



OLOG eNewsletter Term 1 Week 8

Important Dates

Harmony Day
Friday 21 March 2025

National Ride to School Day
Friday 21 March 2025

Learning Conversations 24/3 - 28/3
Monday 24 March 2025

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Monday 24 March 2025

SACPSSA Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 25 March 2025

Simple Living Day
Thursday 27 March 2025

Dentist Visit
Monday 31 March 2025

School Board Meeting @ 7:00pm
Monday 31 March 2025

Dentist Visit
Tuesday 1 April 2025

Dentist Visit
Wednesday 2 April 2025

SPORTS DAY - Sacred Heart College (Marcellin Campus)
Friday 4 April 2025

Holy Week Liturgies - 7/4 - 10/4
Monday 7 April 2025

P&F Hot Cross Bun Recess
Thursday 10 April 2025

Last Day Term 1
Thursday 10 April 2025

PUPIL FREE DAY
Friday 11 April 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL - JOSETTE CHARLES



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Picture a bird with some yarn tied to its leg stopping it from flying and living its full life. It doesn't matter how thin or thick the yarn is, it has a terrible effect on the poor bird. I read recently a challenge to reflect on what attachments are tying us down and stopping us from living the full lives we should. These attachments can be as small as a late night snack, tuning regularly into gossip or spending time on a game instead of with the family.

The Season of Lent the Catholic Church began two weeks ago and invites us to examine our lives and identify those attachments that stop us from being the people God dreams us to be. Lent invites us to turn back to prayer, fasting and acts of kindness as we try to live as followers of

Jesus.

(Lent) is a growing season. It requires us to determine what is worth dying for in our own lives and what it may be necessary for us to become if we really want to live.

- Joan Chittister



SCHOOL ROUTINES

Giving our children clear expectations and routines is a key factor in providing a safe and supportive learning environment for our students. The way we start and end the day are two of our most important routines.

Coming to school well rested, having eaten breakfast and with all the items needed for the day is a great support to engaged learning and successful playtimes. Having their hat and lots to eat throughout the day is also very important for our children.

Children are not permitted to be at school before 8:30am which is when school gates open and supervision begins. Having your child dropped and left on the footpath here before that time puts their safety at risk.

When the school gates open many of our children really benefit from this chance to interact with their friends and let out some energy before the school day begins.

All children are permitted to play on the Courts and green area. The Library is open from 8:30am and parents are welcome to bring their child into the library and read a book or borrow books.

If you can't make it on time for a play before school, please try to have your child here for the 8:48am bell. The beginning of the day in class is where the teachers explain what to expect so this is a very valuable time to be at school.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions about these routines or would like some support.

NAPLAN 2025

I would also like to extend my congratulations to our students in Years 3 and Year 5 for their diligent approach to NAPLAN testing this week. Thank you to our dedicated teachers in supporting our students with NAPLAN: Ms Sue Spicer, Mr Evans, Ms Edwards and Ms MacIntosh.

The NAPLAN data we receive next term will provide us with deep insights into student progress in Literacy and Numeracy. It will also help our teachers identify opportunities to refine our teaching programs for the years ahead.

Before NAPLAN 2025 fades from our consciousness, here is one last quote from Dr Seuss on the importance of reading:

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

HARMONY DAY

This Friday 21st March, we invite all students to wear ONE orange item of clothing with their uniform as we recognise Harmony Day (which is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism).

Harmony Day is a national celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. It's all about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

At OLOG, students will be celebrating Harmony Day with prayers, activities, and a focus on cultural diversity and influential figures.



FROM THE APRIM/LEADER OF LEARNING- Debbie Scuteri



St Patrick's Day

On Monday March 17th we celebrated St Patrick's Day.

St Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland was well known for bringing Christianity to parts of Ireland and is celebrated around the world with festivities and wearing of green.

Staff wore green on Monday and students participated in various activities including making shamrocks. A shamrock is a three leaf clover, a symbol of Ireland often associated with St Patrick and the concept of the Trinity.

The word shamrock comes from the Irish "seamrog", meaning "little clover".

Feast of St Joseph

Yesterday March 19th was the feast of St Joseph, the Husband of Mary.

We can see from his actions in scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man, and obedient to the will of God. He also loved Mary and Jesus and wanted to protect and provide for them.

His life serves as an example of trust in God, humility, and selfless service.



Social Justice Leaders

I am excited to announce our Year 6 Social Justice Leaders;

Tonti Ifediora, Zane Couch, Mason Pidgeon, Layla Quirk, Eliza Hawthorn and Emilia Williamson.

This group have been so enthusiastic so far helping me with Project Compassion, raising awareness, putting up our display outside the Library and other organisational activities.

I am looking forward to working with this group throughout the year.

Project Compassion 2025- Unite Against Poverty

As part of our Lenten journey, we are once again supporting Caritas's Australia's Project Compassion. Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. As individuals we can help others, but when we come together through Project Compassion, our good becomes great.

This year we launched Project Compassion at our Ash Wednesday Mass (Years 3-6) and Ash Wednesday Liturgy (Reception-Year 2).

Each class received a big classroom Project Compassion Box.

We are encouraging our students to donate money through their classroom Project Compassion Boxes.

Check out our tally of money raised for each class on our Project Compassion Display outside the Library. For more information about Project Compassion, visit www.caritas.org.au

Second Week of Lent

This week we will share a story from Project Compassion that highlights the incredible impact of Caritas Australia's work. This week we introduce **Toefuata'iga** - (*Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah*) 13-year-old student from Samoa.

Toefuata'iga's school community struggled without reliable access to clean water, which impacted students' education and hygiene. Teachers often had to leave the school to fetch water from nearby homes, disrupting lessons and adding strain to the community. When the water ran out at the school, students were sent home which meant they missed out on valuable learning time.

Thanks to the support of Caritas Australia in partnership with Caritas Samoa, Toefuata'iga's school now has a 10,000 L water tank through a Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) program. Teachers and students are now able to focus on education and improved hygiene.

This transformative story is just one example of how Caritas Australia's Project Compassion creates waves of change around the world.

[Watch Toefuata'iga's story here.](#)

Will you stand with students like Toefuata'iga this Lent?



Simple Living Day



As we continue our focus on Lent and supporting those in need, students are invited to participate in Simple Living Day next Thursday 27th March.

The cost of Simple Living Day is \$5.00 for a plain bread roll and plain rice.

Payment can be made via the Qkr App.

Money raised will be donated to Caritas Project Compassion providing life changing support to communities facing poverty, food insecurity, lack of education and water shortages.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Joy and Blessings

Debbie Scuteri

APRIM/Inclusive Education Coordinator

Humanities and Social Sciences in the Reception Classroom

As part of the HaSS Curriculum (Humanities and Social Sciences) our Reception students have been studying special places in their community and how we care for them.



SCHOOL TOUR SUCCESS

Well done to our Student Voice Leaders who have been actively involved in our recent school tours, with one family commenting "The students did a great job!" and another family commenting "the students are so passionate and know a lot about their school..."



FROM THE FINANCE MANAGER- Kerri Rowell

OLOG Fee Statements have been published to the Community Portal, please review your statement for accuracy and to ensure all planned instalments are correct.

Thank you to those families that have established 2025 payment plans. If you have not yet established your payment plan kindly contact Finance Manager Kerri Rowell to discuss.

**** Reminder **up front payment discount of 4% applies on the net 2025 tuition fee for accounts paid in full by 31st March 2025**

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Low income fees are provided to families/caregivers who are eligible for School Card. applications are available online via <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

COMMUNITY PORTAL

The Community Portal can be accessed via the following link <https://cesa-portal.civicaed.com.au/>

Registration to the Portal is via emailed invitation from noreply@civicacloud.com.au (please check your junk or spam Inbox).

Invitations to the Portal were issued Monday 18/3/2025.

If you are experiencing difficulty managing your fees or if you have any queries regarding your account or payment plan, please contact Kerri Rowell on 8177 9100 or finance@olog.catholic.edu.au

FROM THE PE TEACHER - MR MYLONAS

SPORTS DAY: FRIDAY 4TH APRIL

Dear Families,

With Sports Day just around the corner, we wanted to share a quick reminder and some additional information to ensure everyone is ready for a fantastic day!

Key Details:

- **Date:** Friday, 4th April
- **Location:** Sacred Heart College Senior School Oval (MARCELLIN CAMPUS)
- **Start Time:** 9:00 am (students to arrive by 8:45 am for roll call)
- **Conclusion:** 1:00pm
- Reminder there is no OSHC being offered as OLOG school grounds will be closed for the day.

Parking:

- **PARKING IS PROHIBITED in the carpark next to the GYM. These spaces are for the staff and students attending Sacred Heart College.**
- Please do not park across the emergency access gates (on Cudmore Terrace)
- Parking can be a little hectic in the morning so please give yourself time and park a little further away. Gates will be open off Slade street to help ease student / parent pick-up drop off.

Event Schedule:

- **Reception to Year 2:** Tabloid-based activities (sack races, running relays, soccer and football kicks, 50m sprints)
- **Year 3-6:** Traditional Sports Day events
 - **Running Events:** 100m, 200m, 400m, 60m hurdles, and 800m
 - **Field Events:** High Jump, Quoit-Discus Throw, Vortex
 - **Relays:** Year level house relays and the Super Relay

Additional Information:

- Students should wear their **house colours** and suitable footwear.
- Please ensure your child has a **hat, water bottle, sunscreen, and recess** to stay sun-safe.
- Families are welcome to attend and cheer on the participants.

Food & Drinks:

We are excited to have **Rolling Naples** joining us with their delicious pizzas! You can purchase **pizza slices or whole pizzas** on the day. Be sure to sample their wonderful products!

P&F Cake Stall: Please remember to support our hard working P&F Committee by purchasing cakes / biscuits and lollies.

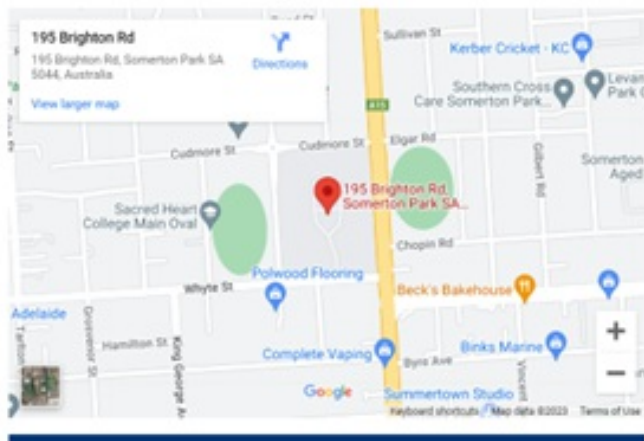
Note: If providing food to your child, please do so after their events are completed.

Thank you for your support in making this day special for our students. We can't wait to see everyone there!

Regards,

Mr. M

Marcellin Campus (Years 10 - 12)



SEDA College Cricket Academy



FROM THE OSHC COORDINATOR - Franca Brigante

Please read the latest Newsletter from Camp Australia.

Do you require OSHC on the Pupil Free Days? Please refer to the attached flyers for information about booking a place on our Pupil Free Day on Friday 11th April 2025.

OSHC Pupil Free Day: 11th April

FROM THE LIBRARY ASSISTANT - Amber Mangan

A few dates upcoming in the library for you to write in your calendars.

Orders Due 21st of March - Scholastic Book Club

Book Club Issue 2 has been delivered and given out to families. Issue 2 orders are due to close on the 21st of March. Order before this date so you don't miss out! Every order made on this issue will receive a \$5 promo code to be used toward Issue 3. Purchases can be made through the LOOP app, available on the App Store or Google Play. If you have any questions, feel free to email me or catch me in the library before school!

Wednesday 21st of May – National Simultaneous Storytime.

We're excited to announce that our school will be participating in National Simultaneous Storytime again this year! This special event, where schools across Australia read the same book at the same time, celebrates the joy of reading and promotes literacy. This year's book, Truck Cat by Deborah Frenkel and Danny Snell, is now available in the library for you to read along with your child.

Runs Until 7th of September – Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Premiers' Reading Challenge is now underway and will run until 7th September. Forms have been given out by your child's class teacher to help track reading progress at home, and spares are kept in the library. This is a great opportunity to encourage reading and celebrate the love of books as a family. Please encourage your child to finish all 12 books and hand their form into the library to help their class be the first class to finish the reading challenge at OLOG.

Week 8 – Harmony Week

Celebrate Harmony Week with us in Week 8! We're focusing on diversity and inclusion, with exciting activities in the library for all students. Join us before school and during lunch for fun, creative events that celebrate different cultures and promote understanding. Don't miss the chance to learn, share, and make new friends in a welcoming space!

Library Opening Hours and Borrowing Times:

Our OLOG Library is open for families to read, return or borrow books from 8:30am every morning. Lunchtime on Monday and Tuesday we also offer games and fun activities.

Class borrowing times are posted on the Library door, and please remember for our younger years - NO BAG, NO BORROWING.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS COMMITTEE NEWS

SAVE THE DATE:

P&F CAKE STALL- Sports Day: Friday 4th April. We are asking for donations of cakes, biscuits, slices and lollies which can be sold at the P&F Cake Stall on the day.

Kindly ensure that all food products **include a legible ingredient list** for safety and allergy information.

Hot Cross Bun Recess: Thursday 10th April (orders will open on Qkr! shortly)

QUIZ NIGHT: SATURDAY 28TH JUNE - . Sacred Heart College (Marcellin Campus).

If you are a business or know of a business who would like to donate prizes / gift vouchers / any type of prize we would love to hear from you. Prizes will be awarded to best dressed table and we are hoping to have a wine wall, plus plenty of prizes to be won on the night.

Please contact Sara Cox scox@olog.catholic.edu.au if you are able to assist.

Our Mission:

To support the school by organizing events and activities that enhance the school experience for students and families.

To raise funds for additional resources and opportunities that benefit the school community.

To provide a platform for parents and caregivers to engage with the school in a meaningful way.

How Can You Get Involved?

Attend our meetings and share your ideas

Volunteer at our events

Help with fundraising activities

Support other parents and families by being part of a welcoming community

We always welcome new members to join and contribute in any way they can. Every parent's involvement, no matter how big or small, makes a significant difference!

Meetings:

Please check the school's newsletter or our P&F social media for the upcoming dates (To be advised in our following newsletter).

How to Join: If you're interested in being a part of the committee or would like more information, please contact us via scox@olog.catholic.edu.au. We would love to have you involved!

STUDENT ABSENTEEISM REMINDER

Informing the school of absences

If your child is not going to be at school due to illness, or will be late due to an appointment, it is imperative that you inform the school by:

- Phoning the 24 hour student absentee phone number: 8177 9191 before 8.55am; or
- Completing the absentee form in the Audiri app; or
- By emailing the class teacher or olog@olog.catholic.edu.au

Advance Notice of Absence / absence of more than five (5) days

For advance notice of your child's absence, please complete the Application for Exemption from School Enrolment/Attendance Form, which is available from the Front Office.

Unexplained absence

If a child is not present and the school has not received an absentee call or email by 9:30am, the office will contact parents (generally via text) to ascertain the student's whereabouts.

If your child is late

If your child arrives after 8:55am, they will need to enter through the Front Office and be signed in manually by a parents/caregiver via the IPAD (Passtab), then go to the classroom. If this process is not followed and the student has been marked as absent, an automated text message will be generated.

Early Departure

Should any child need to leave the school grounds during school hours e.g. dental/doctor appointment, parental permission must be given. All students must be signed out at the Front Office by their parent/caregiver before leaving the school.



PARENT CALENDAR & KEY DATES

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School Uniform Policy

Please remember all uniform orders can be made through Qkr! f
OLOG UNIFORM POLICY



COMMUNITY PORTAL INFORMATION

Invitations have now been sent to the OLOG Community.

Look out for your invitation email from noreply@civicacloud.com.au

Once activated you can access the Community Portal from

<https://cesa-portal.civicaed.com.au/>

You might find it useful to Bookmark this page for ease of future access, or check OLOG website for the Portal link.

If you need your invitation resent, wish to update your email, did not receive an invitation email, or simply have a few questions please contact our admin team on 8177 9100 or via email olog@olog.catholic.edu.au

Icy Thursday - Week 3 - Week 10



Orders via Qkr!

FAMILY LENTEN JOURNEY

Family Lenten Journey

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 1	1. Ash Wednesday LENT BEGINS TODAY.	2. Shows Tuesday Prayer intention: Justice	3. Ash Wednesday Prayer intention: Justice	4. Ash Wednesday Prayer intention: Justice	5. Lent Is it the journey of prayer, fasting and giving, it begins on Ash Wednesday and prepares Christians for Easter by focusing on faith, repentance and endurance.	6. Lent Set up a prayer book in your home to pray for the intentions of the season.	7. Lent Prayer intention: Justice
Week 2	8. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	9. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	10. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	11. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	12. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	13. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	14. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice
Week 3	15. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	16. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	17. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	18. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	19. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	20. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	21. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice

Catholic School Parents SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Family Lenten Journey

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 4	22. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	23. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	24. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	25. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	26. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	27. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	28. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice
Week 5	29. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	30. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	31. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	32. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	33. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	34. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice	35. St. Patrick's Day Prayer intention: Justice

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