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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Over the past few weeks, interviews for Kindergarten 2022 have taken place. No doubt, each of you can recall that time when you brought your child to the school for that very first interview. It is a time of stepping into the unknown, of taking a risk, of trusting that the right decision is being made.

As Principal, it is a great honour and privilege to be a part of this process. I never underestimate the trust that is being placed in the school to be the very best school for each child. It is heartening to know that this school is held in high regard throughout the local community. This is no accident, but happens because of the way we engage with learning and build relationships as a community. Each member of this community, past, present and future, contribute to our good name.

It is extremely important that each of us is proud of this good name and that the Spirit of Jesus exists at this school.

*We are proud of our school when
the Spirit of Jesus helps us treat others the way we would like to be treated.*

*We are proud of our school when
the Spirit of Jesus helps us respect all, not just our friends.*

*We are proud of our school when
the Spirit of Jesus helps us respect all staff, parents and visitors.*

*We are proud of ourselves
when we open our heart and minds to the Spirit of Jesus in us.*

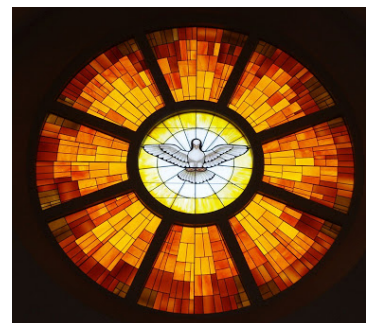
Let us remember the responsibility we have, parents, staff and children, in ensuring that each member of the community sees the Spirit of Jesus alive in each of us.

*Spirit, come, transform us
Come, be our breath, be our hope.*

We are now finalising our enrolments and about to send out letters of offer. If you have a child who is eligible to start school next year and have not submitted an enrollment application, please do so by the end of next week.

Olimpia Pirovic
Principal

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful



UPCOMING DATES

Week 4

Thurs: 8:15am Morning Workout
Kindergarten Kids Love to Cook
In-School Experience
3pm-4pm Junior Band
Fri: Yr1 & Yr2 Kids Love to Cook
In-School Experience

Week 5

Mon 8:30-9am Second Hand Uniform Sale
9am Assembly: KG
Tue: Yr4-Yr6 Rock & Water Program
7pm P&F General Meeting (ZOOM Available)
3pm-4pm Senior Band
Wed: 3pm-4pm Training Band

NOTES HOME

This Week

- Kindergarten Living Eggs In-School Experience

Last Week

- K-Yr6 Term 2 Overviews
- Band Update (selected students)

MERIT AWARDS

KB	Trinity Vennam ▪ Kuda Chirape	4B	Samyel Juguilon ▪ Eva White
KG	Luther Waweru ▪ Evelina Luk	4G	Rita Succar ▪ Angelina Semaan
1B	Lachlan Pearn ▪ Shanaya Kapoor	5B	None presented
1G	Eren Yilmazsimsek ▪ Lakshara Selvakumar	5G	None presented
2B	Abeer Mathur ▪ Amelie Luburic	6B	Chivonne Gopaul ▪ Irene Meli
2G	Kristopher Klemmer ▪ Sanaa Bhojani	6G	Antoine Khoury ▪ Azhric George
3B	Miranda Calderon ▪ Rihanna Sivayogabala	CA	None presented
3G	Krishna Patel ▪ Alex Abikhalil	PE	Jasmine Sakr ▪ Charlise Kairouz

STAR CARD REWARDS

Gold Awards: Mason ▪ Sienna ▪ Kinjal ▪ Chanel ▪ Pravi ▪ Anabel ▪ Arkyn ▪ Pranav ▪ Krishna ▪ Ryan ▪ Hansikaa ▪

Opal Awards: Valli ▪ Eva ▪ Mary ▪ Ashley ▪ Charlise ▪ Chivonne ▪ Deng ▪ Dominic ▪ Eva ▪ Isabella ▪ Kruti ▪ Mia ▪ Ruby ▪ Winona ▪ Kiara ▪ Lili ▪ Abigail ▪ Jolenta ▪ Aimie ▪ Siya ▪ John Paul ▪

Principal's Awards: Katrina ▪



PRIVACY AWARENESS WEEK

This week is Privacy Awareness Week and it is a good time to consider how protected your own personal information is. Did you know that.. **Half of Australians don't know how to protect their personal information?**

Our personal information is valuable and worth protecting. But if you don't know how, you are not alone. Even though most Australians (85%) have a clear understanding of why they should protect personal information, 49% don't know how to go about it. Many aren't doing enough to safeguard their privacy due to lack of time, knowledge and the perceived difficulty of the process. It's easier and faster than you think. Click on this link to the [Australian Information Commissioner's website](#) for some practical tips on protecting your personal information.



SCHOOL FEES

All Term 2 accounts have now been sent direct to your mailing address. The due date for payment of this account is Wednesday 26th May 2021 unless you already have a flexible payment plan in place. Please ensure that your mailing details are always kept up to date. If you have not received your Term 2 account as yet, please contact Maree Murphy in the school office. If you are experiencing financial difficulty please contact the office to arrange a confidential meeting with Miss Pirovic.

PARRAMATTA DIOCESAN CROSS COUNTRY

A BIG Congratulations to the 29 students who attended and ran in the wild, wet and windy conditions on Tuesday last week at the Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country Carnival. Despite the conditions, all of our OLMC team gave it their all and we came away with some very impressive results!

Ava Luburic - 16th (11yrs Girls)

Marten Taouk - 15th (12/13yrs Boys)

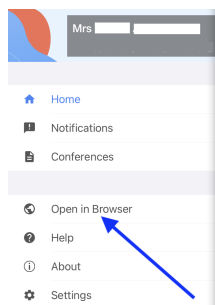
Jasmine Sakr - 9th (12/13yrs Girls)

Charlise Kairouz - 3rd (12/13yrs Girls)

After finishing in 3rd place, Charlise will now go on to represent the entire Diocese at the NSW Catholic Schools Cross Country Championships on the 8th of June. We wish her all the best!

COMPASS NEWS

Parents can update their details through the COMPASS app by selecting '**Open in Browser**' and then updating your details online.



MEDICAL UPDATES

Please make sure your child's Asthma Plans, Anaphylaxis Plans and medication are all kept up to date. All plans must be current. All medication, including puffers, need to be in date. If you receive an email or a note sent home with your child, please have your doctor fill in the forms and return them to school as soon as possible.

PARISH NEWS

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS: As previously advertised, the enrolment process for sacraments has gone online. Parents need to submit their interest via the Online applications link and once this is processed will receive their online resources via email. Applications for Reconciliation close on 28-05-21. Confirmation applications have already closed. For further information please email Paola Yevenes at paola.olmc@gmail.com

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The PRC is in full swing at OLMC. 213 students are currently taking up the challenge, with **121 students now completing the challenge!!!!**

Congratulations to the below students who completed the challenge this week...

Year 2: Ajak, Owen, Isaac, Isabel, Mia, Reis, Isabella, Prasadi, James, Matthew, Mia, Maliyah, Charbel, Anuj, Rishaan, Zoe, Mariella, Alexia, Ava, Jerrick, Arianah, Aarush, Logan, Mariam, Kristopher, Amelie, Jonah, Sizan, Leah, Abeer, Agastya, Olivia, Summer, Isabella, Charlotte, Abbey, Candace, Joaquin, Amelia, Dev, Palash, Rajan, Charlotte, Ithayan, Michael, Henry, Gia, Sanoshan, Patrick, Alexander, Joshua, Zoe, Aakash, Asvitha, Eli, Kira, Luca & Michael

Year 3: Aliyah **Year 4:** Angelina **Year 5:** Mason, Estelle, Eknoor, Kinjal & Adriana **Year 6:** Sai

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have received their 2021 Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) username and log in and we are hoping for all of our students to participate and smash this year's PR Challenge. You can log your child's reading at <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

At OLMC our main communication channels to parents are:

- ~ **Weekly Newsletter**
- ~ **Skoolbag App**
- ~ **School Website**
- ~ **School Facebook Page**

Each Wednesday our newsletter is emailed to our parents and distributed via some of the channels stated above. Don't forget to make sure that you have the Skoolbag app on your phone, with the notifications turned on. Please make sure your email address is updated with the school.

UPDATES & IMPORTANT information is sent via Skoolbag App

Skoolbag App can be downloaded using the app store on your phone.

P&F NEWS

Second Hand uniform shop

The Second hand uniform shop has moved to the demountable rooms at the back of the school and the change in location has also meant a change to the process for purchasing uniforms. We will be having one day a term where you can come and purchase uniform items. All items will be \$5 each and cash only.

Our sale day for term two will be Monday 17th May between 8:30 and 9:00 am, or 2:30 and 3pm you are welcome to come to the second hand uniform shop. You will need to enter via the gate near the school office once you have signed in.

This will be the only opportunity to purchase second hand items this term.

Parents and Friends Meeting

The next Parents and Friends Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 18th May at 7:00pm in the Library or via Zoom (**Meeting ID** 44 563 5257 **Password** 393762). We encourage as many people as possible to attend. Two lucky people will receive a family fun night pack! A meeting agenda will be sent home with students shortly; we look forward to seeing you there.

Mothers' Day Raffle

Congratulations to the winners of our wonderful Mothers' Day Raffle prizes. Thanks again to the very generous people and businesses that donated prizes: Three Belles Events, Harvey Norman Campbelltown, Oh Sugar, The Discovery Channel, Rosaries for Life, Ruth Lara remedial massage therapist, Ambey's Big Apple, La Patisserie La Gallette, Paul Mose and Tanya Azar. We are humbled by your generosity, which enables every cent we collect to go towards the Parents and Friends.

This column is compiled by P&F Communications. If you have any queries or wish to contribute, please email olmcpandf@gmail.com and attention to P&F Communications.

Mad About Science In-School Experience

On Monday 3 May, the students in Year 1 had the opportunity to participate in a science workshop learning about Force, Friction and Movement.

The workshop included different stations based around push and pull forces, gravity, energy change, and sound. Students were able to explore, in-depth, how push and pull forces act to move objects, what variables impact friction between two surfaces and how this affects an object's movement.

