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Newsletter Term 4 Week 4, 2018

7TH NOVEMBER, 2018

FUTURE DATES

Tonight

Kindergarten 2019 orientation information night for Parents in the library from 7pm - 8.30pm.

Friday 9th November

Mission Mass at 9.15am in the church Mission to Busk from 1.30pm

Wednesday 14th & 21st November

Kindergarten 2019 orientation mornings 9am - 10.30am

Tuesday 4th December

Christmas Concert and Awards night

Wednesday 5th December

Swimming Carnival

Friday 7th December

Parent thankyou morning tea from 10.30am - 11am

Thursday 13th December

Year 6 Graduation Mass and End of Year Mass

Friday 14th December

Principal's morning tea

Last day for students for 2018

Wednesday, 19th December

2019 return to school

Thursday 31st January

Year 1-6 Resume

Friday, 1st February Kindergarten 2019 1st day of school

Principal's Message

Dear Families of Our Lady of Lourdes,

This evening is our Information evening for parents of children beginning Kindergarten in 2019. Then on Wednesday for the following two weeks our 2019 Kindergarten children and parents will attend their orientation visit at OLOL. We make these newest and youngest members of our community most welcome.

When discussing with new families their hopes they often express that they want a good education for their child, for them to be able to make friends and for their child to be happy at school and in life.

To assist families in this transition phase we encourage families to build on the strengths of each child and to build on their social and emotional, independence and learning skills. It is a timely moment to remember as a parent that the teaching of these skills continue to be important throughout your child's school years. Teaching friendship skills, involving your child in conversations, helping your child to manage their emotions, promoting a sense of responsibility, encouraging listening skills, and helping your child to follow instructions all assist your child to continue to grow and set them up for success at school.

We take pride in the fact that during the enrolment process new parents often speak about choosing OLOL for their child based on the strong reputation our school has for providing a quality Catholic education. This reputation is reliant on the positive, mutually respectful relationships that parents, children and staff form at OLOL. This reputation is also a testament to our families and staff who continually value working together to optimize success for all children.

God Bless, Keiran Byrnes

PHOTO GALLERY: See the latest photos on the school website:



8 All Saints Day Mass



2018 Infants Fruit Salad Rainbows

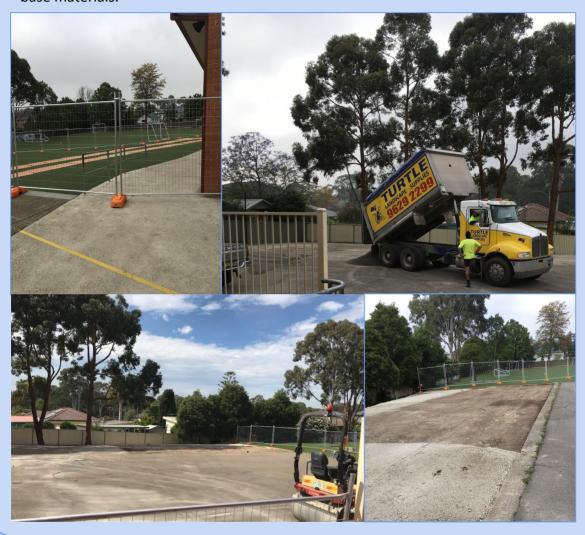


We have limited spaces available in Years 1-6 in 2019. If you have any relatives or friends considering enrolling their child at OLOL in 2019, now is the time to remind them to place their applications at the school office.

Facilities at OLOL - Construction Work

Thank you for your cooperation as construction works have begun. Though there is some inconvenience during construction we look forward to further improvements to the playground for the children. Progress in the past week includes:

- Establishment of site with fencing
- Ground works including leveling of existing ground and supplying and installing suitable base materials.



Staffing Update

Miss Stephanie Musgrave has been appointed as Kindergarten teacher at Santa Sophia College, Box Hill. Santa Sophia College is an establishing school in our Diocese and will begin the initial primary intake with Kindergarten in 2019. Due to the particular needs of an establishing school Miss Musgrave's appointment will begin at Santa Sophia College on Thursday 22nd November 2018.

Mrs Kathy Brown has been appointed to teach Kindergarten White for the remainder of the school year. We are indeed fortunate to have Mrs Brown as she is familiar with the routines and procedures at OLOL and has an existing positive rapport with the children. This allows for the continuity of the teaching and learning as Mrs Kathy Brown and Mrs Marlee Cividin will continue to work closely together.

I wish to congratulate and thank Miss Musgrave for all she has given, both personally and professionally to this community and to the children in her care. Miss Musgrave will return to OLOL for end of year celebrations where we will have the opportunity to acknowledge her contribution to our school community.

We wish Miss Musgrave all the best in her new role and in the future.

ARE YOU LEAVING?

If your child/children will not be returning to Our Lady of Lourdes in 2019, would you kindly inform the office as soon as possible.

The Catholic Education Office policy relating to the notice required from parents to terminate their children's enrolment in the schools of the Parrramatta Diocese, in part states that, "A term's notice (10 weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of any student or a full term's fees will be paid". The notice can be given any time during the term for the next term. A form is available from the school office.

This means that unless the school receives a term's notice no pro rata adjustment will be given for part term tuition. Notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment. In this circumstance the requirement of 10 weeks notice will be waived.

BACK TO SCHOOL



Tuesday, 29th January

Mathematics Assessment Interviews by

appointment Years K - 6

Wednesday, 30th January

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Thursday, 31st January

Years 1 - 6 classes begin for 2019

Kindergarten Mathematics

Assessment interviews by appointment.

Friday, 1st February

Classes begin for Kindergarten 2019

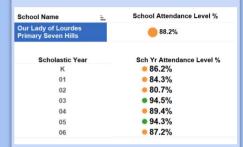
Please note: A note detailing how to book your Mathematics appointments will be going home in the coming weeks

Attendance

Attendance Every Learner Every Day—Attendance rate for the year to date is 88.2%. Our school target is 90%.

As a community we believe that every day counts for every child. Our attendance levels up to and including week 3 are recorded below.

Congratulations to Years 3 and 5 who continue to exceed the schools target of 90% each week.



Communicate with school about every absence.

The attendance roll is a legal document. We are required to keep a record that your child is present - or the reason why they are absent for every school day. If your child is absent you can notify the school by email, letter or telephone.



Scholastic Book Club catalogues were sent home today. Please complete orders online by Wednesday, 14th November at 4pm. No cash payments accepted at school.

LAST BOOK CLUB FOR 2018!!!!!









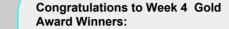
Congratulations to Week 3 Gold

Award Winners: Year 1 (Week 2) Talysha Johnson

Year 1 **Ruby Daaboul** Year 2 Danielle Katafono Year 3 Jacqueline Yates Year 4 Erika Naing

Year 5 Kaylee Aspin

Year 6 Ethan Ballment



Kinder Mikayla Fontanilla

Year 1 Zachary Nohra

Year 2 Mason Buckley

Year 3 Emma Webster

Year 4 Lewis Savic



Congratulations to the children who received Merit Awards at last Friday's Assembly:

KB: Charbel AbouYaghi, Sofia RinconEscobar, Jaydon Mills, Nilisha Uprety

KW: Alexis Avia, Clare Park, Tatjana Paku, Harrison Miliatis, Lachlan Somauroo

1B: Amelia Laus, Lachlan Greentree-Davis, Haize-Jay Tuisamoa-Leota, Thisara K Don

1W: Violet Stevens, Vicky Su, Christina LaGuidara, Charlotte Martin, Zahra Hallett

2B: Evren Semerci, Ada Feliciak, Dylan Cortis, Jack Burns

2W: Brodie Holley, Ada Feliciak, Dylan Cortis, Jack Burns

Alexandra Kostis, Alexander Spadaro, Ziva Suryatho, Jacqueline Yates 3B:

Emily Essex, Lucas Laus, Rebecca Mou, Dominic Sant, Valerie Sulaiman 3W:

4B: Samuel Thoms, Phoenix Dickson, Alexandra Simpson, George Gatt

4W: Jacob Sammut, Arshaan Netto, William Martin, Cassandra Laus

Kaylee Aspin, Angela Culili, Harry Albion, Thomas Pollard, Brayson Brereton 5B:

5W: Zak Armitage, Jake Wright, Deng Wol, Thomas Fahey, Alysse Yates

6B: Irene Suryatho, Yasin Yagci, Christian Milicevic, Mikayla Galea

6W: Joye-Mari Boursianis, Fletcher Kendall, Shany Bento, Arzaan Netto

Out and About - Parent Group Update

Last Wednesday night the Our Lady of Lourdes Parent Group held its Annual General Meeting. As part of the meeting all executive positions were declared vacant and nominations called for to fill these positions for 2019.

I am pleased to announce that the following parents were nominated and elected to the Parent Group Executive for 2019.

President: Pat Fiorenza

Vice President: Katherine Fountain

Secretary: Melissa Fahey

Treasurer: Janine Ballment

Publicity Officer: Melissa Laus

I thank these parents for volunteering to take on these important roles. Without an active parent group many of our important community activities would not be able to occur. I encourage all parents to support the new Parent Group executive and become involved in school activities as they are offered.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our 2018 Parent Group executive for their hard work and support throughout the year - it is very much appreciated.

Lisa Brereton: President, Theresa Sultana: Vice President, Melissa Fahey: Secretary, Megan Shawcross:Treasurer and Janine Ballment: Publicity Officer.

Carol Cividin - Assistant Principal



From tomorrow 8th November uniform appointments will be available on Thursday's only, both morning and afternoon time slots. If you require any further assistance please contact Mrs Kira Moujalli who will be taking care of the uniform shop while Mrs Aida Almeida is on leave till the end of the year. The uniform shop will cease trading for 2018 on Thursday 6th December, 2018 and will re-open in 2019 dates to be advised.

If you wish to make an appointment to try-on uniforms please logon to the website:

https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/login

Use the event code: szhv5

HEAD LICE

As we head into the warmer months there is a tendancy for the incidence of head lice to increase. We are asking all parents to inspect their child's hair regularly and if affected treat with a recognised head lice treatment which is readily available from your local pharmacy or supermarket.

Regular repeating of treatment is required to prevent reoccurrence.

Thankyou for your assistance in limiting the incidence of head lice at our school

Swim Survive Program

Last week we completed our 8 day Swim Survive program. It was a fantastic experience that all students from Kindergarten to Year Six had the opportunity to participate in. Water safety skills are extremely important for children to develop, especially as we head into the summer months. The students participated in the 'Active Program' teaching a range of skills and knowledge to develop swimming, water safety, survival and basic rescue skills. The program encourages children to have a healthy respect for the aquatic environment and is aligned with the National Swimming and Water Safety framework.





I learnt that you should never swim alone and that it can be fun but serious at the

I loved how we got to practise our big kicks in the water. Anthony, KB

same time. Ethan N, 6W.

I loved how friendly and encouraging the instructors were! Christian, 6B.

I learnt how to float on my back. It was so much fun! Nilisha, KB.

We got to practise our swimming in the deep pool! I loved that! Alexandra K, 3B.

During the swimming program I learnt how to do butterfly and we got the opportunity to learn the safe way to save someone who is in trouble in the water. Arshaan, 4W.



Sport News

2019 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2019 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2018 and Term One & Two in 2019.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport.

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G) and Touch Football (B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by the child's school**. In order for the child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of the school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated.

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Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration

Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Detailed information can be found on the website:

www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au.

Registrations for the Summer Sports of BASKETBALL & TENNIS are closed. All OTHER sport registrations will open in the coming weeks for 2019 trials.



RE NEWS

On Thursday October 25, four children accompanied Mrs Bawden and Miss Espiritu to the annual Education Mass (formerly known as the Mission Mass) at St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta. We had the privilege of celebrating Mass with Bishop Vincent Long and managed to meet him afterwards at the Mission exhibition.

During the Mass we were reminded of our calling as baptised Christians to continue the mission of Jesus. We prayed that as followers of Jesus we can make a difference in the world. "The strangers in this land" and the "homeless on the street" are all welcome and can find comfort through the love of Jesus Christ.

Thank you to Ethan, Charlotte, Angela and Catherine (pictured) who represented our school so confidently and reverently. They were inspired by the works and exhibitions of other schools and got some great ideas to share with our social justice team.



Mission To Busk

On Friday we will be having our annual Mission to Busk fundraising event. Don't forget to send your child to school with gold and silver coins to support the buskers and raise money for Catholic Mission. Parents and families are invited to come along for the afternoon which commences at 1.30pm. Please see the previous note that was sent home for details. We will be starting the day with a Mass for Mission at 9.15am in the church. All are welcome to celebrate the Eucharist with us.



2018 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the **department**), to advise you that the department has requested that your child's school provide a *statement of addresses*, in accordance with the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (Cth) (the **Regulation**).

A statement of addresses contains the following information about each student at the school:

- Student residential address (not student names)
- Student level of education (i.e. whether the student is a primary or secondary student)
- Student boarding school status (i.e. whether the student is boarding or a day student)
- Names and residential addresses of the student's parent(s) and/or guardian(s)

Schools generate a record number for each student for the purposes of this collection, which is also provided to the department.

Purpose of the collection

This collection is routinely used to inform Commonwealth school education policy, and to help ensure that Commonwealth funding arrangements for non-government schools are based on need, and are fair and transparent.

The National School Resourcing Board recently completed a review of the socio-economic status (**SES**) score methodology used in the calculation of the Commonwealth's needs-based funding arrangements for non-government schools. The information collected in the *statement of addresses* will be used to progress the Board's recommendations, which have been accepted by the Government.

Further information on this review and the Government's response can be found here: https://www.education.gov.au/review-socio-economic-status-ses-score-methodology.

Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). Any use and disclosure of your personal information relating to the *statement of addresses* will occur in accordance with the Regulation.

Your personal information may be used by the department, or disclosed to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (the **ABS**), for the purposes of SES score policy development, reviewing SES score methodology, calculating SES scores, Commonwealth school education policy development (including school funding), or where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

For example, your personal information may be provided to the ABS for statistical and research purposes, which includes data integration projects such as the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Further information on the MADIP can be found here:

http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/D3310114.nsf/home/Statistical+Data+Integration+-+MADIP.

The department may, from time to time, carry out audits of school submissions. In the event of an audit, contracted auditors may seek to compare a school's *statement of addresses* with student enrolment information held by the school. These contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

The department may also be required to disclose your personal information to contracted providers for the purposes of the provision of ICT support services to the department.

The department does not intend to disclose personal information to overseas recipients.

What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. Your school is responsible for providing the requested details to the department, however, please ensure that your school has the most up-to-date and correct details for your family.



Contacts for further information

Your school can provide additional information about the process for the statement of addresses collection.

If you have any further questions regarding the collection, you can contact the department by:

- Email: seshelpdesk@education.gov.au
- Phone (free call): SES helpdesk on 1800 677 027 (Option 4)

The department's privacy policy is available on the department's website at www.education.gov.au. The privacy policy contains information about:

- how individuals can access and seek correction of the personal information held by the department;
- how complaints about breaches of the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) can be made; and
- how the department will deal with these complaints.

If you wish to contact the department about privacy-related matters, please email the department at EducationPrivacy@education.gov.au or write to:

Privacy Contact Officer Schools, Childcare and Corporate Legal Branch Department of Education and Training GPO Box 9880 Canberra ACT 2601