIG thank you to Mrs Gaye Thomas who helped us unpack boxes and boxes of books last Thursday for the Book Fair.

We really appreciated her help and her muscle power.

Sandra C Driver
Librarian
TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

NAME: ________________________________________ PHONE NO: ________________________________

CHILD’S NAME (eldest): ________________________________ MOBILE NO: ______________________

EMAIL: ______________________________________________________________________________

CLASS: ______________

DAY AVAILABLE: ☐ Wednesday ☐ Friday ☐ I am interested in helping in 2014

TIME AVAILABLE:
☐ Morning (8:30 – 9:30am) ☐ Full Day (8:30am – 2:00pm) ☐ Half Day (8:30am – 11:30am)
☐ Other ____________________________________________________

☐ MONTHLY ☐ FORTNIGHTLY ☐ OTHER _______________________

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OPEN WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
Conveners - Jacqui Cooper (Ph: 0488 020 292) and Trish Proctor (Ph: 0430 471 580)

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What’s on the menu?

Go Green

Chocolate Flavoured Milk, Cheese Toastie, Fruit Salad Cup or an apple slinky.

Every Friday morning in the after school care building, for children younger than school age.

Join us for a fun morning together from 8.30 - 10.30am every Friday. BYO morning tea and please sign in at the school office. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please call Sinead Neville on 0411988742.

Angel Network

Dear Families

For the past few years Our Lady of the Way has had an Angel Network.

The Angel Network is made up of OLW family volunteers. The purpose of the Angel Network is to help out families that are ‘in need’ for a short period due to a member of the family being ill, in hospital or if the family has suffered a loss or traumatic event. We help by providing meals to the family during that difficult time.

If you would like to be on the Angel Network please contact, Helen Ryan : email hryan@bne.catholic.edu.au or mobile 0409516554

Thanks in advance.
Helen Ryan
LEARNING ENRICHMENT CENTER NEWS

Inclusion Week Reflection

What a fantastic week. There was so much included and so many great experiences. The highlights for the children I believe were the Seeing Eye Dogs and Brendan Hall an Australian Paralympian swimmer and world record holder. Animals never fail to draw children in. The one thing I learnt was that you can’t pat a seeing eye dog while they are working and you know they are working when they are wearing their special vest.

The opportunity for the children to hear and listen to Brendan Hall tell his story was valuable. Brendan was here to speak about Sporting Wheelies and the services they provide. His response to the questions of the children made me stop and think. He said that when he was at school and it was time for sport, rather than finding an excuse to avoid having a go he would just go and do it. He remarked that if he wanted to, he could have got out of it and people would have seen it as ok. He remembered those children who would always find the excuse not to participate, to him they were the ones with a disability. For Brendan the only disability is a bad attitude.

Two other events happened through the week that could have gone unnoticed but were equally important. For the younger children there was a talk about anxiety. Anxiety is something that is part of everyone’s life. By facing our fears we become stronger. The other event was the opportunity to share a video on Down Syndrome called Just Like You -Down Syndrome. What an amazing video and certainly worthwhile for us as adults to view.

It was wonderful that organisations such as Seeing Eye Dogs and Sporting Wheelies come to the school and provide information to the children at no cost. If possible, it would be great if you could support one or both of these organisations by purchasing a raffle or making a donation through their websites. Here are the links to their websites if you can help.

Seeing Eye Dogs Australia: http://seda.visionaustralia.org/how-you-can-help
Sporting Wheelies: www.sportingwheelies.org.au

School Banking Update: Redeem your tokens for a moneybox this year!

In 2014 the School Banking program will be launching a new set of exciting reward items for students to redeem their tokens. Each reward item will continue to be valued at 10 tokens (i.e. 10 deposits) and there will be two new reward items for students to choose from each term.

With exciting new reward items on offer in 2014, please be aware that the Dollarmites moneyboxes will no longer be available next year. To avoid any child missing out on claiming their moneybox, please let your children know of this change and encourage them to redeem their moneybox this school year.

In an effort to ensure your child doesn’t miss out, the rule of one money box per year has been removed. If your child is trying to collect the series of Dollarmite moneyboxes, they are encouraged to do so before the end of this school year. Please understand that they still need to redeem each moneybox for the required 10 tokens.

*On another note, we will be looking for a Volunteer to do our school banking next year 2014. If you are interested please contact the office.

Happy Banking
Sinead

Keep saving to win more Dollarmites’ treasure!

The Dollarmites have found treasure washed ashore on Savings Adventure Island and want to share it with you. They’re giving away 60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB and 100 x Kid’s Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 & HOP.

For your chance to win, simply make two or more School Banking deposits from 21 October to 30 November and you’ll automatically be entered into the competition. For more information, visit commbank.com.au/adventureisland

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**PETRIE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

Please join us in the celebration of the mass

on Sunday 20th October at 9am at Our Lady of the Way.

Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge for the

Installation of Fr Dave O’Connor as Parish Priest.

Morning tea will follow – please bring a plate to share.

Come and join in this special celebration. RSVP: 12th October 2013 Ph 3285 6759

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE **NO OTHER MASSES AT PETRIE OR DAYBORO THAT WEEKEND.**

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**Beginning Experience Team** is holding it next Weekend from Friday evening 25 October to Sunday afternoon 27 October 2013 at QCCC Brookfield. The weekend offers widowed, separated and divorced people, who have moved through the initial shock phase of grief, and opportunity to work through their pain and move into the future with renewed hope.

Meals and accommodation provided.

**Enquiries:** Kathy 0438 300 659 Paul 0428 977 417
Clare 0410 601 031 Terry 0411 142 557

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**AFTER SCHOOL CARE NEWS**

Petrie Community After School Care currently has vacancies for before and after school care.

If you would like to find out more formation please contact Lisa Storck, OSHC Co-ordinator on 3285 1850 or email petrieoshc@bne.centacare.net.au

**PLEASE NOTE** - Parking: Please follow our rule of NO pickup or drop off in Reid Street , WE STILL HAVE A FEW PARENTS WHO ARE NOT FOLLOWING THIS RULE.

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**OPEN DAY SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER, 9 - 11.30AM**

Come along and meet the staff and see what we have to offer...

- A supportive Christian Catholic Community
- A holistic approach to student development
- A senior year’s focus on vocational education and university pathways
- A small school – small classes
- A genuinely nurturing environment

Armstrong Street, Petrie

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