Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to the beginning of our 2015 school year. I trust that the school holidays were a wonderful chance to spend special time together with family.

This year we are trying a new format for our communication to parents. The full format newsletter will go every second week (even week) and on the other week, there will be a one page summary of key reminders with additional news placed on the school website. Please bear with us as these changes take effect over the next couple of weeks.

We warmly welcome to Our Lady of the Rosary community our new staff:
- Miss Carlee Tonnet (Kindergarten teacher)
- Miss Daniela Separovich (Year 2 teacher)
- Mrs Carolyn Davidson (Year 4 job share teacher)
- Mr Phil Ledlin (REC and Year 6 teacher)
- Mrs Carolyn Davidson (Year 4 job share teacher)

We also welcome back Mrs Samantha Muscat (who has been on Maternity Leave) who will be our EAL teacher (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.)

My thanks to all the teachers and staff for beginning the year with such enthusiasm. Yesterday we had over half of our students take part in the Mathematics Assessment Interview which was a wonderful opportunity for teachers to get to know their students’ needs in Mathematics.

Our Kindergarten 2015 children are visiting us this week for individual sessions so the teachers can get to know them a little better as they get ready to start ‘big school’. We look forward to welcoming all our Kindergarten 2015 students to school next Monday 3 February when formal classes for them will commence.

We welcome all new families to OLSR and hope that you will find our OLSR community to be welcoming, enthusiastic and supportive. We invite all our Kindergarten families and other new families from Years 1-6 to our Welcome Sausage Sizzle BBQ on Friday 6 February from 5.00pm to 7.00pm. All food and drinks supplied. Come along and meet other new families at OLSR and get to know some new people. Thank you to our 2015 Year 1 parents for co-ordinating this event.

St Leo’s College has very generously offered to allow us access to the basketball courts for parking for next week only. The gates will be open from 2.45pm and locked at 3.30pm. This is to cover the overflow from the main car-parks for the first week of the year. From Week 3, St Leo’s will be requiring their courts for sport and the gates will be locked and the courts unavailable for parking.

You are all invited to join us for our Beginning of the Year School Mass on Friday 6 February at 9.30am where we will pray for the year ahead and commission our staff and new student leaders for 2015.

God bless you and your family.

Jacinta Crowe - Principal

Parent/Teacher Interviews.

Tomorrow all classes will take home “Getting To Know Your Child” information sheets. These will form the basis of discussions with teachers at the parent/teacher interviews in Week 3, 9-13 February. Please return these sheets to the class teacher next week. Kindergarten parents will receive their sheets on Monday. These interviews will be an opportunity to share insights about your child that may be important as they start a new year at school. You will be able to book an interview time by accessing the booking website next week. A separate email will be sent on Monday with sign-in details.

If you would like a drive thru pick up sign for your car, please send a reply to the newsletter with your family name and child’s class. These will be made up and returned to the child’s class next week. Thank you. New kindergarten families will receive these automatically.

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Diary Dates - Term 1

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