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Dear Parents,

Au Revoir and Thank You

Our very much loved parish Priest Fr Warren leaves for Tasmania next week. We take this opportunity to acknowledge Fr Warren for the amazing gift that he has been to the OLA parish/school community. 13 years ago, Fr Warren embarked on the challenging task to establish the parish and subsequently a primary school. He exceeded beyond expectation. The OLA parish is a thriving dynamic worshipping community and our primary school has an outstanding reputation and is very much sought after.

With change comes opportunity. Fr Warren now has the opportunity to share his gifts with the parish of Huon in Tasmania. They are indeed fortunate.

Our recent mufti day to say thank you to Fr Warren raised \$1500. This gift in the form of an Eftpos card will give Fr Warren the flexibility to purchase what he needs once in Tasmania. Thank you to you and the children for generously contributing to this token of appreciation.

Fr Warren will visit the children on Monday to say farewell. We wish him all the best for the new journey that awaits and say thank you for the role he has played in the lives of so many within the parish/school community during his time here. We will all miss him.



Reports

The first semester 'modified' reports will be sent home this Monday. As communicated over the last few weeks, they will be different. They will focus on the key areas of Religious Education, English and Mathematics. They will give a brief summary of your child's achievements for the first half of the year in terms of what your child is able to do and what they are working towards in their learning. Together the school and you form an important partnership. This partnership supports your children in reaching their potential so that home and school are united in their approach.

Please take the time to talk with your child about their many successes. Be sure to ask them what they are most proud of up to this stage of the year, particularly given it's uniqueness.

Thank you for your continued support. It is in partnership that we can achieve great things for our children.

Tony Calabria Principal

Term 2 ends Friday 3rd July

Term 3 starts Monday 20th July and ends Friday 25th September **Building Child Safe Communities** (BCSC) for Volunteers – Please see the email which was sent home on Monday.

Semester One Parent/Teacher Interviews

Interviews will take a different format during this COVID 19 period. Face to face meetings are still not recommended as part of the normal routine for schools.

As a result, interviews will be held by phone over this coming Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (Week 10).

Given that the majority of parents have had regular communication with teachers over the COVID 19 period, the upcoming phone interviews regarding your child's learning progress and reports will be <u>OPTIONAL</u>.

A letter with information regarding the online booking system for our optional parent/teacher phone call interviews was sent home on Wednesday and bookings opened yesterday at 5.00pm.

Please note that your teacher will contact you on your mobile phone at the allocated time and the call will most likely come from a private or no caller ID phone number. We kindly ask that you are available to speak with your child's teacher and be free from distractions, ideally in a quiet area and that your child is hopefully also present for part of the conversation.

Please note that some teachers may elect to use their release time during the week to make calls. If this is the case, they will have your child present when required.

As you speak next week in partnership with your child's teacher, it is important to keep the focus on the child. Our first priority at OLA is our children. We aim to develop each child according to their ability. We strive to develop the whole child, that is to develop each child spiritually, emotionally, physically, socially and academically. For our school to do it's job effectively, the ongoing interest and support of parents is vital.

A happy, supportive and harmonious link between teachers and parents with realistic common goals creates a unified approach. When a child perceives a breakdown in communication of this vital link, a child experiences conflict and may play one off against the other. We are very fortunate at OLA to have supportive and caring parents, not only supportive in developing fantastic community spirit and raising funds, but more importantly loyal and supportive in helping and assisting their children's learning.



Sunday 28th June 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Gospel Reflection Year A Mt 10:37-42

GOSPEL REFLECTION- 'Take up your Cross'

In today's Gospel Jesus talks to us about service.

If Jesus appeared to you in the flesh and asked you to be a special disciple, what do you imagine that might entail?

How do you picture 'big-time' service – living in the inner city? volunteering at a shelter? spending a week at a mission? doing voluntary work for summer? or joining a missionary order and spending the rest of your life in Africa?

How do you picture 'ordinary' service? Give some examples. Some jobs have great potential for simple human service, for example, smiling and being extra friendly as you bag groceries, looking out for what the children may need as you babysit, noticing whose coffee cup is empty as you wait on tables, or being sure the newspapers you deliver are always placed close to your customers' door.

What are some simple things that you might do every day that can be compared to giving someone a cup of cold water?

What kind of reward do you think comes to someone who serves another? LiturgyHelp.com. 19-6-2020)

The official OLA facebook page is now up and running. Search in facebook for Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School Rouse Hill **or**

Click on this link https://www.facebook.com/OLARouseHIII

Or Click on the facebook f in the top corner of our school website

Be sure to 'like us'

Uniforms

Uniform orders will only be processed on Monday and Wednesday.

There will be **no orders filled after Monday 29**th **June** due to stocktake.

Please Note:



School Photos

School Photo day has been scheduled for Monday 17th

Please DO NOT let your children out of the car in the middle of the carpark. Either use the Kiss and Drop, or park and walk across. Thank You.

Lost Property – Label It

Our lost property is often overflowing. Items with names are returned to the students. Items without names are regularly moved on. Please ensure every item your child brings to school is labelled.

Also please take two minutes to check that your child's items are actually theirs, as children can often pick up another child's jacket, hat, etc.

Drive Through

Some alternative suggestions that may assist our drive through.

- Park over at Centenary Park and walk over. It is quicker than the queue.
- Parents are encouraged to approach the school from the base of Wellgate, ie. Enter through Monaco Avenue and join Wellgate at the bottom, then turn left into the school. This will alleviate the congestion at the lights, due to the traffic building up from cars turning right into the school driveway. This also supports our neighbours across from the school leave their homes, etc.
- Don't be an early bird.
 Remember, Santa Sophia
 need to pick up and vacate
 first. We kindly ask that parents
 do not arrive before 2.50pm as
 Santa Sophia parents use the drive
 through between 2.40pm –
 2.50pm.

Thank you for your support as we work with our neighbours and school community to ensure this service runs effectively for all.

Please note:

We kindly ask that the children's bags are kept inside the car and not the boot when dropping off. This is for the children's safety as the car behind may misjudge the space available when moving forward.

Tech Tips from eSafety Website Keeping your online accounts secure

Keeping your online accounts secure and your privacy settings up to date might not be high on your list of priorities, but it should be. As we increasingly live our lives online, it is important to take online privacy and security seriously.

What to do

- Do a privacy check up- Go through the settings for all your social media accounts.
 Some accounts may be on the default settings. Ensure you are aware of the amount of personal information you are putting out there.
- Set strong passwords and update your old ones-Security experts now recommend using a 'passphrase' rather than simply a password. Eg: BlueChocololate#239TriumphFi\$h.
- Don't share your passwords.
- 4. Keep your apps and software up to date- New apps and software updates are designed to keep your data secure. Install virus protection software on your computer and keep it up to date.
- Don't add people on social media that you haven't met offline-This is especially important for children who have social media accounts.
- When websites or apps ask for your personal information, double check they are legit
 - Check that the URL for a website is the main URL you normally use to access that site.
 - Be wary of any emails from people you don't know. If in doubt don't click on links or open attachments in emails.
 - Check that the branding is accurate that it appears the same across all platforms — and the logo is not blurred.
 - Are there typos on the website or in emails asking you to login and update your details? If so, then it's likely to be a scam.
 - Check your app store for reviews of apps before you download them.



Happy birthday to members of our OLA Community who are celebrating their birthday this week.......

Monday 29th June Mrs Leanne Eisenhuth

Tuesday 30th June Elyssa Marsden Khai Aldaba

Wednesday 1st **July** Sofia Montgomery Sienna Flores Jordan Holden Thursday 2nd July Harrison McQuaid

Georgia McQuaid

Friday 3rd July Isaak Blye

Saturday 4th July Mrs Jan Schroder

Sunday 5th July Zachary Dixon Scarlett Leahy

Quote of the Week

Enjoy the little things in life... ... for one day You'll look back And realise they were The big things



Catch the reading bug!

KEY DATES

Monday March 2: Challenge opens for student entries
Friday August 28: Final date for entry of Student Reading Records by students
Friday September 11: Final date for validation of Student Reading Reading records by coordinators

Parents can access the 2020 booklist at the following address, https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

Congratulations to

Ariah Clark 1B, Keeley Vaughan 2B and Luka Vaughan 4W

for completing the

Premier's Reading Challenge this week.

We would love to see more students getting involved in this challenge. We currently have 45 registered and 10 students already finished.

Come on OLA! We can do it!

PM e-Collection

A reminder that all K-2 students have access to this reading resource. This is a wonderful way to keep your child reading appropriate levelled books in the holidays. Please contact your child's teacher next week if you need assistance using this resource.

Term 3 Book Week:

Theme: 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'

Author/Illustrator Visits:

Tim Harris will visit our school on Monday 10th August **Book Fair:** Monday 24th August-Thursday 27th August

At this stage, students will visit the library and have an opportunity to create a 'wish list'. This list will then be sent home and parents will be able to pay for these books online. A receipt will be issued and children will then collect these books from our school library the next day. More information to follow early next term.

Lisa Hurst

Literacy Coordinator

Library Books

During COVID 19 we lent out a large number of library books. We kindly ask that you have a look for any of our OLA books that may be hiding in the usual (and some unusual) spots, so that they can be returned. Many thanks for your support in this area.

Awards

Term 2		
Week 9		
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award
КВ	Amali Enosi-Tuipulotu	Charlize Abboud
KG	Hamish Clarke	Ava Nobleza
KW	Mya Mitrovich	Marcus Medjumurac
Year 1 B	Hunter Donzow	Elisheba Mathew
Year 1 G	Lucas Rapa	Olivia Macario
Year 1 W	Blake Saward	Ciaran McKeever
Year 2 B	Damien Macquet-Maurel	Olivia O'Connor
Year 2G	Lucas George	Flynn Coughlan
Year 2W	Alana Apap	Asher Vilathgamuwa
Year 3 B	Erica Sommer	Eva Perry
Year 3 G	Caleb Xuereb	Juliana Aguilar
Year 3 W	Ryan Salac	Elizabeth McKee
Year 4 B	Sofia Costa	Astrid Cabunag
Year 4 G	Calla Zhu	Rose Montgomery
Year 4 W	Steve Wang	Milana Buda
Year 5 B	Lucas Cleland	Alexandra Tirador
Year 5G	Zachary Ormsby	Sophia Iori
Year 5W	Kobe Coombes	Cailee Graham
Year 6 B	Alicia Gladwell	Ireen Yoo
Year 6 G	Edward Grech	Sarah McKeever
Year 6 W	Raymon Chayban	Tayla Buxton