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To All in our School Community,



Welcome back to term 4 and we hope the children were able to have a rest over the break. This term we welcome four new students and know that the children and staff in our community will help them to feel safe and welcome.

We anticipate this term will be an extremely busy 11 weeks, especially as we prepare for 2019; employing more staff, organising classes, helping our children with the transition to their new classes, settling into our new school and preparing for Advent and Christmas. Yesterday we celebrated the canonization of Oscar Romero,



Oscar Romero logo covered in 5 cent pieces

Children hitting a pinata.

which officially took place on the 14th October at St Peter's Basilica in Rome. We hope the children came home and shared some of the stories told to them by several members from the El Salvadoran community. This included the General Consulate Mr

Ernesto Antonio Duenas who together with an El Salvadorian artist Ms Susana Rivas Vegas presented to us a beautiful painting of Saint Oscar Romero with his

friend Rutilio Grande, a Jesuit priest who was also killed for speaking out against the corrupt and violent government. They were followed by Ms Vania who spoke to the children about the “Salvador’s Hope” Charity which supports an orphanage in El Salvador. She spoke passionately about the difficult conditions which continue to exist in El Salvador and how many women and children are affected. We will donate our 5 cent pieces to this charity



and hope to continue a relationship with Vania and “Salvador’s Hope” to support the children at this orphanage.

We thank those parents who were able to join us at Our Lady’s Church and were privileged to have the Oscar Romero choir sing for us for the first time. Thank you to Adrian Ortiz for doing such an amazing job preparing the choir for this event.

In the afternoon the children participated in several activities including: covering the Oscar Romero Logo with 5 cent pieces, decorating a wooden cross using El Salvadoran art techniques and hitting a pinata. Unfortunately we ran out of time to complete the activities but will continue these activities over the rest of the week. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Oscar Romero Staff and especially

Peta Nobelius, our Religious Education Leader who did an incredible amount of work in the background to organise this special day.

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As we are close to the completion of stage 1, I would like to share the progress and delays of where we are at.

Here is a quick summary on where the project is at:

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- .''''''''Meters to be installed by Wednesday 17 October.
- .''''''''Then paperwork goes to Jemena for sign-off and testing. This could take 2-3 weeks.

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- .''''''''Water meter installation to be completed this week (19/10/18)
- .''''''''CFA testing happening this week.
- .''''''''Meter cage price available today for approval.

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Testing of the following items which is anticipated to take 10-12 working days.

- .''''''''Air conditioning

- .''''''''PA system
- .''''''''AV systems
- .''''''''General Light & Power

"Security system; change-over to mains power

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School Photos

We are having our school photos taken on **Thursday 25th October** by Arthur Reed . We have postponed these photos several times, hoping that we will have moved to our new site. As we are running out of time for the photos to be processed, we have decided that the children’s photos will be taken whilst on site at Mother Teresa and Arthur Reed will superimpose the Oscar Romero school in the background. This week you will receive the paperwork for the photo orders. All children are required to wear their summer school uniform (not sports uniform) on this day. Please let us know if you need assistance with these orders.

Summer Uniform and Hats

For the remainder of term all children must wear their school hats whilst outside during PE, recess and lunch. Children who are not wearing hats will need to play under the sheltered area near the Mother Teresa school hall. Please ensure hats are labeled with your child’s name as this helps us return lost hats to their rightful owners.

OSCAR ROMERO TERM 4 Dates	
Monday 5th November	Teacher Professional Development Day No School
Tuesday 6th November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Tuesday 20th November	Information night for 2019 new families
Transition Mornings Prep 2019 9.15 - 11.00am	Thursday 22nd November 2018 Thursday 29th November 2018 Thursday 6th December 2018
Transition Day All students	Thursday 6th December 2018 9.15 - 3.30pm
Monday 3rd December	Planning Day for 2019 Staff School Closure Day
Wednesday 19th December	Last Day of School 2018 1pm

