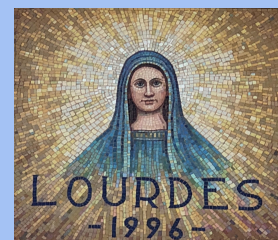




Parish Priest: Father Henry Duc
Phone: 9622 2960

OOSH: Ben Irmisch
Phone: 9676 7293



Newsletter Term 1 Week 4, 2022.

16th FEBRUARY, 2022

FUTURE DATES

Tuesday, 22nd February - School Photo Day - ALL STUDENTS TO WEAR FULL SUMMER UNIFORM
This includes those years that would normally wear their sports uniforms on a Tuesday.

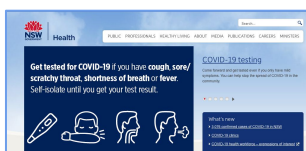
Tuesday, 22nd February
Parent Group Meeting at 7pm in school library - All Welcome

Wednesday, 2nd March - Friday, 4th March
Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra

Catholic Schools Week
Monday, 7th March 7pm
Wednesday, 9th March 7pm
Open Nights for new families

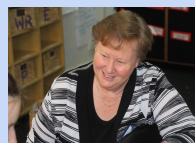
Click on the link below to register

[Our Lady of Lourdes Primary Seven Hills Registration Form](#)



[Click here to view a 360° Virtual Tour of OLOL](#)

Principal's Message



Dear Families of Our Lady of Lourdes,

Congratulations OLOL! We have had a wonderful start to the year including gathering as a Parish and school community, to celebrate the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes last Friday and Sunday. This year we celebrate in a special way as we also commemorate the 60th jubilee of our Parish. It reminds us to reflect on the past, celebrate the present and to look with hope to the future.

At this Friday's liturgy we commissioned our school leaders for 2022. We also prayed for the newest members of our school community, including staff, students, especially kindergarten and their families that they find peace and happiness during their time at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Fr Henry reminded all of us that Our Lady of Lourdes was the face of Christ to those around her. She was trusting, brave, faithful, willing, loving and honest. She was a trusting servant and a true follower of our faith. We are called to follow Mary's example of discipleship in our school community of Our Lady of Lourdes, with true faith and love.

In the last two weeks children and teachers have also recommitted to our school expectations of Respect, Responsibility and Readiness to Learn. Teachers and children have discussed in depth what it means to meet these expectations. Some of the responses include:

- Show **RESPECT** by always listening to others, being thoughtful of others' feelings, acknowledging others and displaying good manners.
- Show **RESPONSIBILITY**, by making good choices and setting good examples to others.
- Show **READINESS TO LEARN**, by working cooperatively as a member of a team and always giving my personal best.

Let us continue to reach out to others in our community and search for that face of Christ in everyone.

**God Bless,
Keiran Byrnes**

HELPFUL WEBSITE LINKS:



FOLLOW US ON facebook

Click on the image above to see our OLOL Seven Hills Facebook Page for the latest photos and updates. Like and Follow!

Or visit our school website below:



Enrolments for 2023

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

If you have any relatives or friends considering enrolling their child at OLOL in 2022 encourage them to submit their enrolment application.

We have limited spaces available in 2022. If you are an existing family with a younger child ready for school in 2023 it is important that you submit your application. For further enquiries contact Beth in the school office on 8869 6800.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY



Open Days 7 March and
9 March 6:00pm-7:30pm

7 Grantham Road, Seven Hills
T 8869 6800
www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au



Scan QR code to register
your interest

Enrolling Now for Kindy 2023

OUT AND ABOUT

MEET THE TEACHER PHONE INTERVIEWS COMMENCED ON 10th February 2022

From last Thursday, 10th February for the next three weeks, we will be conducting our 'Kindergarten to Year Six 'Meet the Teacher Interviews.' These conversations between parent and teacher will be via phone call in line with current COVID Smart measures as advised by the NSW Government, Catholic Schools NSW and Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta.

Your child's class teacher will phone you sometime in the next few weeks to talk with you about your child. This ten minute conversation is your opportunity to tell us about your child(ren) and discuss any concerns which will enable us to construct effective teaching/learning programs.

Given the adaptation of our usual process we will not do online bookings on this occasion. If you miss a call the teacher will either ring you back or email you to request a more suitable time. Please do not ring the school office back; your child's teacher will contact you.

Please be prepared with the information you would like to share about your child with their teacher.

We look forward to speaking with you in the next three weeks and continuing to work in partnership with you in the education of your child.

Margaret Ferguson - Assistant Principal

Staffing Update

We warmly welcome Mrs Shyamala Ratnam to Our Lady of Lourdes. Shyama will be our Senior Finance Officer. I know that Mrs Ratnam is looking forward to meeting staff, parents and students tomorrow and in the coming weeks. We wish Mrs Shyamala Ratnam a rewarding and positive year ahead.

Welcome and Congratulations to our Kindergarten Children

Our youngest children commenced their schooling so beautifully last week. Congratulations to the children and parents. A big thank you to our Kindergarten parents and families who have been assisting their children to transition to school.





SCHOOL LEADERS 2022

Congratulations to Javiar Bou Serhal and Anika Thakur who were elected as our School Leaders for 2022.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM AND SPORTS CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following students who have been voted as part of the student leadership team for 2022:

Blue colour captains: Ada Feliciak, Masyn Buckley

Red colour captains: Evren Semerci, DeAsia Fatafehi

Green colour captains: Kristena Azrag, Dylan Cortis

Yellow colour captains: Harry Sultana, Sophie Shaw

SRC Leaders for 2022

Year 3	Benjamin Spadaro	Summer Sindel
Year 4	Joshua Jeganathan	Tatjana Paku
Year 5	Lucas Watts	Amelia Laus

Catholic Schools Week

6th March begins Catholic Schools week. In Catholic Schools Week we celebrate the joyful and distinctive character of a distinctive Catholic school. The week is designed to be a celebration for all those who have a stake in our school community, students, staff, parents, families, priests and Parishioners.

To celebrate Catholic Schools Week and to mark the 2022 School Year a Liturgy will be held for students only. Also during Catholic Schools Week, on Monday, 7th March and Wednesday, 9th March we will be conducting our Open Day Tours for 2023 Kindergarten families. These evenings commence at 7pm, Bookings are essential, so please register on our website or click on the link below to register and be placed on our email list to stay informed of any updates.

You're Invited

Have you considered becoming a member of the Parent Group Executive? Our Annual General Meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Tuesday, 22nd February in the school library.

If you would like to be more involved in the school community, would like to meet other parents and be part of some of the decisions about the school, we are always happy to welcome new and enthusiastic parents to join the team. A description of all the roles is included below. The group meets once each term.

If you would like to nominate yourself or somebody else, or you are just interested in hearing more about the parent group, come along next Tuesday to be part of it.

All parents are invited to attend.

Parent Group Annual General Meeting



The executive roles are outlined below.

President

- ★ Chairs all meetings and ensures the smooth running of the meetings.
- ★ Prepare the agenda for General/ Annual General Meetings with the other Executive Committee members
- ★ Liaise with the Principal to prepare the agenda for any of the Executive Meetings and liaise with the Principal at all times.

Vice President

- ★ Assist the President in their duties as required.
- ★ Preside as Chairperson at meetings in the absence of the President.

Secretary

- ★ Take minutes of all business conducted and ensure all minutes are signed by the President.
- ★ Receive and deal with correspondence, maintain copies of correspondence, bulletins and minute books.
- ★ Give notice of the agenda to all members.
- ★ Maintain a register of members

Treasurer

- ★ Receive all monies and keep accurate records of monies received.
- ★ Obtain and keep receipts for all monies paid by the association.
- ★ Bank all monies received.
- ★ Present at each General Meeting a statement of accounts showing receipts and expenditure during the current month, together with the current balance.
- ★ Present at the AGM an audited statement of accounts

Publicity Officer

- ★ Promotes and publicise the events organised via the school newsletter and handouts. This includes notification of the meetings and calling for agenda items.
- ★ Assists other members of the Executive Committee.

Our Lady of Lourdes 2022 Responsible Use of Technology Agreement.



At OLOL we strive to abide by our school motto of “Innovative Learning in a Changing World” and provide many opportunities for your children to learn with technology. All our learning programs embed the use of Chromebooks for Years 2-6 and iPads for K-6. Each year students and parents of OLOL read and sign a Responsible Use of Technology Contract which is returned to the school, stating that students and parents agree that students will use technology and equipment safely and respectfully at school.

This year we are continuing to use an electronic google form for students and parents to complete at home to sign the agreement.

Could parents please click on or copy and paste the following link:

<https://forms.gle/MVs9TH5fEDhwczo9>

To complete and submit the google form. You will need to fill one out for each of your children. You must use your parent email address- not the students’.

Please take the time to read through and complete the form with your children, answering all the questions required. If students do not have a form completed for them, they cannot use school technology until it has been completed.

Thank you to the families who have completed the form. Please complete this form by **Friday 18th February 2022**. Your child will not be able to use technology at school after this date until the form is completed.

Should you require assistance or a device to complete the form on, please contact Mrs Willemse.

Clare Willemse
LTST- Learning Technology Support Teacher/Coordinator



School Attendance

Australia has one of the very best education systems anywhere in the world.

Each day, our young people are provided with opportunities to learn more about the world they live in through their experiences in and out of the classroom. Schools teach children about themselves, their relationships with others and about life beyond school. This includes preparing them for the workforce. Regular attendance at school is critical to ensuring that every student has the kind of opportunities in life that he or she deserves. When students are not at school, they are missing out on so much. Without the knowledge, the skills or the support that schools are so good at providing, young people can get left behind and find themselves underprepared for a fast-paced and often very challenging world.

Every day of attendance adds to a student's academic achievement and success at school. **Parents are essential partners in promoting good attendance because they have the ultimate responsibility to ensure that their child attends school every day arriving punctually to begin lessons promptly at 8:40am.** Please help your child establish and consolidate a good attendance habit.

every learner every day ✓

ABSENCES ADD UP!

FEBRUARY
2 DAYS
A MONTH


=

NOVEMBER
4 WEEKS
A YEAR

=

MISSING MORE THAN
1 YEAR OF LEARNING IN **12** YEARS

DID YOU KNOW


1 IN 6
PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT
ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY!


WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

- ✓ **BE FIRM.** Send your child to school every day unless they are sick
- ✓ Develop good sleep and morning routines
- ✓ Schedule appointments after school
- ✓ Avoid taking holidays during term time


EACH DAY MISSED:


- ▶ Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up
- ▶ Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy
- ▶ Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections

GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY


Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets students up for success in their school life

SCHOOLS ARE THERE TO HELP


If you're having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address it.

every learner every day ✓ 



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY 2022

Our School Photo Day for this year will be held on Tuesday, 22nd February. Named photo envelopes were distributed yesterday along with a note with details on our Parent Compass Portal. All parents have the opportunity to choose which photo package, if any, they wish to purchase. Envelopes are to be returned to the school on photo day only as for security reasons we are not able to store them at school.

Sibling photo envelopes are available from the school office, these envelopes can be sent home with your children on request.

Students are to wear their full school uniform for photo day not their sports uniform. This includes those years that would normally wear their sports uniforms on a Tuesday.



Term 1, 2022 Statement of Accounts will be going home to families at the end of this week.

If you have not received a statement or wish to discuss a payment arrangement plan, please contact Shyamala on 8869 6800 during Office Hours.

The due date for Term 1 fees is 16th March, 2022.

Thank you for your support with this matter.



NAGLE COLLEGE

OPEN DAY

1 March 2022

3.30pm - 7.30pm

Year 7, 2023 prospective parents and students are warmly invited to attend a tour of the College.

Enrolment packages available on the day.

More information please contact the College on 88874500 or visit our website.

Emails Outside School Hours

Dear Parents and Carers,



Our Lady of Lourdes recognises that email is a fast and convenient way to communicate with your child's teacher.

We wish to remind you that teachers read their emails at various times throughout the school day. Further, teachers are generally not expected to respond to emails from parents and students outside of normal working hours. In the case of a genuine emergency please contact the school office during business hours on OLOLSHills@parra.catholic.edu.au or phone 8869 6800.

If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please continue to direct your emails to OLOLSHills@parra.catholic.edu.au which will then be triaged, as per usual practice.

We appreciate your assistance and understanding.

Kind regards

Keiran Byrnes

Principal



Water Bottles

Reminder to all parents to continue to send their children to school with water bottles in 2022.

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

ICE BLOCK SALES AT SCHOOL

To maintain Ice Block sales in a COVID safe way we introduced a preorder system using the QKR APP last year.

We will open sales as soon as possible and will communicate with the community when ice block sales will resume.

Ice blocks unavailable until announced.



COVID- Smart Measures for OLOL

All staff and students are expected to be at school with visitors and activities limited.

Watch for Symptoms	<p>If your child is unwell, even with mild symptoms you must keep them home and get them tested. If they display any symptoms they should take a PCR test (nose and throat swab) or rapid antigen test (RAT).</p> <p>If symptoms continue your child should not come to school, even if they get a negative rapid antigen test result. Your child may return when they get a negative PCR test result and have no symptoms.</p> <p>If a child is unwell at school parents will be contacted to promptly collect their child.</p>
Vaccinations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All staff on school sites must be fully vaccinated.• We strongly encourage all students and their families to get vaccinated. Children aged 5 to 11 can now get vaccinated. Parents are encouraged to book their child in for a vaccination at the first available opportunity.• Once eligible, all adults are encouraged to get booster shots.
Testing	<p>At the start of term 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All staff and students are asked to take a rapid antigen test twice a week and get a negative result before attending school for the first 4 weeks.• It is advised that students test on Monday and Wednesday morning before school.• Test kits will continue to be supplied by schools. Test kits for week 4 and week 5 were sent home with your child last Friday.• Students who are household close contacts must isolate at home for 7 days.
COVID19 Positive Cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If your child has no symptoms and there is a positive case in their class, year or other grouping, they can continue to attend school in line with NSW Health advice.• Staff and students who get a positive rapid antigen test result must register it on service.nsw.gov.au or the Service NSW app as soon as possible.• Staff and students who receive a positive rapid antigen or PCR test result must tell their school as soon as possible, and follow NSW Health advice.• OLOL will regularly communicate to parents about the presence and impact of COVID-19 in our community.
Ventilation	<p>Fresh air is the most effective form of ventilation to minimise risk of transmission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Air conditioning services have been serviced in the last holidays.• Air Purifiers have been placed in each learning space• Windows and fans ensure ventilation of spaces

COVID- Smart Measures for OLOL Continued

Masks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All school staff will be required to wear surgical masks indoors. Primary school students are strongly recommended to wear well-fitted masks indoors. 														
Activities	<p>COVID-19 will be considered in all risk assessments. OLOL will continue to follow NSW Health Advice and Guidance on applying appropriate safeguards across a range of activities. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom assemblies on Friday afternoon at 2:15pm Cancellation of swimming carnival on Tuesday 1st February Opening School Liturgy Friday 11th February via zoom 														
Student Cohorting	<p>To minimise physical interaction of students on school grounds Our Lady of Lourdes will implement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staggered break times and designated playgrounds <p><i>Students will put their bags in the following area in the morning. This will also be where they line up to go into class after each break time.</i></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Grade</th><th>Area to place bags in the morning and line up after each break.</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Kindergarten</td><td>Bags - outside the Kindergarten room Line Up - under the trees as they were pre-lockdown</td></tr> <tr> <td>Year 1</td><td>Bags - on the racks outside the Creative Arts Room Line Up - On the handball courts as they were pre-lockdown</td></tr> <tr> <td>Year 2</td><td>Bags and Line up - Under the COLA at the bottom of Year 2 stairs</td></tr> <tr> <td>Year 3 and 4</td><td>Year 3: Bags and Line up - against the brick wall on the Basketball court closest to the fence. Year 4: Bags and Line up - against the brick wall on the Basketball court closest to the grass area.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Year 5</td><td>Bags - Under the shade, near the picnic tables Line Up - Next to the picnic tables facing the basketball court.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Year 6</td><td>Bags - Under the OOSH windows Line up - Outside of OOSH.</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Grade	Area to place bags in the morning and line up after each break.	Kindergarten	Bags - outside the Kindergarten room Line Up - under the trees as they were pre-lockdown	Year 1	Bags - on the racks outside the Creative Arts Room Line Up - On the handball courts as they were pre-lockdown	Year 2	Bags and Line up - Under the COLA at the bottom of Year 2 stairs	Year 3 and 4	Year 3: Bags and Line up - against the brick wall on the Basketball court closest to the fence. Year 4: Bags and Line up - against the brick wall on the Basketball court closest to the grass area.	Year 5	Bags - Under the shade, near the picnic tables Line Up - Next to the picnic tables facing the basketball court.	Year 6	Bags - Under the OOSH windows Line up - Outside of OOSH.
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Visitors	<p>Visitors on the OLOL school sites will be kept to a minimum to support essential school activities or student needs.</p> <p>Parents should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate with the school via phone and email Follow drop off and pick up arrangements. Details in the following pages. Follow physical distancing advice and avoid gathering outside of school gates Remain outside of school grounds Adhere to mask wearing requirements and sign-in using the Service NSW QR code and the school kiosk when entering the school. 														

COVID- Smart Measures for OLOL Continued

Keeping OLOL Open	<p>Parents are asked to respect the rules at OLOL to help keep the community safe. It is anticipated that like many organisations OLOL may experience staffing challenges in the coming weeks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OLOL will do everything they can to maintain continuity of face-to-face learning including the use of casual staff. • OLOL will need to make localised staffing decisions to ensure appropriate supervision can be maintained. • OLOL will not be able to guarantee particular staff for any cohort and students may not have their regular teacher for a class.
Learning From Home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will continue to monitor the situation and where face-to-face learning is not possible, limited learning from home options will be supported for short periods.
Essential Hygiene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Lady of Lourdes is regularly and professionally cleaned including additional cleaning targeting high touch areas • Bubblers are turned off and unavailable. Therefore, send your child with a labelled water bottle. • Continue to implement appropriate social distancing. Encourage good hygiene practices including washing hands frequently.

PARENT RESOURCE- RAT Test Social Story for Students

To help your child complete their RAT tests smoothly, please take the time to read through this social story with your children.

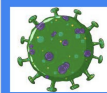
[COVID RAT Test OLOL Social Story](#)

COVID RAT Test

WHAT it is & **HOW** to do it

So you can be happy & healthy at school!

This is how we look after each other at OLOL



COVID-19 has brought many germs so we need to stay safe

The RAT test you have to do at home helps you and everyone stay safe at school

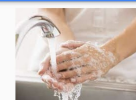


Yours might look a little different to the picture but you will have:

- A swab
- A tube
- A test cassette (this is where you get the result)

On Monday and Wednesday morning we all need to take the RAT test, so we know we are healthy to go to school

The adult taking the test will wash their hands



You will blow your nose



School COVID-19 Drop Off and Pick UP Arrangements

Our COVID 19 safe morning drop off and afternoon pick up arrangements are working well. New Family Cards with departure times will also be in place to ease traffic congestion. **Please check your 2022 time.**

Drop off and Pick up of Children

Remember to use the Grantham Rd gate or Olive Street gate as an alternate option to dropping off and picking up children by car.

Parents dropping off and picking children up by car will be required to stay in their cars and use the kiss and drop area in the morning and afternoon. Times in the afternoon will be staggered to ease congestion and you will be allocated a pick up time of 2:45, 2:55 or 3:00pm. Those parents accessing OOSH will be able to continue to drop and collect their child in the usual manner. The purpose of these arrangements is to restrict adult to adult contact as much as possible. We created an updated video to explain this procedure- [Click Here](#)
Morning Drop off and Afternoon Pick up routines

- **Morning Drop Off 8:10 to 8:40am**
 - Use Kiss and Drop only
 - Parents to remain in cars
 - Students to open car doors themselves
 - Students to enter school by the gate that accesses the carpark
 - Parents walking children to school are to remain outside the Grantham Road gate.
- **Afternoon Pick Up at 2:45, 2:55 or 3:00pm**
 - Kiss and collect as per morning routine
 - Display reissued family name sign in the front windscreen (see example next page) of your car
 - Pull up in bays in front of the hall entrance
 - Teachers will send students to your car
 - Parents to remain in car
 - No parent parking will be available on the OLOL site - Kiss and collect only
 - Use the "seat belt bay" to ease congestion
 - Please arrive at the scheduled time for your family
 - Turn left only out of the school driveway to ease congestion and ensure everyone's safety.

CLEARLY display your Surname name card

A suggested option for you would be to display your name card on your passenger visor with either fold back clips or rubber bands as shown below:



School COVID-19 Drop Off and Pick UP Arrangements continued

Group	Pick Up time From Monday 18th October
Group 1 Pink	2:45 - 2:55
Group 2 Blue	2:55 - 3:05
Group 3 Yellow	3:00 - 3:10

Group 1 Yellow **do not queue before 2:45pm. The hall doors will not open prior to 2:45pm.** Remember this is still 5 minutes before the official end of the school day. It is actually quicker and safer if everyone tries to come in their allocated time period. We understand that it is not always possible to come in the allocated time period but your best efforts to do so are appreciated.

Just as respect is an expectation of the children, it is essential that parents model the same respect by being courteous in the car park at all times. This includes taking turns and being patient as you make your way to the kiss and collect zone. We ask also that parents obey the left turn only sign when exiting the driveway. This is to ensure the safety of all members of the community.



Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to adapt in a very challenging year.

Keiran Byrnes
Principal

RE UPDATE

Opening School Liturgy and 60th Year Jubilee

On Friday last week, we celebrated our 60th Jubilee and Opening School Liturgy via zoom. Here are a few photos:



RE UPDATE

Opening School Liturgy and 60th Year Jubilee



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MEDICATION POLICY

Parents are responsible for:

Obtaining the relevant medication forms from the school and arranging for their completion and return

- Providing the medication in the original labeled container to the nominated staff member
- Ensuring the medication is not out of date and has an original pharmacy label with the student's name, dosage and time to be taken
- Providing a request by parents and written instructions from a medical practitioner for medication that is not obtained on prescription, indicating:
 - Name of student
 - Condition for which the medication is required
 - Guidelines for administration

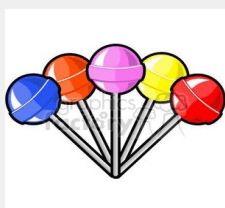


Uniforms

Uniforms online -

Parents are able to order summer uniforms using the Qkr! app. All uniforms delivered to school each Thursday will then be sent home via your child.

Please contact the office if you are picking up your child's uniform to ensure it has been delivered to the school.



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS AT SCHOOL

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.



**STUDENTS ARE TO WEAR THEIR SPORTS UNIFORM
ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS FOR TERM 1**

KINDERGARTEN
YEAR 1
YEAR 2
YEAR 3
YEAR 4
YEAR 5
YEAR 6

TUESDAY, THURSDAY
WEDNESDAY
WEDNESDAY
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TUESDAY & THURSDAY
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STUDENT EXTENDED LEAVE

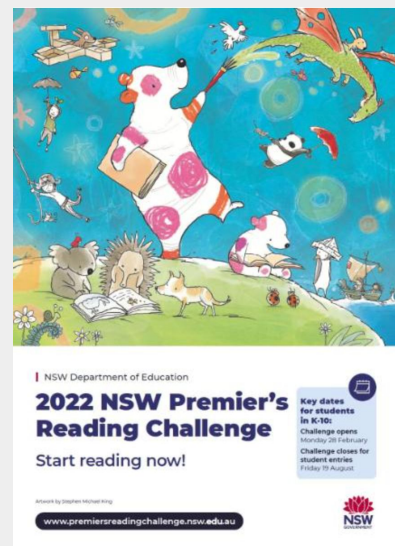
Family holidays and travel outside of school holiday period will be considered individually based on your child's attendance. If your child is not returning on the first day of **2022** can you please inform the office either by phone or emailing ololshills@parra.catholic.edu.au. If the leave is more than 5 days you are required to complete an application for Extended Leave for travel of 5 or more days. This form can be downloaded from the school website or is available at the school office. The last school day for students in 2021 is Tuesday, 14th December. Years 1 - 6 will return on Tuesday, 1st February, 2022 and kindergarten's first full day for 2022 will be Thursday, 3rd February.

If you are planning a holiday and your child/children won't be returning on the first day of 2022 can you please complete an extended leave form as soon as possible.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Each year as a school community we participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge. This challenge encourages students to read, or have read to them, quality books during the challenge period. Students who successfully read the agreed number of books receive a challenge certificate at the end of the year. Students who successfully complete the challenge for 4 successive years receive a gold certificate, students who complete the challenge for 7 consecutive years receive a platinum certificate. Each student receives an individual log in to register the books they have read. These are registered online at the Premier's Reading Challenge website. The school then validates these records in order for the student to receive their certificate.

The challenge officially commences this year on Monday, February 28th. And concludes on Friday August 19th. Logon details for all students including our Kindergarten students will be sent home over the next two weeks. Students who participated last year are able to log on using their previous log in details. If you have any questions in relation to the challenge please contact Mrs Cividin.





Collection Notice for parents/guardians

2022 Student Residential Address and Other Information

The Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment (the department) would like to notify you that a request has been made for your child's school to provide residential address and other information as required under the *Australian Education Regulation 2013*.

The school is required to provide the department with the following information about each student at the school:

- Names and residential addresses of student's parent(s) and/or guardian(s)
- Student residential address (**excluding student names**)
- Whether the student is a primary or secondary student (education level)
- Whether the student is boarding or a day student (boarding status).

The school collects the above information by generating a **unique and unidentifiable** – student reference number (SRN) for each student record. The SRN is also **only** used by the school for this collection. **It is not allowed to be used for any other purpose.** The number only indicates to the department that each record provided is for one student.

Purpose of the collection

The Student Residential Address and Other Information Collection (the Collection) informs Australian Government school education policy and helps ensure funding for non-government schools is based on need basis.

The information collected will be used to inform school funding calculations. It is combined with data held by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to calculate a non-government school community's anticipated capacity to contribute to the costs of schooling.

From 2020, a new measure of capacity to contribute, the Direct Measure of Income (DMI), was introduced. The DMI is based on the median income of parents or guardians of students at a non-government school using data collected through the Collection. More information about the DMI can be found on the [Quality Schools Package](#) page on the departmental website.

Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law under the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identifiable individual. Personal information includes an individual's name and contact details.

Any use or disclosure of your personal information must occur in accordance with Privacy Act and the *Australian Education Act 2013* and *Australian Education Regulation 2013*.

Your personal information provided to the department through the Collection may be:

- disclosed to the ABS for the purposes of capacity to contribute calculations and analysis as a part of the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Further information about MADIP can be found on the [MADIP page](#) on the ABS website.
- disclosed to a contracted auditor where the department may from time to time, carry out an audit of a school's submission to the Collection. The contracted auditor compares the school's submission with the student enrolment information held by the school and will not use the information for any other purpose.
- disclosed to its service providers for the purposes of the provision of information and communications technology support services to the department.
- used or disclosed where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

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

The department's privacy policy can be found at www.dese.gov.au and includes information on:

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

The department commissioned an independent privacy impact assessment (PIA). The PIA assesses the flows of information under the Collection, compliance with the Privacy Act and measures in place to safeguard the personal information being collected. The current version is available at <https://www.dese.gov.au/school-funding/resources/2018-student-residential-address-collection-additional-required-information-privacy-impact>

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, you may wish to 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 Collection process.

Alternatively, please visit the [SchoolsHUB Address Collection help and support page](#).



Compass Parent Portal

A guide for Parents



How do I access Compass?

Compass is accessible on any modern web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, Safari) or by using the Compass iOS or Android apps (continue reading to learn more about the app including how to use it).

To access the parent portal, you can go to <https://schools.compass.education/> where you can search for our school's direct URL.

Compass Apps

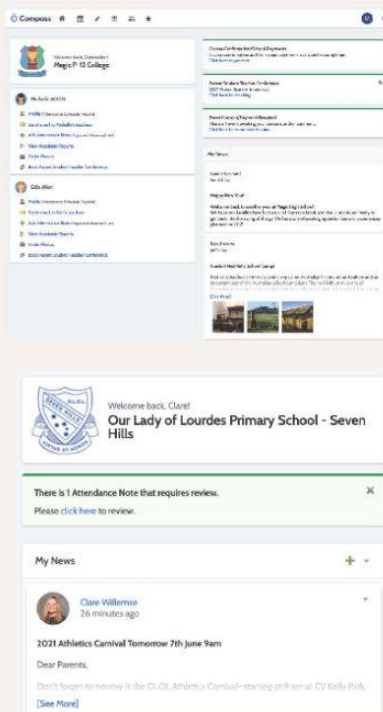
Using the app you can:

- View the school news feed
- Receive messages from the school
- View your child's timetable and the school calendar
- View Learning Tasks
- Add Attendance Notes
- View academic reports



The Compass home screen

The home screen provides you with relevant alerts and news, as well as quick access to your child's profile.



School Calendar

- Link to school events

Your Children

- To access more information click on the relevant quick link or select Profile to access detailed information about your child.

Main Menu

- Allows you to access other Compass and school resources. The Tools icon allows you to update your contact details and change your password.

News

- Recent school news items and information relevant to you. This may include newsletters, details of upcoming events.

Alerts

- Custom notifications for items that require your action or attention. These may include excursion notifications, ordering options for school photos, absence notifications, survey, and student report availability.

Entering an Attendance Note

1. From the Compass home screen (or from your student's profile), click the Add Attendance Note item.
2. From the pop-up window:
 - Select the reason
 - Enter a brief description of the absence
 - Select the start and finish time
 - Click the 'Save' button

Where possible, attendance notes should be entered prior to the absence/lateness occurring.



SMS Link

If your child is marked as absent without prior approval you will receive a message containing a link. When you follow the link, you will have the opportunity to explain the absence.

The link will expire after you have clicked it, meaning that it cannot be used to explain unapproved absences in the future. Instead, you will receive another message containing a new link, allowing you to repeat the process.

Viewing Academic Reports

1. From the home screen, click on the 'View Academic Reports' item or navigate to the 'Student Profile' and click the 'Reports' tab.
2. A list of 'Academic Reports' will be displayed. Click the report title to download the PDF.

Privacy and Security



When you use Compass you will notice a padlock appears in your browser's address bar on the left.

This is because Compass uses a technology called TLS (Transport Layer Security). This means that your Compass session is encrypted and secure. Further, Compass adheres to PCI DSS compliance obligations to ensure any credit card details are managed safely, consistent with industry credit card regulations.

We are committed to the privacy of your information.



For any other Compass questions please contact the school office on
Ph: (02) 8869 6800 or E-mail: ololshills@parra.catholic.edu.au

UNIFORM ORDERS

A friendly reminder that all orders are to be placed on the QKR app by MasterCard. Please follow the instructions below.

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

All uniforms delivered to school will then be sent home via your child.


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For quicker, hassle-free school payments, try Qkr! today

Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.



With Qkr you can:

- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!
on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



Step 2 Register
Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

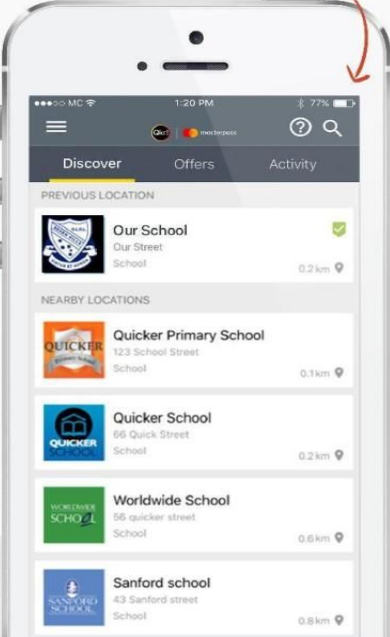
Step 3 Find our school
Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

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

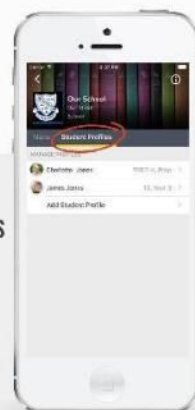
Select
'Add student profile'



Add each
child's details



Manage each
child's details in
Student Profiles



Purchase school items

Select a menu
from our school



Select child
you are
ordering for



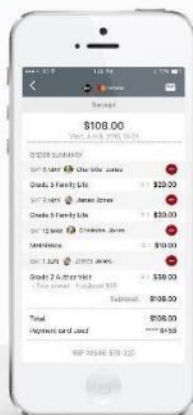
Select your items

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.

Please refer to the size chart when ordering uniforms

Our Lady of the Lourdes Seven Hills

Uniform Size Chart

Please use the below charts as a guide for the approximate sizing of uniform items.

<u>Boys Short Sleeve Shirt</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	39	42	44	48	51	54	57
Body Length	49	54	59	61	64	68	71

<u>Boys Shorts</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Waist	22	24	26	28	30	32	34
Length	36	38	40	43	45	47	49

<u>Boys Long Sleeve Shirt</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	38	40.5	43.5	46.5	49.5	52.5	55.5
Body Length	52	57	62	66	71	77	81

<u>Boys Pants</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Waist	24	26	28	30	32	34	36
Length	71	77	83	88	95	100	105

All measurements are in cms and may differ 1-2cm

For all items please lay them flat and measure on a flat surface.

Chest measurement is taken from underarm to underarm.

Body length is taken from the centre back to the bottom of the hem (under collar).

Waist Measurement is taken from left to right side of waist band.

Length Measurement is taken from top of elastic waist to bottom of the hem.

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Uniform Size Chart

Please use the below charts as a guide for the approximate sizing of uniform items.

<u>Girls Summer Dress</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	39	40	41	44	47	50	53
Body Length	64	67.5	71	77.5	82.5	87	92

<u>Girls Winter Tunic</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	38.5	39.5	40.5	43.5	46.5	49.5	52.5
Body Length	60.5	64	67.5	74	76	84	88.5

<u>Girls Long Sleeve Blouse</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	37.5	39	41	45	48	50.5	53.5
Body Length	51	53	54.5	58	61	63.5	66.5

<u>Poly Cotton Jumper</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	36	39	42	45	48	51	54
Body Length	46	46	48	54	57	61	61

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Body length is taken from the centre back to the bottom of the hem (under collar).

Waist Measurement is taken from left to right side of waist band.

Length Measurement is taken from top of elastic waist to bottom of the hem.

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Uniform Size Chart

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<u>Short Sleeve Polo</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	34	37	39	42.5	45	47	50
Body Length	49	52	55	58	61	64	67

<u>Sport Shorts</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Waist	24	26	28	30	32	34	36
Length	32	34	36	38	40	41	42

<u>Sport Jacket</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Chest	42	44	46	48	50	52.5	55
Body Length	53	55	57	59	61	63	65

<u>Sport Pant</u>							
Description	Size						
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
½ Waist	23	25	27	29	31	33	35
Length	67	72.5	79	85.5	92	97	102

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Chest measurement is taken from underarm to underarm.

Body length is taken from the centre back to the bottom of the hem (under collar).

Waist Measurement is taken from left to right side of waist band.

Length Measurement is taken from top of elastic waist to bottom of the hem.