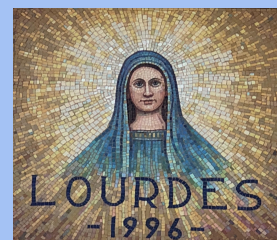




**Parish Priest:** Father Henry Duc  
**Phone:** 9622 2960

**OOSH:** Ben Irmisch  
**Phone:** 9676 7293



## Newsletter Term 3 Week 10, 2020.

**23rd SEPTEMBER, 2020**

### FUTURE DATES

**LAST DAY OF  
TERM 3 - FRIDAY, 25TH  
SEPTEMBER**

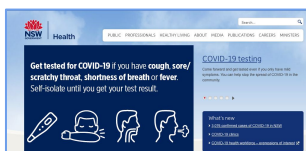
**SCHOOL RESUMES  
FOR TERM 4 ON  
MONDAY 12TH  
OCTOBER IN FULL  
SUMMER UNIFORM**



**MONDAY 19TH  
OCTOBER,  
WEEK 2, TERM 4**

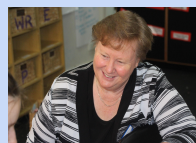
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supervision, please  
contact OOSH on  
9676 7293 if you  
wish to make  
arrangements for  
your children**

**Friday, 23rd  
October  
BOOK WEEK  
PARADE  
(STUDENTS ONLY)**



**Stay informed: Link  
to NSW Health**

### Principal's Message



*Dear Families of Our Lady of Lourdes,*

*First Eucharist is a special occasion - a further step in becoming one with Christ and united with the People of God. This was the case for many of our students these past two weeks. As Fr Henry reminds us the Eucharist is our spiritual food that nourishes our soul. The Eucharist strengthens us and inspires us to grow with Jesus throughout our lives. Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of First Eucharist.*

*Last Friday the staff engaged in a Spirituality Day led by Donna Dempsey, CEDP Mission Educator based on the theme of "Walking with Humility in the Way of Jesus".*

*We reflected on what human flourishing means. This included reflecting on the concept that we need a healthy balance of head, heart and hands experiences. All three dimensions encompass the totality of one person. As human beings, we need to ensure that these three areas are recognised and nourished if we are to truly flourish.*

*Time was spent reflecting on and discerning three critical questions related to the Head, Heart and Hand:*

*Who God calls me to be? (Head)*

*How God calls me to be? (Heart)*

*What God calls me to do? (Hands)*

*We reflected as a faith community, and included in our study of the rationale of our new Draft RE Curriculum is a traditional Christian Latin motto*

***Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi and Lex Vivendi,***

*which translates to*

***As we pray, so we believe and so we live.***

*We are all the people of God and we are embedded in the mission of Jesus.*

*We will continue our inquiry through Mission in Term 4 with a follow up **Staff Development Day on Monday 19th October.***

*My best wishes to you all for a safe and happy holiday.*

**God Bless,  
Keiran Byrnes**

### HELPFUL WEBSITE LINKS:

Visit our Parent Portal to see recordings of our Monday Zoom Assemblies and the wonderful learning that is shared:

[OLOL Zoom Assemblies](#)



Click on the image above to see our new OLOL Seven Hills Facebook Page. Like and Follow!



### Enrolments for 2021

The school is accepting applications for enrolment. Enrolment applications are available online on the school website or collection at the School Office.

The preference is to submit applications via to the school email or by post.

If you have any relatives or friends considering enrolling their child at OLOL in 2021 encourage them to visit the school website or phone the school office about enrolment applications. If you are an existing family with a younger child ready for school in 2021 it is important that you submit your application. For further enquiries contact Beth or Anne in the school office on 8869 6800.



# Enrolling now for Kindergarten 2021

We're all about learning at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School. We put safety first, and focus on student wellbeing. Hold your smartphone camera over the QR code for a virtual tour of the school.

**A reminder that limited places are still available for 2021 in Kindergarten to Year 6. Please share this news with your friends, family and neighbours.**

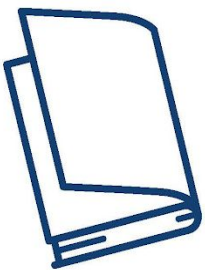
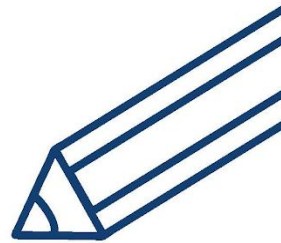
For more information about joining our caring school community, please contact us on 8869 6800 or visit our website [www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au)





# Innovative Learning in a Changing World

Our Lady of Lourdes  
Catholic Primary,  
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## Out and About - Book Week Celebrations

As advised earlier in the term the Children's Book Council of Australia rescheduled Book Week this year from its usual time in August to the 17th - 23rd of October due to COVID -19 restrictions.

As a school we also decided to delay our Book Week activities in the hope that we might have been able to share these with parents. Unfortunately, the current restrictions, still mean that parents are unable to be onsite so whilst we will have our Book Week parade we will be unable to have parents participate. We will, however, record the parade so that parents may view it.

The theme for Book Week this year is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds. Our Book Week celebrations will take place on Friday, October 23rd. On that day students are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character or perhaps as a "curious creature" from a favourite book. We will have two parades during the day, a K- 2 parade and a 3-6 parade. This year we will hold the parades on the playground. Following our parades each class will engage in activities associated with one of the short listed books.

As has been the case in previous years students will vote on their favourite book and we will see if the book the OLOL students choose is the same as that chosen by the Children's Book Council.

While our celebrations are slightly different this year we are sure that they will be fun and the message - that reading is important and enjoyable, will be reinforced with our students.

Carol Cividin - Assistant Principal

## Year 6 Graduation and Farewell Update

Recently I wrote to Year 6 parents about the impact of COVID 19 restrictions on our usual Year 6 Graduation activities.

The most recent advice from CEDP is as follows:

*"The advice from NSW Health is that primary schools may also consider planning for Year 6 farewells. Further information detailing relevant restrictions will be provided as part of the Term 4 Guidelines for Schools at a later date."*

As a school we will further review our end of Year 6 Graduation and Farewell activities in Term 4 when these guidelines become available. Thank you for your patience as we work together to keep everyone in our community safe.

Keiran Byrnes



Congratulations and many blessings to all of the children to received the sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time over the past two Sundays. Our prayers continue to be with them as they journey on the path of their faith development.

May this day be an initial step into a life-long love of the Eucharist. Jesus said to them,

*"I am the bread of life; He who comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in Me will never thirst".*

May you feel His loving presence in a very special way. And as you strive to follow in His footsteps may He bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.

## New RE Draft Curriculum.

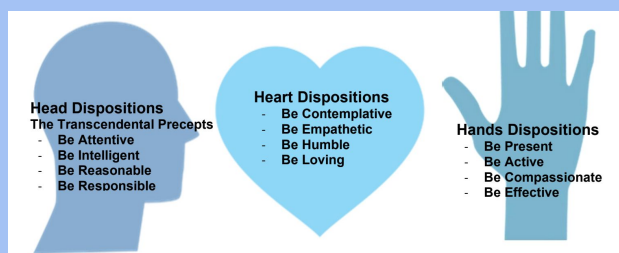
Over the past term, all teachers have been working very closely with our CEDP Teacher Educator for Mission, Amanda Bentley, and planning upcoming learning cycles for our students. We have been very fortunate to be upskilled on the rationale, dispositions and pedagogy of the draft curriculum and are now looking forward to trialling a learning cycle in Stage 2 and in Stage 3.

Stage 2 will be engaging in a learning cycle titled "How am I Merciful in my Daily Life?" They will learn about the importance of forgiveness and justice for human flourishing. The essential content focuses on Jesus' teachings on forgiveness and mercy. There will be a focus on sacred scriptures relating to the sacraments of Penance and Reconciliation and how this brings us closer to God. The students will reflect on and explore the role of forgiveness and mercy in their daily life.

Stage 3 will be involved in a cycle to learn about the relationship between prayer and Christian discipleship. This cycle awakens students to the meaningful relationship between prayer, decision making and leadership. There will be a focus on how sacred scripture and tradition teach us about prayer and lead us to human flourishing.

We are looking forward to implementing these learning cycles with the students as we work together with the CEDP in developing a curriculum that addresses student voice whilst being true to Catholic traditions and faith development.

On Friday September 18, all staff engaged in a Spirituality Day led by Donna Dempsey, CEDP Mission Educator, that enabled us to focus on our school Mission goal.



We explored Pope Francis' teachings on the challenges of being church today, as well as reflected on our 'inner and outer' selves as a means to human flourishing. The day was very enriching for everyone and enabled us to feel confident about moving forward in teaching our faith and tradition to the students that we teach.

Wishing everyone blessings for the upcoming school holidays. Stay safe and healthy and I look forward to providing feedback next term on the implementation of the learning cycles from the New Draft RE Curriculum.

Janelle Bawden

Religious Education Coordinator





## Water Bottles

Reminder to all parents to send their children to school with water bottles. Under the current COVID 19 guidelines school bubblers have been turned off so children need to bring their own water. Thank you for your support

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

**Our next Staff Development Day will be Monday, 19th October, 2020.** This professional learning focussed on the implementation of the new Draft RE Curriculum has been rescheduled from Term 2 to Term 4 due to the impact of COVID 19. There will be no school staff supervision on the day.

Please contact OOSH on 9676 7293 if you wish to make arrangements for your child/children.



## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS LUNCH TIME SALES AT SCHOOL

As has always been the case we are happy to acknowledge student birthdays at school. However given the current COVID 19 restrictions we are currently not accepting birthday cakes, cupcakes or lolly bags with unwrapped lollies. Children wishing to share a birthday treat with their friends are encouraged bring in either wrapped lollipops or a small packet of chips. These can be distributed easily with minimal contact.

Also given the restrictions on adult access to the school, lunch time sales have also been suspended until further notice.

These measures are for the safety of everyone. We will review these as is appropriate as the year progresses.

## Staffing Update

As you were informed recently Miss Sharleen Espiritu has been appointed as class teacher at Santa Sophia Catholic College. Miss Espiritu will officially conclude her service to Our Lady of Lourdes Seven Hills at the end of Term 3, 2020. However, she will continue to teach Year 1 with Mrs Elise Clynick for the first part of Term 4 to assist the transition. In the latter half of Term 4 Mrs Elise Clynick and Mrs Marlee Cividin will continue to teach Year 1 until the end of the school year.

I am also informing you that Mrs Wilma Clenton has been appointed as diversity teacher at Santa Sophia Catholic College. Mrs Clenton will officially conclude her service to Our Lady of Lourdes Seven Hills at the end of Term 3, 2020. We welcome Miss Stephanie Vasiliou and Mrs Kathy Brown to the teaching staff at OLOL in Term 4 2020 who will replace Mrs Clenton.

I wish to congratulate and thank Miss Espiritu and Mrs Clenton for all they have given, both personally and professionally to this community and to the children in their care. We wish to acknowledge their contribution to our school community. We wish Miss Espiritu and Mrs Clenton all the best in their new roles and in the future.

**God Bless**

**Keiran Byrnes**

## **Respect, Responsibility and Readiness to Learn**

*At Our Lady of Lourdes we pride ourselves on showing respect, responsibility and a readiness to learn. These values are important values for all our community including children, staff and parents. The children are very clear about these expectations and we are proud of the high standard of behaviour that our children display. Naturally concerns sometimes arise for children and as adults working with the children we assist them to reflect upon the situation and find positive ways to solve their concern or issue. As adults, sometimes you may also have an issue or concern in regards to your child. Office and teaching staff are always happy to listen to and help resolve any concerns that may arise. It is important that this is done in a manner that maintains the dignity of the person and is respectful. In this way we can set a great example for our children of how to resolve concerns in a positive, honest and respectful manner. As always if you need to speak with any member of staff we simply ask that you make an appointment so that we can make the time to continue to work in partnership with you. Thank you for your continued support.*

## **Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey**

In the recent weeks students, teachers and parents provided feedback on their experience of our school using an online survey. The surveys are an important part of our whole school evaluation and planning process. 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.

The data from this year's TTFM surveys have just become available and the feedback is very positive. Next term I look forward to sharing with you snapshots of the survey results.



# DUE NOW

## Building Child Safe Communities - Volunteer Undertaking

Dear Parents/Carers

In Catholic Education Diocese Parramatta (CEDP), we see parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. Parents and carers are encouraged to become involved in our schools in many important ways such as supporting classroom learning, being part of advisory groups, mentoring programs, coaching sporting teams and supporting other extra-curricular activities, canteen support and other kinds of help.

A range of checks and undertakings are required for people who work for or provide services to CEDP. These checks reduce potential risk and form part of our strategy to build child safe communities.

**CEDP has launched a new *Building Child Safe Communities* form and online training module that all volunteers are required to complete by 30 September 2020.**

The purpose of this training is to inform you of the standards of behaviour and other requirements that must be adhered to when volunteering for CEDP.

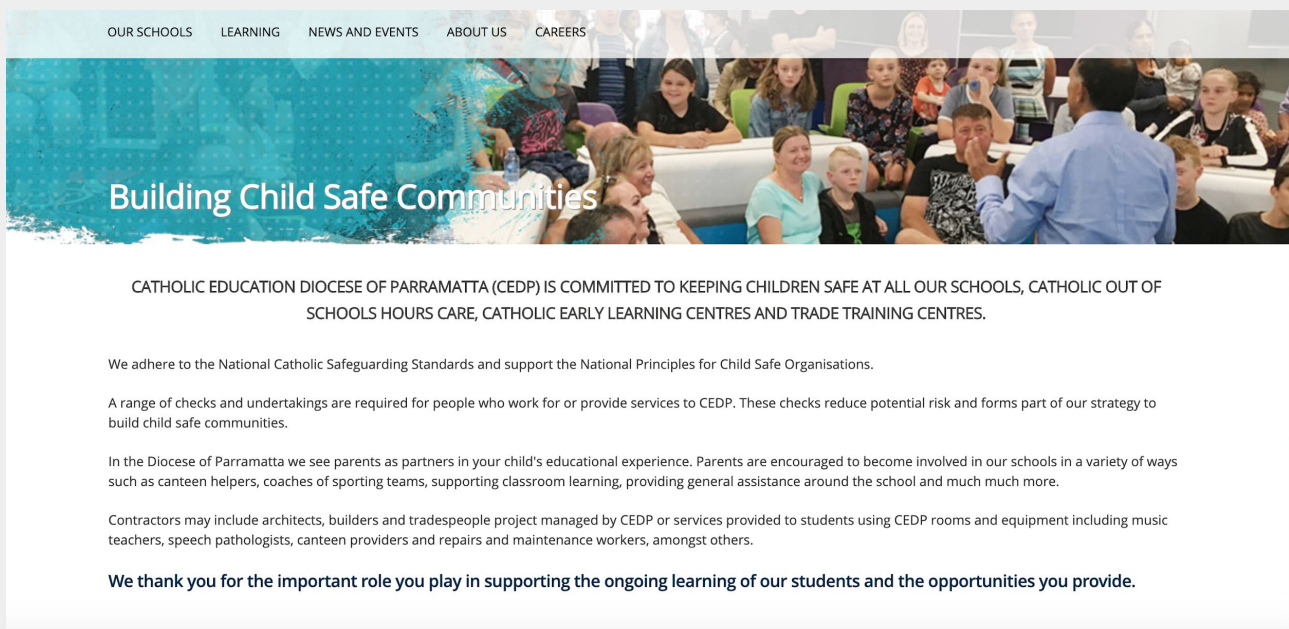
The undertaking should take no more than 5 minutes to complete and the training module approximately 10 minutes. Once the form and training modules are submitted, an automated email will be sent to you within two business days to confirm the status of your submission.

The undertaking form will expire within two years or when your Working With Children Check expires (if applicable), whichever is sooner. At that time you will need to complete the undertaking form and training module again. You will receive an automatic reminder email when this occurs.

Further information on the new online form and training module can be found at [www.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au) and clicking on *about us/building child safe communities*. Within the form you will also find help sheets and a video tutorial to assist you.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Keiran Byrnes  
Principal



OUR SCHOOLS LEARNING NEWS AND EVENTS ABOUT US CAREERS

## Building Child Safe Communities

CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA (CEDP) IS COMMITTED TO KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE AT ALL OUR SCHOOLS, CATHOLIC OUT OF SCHOOLS HOURS CARE, CATHOLIC EARLY LEARNING CENTRES AND TRADE TRAINING CENTRES.

We adhere to the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards and support the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations.

A range of checks and undertakings are required for people who work for or provide services to CEDP. These checks reduce potential risk and forms part of our strategy to build child safe communities.

In the Diocese of Parramatta we see parents as partners in your child's educational experience. Parents are encouraged to become involved in our schools in a variety of ways such as canteen helpers, coaches of sporting teams, supporting classroom learning, providing general assistance around the school and much much more.

Contractors may include architects, builders and tradespeople project managed by CEDP or services provided to students using CEDP rooms and equipment including music teachers, speech pathologists, canteen providers and repairs and maintenance workers, amongst others.

We thank you for the important role you play in supporting the ongoing learning of our students and the opportunities you provide.

[Video for Contractors and Volunteers to understand the BCSC process](#)



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES SEVEN HILLS

### Children to Return to Term 4 in Summer 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 upon the return of students to school in Term 4, 2020.

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 nail polish is to be worn to school.

#### **Girls Summer**

- blue check dress with navy piping & navy tab
- navy school jacket with school crest
- navy jumper with school crest (optional)
- navy (ankle) sock
- black shoes (lace up/velcro)
- navy broad brim hat or cap with school crest
- navy bag with school crest

#### **Boys Summer**

- school classic blue short sleeve shirt with school crest
- navy (blockers) shorts
- navy jacket with school crest
- navy jumper with school crest (optional)
- navy (ankle) socks
- black shoes (laceup/velcro)
- navy broad brim hat or cap with school crest
- navy bag with school crest



Girls and Boys summer uniform  
Samples of acceptable school shoes



#### **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

#### **Other items available...**

- excursion/library bag
- scrunchies and head bands

**All items of school uniform & school bags are available at the school uniform shop.**



Girls and Boys sport uniform  
Predominately white sandshoes and correct length white socks





### ***Congratulations to students who received Gold and Mary Mackillop Awards***

***Kinder Miah Cardoza, Gerard Sleiman, Jessica Jeganthan, Evie Wright***

***Year 1 Lourdes Sadipoor, Kiyana Cassiniti, Charlize McLoynes, Ava Liaros***

***Year 2 Kyra Prajapati, Lachlan Byrne, Sofia Rincon Escobar, Joshua Jeganathan***

***Year 3 Geet Gorkhali, Ava Nowak, Amber Patel, Thomas Cadavid***

***Year 4 Ben Albion, Jack Burns, Masyn Buckley, Laumanu Kama***

***Year 5 Ekaspreet Sohi, Jackson Gow, Richard Zhuang, Alexandra Kostis***

***Year 6 Janet Ayaa, Jacob Sammut, Samuel Thoms***



## ***TERM 3 WEEK 9 & 10 MERIT AWARDS***

***Kindergarten Constantine Aspiris, Joshua Coleman, Navdev Nithin, Willow Carroll, Arjay Fontanilla, Savana Smith, Evelyn Zaw, Jacob Spadaro, Gerard Sleiman, Harpa Moss, Peter Palmiotto, Austin Guo***

***Year 1 Tatum Leusden, Olivia Penumethsa, Alexander Madejski, Aarya Rana, Myra Risal, Joshua Magtanong, Oscar Laskowski, Mariana Christou***

***Year 2 Lachlan Osborne, Taylan Tufanoglu, Nilisha Uprety, Lachlan Somauroo, Arian Moss, Sukhleen Insan, Tatjana Paku***

***Year 3 Rubie Daaboul, Charlotte Sibilant, Ivy Guo, Pearl Grover, James Liaros, Luke Butylewicz, Julian Zhu, Matthew Cadavid***

***Year 4 Eva Layoun, Kristena Azrag, Tino Kama, Evren Semerci, Danielle Katafono, Nathan Bayeh, Leo Culili, Nivedha Sivakumar***

***Year 5 Emily Biziuk, Piper Sullivan, Dominic Sant, Rhys Williams, Georgia Andrew, Aiden Clark, Mia Lal, Pranuti Saisriraam, Ayesha Hidalgo, Latai Kama, Georon Un***

***Year 6 Philip Park, Nikita Krzeminski, Jeremy Smith, Uno Bautista, Jesseline Franco, Jayden Leota, Alby Bento, Hailey Case, Erika Naing***

# STUDENT DATA VALIDATION

As part of our annual system and legal requirements, Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) is asking families to ensure all relevant contact and student information is up to date and accurate for the purposes of communication and providing relevant support to students.

On Monday 19 October, households will receive an email or SMS from CEDP with a link and login details to the Student Data Validation (SDV) form.

Once you have logged in you will be able to verify existing information from the school database and update if necessary. The process should not take more than 15 minutes and will need to be completed by 5:00pm on Friday 6 November.

If you have any questions about the Student Data Validation form, please contact our Community Liaison Team on 9840 5796.

## ***Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education***

*Thank you for your interest in learning more about our new approach to Religious Education. As every parent would expect, this will be age appropriate for children and young people. Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta is looking forward to sharing an updated version of our Draft New Curriculum with parents and carers in early October. Further details are available on the school website.*



Our main methods of communication at OLOL with parents are through our fortnightly online newsletter and via the Skoolbag app that can be downloaded to your mobile device.

Our School Newsletter is available each fortnight on a Wednesday. It includes a message from the Principal and information about teaching and learning, school events and our school/parish community. Please take the time to read the newsletter each fortnight with your children. To subscribe to our newsletter visit our school website <http://www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au/Community/Newsletters> and enter your email address to receive the newsletter as an email.

Alternatively you can visit our school website <http://www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au/> to download the newsletter and see our latest photos from school events in the photo gallery.

You can also access the Newsletters via the Skoolbag app, which also gives you regular up-dates and information for upcoming events. To download the app follow the instructions here

Please ensure you have notifications for the app turned on for the latest updates. You can also subscribe to the OLOL Parent calendar here <http://www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au/Community/Events>

Clare Willemse

**LTST- Learning Technology Support Teacher**

## How to install the SkoolBag app

instructions for parents and community

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users



for Android users



for more info visit [skoolbag.com.au](http://skoolbag.com.au)



**ONLINE UNIFORM ORDERS CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE**

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THERE WILL BE NO TRY-ONS FOR SCHOOL UNIFORMS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. WE APOLOGISE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.**



*Dear Parents/Guardians*

*As of 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020, Our Lady of Lourdes Seven Hills Uniform Shop will be run online by Oz Fashions. Orders are to be placed on the 'QKR' app by MasterCard.*

*Please follow all instructions on the attached flyer to download the app and set up your account. No phone orders or messages will be accepted!*

**Delivery to the school will be every Thursday during the school term free of charge and orders must be placed by 4pm Tuesday for delivery on Thursday.**

*Try on samples will be at the school for your convenience. Please try on the sizes before ordering to avoid disappointment.*

*Please note: Always read the terms and conditions on the app before ordering.*

*Please choose carefully as we do not refund if you simply change your mind or make a wrong selection. However, we gladly exchange within 14 days of the purchase date. Returned merchandise **MUST** be in its original condition with all tags still attached and accompanied by proof of purchase otherwise the exchange will not be honoured. Any item that has been worn will not be able to be exchanged. **Please email all swaps to [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)***

**Please note that Oz Fashions warehouse in Granville DOES NOT sell the Our Lady of Lourdes Uniform.**

*If you have any other concerns please email Elle [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au) or call 0421 216 414.*

*Yours sincerely  
Oz Fashions*



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### Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

### Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

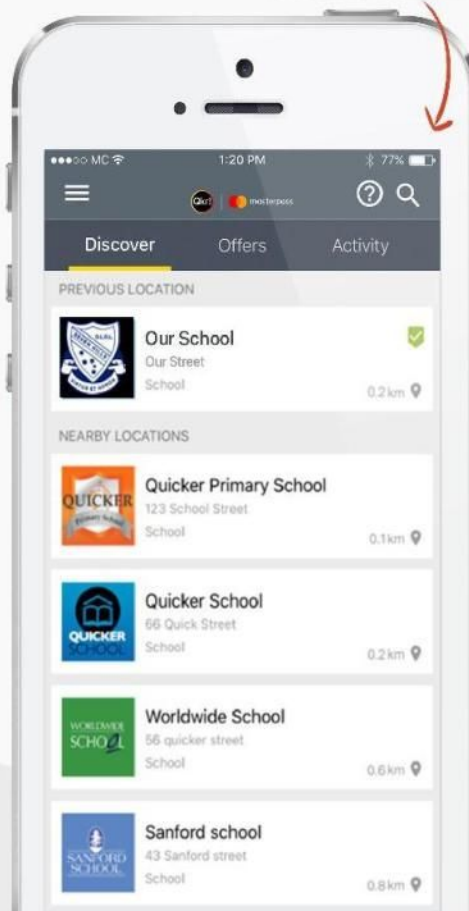
### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name







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## Add your children's details in Student Profiles

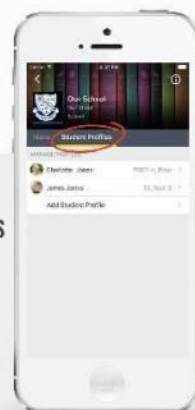
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Add each  
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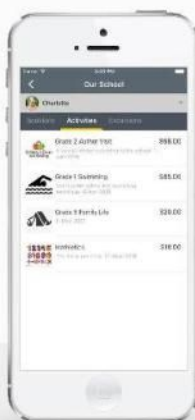


## Purchase school items

Select a menu  
from our school



Select child  
you are  
ordering for



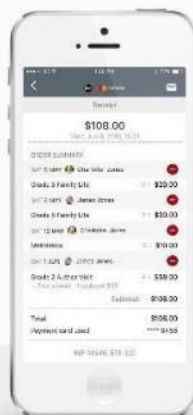
Select your items

Tap 'Checkout'  
then confirm and pay



## Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to  
pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted  
by the school.

Once your payment is approved you  
can continue to the home page, or  
view your receipt.