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Dear Parents,

*The staff of Our Lady of the Rosary would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday. May the blessings of Christmas be with you and your family over this festive season. Thank you for your generous support during the year and we look forward to 2018 when we will be celebrating 120 years of Catholic education at OLOR, Waitara.*

## Andrew Chinn Concert Tuesday Night

The students spent a wonderful day with Andrew Chinn on Tuesday preparing for our Christmas singalong. Andrew is a seasoned performer and it was such an entertaining night. Thank you to those families who came. It was a fun night and certainly had us thinking that Christmas is just around the corner.



## Swimming Carnival

Our swimming carnival will be at the end of our first week of school in 2018 on Friday 2 February at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. We will send a reminder in the first week back.

## Kindergarten 2018 & New Families Welcome BBQ

On Friday 9 February from 5.00pm-7.00pm at TLOCC we will be welcoming our new Kindergarten 2018 families and other new families to OLOR. Traditionally our Year 1, 2018 families host this event. Can you please contact the office if you are able to assist by volunteering to cook the BBQ and serve.

## Year 6 Graduation

Tonight, Year 6 and their families will gather to celebrate God's many blessings during their time at OLOR. We bid farewell to some of these families as their youngest child now moves on to secondary school. During their time at OLOR, the children and their families have contributed in so many ways, helping teachers to provide a rich Catholic education.

Our thanks for the many years the following Year 6 families have been associated with OLOR.

Abalos (6), Cabubas (10), Demasi (18), Domingo (7), Drever (10), Estolano (7), Fletcher (8), Gladman (2), Harrison (14), Karlsson (15), Lafford (9), McDonald (9), McHugh (9), Mejia (10), Moore (9), Nowland (3), Pace (3), Roberts (7), Sahagun (7), Saphy (9), Schofield (4), Sylvester (15), Tysoe (11), Webb (7) & Yabut (2)

Thank you all for your generous commitment to the school.

To our other families who are moving on from OLOR. Best wishes in the future.

Almedia (1), Crowe (11), Dagang (5), Darwen (5), Decano (3), Earle (9), Favaloro (7), Foot (2), Green (2), Jackson (2), James (4), Kesby (2), Loscuito (3), McKenna (7), Ryu (2), Salama (6), Saume (3), Whelan (7) & Whibley (2)

## Thank You!

My special thanks to some of our Year 6 parents who have volunteered in significant ways over several years. Jennifer Lafford has co-ordinated our Second Hand Uniform Shop and been available and helpful to all families and their uniform needs for the last 3 years. Viv Demasi and Wendy Fleming have been a great support to Mateki Payne with the school banking each week for the last four years and as I have previously mentioned Linda Tysoe has co-ordinated The Dish initiative for the last few years. My grateful thanks to these generous ladies. Thank you all for your commitment to the school.

## Sport Shoes

A reminder that coloured sport shoes may be worn from 2018. I would ask that we avoid the luminous colours and laces and preoccupation with big brand names. Ordinary sport shoes are expected not fancy adaptations. Obviously you are still able to wear white shoes if you prefer.

God bless you and your family. Jacinta Crowe - Principal

## Diary Dates - Term 4 & 2018

Friday 15 December

Monday 29 January 2018

Tuesday 30 January 2018

- Last Day of Term 4, 2017
- Year 6 at Surf Education Day
- **STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY/PUPIL FREE DAY**
- First day of Term 1, 2018 - Year 1 to Year 6 only.

# Wellbeing

Gratefulness arrives at OLOR - just in time for Christmas!

Over the last week all students of OLOR received a framed word cloud filled with affirming adjectives about themselves. All children were asked to describe each member of their class and these words were collated to produce a personalised word cloud. While doing this, the children were thoughtful and eager to choose the most appropriate word. As a result each word cloud is as unique as the child it describes. This proved to be a most positive experience and reminded us all of the special role we each play in our community. It is also a beautiful reminder to focus on the positive in each of us.

Michelle Le Patourel

## Giving Tree



The Giving Tree is in the student foyer. The gifts that are donated under this tree will be given to St Vincent de Paul and distributed in our community. The tags with the ages and gender of children indicated on them are available in the office. Families are invited to select a card and place their gift under the tree. Please remember that this is optional. If you are not at school to collect a gift card, please send in a note giving your child permission to choose a gift card. If donating, tomorrow (Friday) is the last day. Many thanks to the wonderful families who have already been so generous. Presents and food has already been distributed to families in need.

## **PARENT HELPERS NEEDED IN 2018**

We have one helper for the school banking in 2018 but another would be wonderful.

With Jennifer Lafford (Year 6 parent) moving on to high school, we are also looking for a parent/parents to help in the second-hand uniform shop. This is open every two weeks, either in the morning or afternoon. This role would suit two parents who may only be available on a morning or afternoon, therefore the commitment is only 1 day per month. If you are interested in being involved in either of these roles in 2018, can you please contact the school office.

## ***Monday 29 January 2018 - Staff Development Day/Pupil Free Day***

CATHOLIC CARE ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR VACATION CARE ON MONDAY 29 JANUARY 2018

# Parish News

Wishing our school families a holy and happy Christmas. Families are welcome to attend the various Christmas & New Year Masses in our parish.

## **Christmas Mass Times**

### **OLOR CATHEDRAL**

Sunday 24 December, 5pm Vigil

Midnight Mass (Carols at 11.30pm) with Bishop Peter

Monday 25 December, 8am

Monday 25 December, 9.30am with Bishop Peter

NO EVENING MASSES ON Monday 25 December

### **QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH**

Sunday 24 December, 6pm Vigil (Carols at 5.50pm) with Bishop Peter

Sunday 24 December, 9pm Vigil (Carols at 8.30pm)

Monday 25 December, 7am

Monday 25 December, 9am

NO EVENING MASSES ON Monday 25 December

### **Korean Masses at QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH**

Midnight Mass in Korean

Monday 25 December 11am in Korean

NO EVENING MASSES ON Monday 25 December

### **Mass on New Year's Day**

Monday 1 January 9.30am in the Cathedral with Bishop Peter

### **2018 Sacramental Program**

The schedule for the 2018 Sacramental Program will be available to collect this weekend at the back of OLOR Cathedral & QOP Church, and will also be available to download from the Parish website next week [www.hornsby.dbb.org.au](http://www.hornsby.dbb.org.au)

Enrolments close Sunday 25 February 2018 after 9.30AM Mass. Please contact the Parish Office on 9483 2300 if you have any questions.

# School Community News

This is a reminder regarding the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) and students progressing from Year 2 to 3 and Year 6 to 7.

**We have made some improvements to our system which now means that students who are progressing to Year 3 and Year 7 do not need to reapply if they meet the following three conditions:**

- are continuing at the same school
  - are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

The system has automatically validated a student's ongoing eligibility if they're at the same school and progressing to year 3 and year 7. Where a student met the new eligibility the system has updated their entitlement and card. If they didn't meet the new eligibility, they would have been sent an expiry notification.

If students need to update any information or reapply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>.

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2017 to ensure students' entitlements are updated and their current card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2017, the system will automatically cancel their card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for an SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January 2018.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their new travel pass at the commencement of the new school year in 2018. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students should check with their operator for more information.

**Concessions**  
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Get on board with Opal at [opal.com.au](http://opal.com.au)

## Congratulations



Congratulations to the Year 2 Jets basketball team. They played their first competition of basketball and came first. A fantastic effort for a group of boys who have never played before. Well Done!!

An amazing team effort of our Year 5 boys, who reached the semi finals in basketball this year. A competition based on boys from Year 5 and Year 6 throughout the Hornsby region. They were defeated by the number 1 ranked team in the competition. It was a nail biting finish!



Congratulations to Ella G & Brodie C who have both been selected to represent the Diocese in Polding Basketball early in the new year. We look forward to hearing how you both go. Well done!

Charlize G competed in 6 events at the NSW State Swimming Championships (10-12yrs) at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush on Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 December. A great achievement to reach this level.





Great News! Telstra Kids Grant.

We are delighted to announce our success in applying for a \$1,200 grant from Telstra back in May. Telstra Kids funds the little things that can make a big difference to kids' lives, helping kids to play and learn. Our Telstra Kids grant was used to purchase 4x Lego Wedo Kits for Men in the Morning!

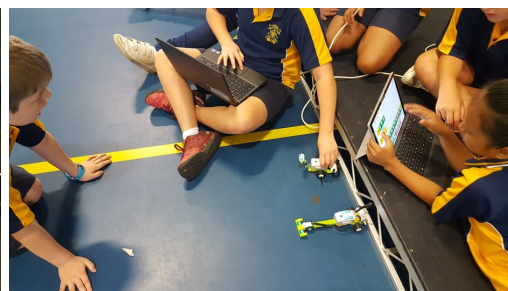
Huge thanks to Ana Medina from Telstra, mum to Michael from Year 1, for endorsing our application, which was kindly prepared for us by Katherine Co-Elliott, P&F Communications.

We are excited to share in the million dollars the Telstra Foundation provides each year to help kids across Australia to learn and play.

Many thanks too to Mrs Emma Korth for ordering the Lego Wedo kits and installing the App in the Chromebooks.

For more pictures and videos please go to <http://olorpandf.weebly.com/>

**Kids having fun assembling and programming on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017 - Men in the Morning**



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**2018 Holiday Groups Registration Form**

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ P/C: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Week Commencing**  
☐ January 8th ☐ April 16th ☐ July 9th ☐ October 2nd  
☐ January 15th ☐ April 23rd ☐ July 16th ☐ October 8th

**Holiday Hand-writing**  
☐ 9-10am Kindy-Year 2  
☐ 10.45-11.45am K-Year 2  
 Expressions of interest for Years 3 - 6 which will run based on demand in afternoons

**Social Thinking**  
☐ 9.15-10.15 am Pre K-Kindy  
☐ 10.30-11.30 am Kindy-Year 2  
 Expressions of interest for Superflex Groups which will run based on demand in afternoons

**Fabulous Food Play**  
☐ 11.45am-12.45pm Multi Age

**Fantastic Finger Fun**  
☐ 12-1 pm Pre-schoolers

**Please Note:**  
 We reserve the right to cancel any group if less than 3 participants register or due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control.  
 All efforts will be made to reschedule the group or offer alternate arrangements.

**Questions?**  
 The flyer for each group is on our website [www.bbott.com.au](http://www.bbott.com.au) under the Services Tab. If you have any further questions please contact us on 9482 3082 or email [admin@bbott.com.au](mailto:admin@bbott.com.au)

**Cost:** The package (5 sessions) costs \$300.00 for the week, or \$60 per session, and is claimable through many private health funds. 4-day programs (due to public holidays) are charged @ \$240.

**Please tick payment method:** ☐ Credit Card ☐ NDIS ☐ Private Health Insurance ☐ MEDICARE

**CREDIT CARD DETAILS**

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Type: ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ AMEX

Credit card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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