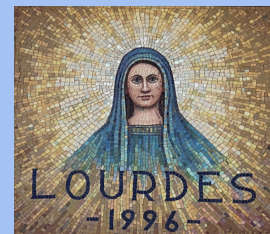




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## Newsletter Term 4 Week 6, 2018

**21ST NOVEMBER, 2018**

### FUTURE DATES

**Friday 23rd November**  
Yrs 3 & 4 Assembly 2pm  
in the hall

**Tuesday 4th December**  
Christmas Concert and  
Awards night from 6.30pm

**Wednesday 5th  
December**  
**Primary Swimming  
Carnival** - 11am - 2pm at  
Blacktown Aquatic Centre  
**Infants** - K-2 Remain at  
school - Water Play Day

**Friday 7th December**  
Parent Thankyou Morning  
Tea from 10.30am - 11am  
Reports go home today

**Thursday 13th  
December**  
Year 6 Graduation Mass  
and End of Year Mass  
Yr 6 Graduation Disco

**Friday 14th December**  
Principal's Morning Tea  
(Students only)

**Tuesday 18th December**  
Students Meet the  
Teacher for 2019

**Last day for  
students for 2018**  
**Wednesday,  
19th December**

**Tuesday 22nd January**  
Uniform shop Open for  
fittings and purchase

**2019 return to  
school**

**Thursday 31st  
January**  
Year 1-6 Resume

**Friday, 1st February**  
Kindergarten 2019 1st  
day of school

### Principal's Message



*Dear Families of Our Lady of Lourdes,*

*This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus.*

*As the Church's liturgical year draws to a close so does the Gospel focus on the writings of St Mark. In his Gospel this Sunday, Jesus is questioned by the disciples regarding the end of time, the end of the world - the end of human occupation of the earth. Jesus says very little in reply to their inquiries, redirecting the disciples to focus on how they have lived their lives.*

*We may ask ourselves, are we living a life highlighted by the Gospel values exhibited in our relationships with others or are we too self-centered and focussed on worldly possessions?*

*Let us reflect on this question as we come into the season of Advent in the next few weeks, reflecting on our lives, repenting for our wrong doings and opening our hearts to the love of God our Father.*

**God Bless,  
Keiran Byrnes**

### PHOTO GALLERY:

See the latest photos  
on the school  
website:



**2018 Creative Arts  
Term 4 Filming**



**2018 Busking for  
Mission**



**2019  
Enrolments**

**We have limited  
spaces available  
in Years 1-6 in  
2019. If you have  
any relatives or  
friends  
considering  
enrolling their  
child at OLOL in  
2019, now is the  
time to remind  
them to place  
their applications  
at the school  
office.**

Dear Parents and Carers

Our Lady of Lourdes recognises that email is a fast and convenient way to communicate with the school or your child's teacher.

As you could appreciate, teachers read their emails at various times throughout the school day. Further, that other than in the case of a genuine emergency, they are generally not expected to respond to emails from parents and students outside of normal working hours. Please keep in mind that if you send an email to a member of our staff outside of normal working hours, a reply may not be received until the following working day.

We appreciate your assistance and understanding.

If you have any questions about this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,  
Keiran Byrnes



### Our Lady of Lourdes Parish SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2019

An information meeting will be held on **Wednesday 5th December** with a repeat of this meeting on **Saturday 8th December** for any parents wishing to enrol their child to celebrate their **Sacraments of**

### **Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2019.**

Children should be in year 3 or older to celebrate these two sacraments.

Information regarding the Sacrament of Confirmation for children in year 6 in 2019 will be provided next year in March. For more information, please contact Judy Barden in the parish office on 96222920 or email [judyb@lol7hills.com.au](mailto:judyb@lol7hills.com.au)

## Facilities at OLOL – Construction Work

Thank you for your cooperation as construction works continue. Though there is some inconvenience during construction we look forward to further improvements to the playground for the children. Progress in the past week includes:

- Laying of synthetic grass surrounding the existing basketball court
- Preparation of ground for the planned section of softfall and playground equipment.



## Holy Communion Photos

are now available for collection from the parish office. If your child celebrated their First Holy Communion this year and did not receive their certificate or photos, please contact Judy in the parish office 96222920 or email

[judyb@lol7hills.com.au](mailto:judyb@lol7hills.com.au)

## Attendance

**Attendance Every Learner Every Day**—Attendance rate for the year to date is **88.7%**. **Our school target is 90%**. As a community we believe that every day counts for every child. Our attendance levels up to and including week 5 are recorded below. Congratulations to Year 4 who are now reaching the school's Target of 90%.

Congratulations to Years 3 and 5 who continue to exceed the schools target of 90% each week.

School Name	School Attendance Level %
Our Lady of Lourdes Primary Seven Hills	88.7%
Scholastic Year	Sch Yr Attendance Level %
K	85.9%
01	86.4%
02	80.7%
03	92.7%
04	91.3%
05	94.2%
06	89.3%



**Congratulations to Week 5 Gold Award Winners:**



**Kinder** Varshith Domaraju  
**Year 1** Matthew Cadavid  
**Year 2** Charlotte Byrne  
**Year 3** Kathryn Andrew  
**Year 4** Philip Park  
**Year 5** Angad Ahuja  
**Year 6** Shany Bento

**Congratulations to Week 6 Gold Award Winners:**



**Kinder** Mikaele Kama  
**Year 1** Avleen Singh  
**Year 2** Brodie Holley  
**Year 3** Chloe Attard  
**Year 4** Nikita Krzeminski  
**Year 5** Jessica Butylewicz  
**Year 6** Daniel Tenn

**Congratulations to the children who received Merit Awards at last Friday's Assembly:**

**KB:** Tyson Mowbray, Evie Kendall, Avirath Gatla, Lachlan Andrew

**KW:** Deng Atem, Sienna Bayeh, Sukhan Insan, Joshua Jeganathan, Lachlan Osborne

**1B:** Juliana Zhu, Elisha Odur, Marshal Millar, James Liaros, Zeel Gilitwala

**1W:** Lucas Watts, Tyrell Crisostomo, Laura Perkins, Saanvi Regmi

**2B:** Danielle Katafono, Alisha Sharma, Syon Shanker, Kara Whybin

**2W:** Eva Layoun, Amber Issanchon, Harmony Cummings-Bron, Javiar Bou Serhal, Himika Chintapatla

**3B:** Ivy Su, Vrinda Kumar, Ashley-Louise Tenn, Ayesha Hidalgo, Richard Zhuang

**3W:** Tahlia Winter, Ellie Cho, Mira Sharma, Demi Tsakos, Andre Roy, Mayanna Watts

**4B:** Xavier Talauta, Isabella delaCruz, Naveen Pannakkal

**4W:** Lewis Savic, Keira Pangilinan, Janet Janet, Jayden Leota

**5B:** Monu Pongji, Jessica Butylewicz, Mason Lanfranca, Diya Dsouza, Timmy Atem

**5W:** Matthew Abdilla, Agnes Biju, Riley Sultana, George Kaur, Charlize AbouYaghi

**6B:** Matthew Shawcross, Douglas Leota, Sophie Stancic

**6W:** Byron Aspin, Kondaliza Azrag, Petar Siljeg, Riley Naing



## Stage 3 Excursion to Sydney Observatory and The Museum of Applied Sciences and Arts

On Monday 5th November, Stage 3 attended an excursion to Sydney Observatory and The Museum of Applied Sciences and Arts in the city. At the Observatory, we were able to explore space during the day. We looked through a safe solar telescope before exploring the universe in a planetarium space theatre! We could see the Sun, bright stars, The Moon and Venus!

At the Museum of Applied Sciences and Arts the journey began in the space shuttle, and what it was like to live and work on the ISS. We then moved into the habitation module, based on a prototype design for the ISS, where we could see how astronauts spent their time when they were not working eg, eating, sleeping, etc. The Space gallery had a life-size replica of the forward section of the space shuttle, an early rocket made by the pioneering scientist Robert Goddard, images from the 'space race' and an actual Moon rock, on loan from NASA. Above us was an amazing collection of satellites and other spacecraft, including one of the world's largest rocket motors and a model of the first artificial satellite, Sputnik-1. There were artifacts such as a Soviet flight suit, a spacesuit and spacecraft emergency equipment. It was such a busy day for all of us but we had a BLAST!







## ARE YOU LEAVING?

If your child/children will not be returning to Our Lady of Lourdes in 2019, would you kindly inform the office as soon as possible. The Catholic Education Office policy relating to the notice required from parents to terminate their children's enrolment in the schools of the Parramatta Diocese, in part states that, "A term's notice (10 weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of any student or a full term's fees will be paid". The notice can be given any time during the term for the next term. A form is available from the school office.

This means that unless the school receives a term's notice no pro rata adjustment will be given for part term tuition. Notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment. In this circumstance the requirement of 10 weeks notice will be waived.

## Technology/ Creative Arts NEWS!



This term in Creative Arts lessons, students in Years 1-6 are undertaking filming activities. Years 1 and 2 are making stick puppet plays for "Where the Wild Things Are" and filming them and editing with iMovie. Students in Years 3 and 4 are learning how to make Stop Motion Films. Year 5 are writing scripts and making undercover news reports with iMovie and Year 6 are filming for their end of school Yearbook. It's been very exciting seeing the enthusiasm of the students with these tasks. Looking forward to seeing the final results! Mrs Willemse

Click here to see more photos of the action:

[2018 Creative Arts Term 4 Filming](#)



# BACK TO SCHOOL



**Tuesday, 29th January**      **Mathematics Assessment Interviews by appointment Years K - 6**

**Wednesday, 30th January**      **Mathematics Assessment interviews by appointment Years K - 6**

**Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> January**      **Years 1 - 6 classes begin for 2019**  
**Kindergarten Mathematics**  
**Assessment interviews by appointment.**

**Friday, 1st February**      **Classes begin for Kindergarten 2019**

**Please note:** A note detailing how to book your Mathematics appointments was sent home last week.



**For the remainder of the year uniform appointments will be available on Thursday's only, both morning and afternoon time slots. If you require any further assistance please contact Mrs Kira Moujalli who will be taking care of the uniform shop while Mrs Aida Almeida is on leave till the end of the year. The uniform shop will cease trading for 2018 on Thursday 6th December, 2018 and will re-open in 2019 dates to be advised.**

If you wish to make an appointment to try-on uniforms please logon to the website:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/login>

**Use the event code: szhv5**

# Mission To Busk:

On Friday November 9, OLOL celebrated Mission Week by starting with a Eucharistic celebration. Through this celebration of Mass we remembered and celebrated the work of our Church as it strives to improve the lives of all people who are physically and spiritually needy.

We then went on to celebrate the gifts and talents of many students in our school through a busking event. We were able to raise \$1059.60 for Catholic Mission. This supports the work that they do to help those less fortunate than ourselves. This event is yet another way that the community of OLOL participates in a Social Justice initiative and raises awareness of the needs of our community and world wide.

Congratulations to everyone for their participation in such a wonderful community event.

**Christmas Concert:** Everyone is invited to attend our Christmas Concert for 2018. All of the children have been rehearsing their songs and we are looking forward to another wonderful community celebration. It will be held in the school grounds on Tuesday December 4 commencing at 6.30pm and the theme is "The True Meaning of Christmas." Please save the date as it will be a night to celebrate student achievement as well.



**Year 6 and End of Year Mass:** This is yet another opportunity to celebrate through the Eucharist. We invite everyone to attend our End of Year Mass where we will be farewelling our current Year 6 students whilst celebrating the wonderful year of learning that we have had. The Mass is on Thursday, 13th December at 9.15am

**Family Mass led by Year 4:** This sunday the students from Year 4 will be leading the community in prayer at our Family Mass at 9.30am. Students have been asked to do the Readings of the Day and the Prayers of the Faithful as well as the Offertory procession. All families of OLOL are warmly invited to support the school and the community with this. Year 4 families are asked to provide something for morning tea after the Mass and we will also need some helpers to serve this. Please leave your offerings for morning tea in the hall kitchen before Mass starts.

