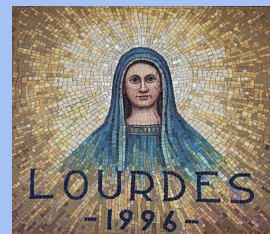




Parish Priest: Father Henry Duc
Phone: 9622 2920

OOSH: Ben Irmisch
Phone: 9676 7293



Newsletter Term 3 Week 2, 2019

31ST JULY, 2019

FUTURE DATES

Friday, 2nd August
School Census Day
Stage 2 Science
Incursion

Monday, 5th August
LAST DAY FOR
ONLINE
SCHOLASTIC BOOK
ORDERS

Tuesday, 6th August
Parent Group Meeting
in the library 7pm
Cumberland Zone
Athletics Carnival

Wednesday, 7th
August
1st Meeting Eucharist
parent only 6.30pm -
7.30pm
Kindergarten -
Golden Ridge farm
excursion

Thursday, 8th August
Mary MacKillop Mass
at 9.15am

Thursday, 15th
August
Mass at 9.15am Feast
of the Assumption

Friday, 16th August
Pizza Meal Deal
Assembly in the hall
2pm - Stage 2

Monday, 19th August
Book Week Assembly

Friday 20th
September - Pupil
Free Day

Principal's Message



Dear Families of Our Lady of Lourdes,

Welcome back to school! It is lovely to have our children and families return to us safely after the school holidays.

From a personal point of view it has been wonderful to return to OLOL and be able to reconnect with parents, children and staff. I take this opportunity to thank Mrs Cividin for assuming the responsibilities of Acting Principal in my absence for the last few weeks of Term Two.

Already the term has begun in a very positive manner. The excitement and enthusiasm of the children was tangible last Monday as children returned to school to catch up with friends and begin a new time of opportunities to learn and grow.

OLOL provides so many great learning opportunities and experiences some of which have already occurred or will happen in the next few weeks. Our Athletics Carnival was an event that was epitomized by a great community spirit. Children are practising with gusto as they prepare for their Wakakirri performance later in the term. Members of the choir are rehearsing to lead the singing in upcoming Eucharistic celebrations. Children also have the opportunity each Friday to be a part of the Faith in Action Team as they plan initiatives to support others in need and be a witness to their faith. Opportunities to represent the school in soccer and athletics will also occur this week and next. As you can see Term Three is certainly a term that promises to engage the children in a range of vibrant learning experiences.

As we commence a new term, may our community be blessed for the journey ahead.

**God Bless,
Keiran Byrnes**

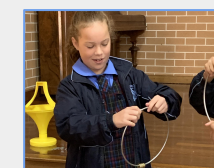
PHOTO GALLERY:
See the latest photos on
the school website:



[2019 Stage 3 Boys
Soccer Gala Day](#)



[2019 Principal Morning
Tea Semester 1](#)



[2019 Stage 3 Fizzics
Incursion](#)

2020 ♦♦♦
enrolments

Our enrolment process for kindergarten 2020 has well and truly begun. If you are an existing family and have not yet submitted your application please do so as soon as possible. Please note: offers have been sent and confirmed. We have spaces available in Years 1-6 in 2019.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey



We would like to thank parents, students (Year 4, 5 and 6) and staff for completing the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning* survey. We value all our stakeholders within our school community and greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provided will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at Our Lady of Lourdes Seven Hills.

Late last term we received the reports that are generated by the data from students, parents and staff. The feedback overall has been extremely positive and I will take the opportunity to share some of the key aspects of these reports with you over a number of weeks in the school newsletter and at the upcoming Parent Group meeting. Below is a sample of one aspect of parent perception about Our Lady of Lourdes.

Parent Survey

We asked: Do you feel welcome when you visit the school?

You said: You rated feeling welcome at school 8.6 out of 10

We say: Thank you! That is apparently a good score and you rated our school above the norm for the Diocese. We will continue to try to make parents feel welcome, be approachable and provide clear communication.

STAFFING UPDATE

I wish to inform you, that Mrs Monique Kearins has been permanently appointed Senior Finance Officer at St Mary MacKillop Primary School, South Penrith. Mrs Kearins has often worked well beyond her role to support the staff, children and families of OLOL. She has made an invaluable contribution to our school and we want to say we appreciate her hard work, good humour and endless patience. In the journey ahead we wish Mrs Kearins great happiness personally and professionally, good health, and that God's blessings travel with her.

Mrs Kearins will conclude her full time work at OLOL on Friday 16th August. There will be appropriate casual finance staff employed whilst a recruitment process takes place in the coming weeks. We thank you for your support during this transition period.

SCHOOL CENSUS DAY

Our annual School Census will take place this Friday, 2nd August.

If your child will be **absent** from school leading up to or on this day, please inform your child's class teacher in **writing or email** the school at lolshills@parra.catholic.edu.au with the date that your child will commence their absence and their return date to school. This is an audit requirement.

Thank you.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

If your child requires medication to be administered at school. We require the medication to be labelled from the Chemist with the Doctors Name and Dosage on the prescription before we can administer the medication.

Forms are available at the school office or the school website. All medication must be kept in the office.



Term 3 School Fees will be sent out this week and are due on the **28th August, 2019**. If you require any assistance please make contact with Mrs Monique Kearins on 8869 6800.

School Office hours are 8:30am – 3:30pm (Closed from 10:40am to 11:00am).

All payments and enquiries can be made during that time. Payments may be made by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, BPay, Post BillPay or by Credit Card. Details are located on the bottom of the statement. When paying by BPay please use the current statement. We advise that we are unable to process EFTPOS payments after 3:30pm.

Cash Payments

Just a reminder that no cash payments can be accepted on the last week of each term. We do however take EFTPOS payments.

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club LOOP

for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Scholastic Book Club catalogues were sent home today. Please complete orders online by Monday, 5th August following the link below:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

PLEASE BE ADVISED WE NO LONGER TAKE CASH PAYMENTS AT SCHOOL.

SCHOOL UNIFORM



The uniform shop is open on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings. If you wish to make an appointment to try-on please logon to the website:

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

Event Code: [jtz45](#)

If you require any assistance with Uniforms Please contact Aida Almeida in the school office on 8869 6800. If you know your child's size please complete an order form which is available on the school website or they are available at the school office and your order will be sent home with your child.



On **Thursday August 8** we will be celebrating the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop with a Mass. This will begin at 9.15am in the church. Everyone is very welcome to celebrate in this eucharistic celebration with us.



The following week we will be celebrating the **Feast of the Assumption (August 15th)**. This day is significant because according to our faith, the Holy Mother. “completed her course of her earthly life and was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.” We will be remembering this feast day with a Mass at 9.15am and once again, everyone is warmly invited to attend.



On **Friday 20th September**, the staff will be participating in a spirituality day. This will be linked with our School Mission Goal of applying the message of the Scripture into our lives. On this day there will be **no staff at school and it is a pupil free day**.



Congratulations to Week 2, Term 3 Gold Award Winners:

Kinder	<i>Peyton Lanfranca</i>
Year 1	<i>Lachlan Osborne</i>
Year 2	<i>George Safiti</i>
Year 3	<i>Syon Shanker</i>
Year 4	<i>Jasmine Davis</i>
Year 5	<i>Jaylene Bong</i>
Year 6	<i>Zoe van Zoggel</i>

ACARA Collection Student Background Data Notice

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) collects data from schools to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA). CEDP is currently working to provide relevant details to the Catholic Education Commission of NSW. **Data collected is de-identified of personal information.**

Parents and caregivers must advise their school if they don't want their child's data included in this report by **30 August 2019**

Copies of Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) Standard Collection Notice and Privacy Policy can be obtained from the school office.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SEVEN HILLS School Uniform

Children are required to wear full school uniform at all times including appropriate haircuts and limited jewelry. Parents' support is essential to ensure their child wears correct school uniform each day.

The following information and images provide clarity about school expectations.

Boys hair is to be kept neat and tidy, off the collar, of consistent natural colour, of gradual even grade and all extremes of fashion are to be avoided. Some examples of "styles" that are unacceptable include: ridges, lines, undercuts, steps, bowl cuts, any excessive shaping with gel, and any shaving cuts. The school reserves the right to make rulings on the acceptability of any student hairstyles.

Girls hair is to be of consistent natural colour. Hair that is longer than shoulder length is to be tied back from the face. Hair is to be off the face and out of the eyes. Ribbons, hair slides etc, if worn should be in the uniform fabric or blue. Scrunchies are sold from the Uniform Shop. No coloured nail polish to be worn to school.

Girls Winter

- plaid tunic with plaid tab
- long sleeved peter pan collar classic blue blouse
- navy jacket with school crest
- navy jumper with school crest (optional)
- navy (ankle or knee high) socks or navy (opaque) tights
- black shoes (lace up/velcro)
- Navy broad brim hat or cap with school crest
- navy bag with school crest

Girls and Boys - Sports

- navy polo shirt with classic blue trim & school crest
- navy shorts with OLOL embroidery
- navy school jacket with school crest
- navy track pants with OLOL embroidery
- white (ankle) sports socks
- predominately white sand shoes (lace up/velcro)
- navy broad brim hat or cap with school crest
- navy bag with school crest

Boys Winter

- school classic blue long sleeve shirt with school crest
- navy (blockers) trousers
- school tie
- navy jacket with school crest
- navy jumper with school crest (optional)
- navy (ankle) socks
- black shoes (lace up/velcro)
- navy broad brim hat or cap with school crest
- navy bag with school crest



Samples of acceptable school and sport shoes.

Sport News

Athletics Carnival

Last Tuesday we had our School Athletics Carnival. We were blessed with beautiful weather and all of the children from Kindergarten to Year 6 had a fantastic day competing in running races, field events and other fun activities during the Tabloid. Thank you to all of the parents who came to support the children and cheer them on throughout the day. A special mention to all of the parent volunteers who assisted on the day as timekeepers, ribbon writers and starters. Without the parent volunteers we would not be able to run the day as successfully as we did.

Congratulations to the winning house, Green and to all of our Age Champions and Sportsmanship award winners.

Age Champions

Junior Girl - Amelia Herczeg

Junior Boy - Alexander Spadaro

11 Years Girl - Awien Lual

11 Years Boy - Rhys Webster

Senior Girls - Zoe van Zoggel

Senior Boys - Zackary Armitage



Sportsmanship Awards

Kindergarten - Alexander Nowak and Scarlett Bong

Year 1 - Sabareesh Srisankaran and Kyra Prajapati

Year 2 - Avish Pragash and Talysha Johnson

8 years - Evren Semerci and Danielle Katafono

9 Years - Lucas Laus and Pranuti Saisriraam

10 Years - Ruby Sultana and Zachary Osborne

11 Years - George Palmiotto and Nysa Sethi

12 Years - Haisam Chauhdary and Jessie Raad.



Sport News

Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day

On Tuesday 30th July, Ms Coledan and Mr Van Gend took three Stage 2 soccer teams - two boys' teams and one girls' team - to Penrith for the Parramatta Diocesan Soccer Gala Day.

It was a fantastic day, with all three teams playing with skill, determination and sportsmanship. The results were outstanding, with one of the Stage 2 soccer boys' teams coming first in their Pool and the girls' team coming third in their Pool.

A big thank you to the parents who transported students to and from the field and to all the parents who came along to support and give encouragement.



OUT AND ABOUT

BOOK WEEK 2019



This year we will celebrate Book Week with a special assembly and Book Week activities on Monday August 19th.

As has been the tradition for a number of years we will begin our day with an assembly and a Book Week parade to which all parents are warmly invited to attend. Students are invited to dress as a favourite book character. Parents are reminded that costumes should be appropriate - no pretend guns or knives - and that book characters chosen should also be appropriate from texts with suitable themes for primary school students.

Following the assembly parents are invited to bring a picnic rug and share morning tea and a favourite book with their child. At the conclusion of morning tea students will move into cross stage groups to engage in literacy activities. In the afternoon students will once again be involved in cross stage teams for our annual trivia quiz.

This year we are also incorporating our Principal's Reading Challenge into the day. Students are asked to recommend to other students a book they have read. Students are encouraged to be as creative as possible in presenting their "OLOL Hot Pick". The most creative entry from each stage will be announced on the day and special prizes awarded.

Details of the challenge are included elsewhere in the newsletter.

Our Book Week activities always provide an enjoyable and educational experience for students - further supporting our promotion of reading across the school.

Carol Cividin - Assistant Principal

Premiers Reading Challenge

As a school we are once again participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge. The challenge officially commenced on March 4th and concludes on August 30th. To date 30 students have already completed the challenge. Student reading logs are completed online using the logon details provided. If you have any problems with the challenge please contact Mrs Cividin.





LOLO HOT BOOK PICKS

Principal's Reading Challenge

This term we have a different Principal's reading challenge!

Students are asked to recommend a book that they have read either over the holidays or recently to others.

We are looking for recommendations that can be done in a creative way. Maybe a poster, a google slide, a video clip , a photo of yourself with a book and a caption "This is my hotpick because....."

Once again we will award prizes for the most creative entries which will be announced during our Book Week assembly. We will also share the recommendations with the community. So come on OLOL let us know what are your "Hot Book Pics".

Students in Years 2 - 6 can upload their review via the google form using the link below.

<https://tinyurl.com/ololbookpicks>

Students in Kindergarten and Year 1 can either bring in their entry to their classroom teacher or email it to ololshills@parra.catholic.edu.au marked OLOL Hot Book Picks





**OLOL Parent Group
Keeping you
IN THE KNOW
AUGUST 2019**

Click on the link below to go to the **AUGUST** edition of the Parent Group's -



"IN THE KNOW"

PIZZA MEAL DEAL

On Friday August 16th the Year 6 Graduation Committee are organising a Pizza Meal Deal. The meal deal note was sent home today and needs to be returned by next Monday. Proceeds from the Meal Deal will go toward the Year 6 graduation disco. Any help from parents to assist with distributing the pizzas on the Friday would be greatly appreciated.



FINAL REMINDER

**International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)
in Science, Mathematics, Writing and English**

I.C.A.S Assessments will be completed online, except for Year 3 & 4 Writing. ICAS Assessments are designed to assess students' ability to use classroom and curriculum learning in new contexts, requiring the use of higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills.

These competitions, run by the Educational Testing Centre of the University of NSW, are open to all students in Years 3 to 6. The sitting dates are below:



Competition	Sitting Date
Science	Thursday 5th September
Writing	Thursday 10th September
English	Tuesday 17th September
Mathematics	Thursday 19th September

Final date for ICAS Parent Payment and note to the school is Wednesday MORNING 31st July 2019.

TERM 3 AT A GLANCE

2019

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
July					23 th	13 th /14 th
July	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th /21 st
July Week 1	22 nd	23 rd Athletics Carnival	24 th Stage 3 Personal Development Program Preview 1:00pm in the library	25 th	26 th	27 th /28 th
Aug Week 2	29 th	30 th Stage 3 Personal Development Evening	31 st	1 st August	2 nd 11:00 Stage 2 Science incursion Session 1 12:00 Stage 2 Science incursion Session 2	3 rd /4 th
Aug Week 3	5 th	6 th <i>Cumberland Zone Athletic</i> Parent Group Meeting 7:00pm	7 th 1st Meeting - Eucharist parent only 6.30 – 7.30 pm Kindergarten Golden Ridge Farm excursion	8 th Over 50's in the Hall 10:30am - 1pm Mary MacKillop Mass – 9:15 Stage 2 	9 th	10 th /11 th <i>1st Meeting - Eucharist 4.30-5.30pm parent only</i>
Aug Week 4	12 th GRADE NEWSLETTER S TO GO HOME	13 th	14 th	15 th Feast of the Assumption Mass – 9:15 Yr 2 and Yr 6  School Voice of Youth final 11:00am in the hall	16 th Pizza Meal Deal Stage 2 Assembly	17 th /18 th
Aug Week 5	19 th BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY 9:00am	20 th	21 st 2nd Meeting - Eucharist 6.30 – 7.30 pm	22 nd Western Sydney Health Dental Assessments K,2,4 and 6	23 rd <i>Diocesan Athletics Blacktown Olympic Park</i>	24 th /25 th 2nd Meeting - Eucharist Saturday 24th August 4.30-5.30pm

						Presentation of the Lord's Prayer Sunday 25th August 9.30am
Aug/Sept Week 6	26 th Aug	27 th	28 th Father's Day Stall	29 th	30 th Father's Day Breakfast and Open Classrooms 7.30 – 9.00 Father's Day Mass 9.15 Wakakirri Performance	31 st Aug/1 st Sept Father's Day 
Sept Week 7	2 nd	3 rd Parent Group Meeting 7:00pm	4 th 3rd Meeting - Eucharist 6:30 – 7:30pm	5 th SCIENCE ICAS ONLINE ASSESSMENT	6 th ES1/ S1 Assembly	7 th /8 th 3rd Meeting - Eucharist Wednesday 4.30-5.30pm Eucharist Talk Sunday 8th September 11 – 11:30am Blessed Virgin Mary B'day
Sept Week 8	9 th Cluster VOY Final 9th Sept 10am-12pm (at St Pauls Hall)	10 th WRITING ICAS ONLINE & YR3/4 PAPER ASSESSMENT	11 th First Holy Communion Practice Group 1 – 11th September 6.30 – 7:30pm Year 6 Market Day	12 th Over 50's in the Hall 10:30am - 1pm Stage One Excursion to Collaroy Rock Pools	13 th Stage 3 Assembly	14 th /15 th First Holy Communion Mass Group 1 – 15th September 11.30am
Sept Week 9	16 th	17 th ENGLISH ICAS ONLINE ASSESSMENT 5:00pm Year 6 Graduation Committee	18 th First Holy Communion Practice Group 2 6.30 – 7:30pm	19 th MATHS ICAS ONLINE ASSESSMENT	20 th STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY (PUPIL FREE DAY)	21 st /22 nd First Holy Communion Mass Group 2 – 22nd September 11.30am
Sept Week 10	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th School Closes	28 th /29 th



TWO - PART SEMINAR

Understanding Family Law

Saturday 10th August 2019

PRESENTED BY:

Accredited Family Law Specialist

Saturday 10th August - SESSION 1
10am – 12pm

Overview of the Family Law Act with Focus on Separation, divorce and children.

- Principles of Family Law Act
- Role of Family Law Courts
- Filing a divorce application
- Family violence
- How court determines the “Best interest of Children”
- Parental Legal Responsibilities
- Mediation
- Role of Independent Children’s Lawyer
- Filing Consent Orders for Children and Property

Saturday 10th August - SESSION 2
1pm – 3pm

Overview of the Family Law Act with Focus on Property

- What constitutes or determines Property
- Application of the Act in de facto or same sex relationships
- Requirement for Pre-action Procedures
- Spouse Maintenance
- Timetables under the Family Law Act
- Timetables within the Family Court

DATE

Saturday 10th August 2019

TIME:

Session 1 10am – 12pm

Session 2 1pm – 3pm

VENUE:

St. Patrick’s Cathedral Hall
1 Marist Place, Parramatta
(off street parking via Victoria Rd)

COST:

\$ 10.00 per session

\$20.00 for both Sessions

Please note: Morning - Afternoon Tea / Coffee provided

Please bring your own lunch if attending both sessions

FURTHER INFORMATION /BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Contact: Rita PH: 8843 2575

Email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au