



St Oliver's Primary School

Newsletter

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At St Oliver's we are called to unite in service by living out our Mercy Values and striving to be quality learners who contribute positively to our community.

Term 4 Week 8

<http://www.stoliversharrisparc.catholic.edu.au/home>

5th December 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

December

Friday 6th

Stage 3 Mass 9.15am

Friday 6th

Twilight Christmas Fair and Concert

Monday 9th - Tuesday 17th

School Swimming Program

Wednesday 18th

Thanksgiving Liturgy 12.30pm



St Oliver's Twilight Fair

St Oliver's Twilight Fair is our major fundraising event of the year.

This year we have a number of exciting stalls organised

You will be able to purchase from our:

Sausage sizzle & drink stall

Tea & coffee station

Our Canteen for Zaatar, Pizzas (cheese or vegetarian) & Zooper Doopers

Bake sale stall

Corn on a cob stand

Lucky dip & Craft/Gift Stall

Face painting

New and second hand book stall



Raffle tickets for our Christmas raffle will also be available to purchase & you can also try your luck with our lucky numbers game.

Our fundraising tickets for Lollipops Play Centre will also be for sale at \$8 each.

When: Friday 6th of December 5pm onwards, before the Christmas concert.

We look forward to enjoying a great night together!

Please note this is a cash only event



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

Gospel

[Mt 24:37-44](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Stay awake, you must be ready.

Advent marks the beginning of our New Church Year. As we begin the new Church Year we are reminded that we are called to be ready and looking forward to the Lord's appearance on Christmas Day.

Be a watchful person full of HOPE!!!!

Congratulations.

On Wednesday, students from St Oliver's made their Reconciliation as a part of the Sacramental Process for Sacraments of Initiation.

Congratulations to:

Mana, Pierre, Diya, Xavier, Rene, Matylda, Metcof, Jordan, David, Francis, Chase.

Student Prayer

Dear God

Thank you for my mum and dad, my family and friends. I ask this through Jesus. Amen Tareek

Dear God

Thank you for my mum, dad and my brother and the world. Amen. Zanita

Dear God

Thank you for my family, friends and the whole universe, and thank you for my teachers. Amen. Twisha

PBS4L News

Active listening

Follow instructions

Mercy values

Oli News

On Friday Year 3 taught us how we can care for our property.

Star Class

These past weeks our star class announcements have been delayed as we have spent a lot of time indoors due to air quality and heat. Like us, Oli Owl has been keeping safe in his nested tree.





You save the trees you save the koalas!



Due to the recent bushfires over 350 koalas have died. It does not help that over 7 billion trees have been cut down and over 300 eucalyptus trees have been cut down this year. Also, in the past 5 years, 15 trillion trees have been cut down. That means that over half of our air quality has decreased! According to the WWF, Australia is one of the worst 11 countries for deforestation which means we have lost 15 trillion trees as I said before but it can be hard to visualize, it is an area roughly the size of Sydney or Melbourne. By Ava G Year 4

In addition, when you recycle paper you save the trees and when you save the trees you save humanity! When we use paper we are destroying the habitat of many animals that call these trees their home. These animals include birds, koalas and tree frogs. Unfortunately, at times, these bushfires may be caused by

humans and other times just by nature itself. When these fires are burning we are damaging the ozone layer which means the earth is now more vulnerable to the sun. By Lili Year 4



NUT FREE ENVIRONMENT

Due to many of our children suffering from allergies we are a ***nut free school***. Please refrain from sending any food containing nuts to school with your child. Thank you for your understanding.

NEXT LEVEL SPORTS SUMMER CLINIC DATES CONFIRMED:

Christmas Clinic

- 2019: Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th of December (Christmas Eve pending numbers)

January Clinic

- 2020: Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th of January.

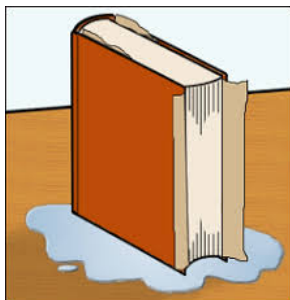
Location: St Patrick's PS, Parramatta.

To book or for further enquiries: nextlevelsports@live.com.au

InfoZone

Welcome to the Library and Technology section of the St Oliver's Newsletter!

LIBRARY BORROWING



There will be no further borrowing in weeks 9 and 10 due to the Swimming programme and Library Stocktake. Children are encouraged to borrow from their local library. Students may also borrow eBooks through their CEDP Classm8 log in throughout the holidays.

Please leave any book repairs for the Library staff. Do not use self-adhesive tape for repairs; this can damage the book further.

Damaged or lost books must be paid for; notes will be sent home with replacement costs.

LIBRARY RETURNS

All books should be returned on Monday 9th December. This includes all books with a St Oliver's barcode on the front cover - including Home Readers and Library books. Any outstanding, lost or damaged books must be paid before the end of the year.



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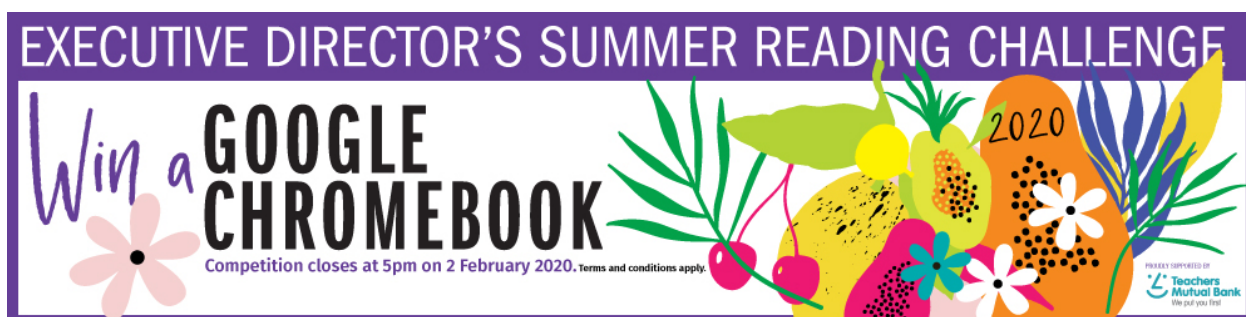
Thank you to the hard working St Oliver's Library and Technology Monitors for all their efforts in 2019. Their assistance enables our Library and the technology needs of the school to run smoothly and efficiently.

BOOKS MAKE GREAT PRESENTS!



Give books the children want to read - perhaps another book by the author they love, another book in a series, a book you'd love to read to them, a "how to" book, a non-fiction book. Recreational reading is the best indicator of future reading success - so let them enjoy it! If they talk about a book or series they are interested! Let that be your guide - especially for holiday reading. It is quite acceptable for children to enjoy books that are a little easy for them - they need some "downtime" just the same as we all do at times.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



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