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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

This week our children in Year 3 and Year 5 have been participating in the 2019 NAPLAN assessments. Each year this period always brings a range of feelings for children and parents. We always want our children to do their best in all their endeavours and NAPLAN is just one of these. It is important to remember that your child's achievement in NAPLAN is just one small chapter in the very detailed story of your child's life.

Throughout our life we will face many tests and challenges, at this time for our children, NAPLAN presents one of these moments. Sometimes we need to work hard under pressure. Sometime we will need to perform to a standard or complete tasks within a set time and we will be evaluated on it. These moments will make us feel a certain level of stress or worry, and we will need to sit with this discomfort. But by being prepared and doing our best we learn that those feelings will pass and life goes on.

On Tuesday after completing the writing test I asked the children how they felt. The children overwhelmingly responded that they felt they performed well. They also said that the experience was better than they thought it would be. Through this experience and our conversations the children are discovering how to get on with things and put them into perspective. This lesson in resilience is an important one for our children.

A sense of perspective helps us to identify the proper place of NAPLAN and other tests that we experience. ***Our children are so much more*** than their NAPLAN result, their report mark, their rugby score or the instrument they play! They are the effort they put in to a task; the picture they drew; the curiosity they followed chasing that bird; or the kind hearted offer extended in an invitation to play.

So as you send your child off to school during this NAPLAN period, wish them well and remind them that they just need to try their best and that you love them.

So Much More

Sadly Anthony the brother of our students Gabby (Year 4) and Olivia (Year 1) needs to have a heart transplant. The family have had to relocate to Melbourne to receive treatment for Anthony until he is able to have a transplant. As you would be aware the health care cost of this procedure are significant. OLMC friends have set up a Go Fund Me page to support the family. The following link is available for anyone who wishes to contribute to the [Go Fund Me](#) page to help Anthony and his family. We pray for the family and that Anthony's treatment is successful.

Olimpia Pirovic
Acting Principal

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

UPCOMING DATES

Week 3

Wed: Naplan Reading: Yr3
Thu: 8:15am Morning Workout
Naplan Reading: Yr5
Fri:
National Walk Safely to School Day
Naplan Language Conventions: Yr3

Week 4

Mon: School Photos (Winter Uniform)
NO ASSEMBLY
Tue: Assembly- KG Prayer
Naplan Language Conventions: Yr5
Child Protection Meeting 6:00pm-6:30pm
P&F General Meeting- All Welcome
Wed: Child Protection Meeting 9am- Library
Naplan Numeracy: Yr3
Year 5 Sports Day

NOTES HOME

Today

- K-6 Grade Overview
- Additional Earn and Learn sheet
- Photo Order envelopes

Friday 10 May

- Parents As Educators
- Amended Yr 6 Maritime Museum Excursion

MERIT AWARDS

KB	Cyril & Patrick	4B	Chiara & Riona
KG	James & Sanoshan	4G	Tony & Alessandra
1B	Kimberly & Jad	5B	Iniya & Sophia
1G	Amalia & Samuel	5G	Sanjana & Julian
2B	Ryan & Malek	6B	Ansh & Zara
2G	Elyssa & Gabrielle	6G	Luca & Francis
3B	Georgia & Amelia	CA	Arav & Nhial
3G	Stella & Diana	PE	Anthony & Ava

PENCIL SHARPENER DRIVE

Our Pencil Sharpener Drive continues. We are working toward getting 500 sharpeners for our sister school OLMC in Zumalai. Thank you to all those families who have sent in sharpeners. So far we have collected 253 sharpeners. Keep sending in those sharpeners to achieve our goal.



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Monday 20 May is our school photo day. Some key information for parents to note are:

- Photo order envelopes sent home today (returned on Monday only)
- Orders can be placed online or via the envelope
- Hairstyles should be like the children wear every day. Long hair should all be tied back.
- Full Winter uniforms - including ties for boys
- Family photo order envelopes are available from the office and can be ordered online. Family photos will occur before school on Monday.
- Student Leader, SRC and Sport Leader photos taken at 8:45 am
- Online ordering Information on last pages of the newsletter

STUDENT DATA VALIDATION

Our school requires accurate and up-to-date student information as part of our duty of care and to support the needs of all learners. To ensure the information we currently have is correct, we are asking families to validate key information such as contact details and emergency contacts. Some families will have received an email from Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta asking them to validate the information on record. We ask families to complete the survey by 31 May 2019. Any questions about the survey can be directed to the Community Liaison team on 9840 5796.

SPOTLIGHT ON RE

The month of Mary has traditionally been the month of Mary. It began in the 1600's as a way to venerate Mary, Mother of God and in the 1940s it again became a popular time of Marian devotion. The month of May is fitting as it is after Easter when we have much to thank Mary the Mother of Jesus for. As His mother, she not only gave birth to our Saviour but at all significant events in Her Son's life she was there, just like mother's today. She was present at His first miracle at Cana, She accompanied Her Son on His journey to Calvary, She was there at his death and She was with the Apostles at His Resurrection. At school we say the Regina Caeli (Queen of Heaven) at midday each day until Pentecost as our Marian devotion during May. At home you may like to say a Hail Mary when the family is together at some time during the day.

CHILD PROTECTION

If you would like to assist in classrooms, on excursions or for sports carnivals, you need to complete **two** online components **and** attend a child protection briefing, held at the school, every two years. The online 'Undertaking for Volunteers form' and 'Child Protection Training' module can be found at <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/volunteers>. It is a system requirement for adults who volunteer in schools to complete these components **before** working with children. Please see 'Upcoming Dates' for information regarding the two Child Protection Briefings being held next week.

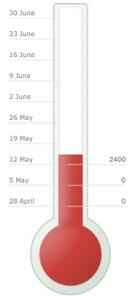
OLMC LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

OLMC has gained a new library! Even though its official name is yet to be decided, it is bursting with amazing fiction and non-fiction texts for ALL ages! We are inviting all families to our grand opening on Wednesday 29th May at 9am. Families are also welcomed to stay for our parent information session, focusing on reading and writing with your child at home.



EARN & LEARN

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program is in full swing! Sticker sheets have been sent home for you to stick your Earn and Learn stickers to and extra sticker sheets are available in the office. Please place completed sheets in the E&L boxes, located in the office foyer and outside the student entry on the front playground. So far we have collected 2400 stickers!! So ask your family members who shop at Woolworths to save their stickers for our school.



P&F NEWS

Mothers' Day Last Sunday, we gave thanks for all the women who support and nurture us and take loving care of our families. We hope every mother, grandmother and mother figure felt loved and appreciated and that you enjoyed receiving the small tokens of appreciation that your children lovingly chose at the Mothers' Day Stall. A huge thanks to all in our school community who took the time to make sure that Mother's Day was celebrated in style. To Linda Khoury and Diana Khoury who coordinated the Mothers' Day Stall, our gratitude for the gift of your time. Thanks to all who came on Thursday to help with the stall and to assist the children with those all-important purchases. To the Parents and Friends for coordinating our first ever Mother's Day Breakfast. Thank you for your commitment to our school community. Thanks to Sam



Vecchio, Paula Epenian and their team of helpers who helped to make sure the breakfast was a success. Without your assistance, we can't achieve very much, so thank you.

Congratulations to all the people who won prizes in our Mothers' Day raffle!

1st Ashley 4B
2nd Kayla 3B
3rd Aurelia 6B
4th Zac 4B

5th Jonathan 2B
6th Jayden 1B
7th Chris 6B
8th Aakash KG

9th Sara 5G
10th Isaac KB
11th Sheela
12th Jackie Khalil

Congratulations to Billy Papas, who won the lolly guessing competition.



Parents Representative Council
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HOW TO RAISE HAPPY AND RESILIENT CHILDREN

Join the PRC to hear one of Australia's leading Psychologists talk about the journey from childhood through to young adulthood, as it seems to have become so much harder to navigate.

Hear about the latest news from the science of positive psychology how its applied to bringing up children and teenagers.

Our guest speaker for the evening is:

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg
Adolescent and Child Psychologist

Register FREE now: www.prc.catholic.edu.au

Monday, 3rd June 2019
Doors open: 6:15 pm for 7:00pm (2 hours)
(PRC General Meeting - will be held prior to guest speaker)
John XXIII Catholic College
160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens, NSW, 2768
Light supper and refreshments will be provided, and a lucky door prize will be up for grabs!

www.prc.catholic.edu.au @preparra @preparra

Our next P&F General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 21 May at 7pm in the school library. We encourage as many people as possible to attend. A meeting agenda will be sent home with students the week before the meeting; we look forward to seeing as many people as possible there.

Second-hand Uniform Shop As we begin the transition process from summer to winter uniform, the second-hand uniform shop is calling for any uniform donations especially the larger sizes. Please send any uniforms you no longer use to the second-hand uniform shop via the office.

PRC Meeting - HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

The Parents' Representative Council are hosting an opportunity to hear Dr Michael Carr-Gregg speak about How to Raise Happy and Resilient Children. This is a fantastic opportunity that is provided free of charge for parents with children in schools in the Diocese. All parents are encouraged to attend. Monday 3 June 6:15-9:00 pm John XXIII Catholic College, Stanhope Gardens.

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.

Year 5 Excursion: Police and Justice Museum

Where we went...

Year 5 went to the POLICE AND JUSTICE museum in the city.

What we did...

When we first arrived at the museum the hosts showed us where to put our bags and then we went into the courtroom. After some talking we got split into 3 groups. My group went where all the weapons were, we even got to go in a cell with all the lights off! Finally we went back to the court and some children from each class played a role in a court trial about John Vane the bushranger. After we finished our excursion at the Justice and Police Museum we went to the Botanic Garden to have recess and lunch.

What we learnt....

Marie - Jose: I learnt that bushrangers were not only good but bad too because they used to steal gold and kill people, including police officers, for their gold/money.

Sanjana: I learnt that people went crazy when they found there was gold hidden underground

What we enjoyed....

Sanjana: I liked when some students from both classes acted out a play about a bushranger trial and also when I got to be a jury member (in the audience) and wear a funny costume.

Marie - Jose: I liked it when the host showed us the weapons they used and what they used to wear.

Year 5 had the best time ever at the the POLICE AND JUSTICE museum.



MARIE-JOSE And SANJANA



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The recent bombings and deaths in Sri Lanka have shocked many of us and those to whom we pastorally minister.

Whilst not all who died were Catholic, the majority were Catholic, and in keeping with Catholic tradition particularly in South Asia, the Diocese of Parramatta will celebrate a Month's Mind Requiem Mass to pray for all who were killed in Sri Lanka.

A Month's Mind Requiem Mass is typically celebrated one month after a person's death and is held in memory of the deceased.

I will be celebrating this Mass at St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith on Sunday 19 May at 10am.

I ask too that you make this Mass known to your communities and invite them to this celebration.

During these sad times when people continue to sin against God's gift of life in such a violent way, let us continue to pray for and support each other.

Every blessing in this Holy Season of Easter.

Very Rev Christopher de Souza

Vicar General

Episcopal Vicar for Education & Formation



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Click on the tab at the top left of the screen

ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS AND PORTRAIT DOWNLOADS

Enter the code **459L17** for your school **OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PRIMARY SCHOOL** in the ORANGE box on the left hand side of the screen.

SCHOOL CODE

Please enter your unique school code supplied to access your Schools Online Order Portal. This code will allow you to order up to Midnight 4 days after the day of photographs.

This excludes Family Photographs which close Midnight prior to photo day.

Enter Your School Code

Don't have your School Code? [Click here to request](#)

Photos will come up on the screen of shots around the grounds of your school. Scroll down and choose your option

Order Pre Paid Packages

ORDER NOW

This is for orders **BEFORE** your school photographs are taken.

This does not include family photo orders that close midnight prior to photo day.

If you miss ordering before your schools photography day you can still order via **LATE ORDERS** link below.

Late Orders

ORDER NOW

This is for orders **AFTER** your school photographs are taken.

If you miss ordering before your schools photography day you can still order via this link.

Order Previous Years Photos

PORTRAITS

GROUPS

This is for orders from previous years you wish to purchase.

Click on Order now Please navigate the website from this point with your child's details and the packs you want to order.

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PACKAGE ONE
\$36



Class
+
Portraits



BONUS PORTRAIT DOWNLOAD

Portrait Pack 1

Includes the **GROUP PHOTO** option
PLUS One sheet of portraits consisting of:
1x 7x5" (176x127mm) portrait
2x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) portraits
2x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) colour key ring portraits
1x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) black and white key ring portrait
1x 7x1.5" (176x38mm) bookmark
Portrait Download Code included in pack

PACKAGE TWO
\$38



Class + Portraits



BONUS PORTRAIT DOWNLOAD

Portrait Pack 2

Includes the **GROUP PHOTO** option
PLUS Two sheets of portraits consisting of:
1x 7x5" (176x127mm) portrait
2x 5x3.5" (127x89mm) portraits
3x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) colour portraits
2x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) black and white portraits
5x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) colour key ring portraits
3x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) black and white key ring portraits
8x 1/2x3/4" (20x13mm) locket sized portraits
Portrait Download Code included in pack

PACKAGE THREE
\$40



Class + Portraits



BONUS PORTRAIT DOWNLOAD

Portrait Pack 3

Includes the **GROUP PHOTO** option
PLUS Two sheets of portraits consisting of:
2x 7x5" (176x127mm) portraits
2x 6x4" (154x103mm) portraits
2x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) colour portraits
1x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) black and white portrait
4x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) colour key ring portraits
3x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) black and white key ring portraits
Portrait Download Code included in pack

PACKAGE FOUR
\$42



Class + Portraits



BONUS PORTRAIT DOWNLOAD

Portrait Pack 4

Includes the **GROUP PHOTO** option
PLUS Three sheets of portraits consisting of:
1x 10x8" (250x200mm) portrait
2x 7x5" (176x127mm) portraits
2x 6x4" (154x103mm) portraits
2x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) colour portraits
1x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) black and white portraits
4x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) colour key ring portraits
3x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) black and white key ring portraits
Portrait Download Code included in pack

Please turn over for more package options, extras and how to order.

PORTRAIT ONLY

\$28



BONUS PORTRAIT DOWNLOAD

Portrait Only Pack

- Includes two sheets of portraits consisting of:
- 1x 7x5" (178x127mm) portrait
 - 2x 5x3.5" (127x89mm) portraits
 - 3x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) colour portraits
 - 2x 3.5x2.5" (89x67mm) black and white portraits
 - 5x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) colour key ring portraits
 - 3x 2x1.5" (50x38mm) black and white key ring portrait
 - 8x 1/2x3/4" (20x13mm) Locket sized portraits
- Portrait Download Code included in pack
DOES NOT INCLUDE GROUP PHOTOGRAPH

GROUP ONLY

\$31



Group Only Pack

- Includes the Class Photo set that consists of 3 photographic sheets:
- A front cover with your school name and logo
 - One class composite page
 - The class group photo
- Packaged in a clear plastic presentation sleeve.
DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY PORTRAITS

Extras

Please note: These extra options can only be ordered in conjunction with a package, not by themselves.

EXTRAS COMBO

\$12



Extras Combo

- Includes:
- 4x Gift Cards with portrait
 - 2x 7x1.5" (176x38mm) Bookmarks
 - 8x 3.2x1.5" (50x38mm) colour key ring portraits

GREAT FOR GIFTS!

CALENDAR

\$18



Calendar

One 11x14" (279x355mm) sized Black and White Calendar with coloured individual portrait photo and student's name.

KEY-RING

\$4 ea



Keyring

NO PRINTS INCLUDED - Keyrings must be ordered in conjunction with a photo pack, in order to have the right sized prints to fit inside the keyring. Please see packs on previous page for packages that contain 2x1.5" (50x38mm) sized key ring photos for use with this product.

HOW TO PURCHASE YOUR SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Payment Method: We offer **TWO** methods of payment - **CASH OR CREDIT CARD ONLINE**

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CREDIT CARD - If you wish to pay by **CREDIT CARD ONLINE** please go to **donwoodphotography.com.au** and follow the links.

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Credit card payments can **ONLY** be made online. If you wish to pay cash, complete the order envelope with correct money enclosed and return to school.