Dear Families of St Oliver’s,

On Friday, 7th June we will celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart. The pictures or images of the Sacred Heart represent the heart as crowned with thorns and suggest a connection between love and sacrifice. As this feast day is intimately connected with love it reminds us that love enables us to change our lives so that we do not react out of resentment, anger, vengefulness or self-pity. Jesus’ love for us is unconditional. A challenge for us, his disciples, is how do we show that love for others? This year we are calling for our community to show love to those less fortunate by donating new scarves, blankets, beanies, gloves and socks as part of the St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal.

Also, over the past month I have had the opportunity to meet with the Kindergarten 2014 children and their families. This is wonderful time for them as they begin the preparations for ‘big school’. It is a privilege to share this experience with them and I look forward to welcoming them to our transition program at St Oliver’s later in the year! Any child due to start Kindergarten next year must apply, including those which already have siblings at the school. If you have a child who is starting Kindergarten next year and have not enrolled them, please do so before the end of next week as positions are very limited!

Peace and best wishes,

Mr Anthony McElhone
Principal
SCHOOL NEWS

Parent, Teacher and Student Interviews
This is another opportunity for you and your child/children to meet with their classroom teacher. This is an important part of the mid-year reporting process and we expect all parents to make a time to discuss their child/children’s progress. Interviews will be approximately 10 – 15 minutes. The students will help explain their learning, achievements, learning behaviours and goals for future learning. If you require some of this time to meet with the teacher, without your child present this can occur after your child has shared their learning. We will try to timetable families with more than one child near each other. There will be supervision in the Library for siblings. These notes will be handed out next week and we ask that you return this form no later than Friday 7th June. The classroom teacher will send you a confirmation letter indicating a day and a time before Week 8.
We look forward to seeing you and sharing in the joyful celebrations and areas for improvement with you and your child/children.

Movie Night – Change of Date
Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to reschedule the Movie Night to Friday, 14th June. Please note that order forms are now due on Wednesday 12th June. No late orders will be accepted.
This evening is only for students of St. Oliver’s!

Winter Uniform
All children must now be in full winter uniform.
Note: Girls must only wear navy pantyhose and scarves must be either navy or red.

Lost Property
Unlabelled clothing is being handed into lost property on a daily basis. Please ensure your child’s clothing is properly labelled, otherwise we have no way of returning it to them. If any clothing is handed into lost property that cannot be identified it will automatically be placed into our second hand clothing pool for purchase.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
Don’t forget to collect the Woolworths Earn and Learn Points when you go shopping, we now have 5051 points but need many more to reach our goal.

Subway Meal Deal
Please note orders for the Subway meal deal are now closed and have been collected from school by Subway staff. We are sorry that no orders can be taken on Friday.

CCSS
STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED
If you have been separated or divorced and would benefit from regular shared discussion evenings with others who are in a similar situation to you, you are welcome to “STEPPING BEYOND” group sessions which are held on the last Tuesday of each month. The emphasis is on personal development, growth and goals for a hope-filled future. Venue: CCSS centre 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. Date/Time: Tuesday 28th May. 7.30 – 9.30. Cost: $5.00. Further detail and registration: soloparentministry@ccss.org.au or Ph. 99330205

DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM
Each year Catholic Care Solo Parent Ministry offers an Information night for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding on how to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with Lawyers so as to minimise your legal fees and how to protect your rights regarding family assets. This night is being held on Wednesday 12th June at 7.30pm at CCSS Centre, 51-58 Allawah St, Blacktown. Guest Speaker: Mr Richard Brading, (Solicitor at Wesley Legal Service, Castlereagh St.) Further details and registration: soloparentministry@ccss.org.au or Ph. 99330205.
**St Oliver’s Primary - Dates to Remember!**

Monday 3\(^{rd}\) June – Sports Carnival at Holroyd Sports Ground

Thursday 6\(^{th}\) June – Pyjama Day (for SVDP Winter Appeal)

Friday 7\(^{th}\) June 9.15am – Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass

Friday 7\(^{th}\) June 2.30pm – Kindergarten Assembly in the hall

Monday 10\(^{th}\) June – Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday – no school

Friday 14\(^{th}\) June 6.15pm – Movie Night (rescheduled from 7\(^{th}\) June)

Friday 14\(^{th}\) June – Bake Sale (more information to follow soon)

Friday 14\(^{th}\) June – Reports sent home

17\(^{th}\) – 21\(^{st}\) June – Parent/Teacher Interviews

Monday 17\(^{th}\) June Sports Carnival (back up date)

Friday 21\(^{st}\) June 2.30pm – Year 2 Assembly in the hall

Monday 24\(^{th}\) June 9.15am – Coffee ‘n’ Chat (additional meeting)

Thursday 27\(^{th}\) June – Multicultural Day

Friday 28\(^{th}\) June – Staff Development Day – staff only

**You Can Do It! Awards**

**Week 4**

Well done to the following children who have been following important school and classroom rules.

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This week, teachers have been looking out for children who have been displaying and “I Can Do It” way of thinking in classroom work. Have you been a You Can Do It Kid this week?
**Reflection**

The Trinity is a very difficult concept to understand and always will have an element of mystery. Take a glass of water. The chemical symbol for water is H2O. Water is life giving and a source of life, it takes many forms. It can be made cool or frozen. It is still H2O. It can be boiled which turns into steam or vapour. It still is H2O. This is like God. God created the world and loved us so much that he sent his Son Jesus to show us and to guide us in our life. Jesus and God send the Holy Spirit to also guide us. Saint Patrick is famous for making the shamrock a handy tool to illustrate the Blessed Trinity: one plant, three leaves that are all connected and united – symbolising the one God, three persons that are all connected and united. The Holy Spirit is the lasting expression of the divine love that had previously been experienced through the Father and the Son. It is clear that the Spirit will continue the work of Jesus. Today's passage has Jesus saying to the disciples that there is still so much that he has to say to them, to teach them. But the disciples are not ready to receive everything in the time that Jesus has remaining. So to continue the teaching of Jesus and to continue the expression of love, the Father and the Son will send the Spirit. It was the sending of the Spirit that we celebrated last week in the feast of Pentecost and it is the unity of Father, Son and Spirit that we celebrate this week in Trinity Sunday.

**Prayer**

Dear God, We pray for those who search for meaning, that they will encounter the mystery of the triune God. We pray that those with power and authority that they may be guided by the Spirit of truth and love. Amen.

**The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

On Friday it is the celebration of when Mary went to visit her cousin Elizabeth. “Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, ‘Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord?’ For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.”

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

This will be celebrated this Sunday. The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ celebrates the central celebration of Christianity – the Eucharist. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice.

**Sacred Heart Mass**

On Friday, 7th June we will be celebrating mass for The Most Holy Sacred Heart of Jesus at 9.15 am. The Feast of the Heart of Jesus invites us to consider our own sense of being in relationship with God. Are we able to see with the ‘eyes’ of the heart and know ourselves as loved by God? Jesus shows how much he loves us. How do you show love to others? This is a time to show love for others by giving to others and donating new scarves, blankets, beanies, gloves and socks for St Vincent’s Winter Appeal. Please give generously to the poor who endure the cold weather during the winter season. These donations will be offered up at the Offertory Procession during mass. All are welcome to attend. Thank you for your generosity and support.

*Mrs Franca Bonserio*

Religious Education Coordinator