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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

When you were a child did your parents tell you about your Guardian Angel? Did you have a prayer card with the image of a Guardian Angel watching over a pair of children, like the one pictured? Did you recite the Guardian Angel's Prayer?

Yesterday our teachers began their planning for your children's Term 4 Religion units. Mrs Cerniauskas, Mrs Smith and I were talking about the Catholic Tradition of Guardian Angels. We discussed how we don't seem to talk about them much anymore. We recalled how as children the knowledge of Guardian Angels gave us comfort and another focus for our prayer.

Our Catholic Tradition tells us that Angels are spiritual creatures of God who have understanding and will. They live constantly in God's presence and convey God's will and God's protection to humans. We can call on angels for help and ask them to intercede with God. Every person has a **Guardian Angel!**

Scripture is filled with stories and images of angels.

- ~ An angel visited Mary, when she said Yes to be the mother of Jesus.
- ~ An angel visited Joseph and gave him the strength to stand by Mary.
- ~ Angels announced the birth of Jesus to the shepherds.

I'm sure you can think of others yourself.

In this year of uncertainty and challenge, it might be an appropriate time to help our children connect with their Guardian Angel through prayer and reflection. This relationship can provide our children with comfort and security, knowing that God has provided a spiritual being to watch over them. You could encourage your children to share their worries with their Guardian Angel and even teach them the Guardian Angel prayer.

I wish you all a wonderful week ahead and hope the opportunity to reflect on your own connection with Guardian Angels gives you comfort.





Olimpia Pironc

Principal

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

UPCOMING DATES

Week 6

3:15-4:15pm League Stars Clinic (No Parents to stay on site) Thurs: Work Out with Mr Jones

8:15am SHARP

Fri: Yr6 & all Student Leader photos -

WINTER Uniform

<u>Week 7 Mon</u>: Second Hand Uniform Shop OPEN **2:45pm** -

3:10pm

Tues: School Banking

3:15-4:15pm League Stars Clinic (No Parents to stay on site)

Tell Them From Me Survey Period ENDS FRIDAY COMPLETE PARENT SURVEY NOW

NOTES HOME

Last Week

- Photos for Yr 6 Leaders, SRC, Sports Leaders and Yr 6 Grade Photo
- Yr 4 Science Incursion
- Yr 1 Science Incursion
- New Band Lesson Arrangements

This Week

- Student Contact Details
- Yr 5 Jarara In-School Exp.
- Book Week In-School Exp.

	MER	MERIT AWARDS		
KB			Charlize • Billy	
KG			Makanaka • Chelsea	
1B	Alexander • Gia • Charlotte	5B	Jieke - Chivonne	
1G	Isabel • Matthew • Abbey • Aakash	5G	Dominic • Bhakti	
2B	Aliyah • Pranav • Samuel • Alissa	6B	Rouba • Logan	
2G	Katrina • Misha	6G	Celeste • Serah	
3B	Jesse • Soleil	CA	Luke • Manav	
3G	Shivani • Alanna	PE	Erin • Jayden	

STAR CARD REWARDS

Gold Awards: Ava • Henry • Jonah • Isabella • Summer • Joaquin • Akash • Isabel

<u>Opal Awards:</u> Gia • Sanaa • Mariam • Cyril • Owen • Eli • Mary • Makanaka • Lily • Isabella • Michael • Bryson Charlotte • Isabella • Georgia • Makanaka



Principal's Awards: Kiara - Sanoshan - Erica - Taliah - Alexis - Rhianna - Hannah - Joel - Clara - Emma - Daniel



LATEST COVID ADVICE

Last week, further advice and restrictions were announced. Families need to understand that we do not get to choose which restrictions we follow and which we will bend or ignore, we must follow all advice to ensure the health and safety of all of our students, families, staff and community members. Students **must not attend school if they are unwell.**

- Students who are absent from school or who have been sent home due to **FLU LIKE** symptoms **must be tested.**
- Students MUST NOT RETURN to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result AND are <u>symptom free</u>
- Schools MUST SIGHT the negative COVID-19 test result prior to allowing students to return to school i.e.
 NSW Health or COVID-19 Testing Centre correspondence (SMS or email or hard copy) and/or a medical certificate must be provided to the school and a record of this kept by the school.
- If your child is being tested and awaiting results, Parents are expected to **inform the school** so that we can apply a 'Flexible' code for attendance.
- If your GP does not think a COVID test is necessary, they <u>must provide you with a medical clearance</u> <u>letter</u>. This must be sent to school <u>prior</u> to students returning to school.



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the 56 children who completed the PR challenge in the past week. This bring our total to **261**

There are currently **45 students with incomplete records**, meaning they have started the PRC but are still on their way to finishing.

Kinder: Anthony A, Saanvi A, SriHarika A, William A, Illia A, Anaishca A, Sienna A, Daniel B, Chad B, Lucina B, Jacob C, Magdalene C, Mysha D, Jack D, Ethan D, Sam F, Sophia F,

Adison G, Thea H, Cooper H, Akins J, Serah Bele J, Emma K, Shanaya K, John K, Victoria

M, Olivia M, Sienna M, Luke M, Isabelle M, Anupriya M, Karthik N, Joseph N, Sienna N, Joanne P, Rishaan P, Ruhi P, Lachlan P, Sophie P, Kayana R, Vishvassha S, Chris George S, Lakshara S, Naksh S, Pravi S, Alana S, Aayan S, Kiara S, Alana S, Mansi S, Tiana T, Havishaa T, Isabelle T, Kiara V, Mason V, Deepali V, Kingston W & Eren Y **All Complete**

Year 1 & Year 2: All Complete

Year 3: Ethan B, Jada K, Myra S & John Paul T

Year 5: Mishti S

Year 4: Justin C, Amelia D, Jac H, Navya R & Charlize Y

Year 6: Tomos H

GRADE TOTALS

	Kinder	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
	All Complete	All Complete	All Complete	41	17	9	16		

The last day for the challenge is this FRIDAY

Your child's online reading log can be accessed via the Student Site

VOICE OF YOUTH

Last Friday our Year 6 students participated in the annual Voice of Youth

speaking competition. The year 6 finalists presented a range of topics, from the benefits of music to being grateful for the life we have. Congratulations to Lucas who presented an extremely engaging speech importance of conservation and the runner up Celeste, presenting the pitfalls of being short. These two speeches will be shared via Facebook within the next week. Congratulations to all of our finalists for representing the voice of youth enthusiastically.



STUDENT CONTACT DETAILS

Today all families will receive a personalised letter with the contact details we have on file for your family. Please take the time to check the information and make any necessary changes then return it to school by the end of next week.

This will ensure that we have the most up-to-date information and are able to contact you if your child is unwell or your child's teacher needs to talk to you.

ARE YOU MOVING?

If your family is moving and you plan to change schools parents are required to give a minimum of 10 week's notice of intention to leave to avoid a requirement to pay term fees. Parents are required to complete a Notice of Leaving form available from the office. This form can be completed even if you do not have a set leaving date.

P&F NEWS

Fathers' Day Raffle

Last chance to get your raffle tickets in. All tickets need to be in by next Wednesday to be in the draw for these

FATHERS DAY RAFFLE!

DRAWN ON THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2020
TICKETS 50 CENTS EACH

Tonnys fliger mens wallet (valued at 510)
Short first
Chrome Azzaro men's cologne (valued at 5120)
Short first
Chrome Azzaro men's cologne (valued at 5120)
Short first
Stack & Scratchies hamper (valued at 530)
Son Pitze
Supering Observe (valued at 510)
Son Pitze
Supering Observe (valued at 540)
Son Pitze
Supering Observe (valued at 540)
Son Pitze
Supering Observe (valued at 540)
Son Pitze
Stack & Scratchies hamper (valued at 570)
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fabulous prizes. If you did not receive any raffle tickets, or you would like some more, please send a note to the school office and we will send them home. If you are unable to sell the tickets sent home, please return them to the office.

Thanks to all the families who have returned their tickets already. Good luck in the draw to win one of our amazing prizes. Please return all sold and unsold tickets to the school office by Wednesday 1st September.

Thanks to GBS for donating a Makita Drill Set valued at \$399 for our first prize.

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Year 5 200 Incursion

On Thursday, Year 5 had a visit from Taronga Zoomobile for an incursion. A teacher from Taronga Zoo (Adam Harris) came and introduced us to Tiffany the diamond python, George the ringtail possum, Toshay the long neck turtle, Relish the green-tree frog and the camouflage bearded dragon. We learnt about how we impact the environment and how the environment impacts us (humans). We also learnt some new and interesting facts about these animals.



My favourite part was when we got to see the animals: Tiffany the diamond python and George the ringtail Possum and they were all so cute. I also loved how Adam gave us clues as to what the animal was before we saw the animals so that we could engage.

- Antoine



We learnt that Toshay the turtle Is an aquatic turtle, Toshay was born with a shell and the shell grows as Toshay grows so basically the turtle grows with the shell and the shell grows with the turtle.

Izzy & Ashley



We really enjoyed this because we got to see some animals that we necessarily liked and also ones that we never really get to see often. We got to learn very new and interesting things about them. Overall Year 5 REALLY enjoyed this experience.

- Charlotte & Eva



What is our next step?
To continue our inquiry into how rubbish and litter impacts our school environment. There is a special motto here!