



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 2 Week 7

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

3rd June 2021

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE

Wednesday 9th

School photos

Tuesday 15th

Pupil free day - "no school"

Staff Development Day

Thursday 17th

Mufti day

Gold & Fold donation for Christmas Fair

Wednesday 23rd

Stage 3 Boys soccer gala day

Friday 25th

Last day of term for students

JULY

Tuesday 13th

Students return to school

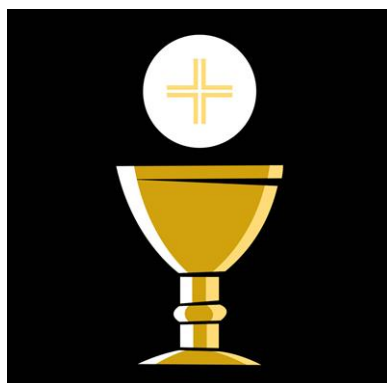


In Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells us that he is with us always, in the past, in the present and in the future.

Who are the three persons in one God? THREE IN ONE!!!!

If you visit many of the learning spaces in St Oliver's right now the children will tell you about the Spirit being like an egg (yoke, white, shell), like a clover (three in one stems) as they have been exploring the concept of the spirit.

How can we praise God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit for all that we have been given?



This Sunday we celebrate Corpus Christi and also member candidates in our community will be receiving Jesus for the very first time. Eucharist means 'thanksgiving'

The words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper are regarded as instituting the celebration of the Eucharist. Jesus took an act that was familiar to the Passover meal and gave it a new meaning and a new significance for his followers. What had been a memory of escape from slavery in Egypt became an ongoing reminder of Christ's continued presence in the Eucharist and in the Eucharistic community (Greg Sunter)

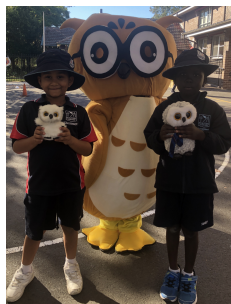
Congratulations to all our candidates who will be making their First Holy Communion this Sunday.

What can we thank God for in the Eucharist today?

PBS4L - Oli News

We are safe and responsible by caring for our belongings.

Oli Star class: Congratulations Kindergarten



Enrolments - are now open for Kindergarten 2022. If you have a child who will turn 5 before the 31st July, 2022, you are welcome to collect an enrolment package from the office and apply for enrolment. If you know of families in the area looking for a quality Catholic education for their child, please let them know that we are currently accepting enrolments. Offers for places in our Kindergarten 2022 have begun already.

Gala Days

Gala Days are a great way for students to represent their school and be engaged in team sports. This year the Diocesan Gala Days are returning. Students in S2 & S3 who are interested in participating in the below Gala Days have been asked to nominate themselves in class.

Stage 3 - Boys soccer gala day - 23rd June

Stage 2 - Girls soccer gala day - 14th July

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Stage 3 - Girls touch football gala day 23rd July (tbc)

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****Lay-by Welcome****

Mon-Fri 9-5 Sat 10-3

40% OFF

SALE on school uniforms

ALL YOUR UNIFORM NEEDS IN ONE PLACE...

- 40% off selected uniforms for St. Oliver's Primary until end of June.
- Grosby school shoes – 30% off second pair (equal or lesser value)
- Boys shirts
- Girls dresses, slacks, blouses and skirts

Healthy Lunch Box

When we think of healthy eating, the first food items that often come to mind are fruits and vegetables – colourful, vitamin-, mineral- and fibre-rich; vital for the human body to function. They help children grow and prevent overweight and obesity.

In Australia, we recommend eating 5 serves of vegetables and 2 serves of fruit each day to keep us healthy. Not many of us eat enough fruit and vegetables with the main reasons being cost, limited availability, preferring other foods and not being aware of these recommendations. Fruit and vegetables also have to compete with the powerful advertising of junk food that presents them as tasty and socially desirable. This means we think of snacking on crisps instead of an apple.

This is a serve of fruit:



1 medium piece

OR



2 small pieces

OR



1 cup chopped

This is a serve of vegetables:



1/2 cup of cooked veges

OR



1/2 medium potato

OR



1 cup of salad

[Healthy Lunch Box](#)



GBW: mr

26 May 2021

Announcement to St Oliver's Harris Park Community

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff

I am very pleased to announce that Miss Pascale Joseph has been appointed as the new Principal of St Oliver's Primary Harris Park, starting at the beginning of Term 3 2021.

Pascale has served school communities in the Diocese of Parramatta for more than 20 years. She is currently the Assistant Principal of Bethany Catholic Primary Glenmore Park, a role she has held since 2017. Prior to that, she was the Assistant Principal of St Nicholas of Myra Primary Penrith. Pascale has also been the Acting Assistant Principal at St Aiden's Primary Rooty Hill, and taught at St Margaret Mary's Primary Merrylands and Good Shepherd Primary Plumpton. She has a Bachelor of Education from the University of Sydney and a Masters degree in Theological Studies from the University of Notre Dame Australia,

A faithful, passionate Catholic educator and leader, Pascale is committed to bringing out the very best in every student by providing them with great learning opportunities and experiences. She has high expectations for every learner, and her leadership is driven by the needs of the students. She understands that being a leader of a Catholic school community means valuing every contribution and listening to every voice. She is a great communicator who responds to challenges thoughtfully and deliberately.

Pascale is excited about joining the St Oliver's community. In congratulating Pascale on her appointment, I again acknowledge the leadership of Barbara Young who has served the St Oliver's community with distinction. I wish Barbara all the very best in her new role as Principal of St Madeleine's Primary Kenthurst. I also thank Fr Chris de Souza for his guidance during the recruitment process and for his ongoing faith leadership of the school and parish community.

Finally, my deep thanks to you, our parents and carers, for placing your trust in our Catholic schools.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'GBW', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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National Reconciliation Week 2021

Every year, National Reconciliation Week is celebrated from the 27th of May to the 3rd of June. It is a time dedicated to building positive, respectful relationships between Australians and celebrating indigenous culture. The dates for NRW remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on our journey so far, and explore how each of us, individually and collectively, can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Each year, Reconciliation Australia selects a new theme to celebrate NRW. The 2021 theme is ***More than a word. Reconciliation takes action.*** It urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action.

2021 marks twenty years of Reconciliation Australia and almost three decades of Australia's formal reconciliation process. [Find out more about National Reconciliation Week](https://www.reconciliation.org.au/national-reconciliation-week/) #MoreThanAWord #NRW2021
Information taken from: <https://www.reconciliation.org.au/national-reconciliation-week/> and <https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/>

