Term 3 Week 10 - 18th September 2015

It has been an extremely busy but productive term! The children have been involved in a diverse range of activities to stimulate and develop their whole being; from sporting events to public speaking, debating, incursions, excursions, music, Masses as well as quality teaching and learning every day. They are indeed very fortunate to have such opportunities.

I thank all the parents who constantly work with the school in a positive manner for the betterment of the children. The staff always have at the forefront of their minds what is best for the students in their care. When parents understand this and work with us, it benefits the children.

I wish you all a relaxing and rejuvenating holiday ready for another busy and opportunity-filled term ahead. Next term includes the Kindy transition, swimming program, Year 5 leadership camp, fete day, Christmas carol concert and Year 6 Graduation just to name a few. During term 4 the teachers are conscious of continuing and consolidating important learning before the year's end.

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:30-37

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

Family Connection

Conversations such as the one described in this Gospel are common in family life. Perhaps these examples are familiar: "I should get the first piece of cake because I am the youngest;" "I did the dishes yesterday; someone else should do them today." How might we respond if Jesus asked about our family arguments? What would Jesus say to us in reply? All of us need the reminder found in today's Gospel: To be great in God's Kingdom is to be the servant of all.

As you gather as a family, recall a recent family argument about household chores or an example of bickering among family members. Talk about what was at issue in the argument. Together imagine that Jesus entered the room just as the argument ended. What would you tell Jesus your argument was about? What might Jesus say in reply? Read together today's Gospel, Mark 9:30-37. How was your family argument like the argument among Jesus' disciples? What might your family do to remember that those who are great in God's kingdom are those who willingly serve others? Pray together that your family life will reflect your commitment to serve one another with love.

TERM 4 - COMMENCES <u>TUESDAY</u> 6TH OCTOBER
TERM 4 - CONCLUDES WEDNESDAY 16TH DECEMBER

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL

YEAR 3 MURU MITTIGAR EXCURSION



On Friday the 11th of September, Year 3 went on an excursion to Muru-Mittigar Aboriginal Cultural and Education Centre. It was a great experience as the children got the

opportunity to experience different aspects of Aboriginal culture such as: painting, bush tucker walk, boomerang throwing and Aboriginal music. It helped consolidate all the different aspects of Aboriginal culture the children have been learning about throughout the term. A great day was had by all!

YEAR 4 FUNDRAISER

This week, Year 4 students held three days of fundraising for their Religious Education Mission unit. On Monday some children were involved in food stalls, Tuesday a group held a disco in the Year 4 module and on Wednesday the remaining students ran some fun activities. The students showed great initiative and creativity with their fundraiser, having developed all of the ideas themselves. After the three days of activities the total amount of money raised was a massive \$540! This money will be going to St Vincent De Paul. Thank you to all the students who attended one (or more) of the days to support the Mission Fundraiser and congratulations to all students in Year 4 on a superb effort!

INFANTS SPORTS CARNIVAL

A big thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends who attended our Infant Sports Carnival on Wednesday. We had lovely weather and all students enjoyed the activities and running races. We would like to thank all of the Year 6 students who helped on the day. Their enthusiasm and patience showed that we belong to a wonderful community here at St Francis of Assisi.

HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY HOLIDAY!!

DATES COMING UP 2015

Fri	18th Sept	Last Day of Term 3	
Mon	5th Oct	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	
Tue	6th Oct	School Resumes—Term 4 SUMMER UNIFORM	
Sat	10th Oct	School Fete 10am-3pm	
Mon	12th Oct	Basketball Gala Day	
Tues	13th Oct	Soccer Wanderers Cup	
Mon	19th Oct	Swimming Program Begins	
Fri	30th Oct	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	

SUMMER UNIFORM

Students must return to school in Term 4 wearing full summer uniform including their school hat. There should be no stickers or graffiti on school hats. A list of items includes:

Girls - Checked Uniform White Socks School Hat

Boys - Bottle Green Shorts Lemon Short Sleeve Shirt Grey Socks School Hat

Correct school shoes should also be worn to ensure the appropriate support for young growing feet. High heeled school shoes must not be worn to school. Also **Raben (canvas shoes)** must not be worn, not even for sport.

UNIFORM DAYS TERM 4 2015

Some changes have been made this term for some of the Grades.

Below is a table showing what uniform the children should wear each day:

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Sport			2	K, 3 & 4	1, 5 & 6
Dress	ALL	ALL	K, 1, 3, 4, 5 & 6	1, 2, 5 & 6	K, 2, 3 & 4

MERIT AWARDS

- KS Jayden Caparas, Zoe Suarez-Walsh and Benjamin Kennedy
- KA Yabsera Tekeste, Theresa Batara and Natasha Noche
- 1S Mia Hampton and Paul Naughton
- 1B Isaac Lalia and CaidenceTompkin-French
- 2W Isaiah Pineda and Jacob Gerken
- 2B Jarrell Yusores and Declan Keating
- 3A Brittney O'Connell and Jor Anyau
- 3Z Jaylen Mallawaratchy and Chloe Winters
- 4H Nicholas Velasco and Brodie Kasprzycki
- 4G Andrea Ang and Claudia Canovo
- 5C Sheryn Lucas and Paul Taveuveu
- 5I Myles O'Neil, Ellah-Rose Thornberry, Billy Bain and Hazel Russell
- 6D Joshua Tajhya and Alexandra Tablizo
- 6S Luziel Cordoba and Brock Herod

BRONZE AWARDS

- KA Timur Bary, Gabriel Nacua and Emmanuel Momoh
- KS Matilda Abdalla, Ayaan Arya and Fatima Mani
- 1B Thomas Valentine
- 2W Cameron Nacua, Chloe Khamphet, Agnes Bobby, Rafael Bueno, Laura Taliman-Kuri, Billy Whyman, Ruby Price and Toby Williams
- 3A Tairese Cruz
- 4H Emily Gawthorne, Madison Theobald, Lucas Kimiora
- 5C Alyssa-Isabella Caraig
- 6S Sara Kennedy

SILVER AWARDS

- 1B Kenzie Sciberras
- 4H Lauren-Maree Kennedy, Kaylen Schirmer, Anthony Barukcic, and Brodie Kasprzycki
- 4G Jessica Marasigan, Fabio Andrade Sa, Kai Burson Malakai Toms and Alysa Lee
- 5C Iris Sinsay

ST FRANCIS DAY CELEBRATIONS



Today we had the privilege of hosting past students and their teachers as they returned to St Francis of Assisi Primary School.

Mr Mahony was also a special guest on the day. It was delightful to see so many warm and friendly faces who shared their memories of their time at St Francis

The day began with a wonderful celebration of Mass with our Parish Priest Father Gerard. There was a sense of reverence and community as we recognised the



importance of St Francis in our lives.

The day then had our annual Newcombe Ball Cup with cheering from our K-6 students. We are proud to announce St Clare's were the winners and took away an impressive trophy.

High school students then let their hair down and had a go at our fun activities including Sumo wrestling, Radar Soccer, Jumping Castle, Bumper Balls and Zorb Balls.



St Francis students then had their turn and could not wipe the smiles from their faces.

Students from primary were also able to attend a concert performed by the Captivate Combined Year 6 Band.

We thank all our ex-students for attending the day and joining in our celebration. What a great day it was!

WEEKS 3 & 4 TERM 4 SWIMMING

All permission notes should have been returned by now. If your child is not attending, a written explanation is required.



ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRIMARY SCHOOL GLENDENNING

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