OFFICE HOURS
Monday—Friday
8:30am—4:00pm

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
Monday 8:30am—9.30am

The Uniform Shop is run by Parent Volunteers. If you are unable to make this day, you may complete an order form and enclose the correct money and leave it at the School Office. Your order will be filled on the next Uniform Day.

Term Dates 2015
Term 4 5/10/2015—18/12/2015

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Our Lady of the Nativity Parish Centre
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Parish Administrator: Fr Andrew McCarter
Parish Email: essendonwest@cam.org.au
Mass Times: Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday 10:00am

The Canticle of Brother Sun

Most High, all powerful, good Lord,
Yours are the praises, the glory, the honor,
and all blessing.
To You alone, Most High, do they belong,
and no man is worthy to mention Your name.
Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures,
especially through my lord Brother Sun,
who brings the day; and you give light through him.
And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor!
Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness.
Praise be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon
and the stars, in heaven you formed them
clear and precious and beautiful.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Wind,
and through the air, cloudy and serene,
and every kind of weather through which
You give sustenance to Your creatures.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Water,
which is very useful and humble and precious and chaste.
Praise be You, my Lord, through Brother Fire,
through whom you light the night and he is beautiful
and playful and robust and strong.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Mother Earth,
who sustains us and governs us and who produces
varied fruits with colored flowers and herbs.
Praised be You, my Lord,
through those who give pardon for Your love,
and bear infirmity and tribulation.
Blessed are those who endure in peace
for by You, Most High, they shall be crowned.
Praised be You, my Lord,
through our Sister Bodily Death,
from whom no living man can escape.
Woe to those who die in mortal sin.
Blessed are those whom death will
find in Your most holy will,
for the second death shall do them no harm.
Praise and bless my Lord,
and give Him thanks
and serve Him with great humility.

AMEN
Dear Parents and Children,

Today we celebrated both our return to school for Term Four and, most importantly, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. It has been lovely to be with the children as an entire student body and reflect on the example given to us by St Francis and his simple message:

- Love God
- Live the Gospels
- Actively build peace in the world
- Care for creation.

The scripture, songs and prayers we shared together at Mass this morning reinforced Francis' message and celebrated the important position he holds not only in our school but in the world.

The last week of term was extremely busy, but was a highly enjoyable one due to the combined efforts of our community.

Art Show

The Art Show was a wonderful showcase of the ‘creative’ side of our children and we were delighted to see so many families in attendance. I’m sure you will all agree that Kate Symonds has involved the children in a comprehensive and varied art program this year that the children have thoroughly enjoyed. A great deal of work went into the Art Show and thanks must be extended to Kate, Jeni Whelan and Jess Hughes (Staff members) and to Anne Maree and Mia Ranalletta for the incredibly long hours and creativity needed to showcase the children’s artwork. Thanks also to Mary Zivkovic for organising the food and drink and the P & F for assisting financially with the evening. All monies raised will be put back into the art program.

Footy Fever Day

Footy Fever Day was held on the last Thursday of the term and the children had great fun! It was great to see the diversity of football teams and codes that are favoured by our students and staff – no longer does Essendon rule in this area! Thanks to Vicky Tsoukalas and her team for organising the day – for those who ran the activities, cooked the numerous sausages, and sorted our lunches.

A reminder, that the Trivia Night is being held on Saturday 17th October. If you haven’t replied as yet there is still time for you to get organised and join in the fun with our parent community.

Enjoy the warmth of the weekend!

Peace and all good.
**Physical Education Term 4**

The Our Lady of the Nativity Athletics day is fast approaching. It’s a great opportunity for the children to celebrate their physical education learning for the term and share it with parents and family. Athletics Day is on the 16th October is at Aberfeldie Athletics Track. It would be great to have as many helpers on the day as possible. The classroom teachers will all need many parent helpers to walk to and from the track as well as help run the events. A permission note and helper note has been sent out this week please return both as soon as possible.

Good luck to our 13 children who are competing in the Regional Athletics Event at Keilor Athletics Track this Tuesday 13th of October. These children were given a letter by the co-ordinator at the last event.

Thanks Kerry Dougherty

**THE UNIFORM SHOP IS ONLINE!**

Starting from 1st September 2015, families will have the opportunity to purchase uniform items online via the ouronlinecanteen website.

If you are already registered with an account, once you go in you can simply click on the Uniforms tab at the top of the page. There you can order your required items and the Uniform Shop will fill your order and deliver it to your child’s classroom the following Monday.

You can also access the website by using the UNIFORM ORDER button on the tiqbiz app. The price list is still available with the UNIFORM LIST button.

If you are not registered, just go to www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au and follow the prompts to set up your own account...it’s super easy!

We are hoping this system will make it a quick and simple option for those who can’t get into school to make their purchases. As we will now be using this online system, we will no longer be taking orders through the office, however the Uniform Shop will still be trading as usual on Monday mornings.

Happy online Shopping!

**P & F Meetings**

Below are the Our Lady of the Nativity School Parents and Friends meeting dates for 2015:

- Monday 19th October  7.30pm
- Monday 16th November  AGM

**LOST**

On Footy Fever Day last Term two pink parkers were left in a material bag outside of the canteen.

If anybody has found this bag could you please hand it into the School Office.

Thank you.

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Sun Smart

Dear Parents,
Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you have all enjoyed a restful holiday and are enjoying the warmer weather as of late. I would like to take this opportunity to make mention that our Sun Smart policy is now in effect. All children will be required to wear a hat outside during both Before and After School Care. If your child does not have a hat on the day, they will be asked to play in a shaded area or inside the OSHC room. There will be sunscreen available in the OSHC room each day for children to apply to themselves if they wish. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Kind Regards,
Holly and Team.

Program for the week:
Monday 12/10/15: Kinetic Sand Creations.
Tuesday 13/10/15: Wizz Fizz.
Wednesday 14/10/15: Cricket in the nets.
Thursday 15/10/15: Origami.
Friday 16/10/15: Board games afternoon.

Health and PE Week

Next week is Health and PE week and as part of our celebration we would like children to bring in only healthy food for snacks.

The teachers will also be setting up some kind of recognition for those children striving to be healthy by walking/bike riding to and from school for the week. Please help us encourage our children to lead healthy active lives.

We will finish the week with Athletics Day. As many helpers as possible would be appreciated. Please contact your classroom teacher if you can help with walking to and/or from the track. Spectators are very welcome and encouraged.

Thank you for supporting our learning!!
PARISH NEWS

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Father would like the rostered family to arrive about 15 mins before mass commences to hand out the mass bulletins and song books to all the parishioners as they enter the Church, and to say "Welcome to Mass" with a lovely smile. Your children can also get involved. The Mass bulletins will be available in the church when you get there. If you can't do your rotation, please arrange to swap with another family.

All families are welcome to join us in Church.

Any questions: Lynette Xerri - 0408 573 045 / Lynettexerri@nbnco.com.au

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Piety Stall—Open after each Sunday Mass

The piety stall is open with many religious items, images and icons, a range of cards available. Please make use of this!