Weekly Prayer:
A reflection on the prophet Jeremiah and the words of St Paul:
Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you, I appoint you a prophet to the nations. They will fight against you but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, says the Lord, to deliver you.
Love is patient, love is kind, love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth.
We pray, Loving God be with us this day and help us to be the face of Christ to all those we meet. May we see you in each hurting heart, each outstretched hand and each sad and lonely face. Give us the grace and strength we need to be generous, compassionate and caring people. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen

Thursday February 4th, 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS – FEBRUARY (CALENDAR ATTACHED)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5th Feb</td>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>9.15am</td>
<td>Beginning of School Year Mass</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8th Feb</td>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>2.30pm</td>
<td>Year 1 &amp; 2 Swimming Program commences</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10th Feb</td>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>9.15am</td>
<td>Ash Wednesday Mass No School for Preps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17th Feb</td>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td></td>
<td>No School for Preps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19th Feb</td>
<td>Friday</td>
<td></td>
<td>Year 1 &amp; 2 Swimming Program ends</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21st Feb</td>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>10.30am</td>
<td>Prep Welcome/Staff Commissioning/Parish 40th Anniversary Mass &amp; Carnival</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

DEAR FAMILIES,

Welcome back to a new year at Resurrection Primary School. It has been a very smooth start to the year for all of us; the children have settled well into their classes, the staff are (still) smiling and I have felt very welcomed by one and all. I look forward to working with ALL members of this community to build on the marvellous work done in the past to be the best school we can be.

A change in personnel; new people to the school, familiar faces in new classes, etc., inevitably brings about other changes. While these may be difficult, challenging or sometimes even frightening, by working together and maintaining open communications, we will be able to manage these changes together. I have to admit to learning a new skill already – that of carpark management! I trust in, and thank you in anticipation for, your patience and cooperation when using the school carparks.

I encourage each and every one of you to remain informed of events and activities in the school, parish and wider community and participate in any way that you can. A great deal of research has shown over the years that the more a parent is informed and involved, the more successful a student will be.

May God bless you

John Connors
WELCOME NEW STAFF

We welcome the following new staff members for 2015:

John Connors (Principal)
Shannon Byrne (Prep)
Tina Naumov (Year 2)
Teresa Rossitto (Year 3/4)
Matthew Galea (Year 3/4)
Jessica Terranova (Year 5/6)
Adam Bremnar (Year 5/6)
Noeleen Orcsik (Library Technician)
Bernadette Parnis (Reading Recovery)
Luisa Failla (ICT)

INVITATION TO THE OPENING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR MASS

Friday 5th February at 9:15am

Celebrated by

Father Noel Brady

All Families are invited to celebrate this Mass

with the School Community - Students, Staff and Parishioners

SCHOOL AND SPORTS CAPTAINS WILL RECEIVE THEIR BADGES AT THIS MASS

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2016

Sacramental Journey
Tuesday 23rd February

Year 3 First Reconciliation workshop 18th & 19th October 7pm.
First Reconciliation – Tuesday 15th November

Year 4 First Communion workshop 10th & 11th May 7pm.
First Communion Masses will be held on the weekends of
4th & 5th June, 18th & 19th June.

Year 6 Confirmation workshop 19th & 20th July 7pm.
Confirmation Masses 19th & 26th August.

SCHOOL FEES AND TUITION LEVIES – 2015

School fees are billed annually at the start of each year and payments are required each term. However, arrangements can be made with the school office to pay fees either by Direct Debit or Vouchers in fortnightly or monthly instalments (see Instalment arrangements below).

School Fees per family per annum: $740.00 ($185.00 x 4 Terms)

Tuition Levy per child per annum: $200.00 (Classroom supplies/excursions)

I.T Levy per child per annum: $50.00 (Computer/Laptop/iPad)
(Capped at $100 per family)

Tuition and IT Levies are to be paid in the first week of school unless you have contacted the office to pay by instalments.
OUR RESURRECTION SCHOOL MOBILE APP

The App is designed to keep students, families and the broader school community connected and up to date with the latest information from Resurrection Primary School. Some of the App features include:

- Notifications allowing you to receive alerts and reminders
- Events calendar and Contact information
- Documents library which contains newsletters, forms and policies

You can access the app via the direct links below, or by searching for our school name.

We encourage all parents to download the App and stay connected with what's happening at school.

NEWSLETTER:

There will be four ways your family can access the Newsletter:

1. Register with the Resurrection App. The Newsletter will be automatically sent to your iPhone or Android phone on Thursdays as soon as it’s published.
2. Send us your email address and it will be emailed directly to you (2015 families please re-register).
3. Visit our school’s website and download it. Any previous Newsletters from the current year will also be available.
4. Register for a paper copy (see register slip below - 2015 families please re-register).

Register for a paper copy (please return by next Wednesday):

The ____________________________ family would like to register for a paper copy of the newsletter.

Eldest Child’s Name________________________________ Room Number:_________

PREP 2017 INFORMATION NIGHT

There will be an information night on Tuesday 16th February for parents who have a child commencing in Prep in 2017. The meeting will be in the School Hall and begin at 7pm.
Please let families with a child in kindergarten know about this meeting.

CANTEEN

Ash Wednesday menus were handed out on Monday and orders are to be returned to the Canteen TOMORROW Friday 5th February.

SPORTS NEWS

Welcome to Term 1 2016! We are excited to be back as we have many events happening PE Department this year, beginning with the Swimming Program for Years 1 & 2 as well as our School Cross Country tryouts for Years 3-6 on 29th February.
As Resurrection is an Accredited Sun Smart School, all children must wear a hat whilst participating in all outdoor activities including PE. If your child has forgotten their hat on the day then they will be unable to participate in the lesson for that day. We also expect the children to be wearing their sports uniform on their designated day, including appropriate footwear.
Physical Education lessons take place on the following days:
years 3 & 4 – Tuesday; Years 5&6 – Wednesday; Years 1 & 2 – Thursday; Foundation – Wednesday & Thursday

Runners Club and Beep Test Club begin next week which is open to students in Year 3 – 6. It will run every Tuesday at lunchtime. Runners club is open to all students and will run at 8.30am every Thursday morning, weather permitting. Students participating are asked to bring their runners to school with them to wear for these activities only. They must wear their black school shoes for the rest of the day if they do not have PE lessons on that day.
SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALES

Our second-hand uniform sales will be sold on Friday 12th February, from 2.45pm to 3.15pm. All items are $5.00 each. Please try to bring the correct money.

Enter through the Junior Shared Area doors.

Donations welcome!

ENROLMENTS MARIAN COLLEGE

Marian College Sunshine West is now accepting enrolments for girls entering Year 7 in 2017 (There are limited vacancies for girls in Years 7-12 for 2016.) Tours of the College are available on the first Tuesday of every month.

An enrolment information evening will be held at the College on Monday 8th February 2016 commencing at 7pm. For enrolment details or to arrange for a tour of the College, please call 9363 1711. For further information about the College visit www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au

ENROLMENTS FOR CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE ST ALBANS

The College is now taking applications for Year 7 in 2017. Interested families requiring more information are asked to contact Anne Stokie for an enrolment information package. This can be done by phone (9366 2544) or email astokie@crcstalbans.com.au or come and join us for a College tour: Thursday 4th February 9.30am or Thursday 18th Feb at 9.30am call the office on 9366 2544 to make a booking.

The enrolment application form is also available from the College website at www.crcstalbans.catholic.edu.au.

Applications for Year 7 2017 close on 26th February.

ICT.....WHAT YOU NEED TO DO!

Resurrection School is committed to student use of technology as a tool to expand their learning opportunities and conduct educational research. We endeavour to provide a safe and secure online experience for our children.

By now every student should have received a copy of the school’s ICT Acceptable Use Policy Years 3 - 6. OR the ICT Acceptable Use Policy Prep - Year 2. These were given out at the Parent/Teacher chats last Thursday or distributed to students directly if the family was unable to attend the chats.

The agreements cover the conditions of use of technology at Resurrection Catholic School and the consequences if your child breaches these conditions. Ideally we hope you have gone through these guidelines and conditions with your child/children, to ensure their understanding. This is a contract that the students must sign (or have signed on their behalf by a parent) and return to the school. Please emphasize with your child/children the importance of signing and following the conditions of this contract.

The agreements must be signed by both your child and you (for years 3 - 6) or just by a parent/guardian (for Prep-Year 2). These must be returned so that your child/children may begin to use our computers/iPads/Macbooks.

Please ensure your child’s/children’s signed form is returned by next Friday, 12th February.

SEASONS

During Semester one, we will be offering the ‘Seasons Program’ for students who have experienced the grief or loss of a significant person in their lives. This loss and change may be a result of death, separation or divorce within the family unit.

The program runs over ten sessions during school hours. The program supports children and gives them a chance to explore their feelings in a safe environment. Belle Ganglmair (Early Intervention Family Practitioner) and our psychologist, Clara Lee, will run this year’s program.

Please contact our Wellbeing Leader, Helen Belden, if you would like further information on the program.
PARISH NEWS

Are You Coming to Our Mission?
The opening night of our “Year of Mercy” Mission is next Friday Night 12 February commencing in the hall at 7.30pm and concluding at 9pm.
The dates of the Mission are as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Topic</th>
<th>Presenter</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Friday 12 Feb.</td>
<td>Pope Francis and the Year of mercy</td>
<td>Bishop Vincent Long</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 19 Feb.</td>
<td>Does God Care?</td>
<td>Fr Paul Connell</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 26 Feb.</td>
<td>A Foolish God</td>
<td>Fr Paul Connell</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 4 Mar.</td>
<td>Are Faith and Anger Compatible?</td>
<td>Fr Gary Walker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 11 Mar.</td>
<td>Where is Anger in the Bible?</td>
<td>Fr Gary Walker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 18 Mar.</td>
<td>The “Year of Mercy” and You</td>
<td>Jill McCorquodale</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Vincent Long Van Nguyen was born on 3 December 1961 in Gia-Kiem, Vietnam, the fourth in a family of five sons and two daughters. In 1972, he joined the minor seminary, Long-Kanh, later disbanded by the communist government. He escaped from Vietnam as a boat person in 1980, finally arriving in Australia in December 1981. In 1983 he became a Conventual Franciscan friar. Three years after his priestly ordination on 30 December 1989 he was sent to Rome for further studies and in 1994 was awarded a licentiate in Christology and Spirituality from the Pontifical Faculty of St Bonaventure. He was elected superior of his Order in Australia in 2005 and president of the Federation of Conventuals in Asia-Oceania in 2006. In 2008 he was called to Rome to serve as Assistant General of the Order. On 20 May 2011, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI appointed Fr Vincent as Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Melbourne assigning him the Episcopal see of Tala. Bishop Vincent Long’s Episcopal ordination took place at St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne on 23 June 2011. Bishop Long is also the Episcopal Vicar for Justice and Social Services, the Episcopal Vicar for Migrants and Refugees and Chair of the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria. Archbishop Rino Fisichella who Pope Francis has appointed to coordinate the “Jubilee Year of Mercy” was quoted during the week as saying he hoped that people would during this special year “…understand ways in which God’s great love manifests in our daily lives.” Our Mission is an opportunity for you to do precisely that.

Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy
There is an excellent Lenten resource available on the Archbishop’s Office for Evangelisation www.cam.org.au/evangelisation it is titled “Lenten Resource: A Spirit of Mercy” and may be downloaded free of charge. For any parishioner without a printer there is a limited number of copies available at the Parish Office.

Ash Wednesday
Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday 10 February. There will be two Masses 9.15am with the school and 7pm.
Lenten regulations are included in this bulletin.

Prep Information Night (2017)
There will be a meeting on Tuesday 16 February in our Community Centre for parents who have a child starting in Prep next year. This is an information meeting and is very important for prospective enrollees.

Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation
These three Sacraments will be celebrated by children in Grades 3,4 & 6 respectively during the course of this year.
Fr Eleo Capra is coming on Tuesday 23 February at 7pm for an evening with the parents of these children. This is a very important part of the sacramental journey; parents of both Resurrection and Government school children are expected to attend.
Parishioners are also invited to attend and participate in what will be an informative and lively night

Working Bee
Our 1st Working Bee for the year is on Saturday 27 February between 8.30am and noon. There is much to be done. Can you help? Will you help?

Rosters
Attached to this week’s bulletin are the new rosters for the next month. Please remember to communicate your apology to the Parish Office should you not be able to fulfil your assigned Ministry on any day.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Mon</th>
<th>Tue</th>
<th>Wed</th>
<th>Thu</th>
<th>Fri</th>
<th>Sat</th>
<th>Sun</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Grade 1—6 students start</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>No Preps</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Assembly commences at 2.30pm Year 1/2 Swimming</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>Ash Wednesday 9.15am Mass No Preps</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>No Preps</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>Assembly commences at 2.30pm</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>No Preps</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>27</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>