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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

The single statement that defines the expectations of our entire school community is.....

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

This includes the children, staff and parents. This statement is demonstrated each day in many different ways by the overwhelming majority of our community. We see this in action through the way...

- the children interact with each other
- the children offer to help another person
- teachers instruct the children during their lessons
- teachers coordinate extra-curricular activities for the children
- the office staff assist the parents each day
- the office staff provide first aid to hurt children
- parents greet the teachers at the gate
- parents demonstrate patience with each other on the road during pickup and drop off times
- we all respectfully and calmly seek to understand what is happening
- we respectfully hold each other to account about the way we follow the expectations

There are times when this expectation is not demonstrated. Sadly this occurred yesterday afternoon when a number of our teachers were rudely and aggressively spoken to by some of our parents during the afternoon pickup. ***This behaviour is never acceptable.*** As parents, you are a model of behaviour for your children, I am certain that none of us would allow our children to behave in this manner.

The afternoon pickup time is a time when teachers are on high alert as their focus is on ensuring the children are safe and ready to be collected by the parents. Unless there has been an announcement that there will be classroom pickup, no parent is permitted to enter the classrooms. Usually a staff member will be on the front playground directing parents. If you are unsure if this is the process you need to check with the office staff.

The school day concludes at 3:10pm in the afternoon. We open the school gates earlier as a courtesy to parents, providing an opportunity for you to connect. However, if parents are not behaving in a safe and respectful manner towards staff or each other we will need to reconsider this arrangement.

Every day my staff and I make decisions based on the situation that is in the best interests of **all** children. We will never put the children in an unsafe situation. Should you have concerns about something, it is expected that you speak respectfully to a staff member about them.

Olimpia Pirovic
Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Week 6

Thu: 8:15-8:40am Morning Workout

9:15-10:45am K2020 Orientation Grp 2

10:45-12:30pm K2020 Uniform Fittings

Fri: 9:15-10:45am K2020 Orientation Grp2

Week 7

Mon: 9am Assembly - 6B

Thu: 8:15am Morning Workout - LAST WEEK

Bennett St Gates - 8:15am SHARP

Year 5 Student Leadership Day

Fri: 9:15am K, Yrs 1 & 2 Mass

9:15-10am 2020 Kinder Playgroup



MERIT AWARDS

KB	Summer ▪ Agastya ▪ Josephine ▪ Amelia	4B	Caitlyn ▪ Ethan
KG	Hayden ▪ Henry ▪ Maliah ▪ Zoe	4G	Tony ▪ Mia
1B	Emily ▪ Sai Pranav	5B	Jerome ▪ Sylvana
1G	Benjamin ▪ Aimie	5G	Marcus ▪ Rouba
2B	Vinnie ▪ Vincent	6B	Claudia ▪ Tunga
2G	Alanna ▪ Jeremiel	6G	Isabella ▪ Victoria
3B	Eknoor ▪ Arav	CA	Mary - 2B ▪ Greta - 2B ▪ Gabrielle - 2B
3G	Samuel ▪ Christina	PE	Alessandra - 3G ▪ Ojas - 3G

STAR CARD AWARDS

Gold Awards: Hayden

Opal Awards: Jesse ▪ Jorja ▪ Ruby ▪ Gabriella ▪ Jake ▪ Abraham ▪ Keillan ▪ Nicolas ▪ Noah ▪ Catherine ▪ George Zaitouni ▪ Francis

Platinum Awards: Saskia ▪ Thabeesh ▪ Marten ▪ Ciano ▪ Jasmine ▪ Mishti ▪ Mia ▪ Deng ▪ Sebastian ▪ Matteo ▪ Xavier ▪ Azhric ▪ Chiara ▪ Osean ▪ Annabelle ▪ Anthony ▪ Charbel ▪ Christopher ▪ Francesco ▪ Luca ▪ Isabella ▪ James ▪ Madeline ▪ Mia ▪ Victoria



Principal's Awards: Yara ▪ Emily ▪ Eva ▪ Ashley ▪ Chivonne ▪ Charlise ▪ Antoine ▪ Charlotte ▪ Bhakti ▪ Isabella ▪ Sarayu ▪ Josephine ▪ Michael ▪ Owen ▪ Kira ▪ Cyril ▪ Zoe ▪ Isaac ▪ Isabel ▪ Mridun ▪ Mia ▪ Reis ▪ Isabella ▪ Sanaa ▪ Luca ▪ Anuj ▪ Mariella ▪ Ava ▪ Arian ▪ Logan ▪ Amelie ▪ Jonah ▪ Leah ▪ Agastya ▪ Summer ▪ Charlotte ▪ Candace ▪ Amelia ▪ Dev ▪ Rajan ▪ Patrick ▪ Joshua ▪ Ann ▪ Kiara

Diamond Awards: Sai ▪ Ava ▪ Alessandra ▪ Abbey ▪ Catherine ▪ Eli ▪ James ▪ Matthew

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAMILY MASS

All children and youth are invited to participate in this Mass on Christmas Eve. Come dressed-up as an angel or shepherd and join in the fun. For more information or to select your role, please see the flyer in the parish centre. To help plan for this Mass, parents and youth-ministers are invited to attend a meeting at 7pm on Thursday 28th November in the Parish Centre.



STUDENT BANKING

Last week for Banking is Week 7
Tuesday 26 November

If you would like to start an account for 2020, please contact the school office for details.



2020 SCHOOL BAND

There has been an overwhelming interest in the School Band and Instrument lessons for next year. There was an online component to the registration process please make sure that this is completed along with the note. Please click on the link for [Lesson Registration](#) to do this. Members of the captivate team will be at school tomorrow conducting assessments to find the right instrument for the children. Particularly with the wind and brass instruments as these require our mouths to be able to work in a specific manner.

WHITE RIBBON DAY

Monday the 25th of November is White Ribbon Day. The White Ribbon Campaign is a global movement of men and boys working to end male violence against women and girls, specifically focusing on changing the attitudes and behaviours that lead to violence against women. The victims of violence are not merely statistics; they are our wives, sisters, mothers, daughters, aunties, friends and colleagues. As a community we believe violence (in any form) is never acceptable and that every person has the right to feel safe and respected in their relationships. At OLMC we primarily focus on being safe and respectful in all that we say and do, knowing that the most impressionable members of our society are constantly watching us for guidance, your children.

If you or someone you know is experiencing violence and need help or support, please contact one of the support hotline numbers below.

1800RESPECT 1800 737 732 **Lifeline** 13 11 14

Kids Help Line 1800 551 800 **Relationships Australia** 1300 364 277



SCHOOL UNIFORMS - LAST DAY

The last day to place your orders for school uniforms for 2019 will be **Tuesday, 3 December**. Please ensure you place your orders via the QKR App to receive delivery on Thursday, 5 December. Any orders placed after this date will be received on Thursday, 30 January 2020. School shoes now available to order.

STUDENT MEDICATION

For the safety of all students, it is important that no student carries medication on them or in their bags at any time. If your child requires temporary medication for a short period of time, please bring the medication in to the school office and complete the relevant forms. Thank you for consideration.

DATE REMINDERS

- Tuesday, 10th December 6pm - 8pm Christmas Story and Awards
- Wednesday, 18th December 2019 End of Year Mass
- Wednesday, 18th December 6pm - 10pm Year Six Graduation Dinner

STAR CARD AWARDS

The last day for children to submit their star card awards will be the 5th December. After this, the children will be working to earn an invitation to our first OLMC Christmas Funday. More information to follow.

BORROWED CLOTHES

Could students who have borrowed clothes from the school office over the last few weeks, please ensure clothes are washed and returned as soon as possible.



LOST PROPERTY

We have a few items in lost property that would like to find their owners. If you have lost any of the following items, please come to the office to see if they are yours: keys, girl's wallet, sunglasses, numerous watches, and other items.



KINDERGARTEN 2020

REMINDER: On Thursday and Friday of this week we welcome our second orientation group for Kindergarten 2020. These sessions provide our students with an experience to familiarise themselves with the school, teachers and their new peers.

REMINDER: Last Kinder Playgroup will be held on Friday, 29 November.

P&F NEWS

Second Hand Uniform Shop: The Second Hand Uniform shop has a number of jumpers in various sizes in stock at present, perfect for those cooler mornings or to get a jump on 2020! A reminder that the Second Hand Uniform Shop is cash only. If you have any uniform items that you no longer require, please send them through the office to the Second Hand Uniform Shop. The Second Hand Uniform shop is open on Monday afternoons at 2:45pm until school pick up.

This column is compiled by the P&F. If you have any queries or wish to contribute, please email olmcwenty@parra.catholic.edu.au and attention it to P&F Communications.

Year 4 C.A.R.E.S. Excursion



On the 5th and 6th of November, 4 Blue and 4 Gold went on a C.A.R.E.S. excursion to Prospect, it was a great trip. We all enjoyed it a lot.

Some things we did were: learnt that C.A.R.E.S. stands for Community and Road Education Scheme, learnt about all the road signs, such as the Stop sign, the Give Way sign, and the Round-A-Bout signs. Before we rode bikes (or trikes) we had to learn about

the 4S', they were... scanning, smoothly making your move, safety and signalling.

We had our own licences while we were riding with our names and twelve demerit points on each, which helped us follow all the rules on the road. Officer Carmen and Officer Rami, who were real police officers, were helping us succeed throughout the day, along with all our parent helpers.



All the grown ups (fake officers) took demerit points from us by punching holes in numbers on our licenses when we were not safe on the road (going through a red light, going through a stop sign and not signalling).

I bet all the children in Year 4 would *adore* going to C.A.R.E.S. Prospect again, because it was the best excursion ever!

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