



Innovative Learning In A
Changing World

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School News 'n' Views

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Term 3

Week 1

20th July, 2016

FUTURE DATES...

JULY

Thursday 21st

Stage 3 Soccer Gala

Day - Cancelled

Friday 29th

2:00pm Assembly

Parent Group Trivia

Night

NOTES SENT HOME

MONDAY

- ❖ Stage 2
Exploring Waste
Disposal
- ❖ Stage 3
Incursion
Blacktown
Council Graffiti
- ❖ Parent Group
Trivia Night

NOTES SENT HOME

TODAY

- ❖ Mercy Boxes
- ❖ Parent Group
Shopping Bus
Trip
- ❖ Year 6
Graduation
Meal Deal

Respect

Responsibility

Readiness to

Learn

Dear Parents,

What a lot happened in the world over the holidays. Two beautiful and peaceful places, France and Turkey were rocked by the violent actions of a few and America's trouble with race, violence and guns continues. Innocent lives are lost and loved ones left damaged and alone.

At times like this we need to consider the message of love that Jesus gave to us. He too lived in troubled times and suffered because of this, but never gave up hope and gave us hope of better days through his resurrection.

He also gave us the story of the Good Samaritan who helped his tribal enemy who was robbed and left for dead. Jesus told this story to answer the question of the young man, "Who is my neighbour?" It is easy for us to ignore our neighbours when we feel safe and secure in Australia, but all are deserving of our love.

Our World Youth Day teachers are currently in the Philippines, working in schools in an area devastated by a cyclone and poverty. No doubt our baby clothes donated by the school community are already being put to good use by the families. They filled two suitcases!

You can follow the Parramatta Diocese pilgrimage with your children online at parrayd.org. They may be the pilgrims of the future, spreading love and courage rather than fear and hate.



Inside the Newsletter today is some news about winter uniform that I urge you to read. It's sometimes hard to know what uniform to send the children to school in particularly on days like today when we sadly had to cancel our carnival again! As long as the children are in correct sports or regular school uniform (not a combination of both) it will NEVER matter if they wear the wrong uniform on the wrong day. For the children that may worry about this - a note to the classroom teacher will reassure the child.

With regards, **Lesley Studans**

2017 Enrolments

If you have not yet accepted your child's enrolment for Kindergarten 2017 could you please do so by next Monday, 25th July.
Thank you.

SPORT NEWS...

SPORTS DAYS

Students wear their sports uniform on the following days:

Kindergarten	Wednesday
Year 1	Wednesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Friday
Year 4	Friday
Year 5	Thursday
Year 6	Thursday

HIGH JUMP and DISCUS

HIGH JUMP and DISCUS will NOT be held at the Blacktown Zone Carnival on the 16th August, 2016. If you would like your child to participate in either of these events please supply a copy of their Little Athletics results. To be entered in the high jump, children must meet the qualification height, which will be verified from their Little Athletics Achievement Book.

TERM 3 - STUDENT BANKING

Banking has recommenced for Term 3 each Thursday. If you make 3 or more School Banking deposits in Term 3 you will automatically be entered in a competition for a chance to win one of the Star Saver Prizes, including camping kits, instant cameras and magazine packs.



STAGE 3 PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION NIGHT

A reminder that the Stage 3 Personal Development Information night for parents and children will be held on Tuesday 2nd of August at 6:30 pm. Parents are asked to return the attendance and permission slips to the school as soon as possible. Please note that there was a typographical error on the return slip and the night commences at 6:30pm.

NEW WINTER JUMPER

There is a proposal for a knitted jumper to be included as an option for the winter uniform. At our Parent Group meeting, Mrs Polo will come to show jumper samples in preparation for next year. Please see today's "Out and About" column for important information about our uniform policy.



PARENT GROUP NEWS...



TRIVIA NIGHT

Less than 2 weeks to go until the Trivia Night. It's going to be a lot of fun, with games, prizes, raffles and an auction. Don't miss out, send your RSVP in today. Online forms also available on our Facebook Page "LOOLPG Chat".

LUNCHTIME SALES

We will be selling popcorn and hot chocolate again this term on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for \$1 each. We still have some gaps in our roster though, so if you can spare 2 hours once or twice this term please contact someone from the parent group or email lolpg@hotmail.com. If we can't fill all the spaces we may have to cancel some days.

BUS SHOPPING TRIP

An invitation and information will go home soon for our annual Bus Shopping Trip on Sunday 9th October. If you haven't been before think about coming along as it is a great day out. It's a great opportunity to get some Christmas shopping done or just grab yourself a bargain at one of the many discount warehouses. Friends and family are welcome to come along!



UNIFORM APPOINTMENTS

www.schoolinterviews.com.au
code d299k (lower case)



SCHOOL CENSUS

Our annual School Census will take place on Friday, 5th August. If your child(ren) will be absent from school leading up to or on this day, please inform your child's class teacher in writing. This is an audit requirement. Thank you.

YEAR 3 FAMILY MASS

SUNDAY 24TH JULY

The families of Year 3 will lead the Family Mass this Sunday 24th July at 9:30 a.m. Year 3 are also responsible for providing morning tea for the Parish after Mass. Please send any donations (packaged cakes or biscuits) to the classroom. Everyone, especially families, are welcome to come and celebrate the Eucharist together.



PARISH WINTER SLEEPOUT

What is it?

The OLOL youth are holding the winter sleepout to raise awareness of those in our wider community who are homeless. There will be activities and games as well as testimonies and other reflection activities to assist all those attending understand the plight of those less fortunate in our community and also prompt action through continued future works of mission in our parish and beyond by our youth.

When is it on? And where??

The sleep out will commence on Saturday 6th August after the Vigil Mass (from about 7:00pm) and conclude with the 9:30am Youth Mass on Sunday 7th August. It will be held in the parish hall.

Who can come?

The sleepout is for anyone from Our Lady of Lourdes Parish community, aged 10 and over. It includes members (or prospective members!) of our "Four2Eight" youth group (for kids from Year 4 to Year 8) as well as older members of our senior youth and young adults (from Year 9 upwards).

This activity will be well-supervised but does require volunteer parents and clear parental permission. Details are in a note sent home to Stage 3 students and also from the Parish Office.



OUT AND ABOUT











Welcome back to Term 3.

I hope that parents and students enjoyed the break and are ready for the busy term ahead. The weather over the holidays has been cold and it will be important at the beginning of this term for students to dress warmly to ensure that they remain healthy over coming weeks. We are fortunate at OLOL that our classrooms are air conditioned so we are generally warm when inside but of course it is when we are on the playground before school and at break times that we need to ensure that we are dressed appropriately. At the last Parent Group meeting of last term a number of parents raised concerns re the warmth of the outer jacket which forms part of our winter uniform. They expressed interest in getting a school jumper for added warmth. We have followed up on this request and at our next Parent Group meeting in Week 3 (Wednesday August 3rd) Mrs Beth Polo, who coordinates our uniform shop, will come to the meeting and show samples of jumpers which may form part of the uniform. Unfortunately due to manufacturing constraints these jumpers will not be available until next year and will be sold on a pre-order basis. I encourage as many parents as possible to come to the meeting to have a look at the new addition to our uniform. In the interim, however, it is important that all students wear the correct uniform. Wearing our uniform with pride is about being part of our community and part of our school rules. Our uniform policy is available on the website and is distributed to all parents on enrolment. Therefore only school jackets are permitted to be worn as the outer garment of the uniform. If parents are concerned about warmth then a navy jumper/sloppy joe may be worn under the jacket or thermal wear can be worn under the long sleeve school shirt. Outer jackets, other than the school jacket are not permitted and students will be asked to remove these and wear their school jacket. I am sure that parents will support the wearing of the correct school uniform. It signals pride in being part of our community. If any parents have concerns over our uniform policy please feel free to contact me.

*Carol Cividin
Assistant Principal*



Term 3 Planner

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
July Week 1	18 th Welcome: <i>Miss Rachel Grima</i> <i>Mrs Liz Van Zoggel</i> <i>Mrs Kathy Brown</i>	19 th	20 th ATHLETICS CARNIVAL CANCELLED 	21 st STAGE 3 BOYS SOCCER GALA DAY CANCELLED 	22 nd NSWPSSA Cross Country	23 rd /24 th 9:30am Year 3 Family Mass
July Week 2	25 th Living Eggs Year 1  NSW Golf Tournament STAGE 2 Waste Recycling Excursion	26 th	27 th Blacktown Council Graffiti Talk: Stage 3 Year 2 Grandparents Morning	28 th	29 th 2:00pm Assembly- Stage 3 Parent Group Trivia Night	30 th /31 st
July/ Aug Week 3	1 st Kindergarten Farm Excursion Living Eggs Year 1 	2 nd ICAS English 6:30pm Year 5 Personal Development Evening	3 rd <i>1st Eucharist Parent Meeting</i> <i>7:00pm Parent Group Meeting</i>	4 th Year 6 – Pasta Meal Deal	5 th 2:00pm Assembly- Stage 2	6 th /7 th 9:30am Presentation of Missal – 1 st Eucharist
Aug Week 4	8 th Week of Service	9 th	10 th <i>Miss Mercado returns</i> <i>LOL Voice of Youth School Final</i> <i>2nd Eucharist Parent/Child Meeting</i>	11 th Year 1 Excursion Australian Museum	12 th 9:15am St Mary MacKillop Mass	13 th /14 th 9:30am Presentation of Lord's Prayer – 1 st Eucharist
Aug Week 5	15 th <i>Miss Musgrave returns</i> Feast of the Assumption Mass	16 th ICAS Maths Zone Athletics Carnival	17 th	18 th	19 th VOY Cluster Final – 10am Lalor Park 2:00pm Assembly - ES1/S1	20 th /21 st 8:45am 1 st Eucharist Talk
Aug Week 6	22 nd BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY 	23 rd St Nicholas Netball Gala Day 	24 th <i>6:30pm 1st Eucharist Practice</i>	25 th	26 th Diocesan Athletics Carnival	27 th /28 th <i>Year 5 Family Mass</i>
Aug/ Sept Week 7	29 th	30 th <i>Miss Bentley returns</i>	31 st Fathers' Day Stall <i>6.30pm 2nd Eucharist Practice</i> <i>7:00pm Parent Group Meeting</i>	1 st	2 nd Fathers' Day Breakfast and Open Classrooms 9:15am Fathers' Day Mass	3 rd /4 th Fathers' Day
Sept Week 8	5 th	6 th Maths Parent Evening	7 th	8 th Year 2 Excursion Fairfield Museum	9 th OLOL Olympathon  Year 6 Graduation Sausage Sizzle	10 th /11 th 9:30am Holy Communion Mass 
Sept Week 9	12 th	13 th VOY Western Semi- Final OLOL Seven Hills	14 th	15 th Year 6 Market Day	16 th STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	17 th /18 th 9:30am Holy Communion Mass 
Sept Week 10	19 th Mackillop Athletics Homebush	20 th VOY Grand Final OLOL Seven Hills	21 st	22 nd	23 rd Stage 3 Touch Gala Day  School Closes	24 th /25 th