GOSPEL REFLECTION– 1 April 2012  
Passion Sunday, Palm Sunday

On Sunday we begin the holiest of weeks in our Church calendar. It is what we have been preparing for during the weeks of Lent. Jesus enters Jerusalem and is treated like royalty. In less than 7 days he will be a convicted criminal. Entering Jerusalem in such a triumphant manner surely must have antagonised the Roman officials not to mention the Pharisees and Sadducees. It does, however, show that He was accepted by the people for who He was…… the Son of God. The same people welcoming Him will be the ones mocking and crucifying Him. How quickly things can change! During the readings over the coming week we see the human face of Jesus….. sharing a meal with friends…… His tears and His pleading with His Father in the garden of Gethsemane…… the pain of His torture … His weakness carrying the Cross and finally His death … as human.

Then at Easter we see His divine nature as He is truly the Son of God at His Resurrection.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday 20/3/11 all children participated in the school cross country. Students participated to the best of their ability and are to be congratulated on their efforts. Congratulations to the following children who will represent OLMC at the Diocesan Cross Country on Tuesday 1/5/11 (Term 2 Week 2).

EXTENDING MATHEMATICAL UNDERSTANDING (EMU)

There will be a Parent Workshop on Extending Mathematical Understanding for Early Stage One, Year One and new Year 2 families. This will take place on Monday 2 April 2012 at 9.15am in the Parish Hall and will finish at 10.30am.

EARLY STAGE ONE TEACHER

Mrs Stefanie Chehade is commencing leave at the end of this term and a teacher will be appointed to Early Stage One next week, ready to begin in Term 2.

We extend our best wishes to Mrs Chehade and her husband as they begin family life with their new baby in May. Mrs Chehade will be missed by our Early Stage One students who have benefited from her gentle and reassuring manner and from the quality learning and teaching she has provided. The students have enjoyed a wonderful start to their learning journey with Mrs Chehade and Mrs Sculley.

COVERING BOOKS

We require parents to assist with covering books for the class libraries. Parents are very welcome to collect the books from the school office and cover them at home or alternatively they may cover them in the library situated in the Stage 1 area. If you are interested in helping out please contact the school office.

NOTE HOME THIS WEEK

1. Stage 2 Crazy Hair Day
2. Diocesan Cross Country Note
3. Chess Term 2
4. EMU ES1, Year 1 and Year 2 New families
If your child has already been baptised, is in Year 3 or above and you would like for them to celebrate their First Reconciliation this year, please return your enrolment form by Wednesday 4th April. Thank you to all those parents who have returned theirs, already. For any enquiries, please phone Paola on 014 947 799.

Chess coaching will be available in Term 2 on Monday afternoons after school. New chess students are very welcome in Term 2. Dolphins Chess Academy will provide the supervision and equipment for the children. Chess is an optional after school activity.

Cost: $42.00 Full payment due by Friday 27 April 2012.
Time: Mondays 3.15pm-4.15pm (after school). Chess will commence on Monday 30 April 2012 and conclude on Monday 18 June 2012 (7 weeks). Please complete the form that was sent home and return it by Friday 27 April 2012 if you would like your child to participate.

Chess

Playing times for Round 2 on Saturday 31 March are as follows:

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The courts are located at Wyatt Park, 1 Percy Street Auburn. The web address is www.panansw.netball.asn.au

Please be at the courts 30 minutes before your timeslot to warm-up with your team. For enquiries please phone Margaret Nolan on 0405 509 253.