



OLOG eNewsletter Term 2 Week 8

Important Dates

T3 Reception final transition Visit @ 9:00am - 2:30pm
Friday 21 June 2024

School Board Meeting @ 7:00pm
Monday 24 June 2024

Year 5/6EB Learning Conversations
Monday 24 June 2024

Year 5/6EB Learning Conversations
Tuesday 25 June 2024

Year 5/6EB Learning Conversations
Wednesday 26 June 2024

Hot Chocolate Wednesday @ Recess
Wednesday 26 June 2024

Whole School Mass @ 9:15am
Thursday 27 June 2024

Year 5/6EB Learning Conversations
Thursday 27 June 2024

Pop-Up Playgroup @ 9:15am
Friday 28 June 2024

Year 5/6EB Learning Conversations
Friday 28 June 2024

SACPSSA Netball Carnival (Year 5/6)
Monday 1 July 2024

Semester 1 Reports sent home
Tuesday 2 July 2024

Whole School Prayer (led by Year 1/2) @ 8:55am
Wednesday 3 July 2024

Hot Chocolate Wednesday @ Recess
Wednesday 3 July 2024

Last Day Term 2
Friday 5 July 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL - Josette Charles



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

At OLOG we promote the development of the whole person and understand that young people need to be supported in their physical, spiritual and emotional growth. But first and foremost, we are a place of learning and understand that helping our students reach their academic potential is essential. One of our OLOG Way Values is to be an excellent learner.

As we charge full steam ahead towards the end of Semester One, it is timely to look at our reporting processes at OLOG. Throughout each academic year, we have many opportunities to report both formally and informally to you as parents about your child's progress. Late in Term 1, families were invited to participate in Learning Conversations with your child. In the last week of the term, your child's report card will be sent home on Tuesday 2 July.

Along with these formal opportunities for reporting on progress, we always welcome parents and teachers to be in contact with each other in a spirit of partnership, to ensure that everyone is on the same page regarding your child's education.

Learning Potential, <https://www.learningpotential.gov.au/> a website published by the Australian Government, provides some excellent information for parents about school reports. It details that report cards are a great tool to help parents understand how your child is going at school, and importantly they can be used to start a conversation with your child about their learning. Here are some tips to help you analyse and discuss the upcoming reports with your child:

- Stay positive - when reading your child's report card, try to emphasise the positive. Praise your child for their improvement and achievements - and try to be specific with your praise. For example, "I'm really pleased with your progress in science. I can see you have been working hard."
- Focus on effort, not grades - try not to focus too much on the grades your child receives. When children are too focussed on their marks, they can develop a 'grade orientation' rather than a 'learning orientation' - and can become less likely to enjoy learning and to challenge themselves. Recognise your child's hard work even if it is not reflected in their marks. The teacher's comments can often tell you more about the effort your child is making at school than the results. For example, "Your teacher says you have really been concentrating and completing your learning tasks in Mathematics this term. I'm proud of you."
- Every child is different - Try not to compare your child's report to that of an older sibling or friends. Your child is unique and shines in their own areas. Boost your child's self-esteem by concentrating on the things they have excelled in, where they have tried the hardest and where they have shown the most improvement.
- Talk about it - it is a good opportunity to use your child's report card to talk to your child about how they are feeling about school. Ask your child what they think about school, their subjects and their report card. If your child raises any concerns, offer your support to help make a plan to address them. For instance, if your child wants to improve their mathematical skills, you can help them to set realistic weekly goals, like setting aside 10 minutes a day to focus on revision or review.
- Valuable learning tool - your child's report card is a great indicator of academic areas your child is excelling at and where they can improve. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's report or their progress, or if there are any areas where your child needs some support, contact their teacher - they can tell you what they can do at school to support your child's learning and how you can help at home.

The Leadership Team has the privilege of reading all student reports. Whilst it is a big task, it is something I thoroughly enjoy doing. I am always proud of student achievement, big or small, and take delight in being able to talk to them about what I have read in those incidental conversations whilst in classrooms or the playground.

Learning Conversations will be offered for parents and students in Term 3, Week 2. Should you wish to meet earlier to discuss your child's progress or learning goals, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a suitable time to meet. OLOG teachers have done a superb job in capturing student progress and goals.

Staffing Update:

- Welcome to Amii O'Connor who commences her new role on Monday as Front Admin/Receptionist. Amii brings experience in working within Admin and Front Office. She has recently been working in health and alongside specialists.
- Mr Artiom Evans is on family leave until the end of the term. Mr Mylonas and Mrs Scuteri will be teaching in Year 5/6AE

- Mrs Laura Giralamo will be on family leave with her family from Wednesday 26 June and returning Monday 19 August. Miss Bella Triglau- Phillips has been appointed to RecSB replacing Ms Giralamo. Bella brings EY teaching experience and will continue the teaching and learning as planned by Ms Giralamo.
- Miss Easton - Music Performing Arts teacher is finishing at the end of the semester. Miss Easton has brought gifts of music and performing arts to all students. Miss Easton also works in another school and this has become difficult balancing more than one school. We thank Miss Easton and wish her well. Mr Mylonas will continue his specialist work with performing arts/dance.
- Miss Lily Nichols has commenced her new role at OLOG as ESO . Lily also works at OLOG OSHC and has transitioned in her role working with staff and students.

Peace and Blessings

Josette Charles

Principal

FROM THE APRIM/LEADER OF LEARNING- Debbie Scuteri



Sacramental Program

The following children have been preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation over the past few weeks; **Ava Newbold, James Newbold, Indianna Gianquitto, Daniel Johnson, Oliver Buljan, Edrielle Miro and Lewis McCheane.**

Next Wednesday 26th June at 7:00pm, they will celebrate their Confirmation with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and Father John at Our Lady of Victories Church.

We wish them all the best as they take this next step in their faith journey.

Pyjama Day

Thank you to everyone who donated money to our annual Pyjama Day.

We raised over \$870, which is an amazing effort.

Money raised will be donated to Hutt St Centre for the homeless.

To give you an idea of what our money will provide;

- \$30 Can provide a Winter Warmer Pack
- \$55 Can help provide two days of nutritious breakfasts and warming lunches
- \$130 Helps seven people access weekly social connection programs to rebuild confidence
- \$200 Can provide a month of essential health and wellbeing support

Not only did we have the opportunity to enact our pillar of Service to make a difference to those who are experiencing homelessness, we also enjoyed having a day at school in our pyjamas and eating our delicious cornflake cookie from Cliff St Bakery.

Refugee Week 16-22 June

Prayer for Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Lord,

No one is a stranger to you

And no one is ever far from your loving care

In your kindness watch over refugees and asylum seekers,

those separated from their loved ones, those who are lost,

and those who have been exiled from their homes.

Bring them safely to the place where they long to be,

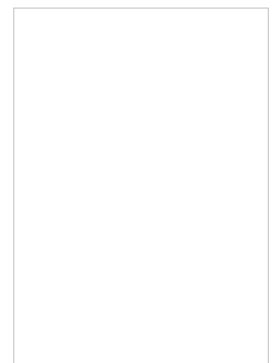
And help us always to show your kindness to strangers and those in need.

Amen

Year 5/6 Mass St Peter and St Paul

Our final mass of Term 2 is the Year 5/6 Mass 27th June @ 9:15am.

Parents, grandparents and parishioners are welcome to attend.



Joy and Blessings

Debbie Scuteri

APRIM/Inclusive Education Coordinator



Welcome Amii and Thankyou Liza

Next week we welcome Amii O'Connor to OLOG.

Amii will be taking on the role of Reception and Office administration from Monday and brings an extensive experience having worked in administrative roles in university and medical settings. We are excited to welcome Amii to the OLOG team and community.

Amii's commencement now allows Liza Wescombe to transition into her new dual role as WHS Safeguarding Administration and classroom support. Liza carries with her over 20 years of valued work at OLOG and has seen many changes over that time as well as having welcomed and supported many OLOG families, children and staff. This is undoubtedly a significant contribution to OLOG and one we are pleased to see grow and evolve.

So while you won't see Liza's beautiful smile each day at the front desk you will still see her in her new role around the school.

We wish both Liza and Amii well as they commence in their respective roles



FROM THE FINANCE MANAGER- Kerri Rowell

Community Portal - Coming Soon

OLOG are planning to pilot the Catholic Education SA Community Portal

The Community Portal will provide a secure centralised platform where parents/caregivers can access important school information, including fee, payments, academic records, demographic and medical information related to their child/ren.

Stay tuned in the coming weeks to discover more information about this import initiative and how you can benefit and join the Community Portal

FROM THE LIBRARY ASSISTANT - Amber Mangan

Refugee Week is Australia's peak annual activity to promote greater awareness of refugees, the issues they face and the contributions refugees are making to the Australian community.

Students have been taking part in a collaborative art project to commemorate Refugee Week. Stay Tuned to see the final result.



DEBATING TEAM NEWS

Once again, we have a group of Year 6 students competing in the Debating SA competition. This year the team is: Rayza Shrestha, Solara Govinden, April Prasai, lyla Gracin and Jasmin Gillies.

We have participated in 2 debates so far. The topic for the first one was That Self Serve at Supermarkets is a Good Idea. We were the negative team. The team we were supposed to debate against forfeited, which meant we debated against the adjudicator.

The topic for our second debate was That schools should provide free lunches for students. Once again we were the affirmative. The debate was close and we had some good feedback from the adjudicator.

Our next debate is next week, and the topic is That schools should adopt a four day week. We will be the affirmative team for this.

The girls have put a lot of effort into their debates and I am looking forward to seeing their growth as public speakers.

Ms Mac

Debating Coordinator



SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to Olivia Raymond who recently competed at the SAPSASA Cross Country Championships. Olivia finished a very commendable 8th in her age group and was also part of the gold medal winning South West District Team.

Well done Olivia!



OLOG UNIFORM REMINDER



Just a reminder to families that our new style uniform will become **compulsory from 2025 Term 1**.

Older style uniforms may still be worn throughout this year 2024.

Winter stock is in and OLOG beanies are still available.

Jump on QKR for all your uniform orders.

OLOG UNIFORM POLICY

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.



TERM 2 2024 PARENT CALENDAR & KEY DATES



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NEW CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

**Applications for Year 7, 2027
will now close on Friday
20 September, 2024.**

Please submit your application for
enrolment if your child is in Year 4,
by the end of Term 3.





CLEAN AIR AT SCHOOL

Smoking and vaping are banned at this site
including within 10m of the boundary

Tobacco and E-Cigarette
Products Act 1997



Government of
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