...Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.
Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.
It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.
We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant,
gorgeous, talented, fabulous?
Actually, who are you not to be?
You are a child of God.
Your playing small does not serve the world.
There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won’t feel insecure around you.
We are all meant to shine, as children do.
We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.
It’s not just in some of us; its in everyone.
And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.
As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

A Return To Love (1992) by Marianne Williamson

STUDENT PROTECTION CONTACTS
Karen Bakon----- Principal
Kylie Williamson - APRE
Kathy Casley----- Guidance Counsellor

Click on link below for
Brisbane Catholic Education’s Student Protection Process
www.bne.catholic.edu.au/students-parents/Pages/StudentProtection.aspx

2015 Term Dates
TERM 1
Jan 28 – April 2
TERM 2
April 20 – June 26
TERM 3
July 13 – Sept 18
TERM 4
Oct 6 – Dec 4 (12noon)

Our theme for 2015 is
“Make today your best day!”
Our theme song for 2015 is
“Best Day of my Life” – American Authors
ECUMENICAL PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION
We would like to extend an invitation to come along and join the parish in this celebration of palms with our neighbouring Christians Churches at 2:00pm on Sunday 29th March.

Our walk will begin at St Paul’s Anglican Church, and the second station will be at the Uniting Church. We will finish at Star of the Sea with a short service in the church followed by afternoon tea. It would be lovely to have students, dressed in school uniform, and their families representing the school community.

FIRST RECONCILIATION
Please keep in your prayers the students who will be making their First Reconciliation this Friday and Saturday.

PROJECT COMPASSION
Could families please return all Project Compassion boxes by Tuesday please?

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

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Music will play just prior to 2.30pm as a sign to gather quietly in the Church or other venue. This music will also play at the conclusion as an indication to return very quietly to the learning areas to collect bags. On Thursday we will have a very short assembly in the Church (birthdays etc) prior to the Year 6 reflection. Parents are most welcome to join us.

END OF TERM 1
School closes at 3:00pm on Thursday 2nd April and resumes on Monday 21st April.

CIRCLE OF SECURITY
A flyer is attached giving details of this parenting course. It sounds very worthwhile.

Details are as follows:
Friday the 24th of April at Capalaba Counselling Centre Level 1 29 Loraine Street Capalaba 4157. Program runs every Friday for 8 weeks and is $10 per session (includes workbook)

LOCKDOWN DRILL
Today our students and staff practised a lockdown drill. Although our staff discussed the process and rationale for such a drill with all our students, your child may come home asking more questions. Please reassure them that such an incident may never happen but we need to practise just in case.

BAYSIDE SWIM CARNIVAL
We pray for fine weather tomorrow as our Year 4, 5 and 6 students participate in this Inter-School Catholic Carnival tomorrow at the Cleveland Pool. We join our Catholic schools from Victoria Point, Capalaba, Alexandra Hills, Birkdale, Wynnum and Manly.

MOTHER’S DAY MORNING TEA
Please mark Tuesday 5th May in your calendar. More details will be forwarded.
PRAYERS PLEASE
Please remember in your prayers Mr Shane Thompson, Assistant Principal of St Rita’s School, Victoria Point. Shane passed away suddenly last Saturday night. We remember his family, friends and the St Rita’s School Community during this very sad time.

The celebration of Shane’s life will be held on Monday at 10:30pm at the Regina Caeli Church, Coorparoo. On behalf of our school community, we have delivered some flowers to St Rita’s.

PCG MEETING
Please be reminded that our Annual General Meeting will be held in the staff room from 7:00pm to 8:00pm tonight. Everyone is invited to participate.

ANZAC DAY CELEBRATIONS
Many thanks to Grace and Eve Clark, Ryan Gough and Charlotte Hillman who will represent Star of the Sea School in the Redlands Combined Schools Choir which will be performing at the Dawn Service in Redland Bay. We are still seeking more students who are willing to represent us at the 11:00am ceremony here in Cleveland.

CROSS COUNTRY
Term 2 brings cross country season. The first carnival is the Redlands District Trials on Monday 27th April. Our inter-house cross country is scheduled for Friday 8th May and the Bayside Catholic Zone is at St Anthony’s on Thursday 21st May. We encourage our students to continue training over the Easter holiday.

SCHOOL MUSICAL
Well what a sensational week Mrs Larsen and I have had! We have spent every lunch time this week auditioning our Grade 5 and 6 students for the lead roles.

We realised very quickly what a difficult task it was as every single student who auditioned did a brilliant job! Some of the things that we took into consideration in auditions were confidence, expression, how well the children portrayed their character and how well rehearsed they were. There were many students who auditioned for the same parts so I know there will be a little disappointment when not everyone receives the exact part they are interested in.

This is unfortunately the nature of auditions, although we did try to make the audition process a really positive experience for the children. I am pleased to say that every single child who auditioned has been allocated a part. Congratulations to all our fabulous grade 5 and 6 students – we truly do have many ‘Little Stars’ at Star of the Sea.

The children will be notified of their part early next week. All the children will begin preparation for their class items in week 1 of term 2.

Please remember to email me if you have any questions on erinhardy2@hotmail.com. Thanks you Erin Hardy

FUN RUN
Congratulations to everyone who has been participating in the Fun Run. Remember walk or run, every lap you do adds to your team total.

A big thank you to Linda Glassick who donated a large number of prizes to be distributed for the Fun Run. We are overwhelmed by Linda’s generosity, as she donated approximately 100 back packs full of goodies.

The Fun Run will continue each Friday morning up until the Cross Country.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Our school photo day is Monday 4th May. Further details will follow after the Easter break.

For the convenience of our school families advancedlife photography have now introduced Online Ordering. School photos can now be ordered and paid for using a secure online Web Portal. Please note, photos can still be purchased using an envelope.
NOTE FROM GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

Chatter Matters
Recently our teaching staff participated in a session facilitated by a local Speech Therapist Amy Clift. In this session we explored the aspects of speech language difficulties and strategies for supporting students.

Over the past decade there has been a great deal of emphasis on the importance of early intervention for young children in identifying and supporting speech language difficulties, leading to greater success in negotiating their social and academic environment.

For this reason, I have included some useful tips on identifying possible difficulties at a range of pre-school stages, to assist parents with children in this age-group in determining if their child may need support of any issues. Please be aware that this is by no means diagnostic, but a useful guide to understanding their child’s progress and whether advice needs to be sought from a Speech Pathologist.

- Does your 1 year old know his or her name, look at books with bright pictures, play baby games such as ‘peek-a-boo’, use ‘mumum’, ‘dadad’ and a few other words, babble and copy sounds and actions, make noises e.g. animals, cars, trains, clocks?

- Does your 2 year old know parts of the body, look at picture books with you, understand simple questions and sentences, e.g. ‘Where’s your shoe?’, use words like ‘no’, ‘gone’, ‘more’ and doing words like ‘jump’, talk while playing alone, use 2 or 3 word sentences, e.g. ‘mum car’, ‘want milk’, use names of things, e.g. ‘spoon’, ‘cup’?

- Does your 3 year old know 2 or 3 colours, follow directions, e.g. ‘Put the cup in the sink’, talk in 3 or 4 word sentences, e.g. ‘Mum go shop’, use endings on words, e.g. Jumping, walked, tell stories and ask questions, use the sounds ‘m, n, p, h, k, g, w, t, y’ most of the time

- Does your 4 year old know the words, ‘yesterday, today and lunchtime’, use 4 and 5 word sentences, talk the right way most of the time, ask lots of questions, use the above sounds and ‘f’ most of the time, sound ready for school next year?

- Does your 5 year old follow long directions, e.g. ‘go to your bedroom and get your jumper’, know opposites, e.g. ‘big-little’, ‘hot-cold’, talk about what has happened, and what is going to happen to them, talk about different things, use the above sounds and ‘sh, ch, s, z, l’ most of the time, sound the same as other five year olds, does your child tell you stories?

If you would like any further information please contact Kylie Williamson or me to discuss further.

Kathy Casley
Guidance Counsellor

CLASSROOM NEWS

Our Prep teachers cannot believe that it is nearly the end of term 1!

This term we have learned all about Jesus;
- The story of the first Christmas
- Getting lost in the temple as a child
- He was a teacher
- He was a special man
- His twelve special friends, his disciples
- He was famous
- He made sick people better
- He told stories to teach us about loving one another and to forgive

The Easter Story is all about
We are now immersing ourselves in The Easter Story and have discovered that Easter is more than the Easter Bunny and chocolate eggs. We found out that Jesus died on the cross to teach us about love and rose again to teach us about new beginnings.

We have also enjoyed some beautiful sharing about our families this term, as we learn more about each other as a Prep All Stars team. Our teachers were impressed by our bravery, standing up in front of the class and sharing our photos.

1. Our learning area has been a hype of excitement over the past week as we make the finishing touches to our boats. Today and tomorrow we finally get the opportunity to test out our designs. We hope they float!

2. Our focus in writing has been on acrostic poems, where we are using some very creative words and sentences.

Maths has been a lot of fun this week, especially the addition games we have been playing in our rotations. We are looking forward to the Holy Week presentations next week, especially our re-enactment of Palm Sunday.

3. In Year Two this week we have been learning about adjectives in literacy and graphing in numeracy. We are also reflecting on our knowledge and understanding of the Creation Story.

In discovery learning, some of us are ready to upload our information, pictures and videos to our website. It is all coming together and we are very excited! We are hoping to have the website complete for a launch towards the end of next week. This will be great timing for all of our students in grade two and throughout SOTS to explore the website on their break and reflect and discuss with families what we have been learning about this term.

As Easter is drawing closer we are beginning to look at the Easter Story, Holy Week events and the historical and geographical background of the Mediterranean World in which Jesus lived. We are looking forward to taking part in many Easter activities next week, including some fun arts and crafts!

4. Over the past few weeks, Year 3 has been learning about persuasive writing. We have completed our planner, and are now in the stage of writing our good copy. We have been challenging ourselves to use the strongest persuasive language, if we are to truly persuade and convince our reader of what we want.

In Religion, we explored the story of ‘The Good Samaritan’. We discussed the meaning of this story, and how it relates to our lives, as Year 3 students. As a symbol of this story, we each created a cardboard hand with a band-aid on it, to represent helping others and being compassionate. We then wrote a message in the centre to remind ourselves of how we can be helpful and kind.

In the preparation for Holy Week, we have been practising our roles for our act, and creating the props, ready to perform the arrest of the Jesus. We will be presenting in Week 10, where we hope to see lots of parents and friends coming to watch.

As we are coming to the end of Term 1, we are very much looking forward to starting our Easter activities and learning more about the story of Easter next week!

5. We are almost finished our storybooks! Our illustrations for each page are looking amazing. Some of us have done simple illustrations with white backgrounds for effect and some of us have created busy, colourful pages full of illustrations.

For homework we published our words to cut out and glue on our illustrated pages. Our last steps are to create cover pages and back covers with a blurb. We are also super excited to be able to read the storybooks to the Kindy children next week.
We have also been continuing our investigations of addition and subtraction of large numbers, mapping, graphing and odd and even numbers. Did you know that if you add two odd numbers together the answer is always even?

In Discovery Learning most of us have finished our prototypes and we are ready to compile our items into our resource box. Hopefully some other schools may be able to use our resource box, as there is so much good information in there!

In PE we have been learning about cricket and playing some fun games. We have especially enjoyed our game of rotational cricket, which we started last week and finished this week!

In Grade Five we all have had an exciting and enjoyable week. It has been lots of fun learning lots of interesting things and finding out what we want to know.

In Discovery we continued creating our own creature to put into an environment and outline the adaptations of the creature. The models are looking really good and we have some very creative students in the class.

In Maths, we are enjoying using real life scenarios in all our Maths lessons. This week’s focus is about angles and we are conducting pieces of assessment to understand all about angles. We are also looking at our multiplication facts when it comes to speed and accuracy in recalling our 8 times tables. Addition in the Maths is always enjoyable and we are using an App called Shake 'em Dice to help us write our addition problems.

In English, we have continued with using descriptive words in the activities to show the audience more meaning about what we are trying to say. We all have been learning hard to remember our spelling words with exciting activities.

In Religion, we have been practising our Holy Week performance with the Grade Three’s with acting the scenes and making the props for the actors to use.

This week in Grade 6 we have been finishing off our discovery learning projects about Antarctica.

We are also finishing off our persuasive texts in literacy. The topics are “getting paid for good grades”, “leaving the school grounds at lunchtime”, “having a mobile phone” and “bullies should get fined”.

In maths we have been looking at interpreting bus, train and movie timetables. We have been planning a day trip to the cinema either at South bank, the Myer centre or Victoria Point.

We have also started painting a horse for the Doomben racecourse. We have decided to paint the horse brown with stars on it.

The theme this year is ‘The Stars of Doomben’ to acknowledge how Doomben is the home of the premier race meets in Brisbane.

News written by; Rosie, Catelyn and Dylan K
HOW TO TALK SO KIDS WILL LISTEN

Learn skills that make life with children easier and more satisfying.

The goal of the How to Talk so Kids will Listen™ workshop is to give parents practical, effective methods of communication that will make their relationship with children of all ages less stressful and more rewarding.

Facilitated by Megan Warren
Primary School Teacher

Megan Warren is mother of two, with over 13 years teaching experience in Australia and the United Kingdom. In this time she has taught children ranging from Prep to Year 7 and has been recognised for her communication skills through leadership in school behaviour management committees. In 2011 Megan participated in a parenting course entitled ‘How to talk so kids listen & Listen so kids talk’, which immediately resonated with her teaching philosophy and quest to be a more effective parent.

Starting Wednesday, 22 April - 27 May
6:30 to 8:30 pm
Upstairs at the Redlands Centre for Women

For more information or to sign up contact our bookings officer on bookings@redlandscentreforwomen.com, phone our office 07 3461 7097 or book online.

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Part of what makes parenting so difficult is that children don’t come with an instruction manual. That being true there is another way to look at it....our children are the instruction manual, because the moment they are born they’re doing their best to tell us what they need...

So come and join us as we take a different look at the hardest job on the planet in a safe, fun and supportive environment.

Friday the 24th of April to Friday the 12th of June 2015

10am to 12pm

To book an intake session or for more information please contact:

Cost is $10 per session
Bookings essential

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