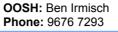


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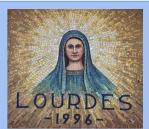
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Newsletter Term 3 Week 6, 2020.

26th AUGUST, 2020

FUTURE DATES



ADVANCED NOTICE FRIDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER No school staff supervision, please contact OOSH on 9676 7293 if you wish to make arrangements for your children

Click here to view our Assumption Liturgy:



Stay informed: Link to NSW Health



Principal's Message

Dear Families of Our Lady of Lourdes,

2020 has been a different and difficult year but together as a community we have, and continue to work through the many challenges. One of many of the current challenges are the restrictions where our parent community cannot enter the school grounds. We miss our parents in the playground at morning drop off and pick up times, we miss our parents at assemblies, we miss our parents volunteering in classrooms and at school events, and we miss our parents joining us for special celebrations both as a faith community and a learning community. I understand that parents are finding this situation difficult too.

To help our parents stay connected we created our parent portal where we are sharing recordings of our Monday assemblies, we share special activities through our newsletter or in the case of the recent Voice of Youth competition we will share with parents via video, we share links to liturgies held in classrooms, we hold parent meetings via telephone, and we strive to keep our parent community up to date via newsletters and skoolbag pushes.

To further help parents stay connected with the school we are in the process of launching a school Facebook page. The purpose of the page is to share as much of what is happening at school as possible. Photos and short video posts will highlight the learning and various activities that the children experience each week.

Of course from time to time, you may wish to speak with your child's teacher. Please make an appointment to ensure you have enough time to discuss the relevant matters.

Finally, if there is any other way we can support you and your family please do not hesitate to contact us.

May our school be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love, A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued.

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



FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

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



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.

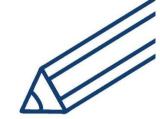
For more information about joining our caring school community, please contact us on 8869 6800 or visit our website www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au



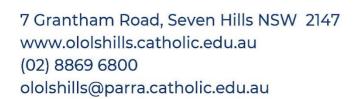


Innovative Learning in a Changing World

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary, Seven Hills









Out and About

Last Friday I had the pleasure, along with Mrs Milic, of judging our school's Voice of Youth competition. Nine of our Year 6 students presented their speeches to an audience of Year 5 and Year 6 and Year 4 via Zoom. The standard of the speeches was high with a wide range of topics covered ranging from music to drawing, racism to paramedics and baseball to swimming.

There are a number of criteria on which the student's Voice of Youth speeches are judged. These include, but are not limited to, the topic, the language used,the conclusion, gestures, voice and poise and confidence. The speeches also have time constraints needing to be between 2 and 4 minutes in duration. It is not easy to stand in front of your teachers and present a speech being mindful of all these factors.

On Friday our students presented their speeches admirably. They were well researched and entertaining and it was very, very hard to pick just one winner (in the end we picked two!) Congratulations to Cassandra Laus and Isaac Ortiz who won our school competition this year with well written and presented speeches on Drawing and Fruit and Vegetables respectively.

Congratulations to our other finalists Jesseline Franco who spoke about Marvel Heroes, Nikita Krzeminski who spoke about swimming, Alex Layoun who spoke about technology, Jeremy Smith who spoke about baseball, George Gatt who spoke about racism, Will Martin who spoke about music and Alexandra Simpson who spoke about paramedics.

Unfortunately, this year, due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to hold our inter school competition. Whilst this is disappointing it does not take away from the impressive job our finalists did this year.

Congratulations to them all!!

Carol Cividin - Assistant Principal



The Premier's Reading Challenge concludes <u>this Friday</u> please add any outstanding books to your child's reading record by Friday. Any questions please contact Mrs Cividin





On Monday and Wednesday of this week, all teachers from K-6 engaged in learning about the new Draft Religious Education Curriculum. Everyone worked in situ with Amanda Bentley (CEDP Mission Educator) and Jo Kirby (CEDP Teaching Educator for Contemporary Learning). During this time we were able to unpack the Rationale and Dispositions of the Curriculum as well as start to plan a learning cycle that will be implemented in Stages 2 and 3 in Term 4. Jo Kirby has been working with all staff on the inquiry process that will be used to engage the students.

Throughout this term many of our professional Learning Meetings have also been led by our teacher educators, enabling teachers to ensure that this new approach to teaching the curriculum is firmly based in the traditions of Catholic thought, doctrine and teachings. As our Executive Director, Greg Whitby says, "this up to date approach to learning and teaching meets students and their families where they are, giving them a voice and empowering them to explore faith through participation and dialogue".

Liturgies at OLOL in Term 3. This term we have had to adapt our liturgical celebrations to accommodate COVID restrictions. We have trialled using a slideshow presentation whereby students lead the liturgy in a recording. Each class then celebrates the feast in their learning space at a time that is suitable to them. This has proven to be quite successful in giving the students prayer opportunities that are both reverent and meaningful. So far we have celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and the Feast of The Assumption. These celebrations have been made available on our Parent Portal for everyone. Our next celebration will be in honour of our Families. We have been unable to celebrate Mother's Day and Father's Day in the usual way and we had planned on celebrating a Grandparent's Liturgy this year. Keeping this in mind, we have decided to combine all three into one Liturgy. The children will be working on leading this presentation and we look forward to sharing it with everyone after it has been celebrated in classrooms in the coming weeks.

Student Prayers in the Parish Mass: In order to stay connected with the parish during this period of isolation, the students from our school have been asked to submit some prayers that can be included in the slideshow at the beginning of the weekend Masses. Each child has had the opportunity to write a prayer of thanks or a prayer of petition and on a weekly basis these prayers will be randomly selected by the parish to be included in the Mass.

Here are some of the prayers from some Kindergarten students.

Josie: Dear God, Please make sure that Mary MacKillop is safe in heaven.

Vivaan: Dear God, Thank you for making Father Henry.

Millie: Dear God, Thank you for making our friends and thank you for the flowers.

Tishan: Dear God, Thank you for making all the animals.

Rose: Dear God, Thank you for the wonderful people who fight fires.

God Bless Janelle Bawden Religious Education Coordinator







Congratulations to students who received Gold and Mary Mackillop Awards

Kinder Darshaa Sivakumar, Arush Soni, Javier Munoz-Castaneda, Austin Guo

Year 1 Evie Massey, Olive Jaca, Summer Sindel, Alexander Madejeski

Year 2 Lachlan Somauroo, Alexis Avia, Sienna Bayeh, Tatjana Paku

Year 3 Rubie Daaboul, Saanvi Regmi, Tyrell Crisostomo, Geet Gorkhali

Year 4 Audrina Ortiz, Ashley Lo, Shaan Patel, Anika Thakur

Year 5 Ivy Su, Pranuti Saisriraam, Isabella Fiorenza, Emily Biziuk

Year 6 Phoenix Dickson, Uno Bautista, Erika Naing, Jaylene Bong



TERM 3 WEEK 5 & 6 MERIT AWARDS

Kindergarten	Gabriel Garas, Rose Younanen, Anu Antony, Elijan Sibilant, Alina Monteiro, Jessica Sandiego
	Josephine Steele, Evie Wright, Sabrina Hakim, Olivia Bong, Aaliya Faulkner-Dhiman,

Sunshine Insan

Year 1 Eva Maria Klavdiou, Deon Panakkal, Harrison Winter, Scarlett Bong, Rafael Williams,

Tilly Zhu, Vivaan Desai, Abhinav Vadlamudi

Year 2 Jaiveer Singh, Aleea Carroll, Anthony Melki, Indie-Rose Scanlan, Oscar King,

Hayley Greentree-Davis, Abel Mathew, Nilisha Uprety

Olivia Choi, George Safiti, Yana Patel, Lachlan Greentree-Davis, Avleen Singh, Year 3

Rafael Ortiz, Johanthan Sant, Anita Nguyen

Year 4 Himika Chintipatla, Timothy Heenpellage, Cooper Burns, Ashton McLoynes,

Charlotte Byrne, Ujaan Roy, Riley Dobbie, Harry Sultana

Year 5 Vrinda Kumar, Madeleine Zaait, Ekaspreet Sohi, Andre Roy, Mayanna Watts,

Chloe Attard, Ashley Tenn, Pavithra Jeyanthan

Year 6 Brooklyn Buckley, Lewis Savic, George Gatt, Naveen Panakkal, Xavier Talauta,

Jacob Whybin, Enrique Monses

Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey

This is the last week we will be inviting students, teachers and parents to provide 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.

We would like to invite you to complete the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM)* Partners in Learning survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide 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.

This year's TTFM surveys are later due to the impact of COVID19 but will include 5 additional questions related to experiences during remote learning as a result of the COVID-19 situation.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You will be able to access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the QR code or the URL below:



http://tellthemfromme.com/ololshills



This year's *Tell Them From Me* (TTFM) survey window is from **Monday**, **10 August to Friday**, **28 August 2020 (Term 3, Weeks 4-6)**.

SPORTS NEWS

Due to the restrictions of COVID19 we were unable to hold our Cross Country and Athletics carnival. It has been decided that we will hold a fun activity day called "Play on Sport".

The activities are student favourites from the Play On Multi-Sport, Athletics & Team Building programs. This event will be held at school on Tuesday, 8th September.

Unfortunately due to continuing restrictions parents will be unable to attend but we will share lots of photos and a few short videos.

A note regarding this event will be sent home closer to the date.



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

CHANGE OF HOME OR EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

If you have any changes to your home or emergency contact numbers, please contact the school office as soon as possible. In cases of sickness or emergency, it is important that we have the correct contact details for your child(ren). You can also update your details via the school's skoolbag app under the Parent eForms tab.



<u>ADVANCED NOTICE - TERM 3</u> <u>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</u>

Our next Staff Development Day will be Friday, 18th September, 2020. 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.



STUDENTS MEDICATION AT SCHOOL - MEDICAL ACTION PLANS, EPIPENS AND VENTOLINS

As per our medication policy can you please ensure that your child's medication and action plans are kept up to date. Please send in new epipens and Ventolin **before** expiry to the school office. Please refer to the medication policy in the parent handbook which is available on our school website or click on the link below.

Medication Policy

Thankyou



Term 3 Statement of Accounts have now been issued to families. If you have not received a statement, please contact Anne during Office Hours.

During the uncertain time for employment, we are grateful for your financial contributions and understanding that for many families, who may not be in a position to contribute. Fee relief is available to support families who are experiencing significant financial hardship as a result of COVID-19. We are here to help. Please contact Anne Korazija if you have any questions on 8869 6800 during the hours of 8:30am – 3:30pm.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

eSafety Webinars for Parents/Carers

Dear Parents/Carers

At Catholic Education Diocese Parramatta (CEDP) we see parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. In partnership with the eSafety Commissioner, CEDP would like to invite you to join the following free webinars for parents and carers:

1) Tech, teens and time online (secondary schools) - 7 September 2020, 7.00 - 8.00 pm

This live webinar explores the latest research and this is a great way to learn how you can help your child develop the skills to be safer online. All sessions are delivered by the eSafety Commission's expert educators.

About the webinars

1. *Tech, teens and time online:* is a one hour live webinar suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 12-18 years old.

This session will cover topics including:

- ideas to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and online bullying/harassment
- strategies for addressing common digital parenting challenges
- skills that young people need to protect themselves online
- how to get help if things go wrong.

What you need to do

- 1) Please register for the course on the secondary site via the following link:
 - 7 September 2020 session <u>link to register</u>

If you have any further enquiries please email safequarding@parra.catholic.edu.au.

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 28 August 2020

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

1 OLOL Seven Hills new Facebook Page





We are very excited to announce OLOL now has a Facebook page to help us continue to share the wonderful learning of the students with their families.

Please like and follow our page for updates, information, videos, photos and more.

https://www.facebook.com/OLOLprimarysevenhills

If for any reason you would prefer your child's photograph not be on our Facebook page, please contact the office for assistance in completing an **updated consent and data collection form**.

We are intending for our page to be a positive communication tool between parents and the school. If you have any concerns, please contact the school before commenting on the facebook page.

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recipients for Term 3 Week 6.



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Our Lady of Lourdes Seven Hills is 49 feeling proud.

Congratulations to our Gold, Mary MacKillop and Merit Award

ONLINE UNIFORM ORDERS CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE

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



Dear Parents/Guardians

As of 11th 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

<u>Please note that Oz Fashions warehouse in Granville DOES NOT sell the Our Lady of Lourdes Uniform.</u>

If you have any other concerns please email Elle <u>elle@ozfashions.com.au</u> or call 0421 216 414.

Yours sincerely Oz Fashions





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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

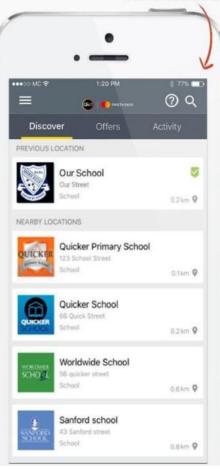
When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

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'







Add your children's details in Student Profiles





Manage each child's details in **Student Profiles**

Purchase school items











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.