

OLOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 2 9th May, 2014

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

This Sunday's gospel reading is from John and is 'The Parable of the Shepherd'.

Lord Jesus Christ,
Good Shepherd, you have
called us by name,
and we are yours.
May we express our faith in
you by our
love and care for your flock.
You live and reign for ever
and ever.
Amen.



Diocesan Works Fund (DWF)

Last Monday the DWF envelopes were distributed to each family. During the month of May, OLOL will be joining all schools and parishes in the diocese of Parramatta to help support the Diocesan Works Fund.

This appeal raises necessary funds that support ministries and outreach services to people across Western Sydney. Please read 'Grace's Story' (High School Catechist - CCD Ministry) attached to this newsletter.

Happy Mother's Day

Best wishes to all our mothers, grandmothers and carers. We hope you enjoy a special day with your

A Mother's Love Your arms were always open When I needed a hug. Your Heart understood when I needed a friend. Your gentle eyes were stern when I needed a lesson. Your strengths and love Has guided me and Gave me wings to fly.

Enrolments

Thank you to the many parents who attended interviews last Saturday. The Enrolment Committee will meet during May. Letters will then be posted to the various families by early to end May/June. A special thank you to Mrs Quinn and the Executive members who were so generous with their time.

Assembly

Parents are invited to our first assembly for term 2 on Tuesday, 13th May at 2.20pm.

Student Management

If you feel your child is having difficulty with another student do not approach that child or their parents. Please contact the school so that we can resolve the situation.



<u>National Assessment Program -</u> Literacy and Numeracy 2014

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3 and 5.

The tests will be conducted across Australia for all students from 13th to 15th May.

Tuesday, 13th May - Language Conventions Writing

Wednesday, 14th May - Reading Thursday, 15th May - Numeracy

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Tuesday, 13th May from 8.45am till 9.15am and Wednesday, 21st May from 2.45pm till 3.30pm.



Winter Uniform

Children are asked to wear their winter uniform from Monday, 12th May (the day after Mother's Day).

Lockdown/Lockout/Evacuation

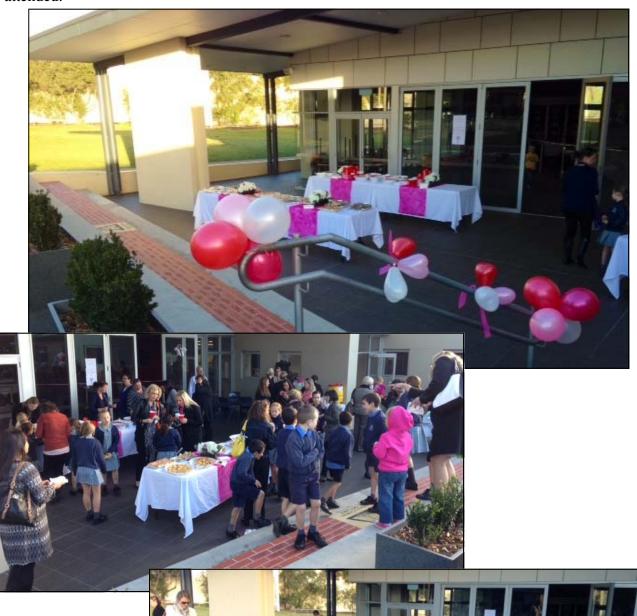
This week we took part in a Lockdown/Lockout and Evacuation Drill.

Thank you to all the students for your co-operation.

Mother's Day Breakfast

It was great to see so many mothers and grandmothers celebrating Mother's Day with a lovely breakfast on Thursday morning.

Thank you to our P&F who did a wonderful job organising this breakfast. I'm sure it was appreciated by all who attended.



Mother's Day Stall

A huge thank you to the wonderful team of volunteers that helped at the Mother's Day Stall, and also to those that helped wrap all the gifts last week. Many special ladies will receive a lovely gift this Mother's Day.

The raffle prizes were also a big hit with 20 extra lucky ladies getting some wonderful prizes. A list of raffle winners will be published in next week's newsletter. A very special thank you to all the families who so generously donated such lovely prizes. Some of you have remained anonymous, but we'd like to thank the Otter, Arciuli, Antivilo and Puletua families for their donations. A special thank you to the Hasham family for donating the Lydia Rose Hair & Beauty vouchers, and the Barnes family for donating the lovely Atrium Florist hamper and flower vouchers.

Diocesan Cross Country

On Tuesday 6th May, 42 students from OLOL competed at the Parramatta Diocese Cross Country at Sydney Motorsport Park. The students participated with great enthusiasm and achieved some fantastic results. Special mention to James Smith, Angelique Pozzolungo, Vanessa Turini and Jasmine Howard who finished in the top eight in their respective events. These students will now compete in the MacKillop Cross Country to be held on Friday June 13th. A huge thanks to all the parents who assisted on the day.





OLOL Athletics Carnival

The School Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday 21st May at Yattenden Oval. The children will walk to Yattenden Oval with their class teachers and the carnival will commence at approximately 9.40am. Events for the day are the 800m, 200m, and 100m. Shot Put and Long Jump will be held on separate days. Notes have been sent home with details for these events. If the carnival is in doubt due to inclement weather, please check the school website on Wednesday morning for information: www.ololbhills.catholic.edu.au

Aston Wypych-Coles

Last week, Aston Wypych-Coles (6P) competed at the BMX National Championship in Shepparton, Victoria. Aston received 1st place in both his racing events and will now compete at the World Championships in the Netherlands this July. Congratulations and good luck Aston!

Oztag

Congratulations to Harrison Esh and Declan Doyle from year 3 who represented the NSW U9 team in the Oztag Tri Series recently.





<u>Care and Compassion</u> <u>- Being Positive</u>

 Giving and receiving a compliment



SCHOOL EVENTS	
Mon Sun 11th	Happy Mother's Day 4th Sunday of Easter
Tues 13th	9.15am Year 6 Mass Reconciliation 4D NAPLAN Years 3 and 5 Reading 2.20pm K-6 Assembly, Year 2
Wed 14th	NAPLAN Years 3 and 5 Writing
Thurs 15th	NAPLAN Years 3 and 5 Numeracy Father Giovani class visit - Year 4
Sun 18th	5th Sunday of Easter



OLOL Social Committee - Back to the 80's Night Saturday, 14th June, 7.00pm

The OLOL Social Committee invites you to journey back into the 80's for an evening of fun, food, fundraising and dancing! Tickets are \$50pp, which is inclusive of a 3-course meal, drinks and entertainment. So get some friends together, revisit your 80's wardrobe and join us for a fun filled night. A flyer with details of the night and an order form is attached to the newsletter. For any questions with relation to this event, please contact Joanne McGirr on 0419 177 312.

OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Discover rich tradition and cutting edge education at OLMC Parramatta during an Open Morning Tour on May 19. In this special 125th anniversary year, join us for a tour of the College before enjoying a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team.

The College is now enrolling for 2015 and 2016. Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au or phone 8838 1263 to reserve your place or obtain further information.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church High Tea

Our Lady of Lourdes Church is hosting a High Tea for ladies on Saturday, 24th May at 2.00pm in the Fr John Kelly Auditorium under the Church.



Mums, get a table together (6 or 8) with other mums from the school.

Enjoy a few hours away from the everyday.

- * Delicious finger food
- * Lucky door prizes
- * Good company

Tickets: \$15 will be on sale for 2 weekends, 10/11th May and 17th/18th May after Masses.

Information: Norma Noonan, 9686 6035



CatholicCare Social Services (Parramatta Diocese) is running the following events in the coming months that may be of interest/support to parents from your school community. For more information about any of the below events contact our office on 02 9933 0222, email <u>marriage@ccss.org.au</u>

Celebrating the early years

When: Sunday, 18th May 2014 at 11.00am Where: St Patricks Cathedral Parramatta

This Mass will recognise, celebrate and be offered for couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries between 1 and 20 years. Those celebrating their 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th or 20th Wedding anniversary will be given a commemorative certificate after the Mass. Couples and their families are invited to a light lunch in the parish hall after the Mass.

<u>Faith in Marriage – a conference about marriage</u> <u>for couples</u> (speakers include TV personality and psychologist Jo Lambert)

- When: Sunday 24th August 9:30 4:30pm
- Where: Our Lady of Mercy College, Ross Street North Parramatta

From "I do", to "We do": a unique approach to making couple decisions.

When: Thursday, 29th May 2014. 7.30 – 9.00pm Where: Diocesan Assembly Centre, Cnr Flushcombe & Marion St, Blacktown

Run by Francine and Bryon Pirola Directors of Smart Loving.

- Do you find it difficult to make decisions as a couple?
- Does one or both of you end up feeling compromised and without an equal voice?
- Do your discussions often end up in unpleasant arguments or cold wars?

Come and learn a method for making couple decisions. This unique Values Based Decisions Making framework will help you to learn how to connect with your deepest values for love and unity so that your choices become true couple decisions.

Francine Pirola an experienced marriage educator, a director and founder of the Smart loving series courses will give this presentation. Admission is free!

Grace's Story



Grace went to a primary public school in the Blue Mountains and looked forward each week to the religion class on Tuesday morning.



When she went on to a Catholic High School and in Year 11 Grace was invited to be a catechist in the local public school once a fortnight. Grace remembered her early years and volunteered to be trained as a Special Religious Educator. Grace deepened her faith through the sacraments, study, fellowship and leadership development and found that this assisted her in her teaching.

Grace went on to University to train as a school teacher and reflected on the valuable experience as a catechist. She now has the confidence and skills to live out her faith, and is excited about what people her age can do to help make the world a better place.

Your gift to the Diocesan Works Fund will make a big difference to other young people like Grace and older SRE teachers working in public schools as part of Catholic Catechists (CCD)

Please show you care about sharing faith with children in public schools with a gift using the DWF envelope or

Visit <u>www. parra.catholic.org.au</u> to show your support.

The CfCf Social Committee invites you to journey back to the 80's for an evening of fun, food, fundraising and dancing! Date: Saturday, 14 June Cost per head includes: Time: 7pm - 12 midnight 3 course meal. **Emerald Function Centre.** unlimited drinks 234 Merrylands Road, Merrylands & entertainment \$50 per head (tables of 10) So get some friends together. revisit your 80's wardrobe and enjoy the night as we journey back in time! Prizes will be awarded to the best dressed and best look-a-like! Please fill in attached form and return to school with payment attention to Joanne McGirr by Thurrday 5th June. Sorry no forms or money can be accepted after this time. venue confirmation is required I week prior. We will be running a bus service departing and returning to the school for an additional \$18pp. reats are limited so get in quick to secure your seat. Bus will be departing 6:30pm sharp! back to the 80's order form Table confirmation Name: Table contact: Table members: * Phone: _ I would like to order single tickets @ \$50 pp OR I would like to order ____ _ table/s of 10 9. _____ @ \$500 per table _____ 10. ____ *Please advise of any dietary requirements you or any of your table members may have If you are submitting your payment individually, please specify at least one other table member so we can marry you up to that table. If you do not have enough for a full table, no worries, we will combine smaller groups to make a full table. Bus confirmation I would like to order seat/s on the bus at \$18 pp. Spaces on the bus are strictly limited, so get in fast to avoid disappointment. Names of passengers: Total amount enclosed:

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Cheques can be made out to the "OLOL Parent Group"

PARRAMATTA DIOCESE SOLO PARENT MINISTRY - TRIBUNAL OFFICE

Understanding the Process of Annulment of a Marriage within the Catholic Church Seminar

Date/Time: 7.30—9.30pm: Tues 20th May 2014

Venue: CCSS - 2A Villiers St, Parramatta

Marriage breakdown is usually a traumatic experience for all concerned.

The Church reaches out in support of those whose marriage has broken down, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage.

Many separated and divorced people and their families wonder about their status within the Catholic Church, and begin to ask such questions as ...

What is the basis for an annulment?

How does an annulment differ from a divorce?

How long does it take?

Are children of a marriage declared null considered illegitimate?

On this Information Night you will have the opportunity to have these and other such questions clearly answered.

PRESENTERS

Canon Lawyers

From the Catholic Tribunal Office Parramatta

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