Greetings!

I am sure that you are aware that Sunday is Mother’s Day. We have been focusing on this as our Weekly Theme and today I thought I would let the children talk for all of us.

The Kindergarten teachers have sent me some (not all of them) of the many responses the children have given to what they love about their mum. Here they are.....

I love walking in the garden with my Mummy....Isabella KC
My Mum and I love looking at the butterflies. ...Natasha KC
I love having ice cream with my Mum......Keira KB
I love looking at rainbows with my Mummy...Poppy KB
I love dancing in the rain with my Mum...Aspen KG
I love finding treasure with my Mum under the rainbow..Elina KG
Mum and I love swimming at the beach...KG
My Mum is soooo beautiful....Holly KC
I love my Mum...Sarah KB
That’s a rainbow cause I love my Mummy....Charlotte KB
I love my Mummy so much...Mary-Jane KC
I love washing the dishes with my Mummy.....Amelia KB
I love my Mum...Kieran KC
My Mummy looks after me....Luke KB
My Mum and I go to the park...Andrew KG

I hope that all of our mums have a lovely day on Sunday.

Thank you to our P & F mums who organised the Mother’s Day gift stall and to the mums who have helped with the sorting and presentation of the gifts.

Best wishes,
John Spradbrow

THANK YOU / PUPIL FREE DAY

Thank you for your help with the supervision of the children last week, we spent the day looking at the new English Syllabus from the National Curriculum.

This was an extra pupil free day provided by the diocese for teachers to familiarise themselves with the new curriculum which will be introduced next year.

We will have our Term 2 Pupil Free Day on Monday June 17th. We will continue our literacy work with the staff and also spend some time looking at Maths.

Thank you for your support.

IMPORTANT DATES 2013

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CROSS COUNTRY CAPERS

Yesterday saw a hardy band of 46 OLOR children (and an equally hardy entourage of parents and grandparents) head off to the Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country Championships at Eastern Creek Raceway. Competing in eight age division races of approx. 150 competitors from 27 schools per event, our team came away at day’s end with an impressive collection of individual and team accomplishments.

A top eight placing qualifies a runner to advance to the NSWCPs Cross Country Championships to be held later this year. Ten of our children have achieved this and their names are listed below.

In addition to this, team pennants are awarded for each of the 8 age groups. Our OLOR team finished the day with three age division pennants...almost half of those on offer!!!

Equally as impressive was the fact that 28 of our runners finished in the top 25% of competitors with many more in the next 25%. A result that is testament to both the tenacity and overall fitness of our children.

For me though, the highlight of the day was the manner in which all children competed and encouraged each other no matter where they crossed the finish line. They were excellent ambassadors for both school and family. Congratulations everyone on a fantastic day. I’m proud of each and every one of you.

Many thanks to all the parents who assisted in a variety of capacities: transport, car-park marshalling, result recording, boosting disappointed runners etc. We could not operate days like this without your generosity of spirit. Thanks also to Mrs Walter and Mrs Hunt who took on more official roles during the day.

We’ll be acknowledging all our results at this Friday’s afternoon assembly.

Team Pennants:

10 Year Boys: Dane Papenhuyzen, Braith Sandy, Byron Ginn, Adrian Cabral, Alex Pedder, Ante Susnjar
11 Year Girls: Olivia Kalocsai, Alyssa Schlyder, Elizabeth Staples, Kaitlyn Rozic, Tiarne Ekstrom, Tamara Blair
12 Year Girls: Maddison Martinuzzo, Emily Mooney, Sophie Cappello, Natali Kelava, Sinead Leahy, Gabby Mizzi

Individual Top Eight Places:

8/9 Boys: Thomas Shirrock – 8th
8/9 Girls: Kaylie Shannon – 4th
10 Boys: Dane Papenhuyzen – 4th
10 Boys: Braith Sandy – 7th
10 Girls: Phoebe Hunt – 5th
11 Boys: Noah Casserly – 8th
11 Girls: Olivia Kalocsai – 1st
11 Girls: Alyssa Schlyder – 3rd
12 Boys: Harrison Johnston – 7th
12 Girls: Maddison Martinuzzo – 6th

Great effort across the board,

Mark Devlin

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

The Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion is on again.

Earlier this year we took delivery of lots of maths, science and music resources that we gained from the promotion last year.

Please send your stickers in if you are a Woolworths shopper. We have arranged for a school box at the Kellyville shop as well as a box in the school office.


Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

LIBRARY LOOK

Don’t forget Premier’s Reading Challenge is now underway for 2013. Please encourage the children to start reading PRC books and recording them online; 30 books for K-2 and 20 books for years 3-6.

Please have your child see their teacher if they need to be given their logins and passwords again. The logins are the same as last year if you still have them.

The Library is open before school Monday – Thursday if they wish to swap their PRC books. When your child is finished, please have them pop into the library to pick up a permission note for you to sign and send back in for validation of their record.

Unlike previous years, the Kindergarten and Year 1 students won’t be given a list of titles to enter. They will have to complete the Challenge with you. Don’t hesitate to give us a call if you have any questions.

Our plastic bag supply is getting low, if anyone has any bags they can send in, it would be much appreciated.

Mrs Julie Walter – Teacher Librarian
Mrs Tracy Hunt – Library Assistant

YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS (with Fr Joe)

Year 7 Enrolments will be over five sessions in the new OLOR hall.

For Marian College only, the following 4 dates are available:
(1) Wed. 1 May at 10am and (2) at 7.30pm
(3) Thurs. 16 May at 10am and (4) at 7.30pm

For Marian College and all other high school enrolments there will be a session on Thurs. 30 May at 7.30pm

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS
(with Fr Joe)

For Kindergarten 2014 at OLOR all families must attend one of the 4 following meetings:
(1) Wednesday 19th June at 10am or(2) at 7.30pm
(3) Thursday 27th June at 10am or (4) at 7.30pm.

Parents are to take their Record of Enrolment Applicant’s Interview with the Parish Priest with them to this Meeting.
SIBLING ENROLMENT INTERVIEW

Sibling Kindergarten Interviews for 2014 will be held on Wednesday 29 May. We currently have a number of interview times available with our Kindergarten teachers.

Please go to the website address www.schoolinterviews.com.au then enter the event code: BUYXJ
Next enter your details, select a Kindy teacher (Mrs Bamford, Mrs Gilmour or Mrs Cain) and choose an available interview time.

We would appreciate if you could complete this process as soon as possible so we can finalise details. Thank you.

SCHOOL FEES

Term 2 School fees have now been issued and are due on the 3rd June 2013.
Please arrange for payment to be made by this date or if you have any queries regarding your account please contact Mrs Fran Harris-Walker on 9629 2566.
Also, if you have any payment arrangements in place please ensure these are up to date. Thank you.

OLOR KNITTING CLUB 2013

During the last three years OLOR has been involved with Social Justice Issues. The knitting club has been one way of raising awareness and helping others in need.

The Knit Club has made woollen blankets for the homeless and donated these to St Vincent De Paul. Once again we are inviting students to become part of the Knit Club.

We know that a lot of children do not know how to knit but we have got a lot of teachers who can help us. We are sure that there are also a lot of parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles and friends of OLOR who can also help out.

Every TUESDAY and THURSDAY at lunch time we will ask those children interested to come to 4B and 5C to knit squares or learn how to knit squares. You will need some 4mm knitting needles, 8 ply yarn, a little bit of time and a caring heart. The knitting pattern will be available from the knitting club. We are hoping to make a lot of squares and then ask some clever adults to put them together to make some blankets.

If you are interested in participating in the OLOR Knitting Club please contact Mrs Davison.

MOTHER’S DAY

You are invited to attend the Mother’s Day Liturgy hosted by Kindergarten on Friday 10th May at 2pm in the School Hall. Please come along and join us for the Liturgy followed by the drawing of the Mother’s Day Raffle and Light Afternoon Tea. We hope to see you there.

Mother’s Day gifts

For those children that missed yesterday’s order deadline there will be a limited quantity of gifts available to purchase on Thursday and Friday. Cost is $8.

WALK IN WEEK – END FUNDRAISING

Mrs Hunt and Mrs Gilmour are participating in the 60Km Walk in Week – End to end Women’s Cancers on 9th/10th November.

All money raised will benefit all women’s cancers. A cause that has affected all of us in some way.

Watch this space for ways to help us reach our targets.
OLOR SCHOOL WORKING BEE
SATURDAY 18TH MAY, 2013

Dear OLOR Parents,

As most of you will be aware Stage 1 of the Grounds Improvements was completed over the School Holidays, I think we can all agree that it is 100% improvement already. We do, however, need to call on the fabulous Community Spirit that is so much a part of our school, to help us with Stage 2. This is a reminder to all parents that we will be having a working bee on Saturday 18th May 2013 to help get the area ready to put in our new seating and play equipment.

We need dads (and mums!) to come with Tools, Wheelbarrows and their sleeves rolled up to get the area prepared.

If anyone has any of the following items could you please bring them along:

- High pressure cleaner (for cleaning concrete surface under the shade sail & school hall area)
- Angle Grinder
- Hammer Drill with drill bits
- 12mm spanners (for removing old seating, building and installing new table settings)
- Buckets (for both cleaning table settings and mixing cement)
- Trowel
- Cleaning cloths/rags
- Detergent
- Wheelbarrow

The aim for the working bee is to remove the current seating and fill in any gaps with Quick Dry Cement. Construct and Install the new Table Settings and we will hopefully be installing the additional playground equipment with a couple of surprises.

If you can spare an hour or two on Saturday 18th May 2013 between 9.00am and 4.00pm, your children will really appreciate it. Unfortunately, the kids won’t be able to be on school grounds on this day due to Occupational Health and Safety reasons.

Please let us know ASAP your availability and what tools/skills you can assist with.
Please email or call us ASAP:
Carolyn Modafferi 0414 655 652 at : ciehrle@hotmail.com or Monika Walter at monika.walter@yahoo.com.au

CANTEEN CORNER

$4 MEAL DEALS

Monday 29th April - Friday 10th May

Pizza - Cheese & Bacon or Ham & Pineapple
Brownie + Popper Juice or Water Bottle

UNIVERSITY COMPETITIONS

Please remember the University Computer competition will be held on Tuesday 21 May in the school hall at 8am.
Please arrive at 7.50am.

Thank you

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Ceremonies this year will be as follows:
Children from OLOR will receive their Confirmation on the evening of Tuesday, 4 June (either 5.30pm or 7.30pm) and children from St. Angela’s and public schools may choose between Thursday, 6 June at 7.30pm or Friday, 7 June (either 5.30pm 7.30pm). A compulsory parent evening on Wednesday, 8 May at 7.30pm will begin this process and hopefully answer any questions. It is crucial that at least one parent attend this session as it will include the formation of parents for the Sacrament. Please email your child’s name, school, class and ceremony choice to: sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au

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