



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 3 Week 10

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

24th September 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 25th
Staff Development Day -
no students

TERM 4

October

Monday 12th
Staff Development Day -
no students

Wednesday 28th
October - Rescheduled
School Photos

90
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Celebrated on the 27th of September, Migrant and Refugee Sunday is a time when the whole church throughout the world celebrates the resilience and contribution of migrants and refugees to the church and society. It is also a time where we bring awareness to the issues Migrants and Refugees face.

We are currently in a crisis within our diocese due to COVID-19. Thousands of people seeking asylum and on temporary visas in our diocese have lost their jobs or are relying on organisations like Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome for income, housing and food bank support. We as Catholics are called to be in solidarity with our brothers and sisters through prayer and sharing their stories and action.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY
**LIKE JESUS CHRIST,
FORCED TO FLEE**

**PRAY
SHARE
ACT &
ADVOCATE**

HOW YOU CAN HELP IN THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY

WHAT WE CAN DO

ADVOCATE

Sign the petition to make sure no one, including people seeking asylum, gets left behind during COVID-19:

change.org/nooneleftbehind

Student prayer

Dear God, please help all those who are suffering in Covid and all other hardships. Please help those who need to see a light and help people be the best they can be. Amen. Aiko Yr5

PBS4L NEWS FOCUS WEEK 10



We are safe and respectful during eating time.

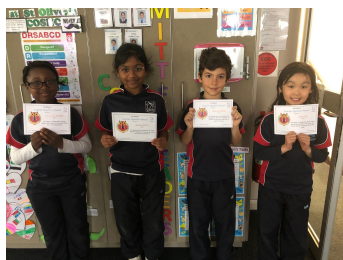
OLI'S STAR CLASS

Congratulations to Year 3



Learner Quality Award Recipients

Compassionate, Collaborative, Inquisitive, Reflective, Responsible, Resilient



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History of St Oliver's *A History of Harris Park*

John Macarthur and his wife Elizabeth arrived in Sydney in 1790 with the Second Fleet. John built Elizabeth Farm in Rosehill in 1793. He also built Hambledon Cottage in the early 1820s for Penelope Lucas, the governess for his children. Lucas Lane in Rosehill is named after Penelope Lucas.

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Kenilworth House - In the 1880s, Arthur Latimer McCredie, an architect and alderman in Parramatta Council, built his home, Kenilworth, in Allen Street, next door to our school. It was acquired on his death by the Sisters of Mercy, who ran it as the Convent of Mercy from 1927 to 1998. It then became the Australian International Performing Arts High School and then in 2013 was converted into the new home of Holy Spirit Seminary for training priests in the Parramatta Diocese.

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History of St Oliver's

Catherine McAuley - The first Sister of Mercy

Catherine McAuley in her early years established a 'House in Dublin which provided educational, religious and social women and children who were at risk of homelessness. Catherine McAuley By 1831, it became for Catherine's work to be formalised as a religious order the Convent of Mercy was established and Catherine was mother superior of the Sisters of Mercy. The Sisters of promised God that they would help to look after sick and in their community and provide education for children and young women. The Sisters of Mercy became known as the "walking Sisters" because they were always out and about helping in the community.



of Mercy' services for necessary and hence installed as Mercy poor people

At the time of Catherine McAuley's death there were 100 Sisters of Mercy. Shortly thereafter, small groups of sisters left Ireland to establish Mercy orders around the world. In 1846 the Sisters of Mercy arrived in Australia and established the first Mercy school in Western Australia on 2 February, 1846

In 1978, the cause for the beatification of Catherine McAuley was opened by Pope Paul VI. Catherine McAuley was declared Venerable by Pope John Paul II, on April 9th, 1990.

Student Data Validation

As part of our annual system and legal requirements, Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) is asking families to ensure all relevant contact and student information is up to date and accurate for the purposes of communication and providing relevant support to students.

On Monday 19 October, households will receive an email or SMS from CEDP with a link and login details to the Student Data Validation (SDV) form.

Once you have logged in you will be able to verify existing information from the school database and update if necessary. The process should not take more than 15 minutes and will need to be completed by 5:00pm on Friday 6 November.

If you have any questions about the Student Data Validation form, please contact our Community Liaison Team on 9840 5796.

Update: Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education

Thank you for your interest in learning more about our new approach to Religious Education. As every parent would expect, this will be age-appropriate for children and young people. Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta is looking forward to sharing an updated version of our Draft New Curriculum with parents and carers in early October. Further details are available on the school website.

Lowes 20% off Sale which includes Schoolwear and everything in the store for 2 days on **Thursday 8th & Friday 9th of October 2020**.



2 Day School Holiday Camp

Rush Hour Australia
1300 007 874
Old Saleyards
Gladstone St, Parramatta
8.30am to 3.30pm
Sep 30 / Oct 1st
K - Yr 7



InfoZone

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

LIBRARY BORROWING

Remember to enjoy some quiet reading time during the holidays. All books are due back in Week 1 of Term 4.

"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island." – Walt Disney

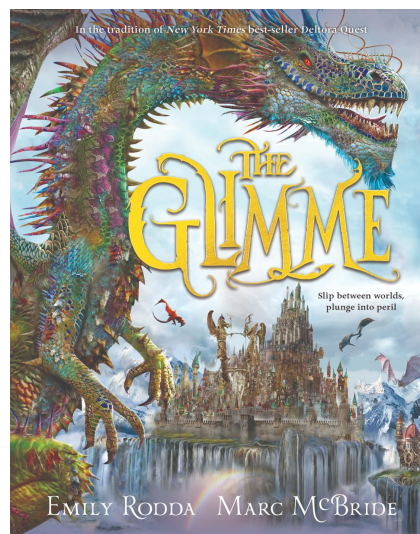


SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Sydney is full of fun things to do during the school holidays. Whether you're looking for free outdoor activities to expend children's energy or prefer to visit a museum to give children a cultural experience and expand their mind, there's lots to choose from. There are some great suggestions at sydney.com

CBCA SHORTLIST 2020

A new series from Emily Rodda for primary children:



The publisher says...

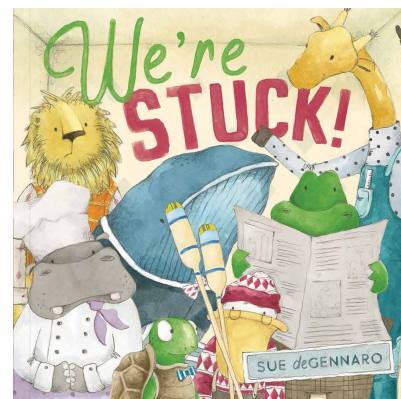
'Lone Annie sees dragons in your future... She sees giants. She sees fire and water. She sees death.' Finn's life in the village of Witchant is hard. Only his drawings of the wild coastline, with its dragon-shaped clouds and headlands that look like giants, make him happy. Then the strange housekeeper from a mysterious clifftop mansion sees his talent and buys him for a handful of gold. Finn thinks the seven paintings she shows him are pure fantasy—such amazing scenes and creatures can't be real! He's wrong. Soon he is going to slip through the veil between worlds and plunge into the wonders and perils of The Glimme. From the creator of Deltora Quest and the illustrator of that world comes a new, spectacular fantasy adventure.

For the younger children:

This uplifting, relatable story by Sue deGennaro focuses on themes of friendship, community and belonging.

The publisher says...

'When Turtle races into the lift of Building 24, there is a nod and a blink and a step to the side. A grunt and a sigh and a lean to the right. But what happens when the lift stops moving? Crocodile has a meeting to get to. And Giraffe has a doctor's appointment. And Turtle really, really needs to get to the shop.'



Lesley Quinn, Teacher Librarian