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CLEVELAND WEEKEND MASS TIMES:  Saturday 5:30pm  Sunday 7:00am  Sunday 8:30am

The Lord will always walk with you along life's blessed beach.
His footprints there beside your own, always within reach.
Two sets of footprints side-by-side, from dawn to setting sun.
Yet there may come a day, my child, when you'll see only one.
But do not think the Lord has left you - nothing could be more wrong.
It's just that he has picked you up, To carry you along.

Our theme for 2016 is
"You Light the Way!"
Our theme song for 2016 is
"Flashlight"
    – Jessie J

2016 Term Dates
TERM 1
Jan 27 – March 24
TERM 2
April 11 – June 24
TERM 3
July 11 – Sept 16
TERM 4
Oct 4 – Dec 2 (12noon)
Prep

This week in Prep we are learning all about the letter Mm. We started our rotations off this week with some marshmallow printing and also made some milkshakes!

In numeracy, we are looking at the number 8. We learnt a little poem to help us with our number formation, it goes like this, ‘Make an S and do not stop until you reach the very top!’.

In Religion, we learnt all about St. Patrick for St. Patrick’s Day on Thursday. We watched a video, learnt some songs and made some four leaf clover craft.

We are looking forward to learning about what Easter is and why we celebrate it as well as starting our Easter craft.

Year 1

This week Miss Williamson visited our room to listen to some of the stories we have been learning and writing about Jesus. We also showed Miss Williamson a prayer mat that some of the children designed and created.

Mrs Fox (Reuben’s mum) has been helping us by sewing together all the individual cloth squares we designed into one big mat.

Next term each group in our learning area will have their own special mat for prayer and meditation. Thank you to all the mums who helped the children during the term to create their own square.

In maths we have been trying to decide which events in life are certain to happen, likely to happen and which events are impossible to happen. Some interesting discussions took place but we decided that we were all certain we would eat dinner at night and we all agreed that a monster coming into our room to teach maths would definitely be impossible!

Thank you for the wonderful response to our invitation to attend the Palm Sunday Mass this Sunday 20th March at 8:30am.

Year 2

This week we have been building our own bugs that we will display at our learning expo. We have been using plasticine, pipe cleaners, match sticks and goggly eyes.

They are generally a combination of 2 or 3 different insects and have some interesting features and skills. They must have 6 legs and two antennae.
We have also been typing our reports with the help of some wonderful year 5 students. We are learning how to use the keyboard and change the size and style of the text that we have created.

In our maths rotations we have been learning more about place value when adding and subtracting.

We love using the blocks to work together to solve a problem. The other interesting thing has been learning how to break secret codes.

We need to solve problems and match the answer with a corresponding letter to work out the secret message.

Year 3

This week during our Social Skills lessons, we have been learning about ‘whole body listening’. This is a skill that we are working on at the moment.

We know we are whole body listening when we have our mouths closed, our eyes are looking towards the person who is speaking, we are not fiddling with anything and we are ignoring distractions around us.

We also talked about the word ‘interrupting’, and how we can do this politely if necessary.

We used the website called ‘bouncy balls’ as a tool to see how quietly we could work, and how being quiet whilst someone is speaking is respectful.

Over the past couple of weeks, the library has been getting in more and more brand new books for children to borrow! We have been very excited about this, and it has even boosted our enthusiasm for reading.

The most popular new books have been the Star Wars series, Tiny Timmy and I Can Be!

Reminders
- Year 1 and Year 3 School Sponsored Mass - Palm Sunday, 20th March at 8:30am.
- Holy Week Reflection at Adventure Playground – 2:15pm on Thursday instead of assembly.
Year 4

This week Year 4 have been working very hard creating iBook’s using an app called “Book Creator.” Book Creator is ideal for making all kinds of books, including children’s picture books, comic books, photo books, journals, textbooks and more. Our books are about seeds and plant growth.

We enjoyed presenting our learning journey for this term at our school assembly on Thursday. In particular, we loved demonstrating the “cup song” to the whole school.

Our Easter baskets are coming along nicely! We are threading coloured wool through our plastic cups, in order to create a “weaving” effect. We can’t wait for the Easter Bunny to arrive!

Reminders

- Homework is due Wednesday 23rd March (Week 9)

Due to our short week.

- All reading logs are due Wednesday 23rd March (Week 9)
  Don’t forget to get your parents signature in order to receive the end of term prize.

- Learning Expo- Wednesday 23rd March (Week 9) All welcome in the Year 4 space from 8:30am.

Year 5/6

With only one week left of the term we are amazed at how quickly the last eight weeks have flown.

Yesterday we had a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and reflect on an amazing term when we celebrated our year 5/6 liturgy. It was a beautiful morning with all students showing tremendous maturity and reverence.

We are looking forward to our celebration of learning next Wednesday morning so we can show off the amazing work we have produced this term.

Today we are very excited to be representing our school at the Bayside swimming carnival.

Thank goodness we have the weekend to recover after what will be a big day!
RECONCILIATION
A very big congratulations to those students who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation this week! Also to Lisa McKerr, Fr Ashley and Fr Paul for their guidance.

PALM SUNDAY MASS
Each year we schedule school sponsored parish masses. We endeavour to build stronger relationships with our parishioners and school community. The Term 1 mass will be Sunday 20ş March from 8:30am -9:30am.

Thank you to the families who have advised they will be participating

PARENT COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING
Last night we had a small but enthusiastic group of parents join us for the Annual General Meeting.

Congratulations to the following people who hold roles in the Executive for 2016:

Chair: Dave McLucas
Vice-Chair: Janelle Jahnke
Secretary: Nicole Fiteni
Treasurer: Grant Tanham-Kelly

Topics discussed included:

- the role of PCG meetings in the school community
- frequency and timing of meetings
- relationship between CPR’s and PCG meetings
- parent survey
- PCG key dimensions’ document – please find attached a draft for your comment
- PCG fundraising levy
- Financial status of PCG and preparation of a budget for the year
- Paid crossing supervisor update
- Bushland Project – concept plan to be on display next week
- Easter break maintenance
- New mural – work to be led by Cara Bugeja and John Fox

LEARNING EXPO
Everyone is invited to join us for our very first LEARNING EXPO next Wednesday from 8:30am - 9am. In the past we have invited parents and grandparents in for a Celebration of Learning at this time each term.

Our LEARNING EXPO will have a different focus with your children sharing with you their learning from this term – work samples, work books, art, Discovery Learning etc. We look forward to you hearing and seeing your child’s progress at school so far this year.

PREP PICK UP
The early pick up of 2:45pm ends this term. Supervised pick up zone runs from 3pm to 3:30pm. Do not queue in the carpark. If using the pick-up zone, next term please ensure that the driver DOES NOT EXIT THE VEHICLE AND THAT YOUR CHILD CAN DO UP THEIR OWN SEATBELT.

Unless your child has an extra-curricular activity to get to, I strongly recommend you wait a few more minutes until the zone is fully operational.
WORDS THEIR WAY SORT MAKING

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time helping out at the workshops and those who have taken packs home. Due to a lack of numbers we are now not continuing the workshops.

However, if you are still keen to help out we would greatly appreciate you taking packs home to cut out.

A box of packs, with a sign in and out sheet, is now situated in the office. All that is required is for you to cut out the laminated cards, which have sort numbers on the back, and put them in the bag that has the corresponding number. Please ensure that you keep about 5mm of laminated plastic around the outside of each card.

Thank you again for all your help.

FIJI FUN FRIDAY

Friday 22nd April will be a Free Dress Day to help raise money for the Fijian people who have suffered from the latest cyclone.

Year 2 will be selling Cup Cakes towards this charity before school. We ask that the children wear **BLUE** and bring along a gold coin to help raise money and support the Fijian people.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

We have now had two more sessions of *123 Magic* with our final session last week. We have covered an incredible amount of ground in a short time and have enjoyed sharing our parental experiences.

We continued to look at family systems and patterns and observed ourselves interacting with our children to become aware of what our patterns and habits look like. We discussed changing patterns of behaviour and the fact that behaviour change doesn’t generally follow a smooth or linear trajectory.

When we are ‘mixing’ dynamics up a little to change behaviour – behaviour change can take time and may even escalate before it gets better. EEEK!!! Sorry to be the bearer of bad news!!! It’s all worth it in the end though – trust me.

We also discussed ways that we can take care of ourselves and calm ourselves down when we are in the ‘heat of the moment’. This is fantastic modelling for our children.

We can’t expect our children to self-soothe in helpful ways if we are not doing it ourselves. The three option model: count, emotion coach or ignore was applied to three categories of behaviour with a particular emphasis on how to count correctly.

Most parents, without *123 Magic* training do ‘count’ their children from time to time, however, *123 Magic* has a very particular way of doing it and we learn to apply it to targeted behaviours which makes it very effective.

Seven tactics to encourage independence were also explored. Finally, we learned how to emotion coach our children – using connection, atunement, validation and stem statements. Other suggestions for helping our children to regulate their emotions were also discussed.

Thanks so much to the parents who participated in this course. I really enjoyed getting to know you all and I hope you are now seeing the benefits at home. I have already heard of some lovely success stories. Looking forward to running this course again next year.

*Rachael Lovett*  
Guidance Counsellor
PROJECT COMPASSION
We continue to support the work of Caritas through Project Compassion during the season of Lent. Project Compassion celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. Each student has brought home a box for donations.

We suggest families discuss how students can add to the box such as donating part of their pocket money, doing extra jobs around the house, forgoing an ice block and donating the money instead, etc.

Please ensure all money is returned to the School Office no later than Wednesday 22nd March.

If you require a receipt, please complete the information on the lid of the box and return directly to Caritas.

ENROLMENTS 2017
Letters will be sent home next week to parents who have lodged an Application for Enrolment form at the school office.

These letters will advise parents of dates for interviews, screening and tour of our school early next term. If you are aware of family or friends seeking to apply for enrolment, please advise them of this process.

LAST DAY OF TERM 1
The last day falls on Holy Thursday – Thursday 24th March. School closes at the normal time of 3pm. If your family is leaving earlier than this for holidays, please ensure you have advised the school office.

We will participate in a whole school celebration at 2:15pm in the afternoon instead of our assembly focussing on the events of Holy Week and leading up to Easter Sunday.

PARKING IN LONGLAND STREET
We have been advised by the Redland City Council, through our Child Care Centre, that officers will be patrolling the street and issuing $50 on the spot fines for people found parking their cars on the nature strip i.e. the grassed area on the school side of Longland Street.

CARMEL COLLEGE ENROLMENTS YEAR 7, 2018
Applications for enrolment for Year 7, 2018 are invited from parents of students who are currently in Year 5.

Carmel College’s enrolment process for this year level will begin Term 2, 2016. Applications should be received before Thursday 31st March, 2016. Applications received after this date may be placed on a ‘wait list’.

Enrolment information can be obtained via the Carmel College website www.carmelcollege.qld.edu.au or by contacting Mrs Donna Cook, Carmel College Enrolment Secretary on 3488 7791.

Applications are also being accepted for students currently in Year 4. These students will be the intake for Year 7, 2019.
DONATIONS FOR CHILD CARE CENTRE

We are looking for cot sheets (fitted and flat), toys, puzzles and books that are still in good condition.

Any items can be dropped off to the childcare centre or Amanda Wuth is happy to go and collect them. Her phone number is 0432504919.

KIDS KAYAKING - 3 DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM.

Our 3 day kids program will focus on basic paddling techniques, rescue/capsize, towing, speed work and close encounters with nature.

Cost $125.00 per child and this includes kayaks, safety equipment, light refreshments each day and photos.

Each child also receives a special gift and certificate of completion. We cater for two age groups, 8 – 10yrs and 11+yrs. Personalized attention with class sizes kept to Max 8.

Our lesson time and location change each day due to the tide and opportunity to show the different locations to kayak in the Redlands.

For more information or to make a booking, please contact Katina 1300529258 or email admin@redlandskayaktours.com.au

OT HOLIDAY GROUPS

Optimum Movement will be running Occupational Therapy groups in the upcoming Easter Holidays at our clinic in Ormiston. These are as follows:

- “Ready for Prep” – prep groups to develop pencil skills, scissor skills, fine motor skills and attention.

- “Thriving Writers” – for children in Years 2-4 to develop their writing skills. Perfect for reluctant writers or kids who have difficulties with the quality or quantity of their written work.

- “Sporty Kids” – a social skills group for children to develop both social skills and gross motor skills required for organised sport.

These groups will run the Easter holidays and will be either a 4 or 6 session group. Places are restricted to 5 students per group.

For further information or to enrol your child, please contact Vicki Anderson (Practice Manager) on 3821 3399 or admin@optimummovement.com
REDLANDS EASTER FAMILY FESTIVAL

Cleveland Showgrounds, Long Street, Cleveland

Monday 28th March 2016 10am - 3pm

FREE FOOD
Giant Sausage Sizzle
Donut Apples
Sandwiches
Tea/Cofee with Scones

FREE RIDES & ACTIVITIES
Jumping Castles
Round Up Giant Slide
Redland City Choir
Face Painting
Super Sizzler
Rock Walls
Cup & Saucer
Extreme Force
Frog Hopper
Magic Show
Obstacle Course
Laser Skirmish

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