Greetings!

Thank you for your support during this term. We have enjoyed your assistance in class, on excursions, at sporting events, liturgies and in your work with us in so many other ways.

I hope that you enjoy the break from the usual morning activities.

Research shows that the volume of reading has a positive impact on a student’s reading levels. Research also shows that reading over the holidays has a positive impact on reading levels. Please tell the children Mr. Sprad said they have to read each day.

Congratulations and best wishes to Sarah Bellinger and James Martin who are getting married this Friday. We wish you all the best as you begin your life together.

Oval and Car park update.
The construction company has taken possession of the site and has commenced work. You will notice lots of activity over the next few weeks. We are reviewing the playground activities for next term. It will be a tight squeeze for the term but manageable.

Class Placements for 2014.
I would like to begin this process early next term. It is a time consuming and difficult task. We value parent input and I invite you to please advise me by email (go the school website and click on the contact button) if there is anything you would me to consider when allocating students to class groups for 2014. Please do this over the holidays.

- Please don’t rely on me remembering something you have told me in the past. There are too many students and issues to remember. Please email me again - by the end of the holidays.
- You may not want your child to be in the same group as some other children. We will do what we can. We try and balance personalities, learning needs and social issues and it is not easy across ninety children per grade.
- We will be asking the students to identify who their friends are. We will try to ensure each child is with at least one friend. They may not get to be with all of their friends.
- Please be assured we will do everything we can do to ensure that children are placed in the most appropriate group. It is difficult to move children once the classes are set up given all the factors that go into making up the class groups.

Could you please advise me by the end of the holidays if your child or children will not be returning to OLOR in 2014.

Thank you for your help with this.
John Spradbrow

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**IMPORTANT DATES 2013**

**TERM 3**

- Fri 20 Sept: Term 3 2013 Ends

**TERM 4**

- Tues 8 October: Term 4 Begins
  - St Francis Day Liturgy/Animal Parade at 9.15am
- Mon 14 Oct: Yr 2 Rouse Hill House & Farm 2MD
- Tues 15 Oct: Yr 2 Rouse Hill House & Farm 2G & 2D
- Wed 16 Oct: Kindy 2014 Orientation Morning 9.15am or 11.30am
- Wed 23 Oct: Kindy 2014 Orientation Morning 9.15am or 11.30am
- Fri 25 Oct: Pink Hair Day Fundraiser
- Tues 5 Nov: Kindy 2014 Class Morning
- Sat 23 Nov: Family Movie Night - 7pm
- Wed 18th Dec: Last day for Students
- Fri 20th Dec: Last day for Staff

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**A P&C Initiative**

**Term 4 Fundraiser**

**Pink Hair Day**

**Friday 25th October**

Support breast cancer network Australia on the OLOR Kellyville PINK HAIR DAY by:
- colouring your hair pink (spraying done at school)
- Wear a pink hair accessory
- If you are super keen join Joshua Roberts by shaving your head for breast cancer (parent permission required)
- Sponsor Joshua and others shaving their heads
- Gold coin donations will be collected in the morning at the school gate.
- Head shaving will be done during lunchtime

Proudly supporting

[Logo of the breast cancer network]
SPORTS SPECTACULAR

Mackillop Trial

And their great year continues…………………..

Yesterday Joshua Roberts, Emily Mooney and Tiarne Ekstrom continued their sizzling form in the athletics season.

All placed in the top 3 in either shot put and/or discus and will go on to represent OLOR at the State Primary Schools Athletics Championships in October.

Congratulations also to our other competitors who faced fierce opposition at the Mackillop Trials, and were outstanding in their performances, nearly all produced personal bests on the day.

Well done.

Harry Johnson (5th in Long Jump) – 4.51m
Elizabeth Staples (cleared 1.25 in High Jump)
Sophie Gibbons (10th in 200m)
Olivia Kalocsai (11th in 800m)
Senior Girls Relay (9th)
Junior Girls Relay (9th)

Tiarne Ekstrom
   Shot Put 2nd
   Discus 2nd
   Long Jump 5th
   100m 8th

Emily Mooney
   Shot Put 6th
   Discus 2nd
   Long Jump 8th

Joshua Roberts
   Shot Put 3rd
   Discus 5th
   Long Jump 8th
   100m 6th
   200m 5th

As always, our student were blessed with great Family support Mothers, Fathers, Sisters, Brothers, Grandparents and sudo Grandparents. Thank you to you all.

Finally, thank you to all our teachers who put up with me taking our students out for relay training …..you are “gems”.

Thank you
Mrs Vicki Harvey

KINDY 2014

We hoped that all the children enjoyed the Kindy 2014 Social morning that was held yesterday at OLOR.

Your child will also be required to attend an Orientation Morning. At this late stage we only have positions available on:

Wednesday 23rd October Session 4: 11.30am – 12.45pm

Would you please email OLOR at olorkellyville@parra.catholic.edu.au with the subject: kindergarten orientation 2014 to enrol your child.

There will also be a Kindergarten Class Day on Tuesday 5th November between 9.15-10.45am

Thank you for your cooperation
Sonya Swan
Infants Coordinator

ST FRANCIS DAY LITURGY/ANIMAL PARADE

This is just a reminder that OLOR will be holding a Liturgy to celebrate St Francis Day on Tuesday 8 October (first day of Term 4).

The Liturgy will be at 9.15am held in the school hall and will be followed by a Parade.

Children are asked to come dressed as their favourite animal on the day.

All are welcome to come join in this celebration.
**LIBRARY LOOK**

As we approach the end of the term, it would be much appreciated if you could have a look at home and see if you have any library books that need to be returned. We will be undertaking a stocktake next term and it would be really helpful if we can stay on top of overdues. If your child brings home a yellow note saying they need to return a book/s, we ask that you have a good look and if the book/s can’t be located, please send us an email to: olorlibrary@gmail.com, letting us know it can’t be found. This is particularly important for the year 6 students. They need to have all books returned before the end of the year, as their record follows them to high school.

We are expecting the last of the Book Fair orders in the next couple of days and we thank you for your patience in this matter. Please let us know if your child didn’t receive a book they ordered.

We thank you for your support, as always.

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

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**News from Sr Antoinette............**

Our informal prayer session “Stop, Pray and Reflect” will begin next term on Wednesday, October 9 at 9.00a.m. Thank you to those parents who have responded. If any other parent would like to join us, you would be very welcome. Just come along to our first gathering.

Enjoy the holidays with your children. Below is the last excerpt from Andrew Fuller’s article. Any parent wanting a copy of the full article can contact me.

**Be the antidote to the drip feed of despair**

Your kids will become upset at setbacks, will label themselves as “no good” or stupid if they don’t get a good mark and compare themselves negatively to others. It is so tempting for parents to try to soothe kids out of this or even provide a salutary lesson, “well if you’d tried harder you would have done better”. Don’t do this! Be determined to stay focused on effort and improvement. “I’m sorry you didn’t do as well as you hoped and if you want to have another go, let’s work out a way of getting better at it”.

At first changing your parenting language might feel a bit weird. Focusing on noticing, commenting on effort and emphasising the power of having a go are the most powerful ways parents can set kids up for success.

Andrew Fuller – copyright

**A Thought To Reflect Upon**

“May you meet Mercy each day in the light of your own heart At the hands of your loved ones.”

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**OAKHILL COLLEGE**

Oakhill College Open Day will be held on Sunday 20th October, 1.30-3.30pm. All families interested in the College are welcome to attend. Tours of the College and facilities will be held intermittently throughout the afternoon. A special welcome is extended to Year 5 students and their families who may be interested in Year 7, 2015 intake.

For further information please contact the Registrar, Mrs Maryanne Maree on 9899 2288 or registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au Booking is not required.

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**Kindy Value Pack**

(back pack, library bag and lunch bag) **SAVE $5**

$60.00

Price list effective as at 29/8/13
GET AHEAD KIDS

Get Ahead Kids® is a bi-monthly family educational magazine that can be purchased in a hardcopy magazine and/or a free online digital magazine format.

The magazine addresses issues such as

- How parents can help their Primary School children learn their tables
- Lessons from the Tortoise and the Hare
- Preparing Students for HSC Success
- Multitasking - Magic or Mayhem
- Focus on what you want, not on what you don’t want

If you are interested please go to the link below -

http://www.getaheadkids.com.au

Prayer and Reflection Day: 13 October

Everyone is welcome to this lovely day of quiet, peaceful prayer and reflection in beautiful surroundings of the Marymount Mercy Centre, 36 David Rd, Castle Hill. Time: 10.30am-3pm. Donation: $10. Bookings: CatholicCare Parramatta tel (02) 9933 0205.

SCHOOL ZONES

A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 3 that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families.

School zones operate on all gazetted schools days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil free days.

School zones for our school will end on Friday 20 September and resume on Tuesday 8 October 2013. Thank you.

School Holiday Kids Astronomy Programs

Kids Fun Day

Wednesday 25 September (10 am – 12 noon) - Rocket Launches

Come along and find out the latest information on rocket launches.

Astronomy Nights –

Saturday 28 September (7pm – 9 pm) - Rocks from Space

On 15th February, 2013, a rock from space exploded over the Russian city of Chelyabinsk, injuring over 1,500 people, and making headline news worldwide. On the same day, a larger piece of space debris, the asteroid 2012 DA14, missed our planet by less than 30,000 km - an incredibly near miss. These events are a stark reminder of the threat posed to the Earth by "Rocks from Space". This talk will explain where the different groups of threatening objects come from, tracing their story back to the formation of the Solar system, as well as discussing the threat they pose to the Earth, and the other planets in the Solar system.

Saturday 5 October (7pm – 9pm) - Exoplanets and life elsewhere: Which ExoEarths should we search for life?

In the coming decade, it is almost certain that the first Earth-like planets will be found orbiting distant stars. At that point, the search for life beyond our Solar system will begin in earnest, with scientists building costly space observatories in order to put the most promising planets under close scrutiny. But how will they chose which planets should be targeted first? What factors will make one planet more promising as a target than another. This talk will explain how astronomers across the globe are searching for exoplanets, before discussing the various features of a planet and its host star that researchers think might influence its habitability.

These nights also include a 3D astronomy movie and viewing of the night sky through the University’s 0.6 metre and 0.25 metre telescopes. Our programs run regardless of the weather.

Cost: $15 adult, $10 child/concession and $40 family.

Bookings are essential: Book and pay online: www.uws.edu.au/observatory, What’s On

Enquiries:Phone (02)47360135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au

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8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville 2155
Phone: 9629 2566; Fax: 9629 2148

Website: www.olorkellyville.catholic.edu.au
Email: olorkellyville@parra.catholic.edu.au
PARISH NEWS

COR YOUTH has resumed for all high school students who would like to share faith, fun and fellowship each Friday night during school term between 7pm-9pm in the OLOR parish hall. For more information please call the parish office on 9629-2595.

MASS FOR HSC AND OTHER STUDENTS - 27 Sept. at 7pm
We wish all HSC students preparing for their trials and final exams the best possible outcome. There will be a Special Mass on Friday 27 September at 7pm to pray for all HSC students and all those writing exams.

REQUEST FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

We are looking for a team of 12 committed individuals who are prepared to make a difference. The role of the Finance Committee is to ensure that the parish has sufficient income, to approve expenditure, to prepare and monitor the annual budget and to look to the maintenance and repair needs of the parish property. Please be generous with your contribution in person and intellectual property. Please contact Senani on 0418291624 or the parish office on 96292595 to offer your help.

WEEKLY SHORT CATECHISM WITH FREE BBQ LUNCH each Sunday after 11am Mass. You cannot love what you do not know so come and join us for Catechism and fellowship. Make new friends in the parish. If anyone would like to help or join the team in any way please call the parish office. We thank those who are dedicating themselves to this new venture in our parish.

DEVOTIONS AT OLOR KELLYVILLE DURING THE WEEK

Mondays: Novena to the Divine Mercy.
After 7pm Mass there is a Novena to the Divine Mercy with an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Veneration of the Relic of Saint Faustina follows Benediction.

Tuesdays: Novena to St. Anthony.
It is a Franciscan tradition to bless the bread of St. Anthony and distribute it among the faithful. Veneration of the Relic of St. Anthony concludes the Novena after 7pm Mass.

Wednesdays: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Fridays: Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Adoration after 9.15am Mass until 6pm every Friday. Vespers (Evening prayers) and the Franciscan Crown (Rosary of the Seven Joys of Our Lady) follows Benediction. On the First Friday of the month, a Holy Hour of Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, follows 7pm Mass.

INVITATION TO TRIDUUM MASSES & TALKS

To mark the end of The Year of Faith we would like to invite you to a Triduum celebration of Masses and talks on the following dates:
Wednesday 9 October : Talk on Lumen Fidei
Thursday 10 October : Talk on Guadium et Spes
Friday 11 October : Evening of Praise and Songs

All three evenings will conclude with a light supper in our Parish Hall. Each of the above nights will begin with Mass at 7pm.

Youth Festival Friday 30 August & 27 September – St Patrick’s Church, Allawah Street, Blacktown 7 – 9pm

Night One: Friday 30th August
- Youth Expo showcasing the youth groups, religious orders, missions, formation and educational institutions and agencies of the Diocese
- Music and Worship by Servants of Jesus Band
- Proclamation of the Gospel by “U Turn” Youth Ministry
- Opportunity to socialise with other youth over sweets and refreshments

Night Two: Friday 27th September
- Catechesis with Bishop Anthony Fisher
- Concert featuring world renowned Catholic artist and X Factor vocal coach, Gary Pinto
- Opportunity to socialise with other youth over sweets and refreshments
Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
Kellyville calls all Parishioners.

Join us and celebrate a South African evening together, socialising and dancing to the best tunes, including local S.A music brought to you by South African DJ’s Luiz and Jules from Festival Disco. Let your taste buds experience some traditional South African cuisine.
"Don’t forget your dancing shoes!!!"

Saturday 28th September from 7:30 PM till midnight.
Free food just B.Y.O drinks

Hills Hornets Touch
Summer
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PATHWAYS TO TOUCH
JUNIORS MIXED MENS

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JUNIORS - $400 per team
U9 - U17 Boys & Girls
SENIORS - $500 per team
Mixed & Males

Wednesday night
Weights Rd Reserve
Kellyville
5th September
6.30pm - 7.30pm

ASSOCIATED WITH YOUTH Austouch
Interested players or teams can contact the club to express their interest. Make sure you get in early as we are limited for spots during the summer season. Contact us here: www.facebook.com/hills触或www.hillshornetstouch.com
or Info@hillshornetstouch.com

Hype Youth School Holiday Workshops

MUSIC & DANCE | Monday 23 September | Castle Grand
Guitar/Ukulele workshop 10am-11:30am | Tribute Room
Jazz dance class 11am-12:30pm | Rebellion Room 1
Guitar/Ukulele workshop 12.30-2pm | Tribute Room
Hip hop dance class 1-2.30pm | Rebellion Room 1

For more information and bookings visit www.thethills.nsw.gov.au/Youth.html
or LIKE the HYPE Youth Facebook page www.facebook.com/HillsHypeYouth

WORKSHOPS BY GAME TRAINING | Monday 23 September | Castle Grand
Video Game Development Beginners Intro Session 10am-12noon | Pioneer Room 1
Video Game Development Master Class 1-3pm | Pioneer Room 1

Check our their website for fees and booking details www.gametraining.com.au/holiday

NIDA ACTING BOOT CAMP | Tuesday 1 – Thursday 3 October | 10am-4pm
For the very first time, NIDA (Australia’s National Institute of Dramatic Art) will run a three day Acting Boot Camp for young people at Wrights Rd Community Centre, Kellyville.
Earlybird prices apply for bookings received before 21 August.
See the NIDA website for course & booking details – www.nida.edu.au/short-courses

Invitation to High Tea

Sisters of Mercy Parramatta [1835-2013]

You are invited to join the Sisters of Mercy Parramatta to celebrate the 175th anniversary of their foundation. Mercy House will go to Mercy International Association to keep the founding spirit of Catherine McAuley alive today and in Mercy Works. There are only a limited number of places available and it will need to be first registered first in. If there is an overwhelming response, we may need to consider hosting several events a year later.

See Saturday 12th October 2013
Start 2.30pm

From Catherine McAuley House
Mary Congregation Center
65 Mores Rd Parramatta
Parramatta, NSW 2150
(02) 9630 6158

Dress Code: Tea party dress, white tie & hat or Parasol and Sunscreen (men)

Donations $3 per person
pay at the door

Youth Festival

YOUTH FESTIVAL 2.0

YouthIn@YouthFest@Parramatta

For more info: youth@fest@parramatta@S. Pole's Church, Blacktown

7.00pm

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BLACKTOWN

YOUTH EXPO

YOUTH FESTIVAL 2.0
Dear Friends,

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**THE WIZ** will play at the Seymour Centre for 2 weeks only from October 12-19 with the production proudly supporting Sydney’s homeless & disadvantaged through the St Vincent De Paul Society.

+ **ONLINE BOOKINGS**
  visit www.thewiz.org.au

+ **PHONE BOOKINGS**
  Ph: (02) 9351 7940

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**IMPALAS NETBALL**

Come along and play netball with Impalas Netball Club in 2014. Registration for the NetSetGo/Junior players aged 5-14years for 2014 netball season will be as follows:

- **When:** Monday 28th October 2013 (6-8pm)
- **Where:** Coolong Clubhouse, Coolong Street, CASTLE HILL
- **Enquiries:** Lorraine Hoy (Assistant Registrar)
  P: 0409 713 245
  E: assistant.registrar@impalasnetball.com.au

For registration forms or more information visit our website at www.impalasnetball.com.au

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**WESLEY PRESCHOOL CASTLE HILL IS CELEBRATING 40 YEARS!**

All past pupils, teachers and parents of the Wesley Preschool are warmly invited to join us in marking 40 years of educating children in The Hills.

Come and relive those magic years on Sunday, October 27th 2013. Celebrations begin with a 9.30am church service and continue throughout the day.

Also join us on Facebook: Wesley Preschool Castle Hill 40 Years

We are eager to hear from anyone who has photos or memorabilia from their time at the preschool.

Please email Jane Harvey at wesleyucps@uccs.org.au or send photos into the preschool to be scanned and returned to you. For further information phone the preschool on (02) 9634 5282

We look forward to seeing lots of old friends again.

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**Family Fun Day**

24th September 10am - 1pm

Bakemont Heights Estate, 92 Seven Hills Road

- Games
- Rock Art
- Police
- Fire engine
- Jumping castle
- Arts & Crafts
- Mask decorating
- Sausage Sizzle
- + more fun!

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**Mount St Benedict College invites you to attend the**

*Smiles of Hope* Dinner

3.00pm - 6.30pm
Wednesday 1st October
Mount St Benedict College Hall

All money raised will go to the Good Samaritan Community in Kyrgyzstan

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### Daily Routine:

- **8:00 - 8:50:** Free play. Breakfast available.
- **8:30 - 9:30:** Craft time
- **9:30 - 10:00:** Group games
- **10:00 - 10:30:** Morning Tea
- **10:30 - 11:30:** Sports time
- **11:30 - 12:00:** Free time
- **12:00 - 12:30:** Lunch
- **12:30 - 1:30:** Craft time
- **1:30 - 2:30:** Group Games
- **2:30 - 3:00:** Free time
- **3:00 - 3:30:** Afternoon Tea
- **3:30 - 4:30:** Sports time
- **4:30 - 6:00:** Kids choice. Movies, board games, paper crafts.

**Note:** Routine subject to change without prior notice, if necessary.

### Important Information

**Things to Bring:**
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Morning Tea & Lunch
- A Drink Bottle
- Closed in Shoes (No Sandals)

**Breakfast and Afternoon Tea is provided daily (breakfast before 8:30AM).**

**Please Note, Our Hours are from 8AM, Till 6PM**

Please ensure you send your children in clothes which can get dirty. We do many messy craft activities and play outside.

### Spring Vacation Care

*Spring*

Vacation Care Enrolments open on Monday 2nd September 2013. All enrolments must be in by Thursday 19th September.

OLOR Parish OOSH provides care for a maximum of 45 children a day during the Spring School Vacation. To enroll your child on any given day you must come into the centre and fill in an enrolment form. No phone bookings can be taken.

Care is available to children who are in kindergarten up to Year 6. You must be in Primary School to attend. We cater for any child within these ages.

Children from all primary schools are welcome.

We have trained and experienced staff waiting to make your child's Vacation an enjoyable one. For more details please call 8824-4451 during business hours, or visit us on-site at 8 Diana Ave, Kellyville 2155.

**Fees:**

The cost for Vacation Care is $30.00 per child per day. All fees are subject to CCB (Child Care Benefit). Please see Mr. Ben Nash for details.