Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

The last week of Jesus’ life was full of memorable events, and in our Religion lessons across the school the students and teachers have been observing Jesus’ journey from his glorious entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday till his death on Good Friday. In the days in between, Jesus preached, taught, presided over the Passover supper, stood trial, and was condemned to death. This week we call Holy Week. It is an especially sacred time in the life of the Catholic Church.

Tomorrow each class of Our Lady of the River School will act out in short plays the different events of Holy Week, ending with the traditional presentation from our Year 6/7’s, the Stations of the Cross. This liturgy is an opportunity where we can reflect upon the events of Holy Week and prayerfully join together before breaking for Easter. The joyful conclusion of the student plays will be presented by the Year 3/4 class on Tuesday morning in the school hall at 9.00 am. Once again all family and friends are welcome to join us.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Tonight at 7pm in St Mary’s Church Brett, Jorjette, Nathan, Mia, Constantine and Hayden will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Please pray for these students as they experience God’s healing love through this beautiful sacrament of forgiveness.

PRINCIPAL STUDY LEAVE
Next Term I will be on Study Leave for 3 weeks, commencing the 27th April. Our Religious Leader, Mrs Raelene Edwards who currently holds the position of the Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission (APRIM) at OLOR, will be responsible for the school leadership during this time. Mr Shaun Kelly will be the acting APRIM and Mrs Mel Angeleski will be replacing Mr Shaun Kelly in the Year 6/7 classroom on Mondays and Tuesdays. I congratulate these members of staff for their appointments and I know the school will be in very capable hands.

For part of this leave during the April school holidays, I will be joining with a team of Principals and teachers from Catholic Education South Australia on a School Leaders’ Study Tour to China. Miss Bianca Pandopulos will also be attending this study program to support the building of a partnership between Our Lady of the River School and schools in Jinan, Shandong Province in China. We are both very excited about our trip and look forward to sharing our experience with you when we return.

I take this opportunity to wish all families a happy, safe and Holy Easter.

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Important Reminders
Please Check these Updates

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SchoolStream App
The one stop shop for OLOR information

UNIFORMS for 2015
Tri-state Renmark
PLEASE ORDER NOW
Winter Stock in store. Please call and check on sizing.

Dates for Your Diary
Thursday 2nd April
HOLY THURSDAY Children will receive Hot Cross Buns. School will be dismissed at 12.30pm.
Easter plays begin at 11.30 am.

Friday 10th April
School Dismissal @ 2.20pm
Pictured above, the Years 3/4 Class with Mrs. Segui. Thank you to Mr. Segui who assisted on the day.

Preparing for ANZAC Day
On Monday 30th March the Years 3 and 4 Class walked to the Memorial Gate on Wade Street Berri at the rear of the grandstand. Various names, symbols and dates were discovered and lots of stimulating conversation evolved. This excursion was part of their studies to see where ANZAC Day will be remembered in Berri.

NAPLAN – National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy
These tests will be held for the students in Years 3, 5 and 7 on Tuesday, May 12th – Thursday, May 14th. All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Any parental issues or thoughts about withdrawal are to be discussed with the Acting Principal, Mrs. Raelene Edwards early next term.

Our Lady of the River Parish Holy Week Mass and Service Schedule

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SPECIAL NEWS

IMPORTANT
TERM 1
PUPIL FREE DAYS
2015
Monday 27th April
First Day Term 2

Monday 20th July
First Day Term 3

Monday 12th October
First Day Term 4

Monday 23rd November
Week 7 Term 4

Our Lady of the River Parish Youth and Family Ministry Team Invite you and your family to:

Faith Feed Fun Events:
Monday 20th April @ Loxton's New Playground for afternoon tea
Enquiries Carina 0414841693

2015 RE News
Fr. Paul Bourke: 85821894
Fr. Medard: 85866239
Fr. John Stuart James: 85882452 ~ 0419176514

MASSES TERM 1
Thursdays 9.00 am
St Mary’s Church Reconciliation
Wednesday 1st April @ 7pm
The celebration will be combined with St Mary’s Holy Week Parish Reconciliation
EASTER PLAYS – Thurs 2nd April @ 11.30am in the Hall