



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 8

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17th June 2022

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### JUNE

**Thursday 23rd June**  
School Photos

**Friday 24th June**  
Whole School Mass  
10am

**Feast Day of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**Monday 27th June**  
Athletics Carnival

**Tuesday 28th June**  
Subway Meal Deal

**Wednesday 29th June**  
Stage 3 Boys  
Soccer Gala Day

**Friday 1st July**  
**TERM 2 CONCLUDES**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Each year schools are required to formally report on student progress and achievement to parents and carers. Today students and their parents will receive the **Semester 1 Reports** digitally via Compass.

These reports are the culmination of ongoing assessments and classroom observations captured throughout the last term and a half of school. Whilst we acknowledge that teaching and learning was disrupted by the ongoing COVID-19 virus and this year's flu season, the report does provide families with insight into how your child is progressing at school so far this year.

The Semester 1 Report provides grades and effort scales for the seven subject areas taught at school. More specifically teachers have identified your child's strengths in Religious Education, Mathematics and English. Teachers have also identified areas for improvement specific to your child. To conclude, our Semester 1 Reports also inform parents about the **learner qualities** that your child has displayed. Again, students and teachers set goals about which learner quality your child continues to develop.

The process of reporting also includes our **Parent Teacher Interviews**, coming up in Week 10 of this term. The interviews provide teachers and parents (and where possible students) the opportunity to further discuss your child's learning goals and for teachers to provide parents with student samples and evidence of work which support your child's progress this semester. This opportunity to engage in meaningful communication with parents about learning is key to strengthening family partnerships with the school.

We strongly encourage parents to sit with their child to discuss their progress. Keeping in mind that the reports provide a 'point in time' description of student achievement, progress and growth, we urge parents to praise their child's successes. Keep in mind that "C" is for **CELEBRATE** and that a key part of achieving one's next steps is - **EFFORT**. As we all know, learning occurs incrementally along a learning continuum however the rate and pace of learning is not fixed or constant. As such, remember to make your conversations specific to your child when discussing their report.

All parents and carers are invited to join us for Parent Teacher Interviews in Week 10. We look forward to collaborating at this meeting.

*"Satisfaction lies in the effort not in the attainment, full effort is full victory!!"*

*- Mahatma Gandhi*

Warm regards,  
Pascale Joseph

## Communication between school and parents

Good communication between school and parents is vital for students' learning and development. We can lay the groundwork by keeping the lines of communication open at all times.

Parents can also contact the teacher if your child has any problems at school or there's something else important that you need to discuss. In these situations, it's best to arrange a meeting with the teacher as soon as possible. You'll need to make a time that is suitable for both you and the teacher. There is a great opportunity with the upcoming Parent Teacher interviews in the last week of school.

### School Uniform

We would like to see the students wear their school uniform with pride at St. Oliver's Primary School so it is important that only the correct items are worn. Just another reminder that no nail polish and acrylic nail paint is permitted at school. Please help your child to develop a strong sense of pride in their uniform.

### School Absences

Please remember that it is important that if your child is absent a letter explaining their absence needs to be sent to the school. Absentee notes can also be sent via the compass app.

### Compass

We encourage all parents to download the Compass App so you can:

- Receive all school news, notes and events
- Enter all absence notes
- Receive absence notifications. You can click directly on the link in the sms to respond to the absence. All absences must be accounted for.

Mrs Kareena Starr

## HOW DO I ACCESS MY CHILD'S REPORT?

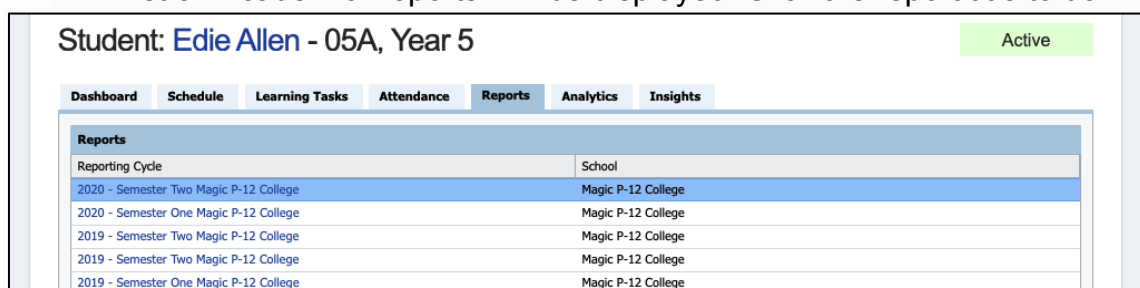
Reports have all been loaded into Compass. Go to Compass web portal using the user name and password emailed to you on Wednesday 15th June.

- ❖ From the home screen, click on the 'View Academic Reports' item or navigate to the 'Student Profile' and click the 'Reports' tab.



The screenshot shows the profile for Edie Allen. It includes a profile picture, the name 'Edie Allen', and several menu items: Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports), Send email to Edie's teachers, Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late), View Academic Reports, Order Photos, and Book Parent Student Teacher Conference.

- ❖ A list of 'Academic Reports' will be displayed. Click the report title to download the PDF



The screenshot shows the 'Reports' section for Student: Edie Allen - 05A, Year 5. The student's status is 'Active'. The 'Reports' tab is selected in the navigation menu. The table below lists the reporting cycles and the corresponding school.

Reporting Cycle	School
2020 - Semester Two Magic P-12 College	Magic P-12 College
2020 - Semester One Magic P-12 College	Magic P-12 College
2019 - Semester Two Magic P-12 College	Magic P-12 College
2019 - Semester Two Magic P-12 College	Magic P-12 College
2019 - Semester One Magic P-12 College	Magic P-12 College

## Gospel

Jn 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you  
but they would be too much for you now.  
But when the Spirit of truth comes  
he will lead you to the complete truth,  
since he will not be speaking as from himself  
but will say only what he has learnt;  
and he will tell you of the things to come.  
He will glorify me,  
since all he tells you  
will be taken from what is mine.  
Everything the Father has is mine;  
that is why I said:  
All he tells you  
will be taken from what is mine.'



The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity tells us that we do not have a solitary God up there in heaven, far away; no, He is the Father who gave us his Son, who became man like us, and who sends his own Spirit to be even closer to us.  
- Pope Francis June 16, 2019

## REFLECTION

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.

Sometimes close relationships are also compared to the Trinity: the person you love, the person who loves you, and God. If God is a part of your relationship, it's hard to think of the two of you without the power, joy and courage that God brings. Do you have any relationships like that? What are they like?

A family, a team or a close group of friends can also form a community of love that is similar to the Trinity – several persons that are connected and united in a very special way. Do you belong to any such group? If so, what makes it special?

The Holy Spirit brings the truth of God. Sometimes in our life we are running away from a truth, or trying to ignore or avoid it. What basic truth in your life do you think God wants you to be more aware of?

Sometimes in our life, when we have done something wrong or when we are about to do something wrong, the Spirit of God speaks to us through our conscience. Have you ever thought about doing something, until that voice inside you called you to do something else? What happened?

The main message of every Gospel is to know the way of the Spirit and to follow the way of the Spirit. How easy is it to live your life that way? How is living your life that way similar to preaching the Gospel?

## FEAST DAY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

We will be holding a Whole School Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday 24th June 2022 at 10:00am in the Church. All are welcome to join.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

We have a number of students who will be receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist this Sunday 19th June 2022. Please keep these students in your prayers.

## PARISH NEWS

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES Tuesday to Friday: 7:00 a.m.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES Saturday: Vigil 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS : Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## STAFF SPIRITUALITY DAY

On Friday 10th June, St Oliver's Staff engaged in a Staff Spirituality Day. This day was held at Edmund Rice Retreat and Conference Centre at Mulgoa. The day's theme was the Holy Spirit. It was filled with prayer, reflection, journal writing and conversation to support our students' teaching and learning. Thank you to Brother Menard who also joined us and spoke to staff about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit.



### Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,

Replace the **tension** within us with a holy **relaxation**.

Replace the **turbulence** within us with a sacred **calm**.

Replace the **anxiety** within us with a quiet **confidence**.

Replace the **fear** within us with a strong **faith**.

Replace the **bitterness** within us with the sweetness of **grace**.

Replace the **darkness** within us with a gentle **light**.

Replace the **coldness** within us with a loving **warmth**.

Replace the **night** within us with Your **day**.

Replace the **winter** within us with Your **spring**.

**Straighten** our crookedness.

**Fill** our emptiness.

**Dull** the edge of our pride.

**Sharpen** the edge of our humility.

**Light** the fires of our love.

Let us see ourselves as You see us.

That we may see You as You have promised us.

**And be healed** through Your word.

Amen



## Sport News - Congratulations Jordan!

Congratulations to Jordan S, our talented cross country runner from Year 6, who competed at the NSW CPS (Catholic Primary Schools) Championships at Eastern Creek last week. It was very tough conditions to compete in with cold, wind & ground that was still trying to dry out from previous rain & toughing it out on the course with every other talented runner from other Diocese in the State.

Jordan enjoyed the experience & did himself & the school very proud by his representation. Jordan finished 19th overall in a competitive field of runners. Jordan's effort & the other boys from the Parramatta Team earned them the gold medal for the overall Team results. Well done Jordan!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 23rd June - School Photos

Monday 27th June - Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 28th June - Subway Meal Deal

Wednesday 29th June - Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day

## ST OLIVER'S IS NOW USING COMPASS

All notes will soon be sent on Compass via email and sms. Over the next few weeks Skoolbag will be phased out.

We encourage all parents to download the Compass App and access the Compass Portal so you can:

- Receive all school news, notes and events
  - See Academic Reports
  - Book Parent/Teacher Interviews
  - Enter all absence notes
  - Receive absence notifications. You can click directly on the link in the sms to respond to the absence.
- All absences must be accounted for.

### How Do I access Compass?

#### Compass Web Access

1. Compass is accessible on your web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, Safari) and/or by using the Compass iOS or Android apps. To access the parent portal, you can go to our school's website and click the Compass link on their homepage. Alternatively, you can go to <https://schools.compass.education/> where you can search for our school's direct URL. You can access information about your child here as well as put in Absence notes.

To log in you will require your unique family username and password. These details have been provided to you by our school by email (please check your emails). Upon first login, you will be required to change your password and confirm your email address and mobile phone number. These details may be used by our school for SMS, password recovery and email communication throughout the year.

#### Compass App

2. To download the app, please go to the App store on your device and search for Compass School Manager in the store. You will receive all messages from the school and also absence notifications.

## St Oliver's School Photography Date: 23/06/2022

Envelopes for ordering school photos have gone home this next week. Group and portrait photographs can be purchased by following the link below or by returning the order envelope with your payment to our photographer on school photo day.

### NEW

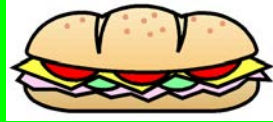
**Advancedlife now offers Latitude Pay!** To take advantage of LatitudePay and split the cost of your order into 10 small easy payments, simply order your school photos online as usual, set up a Latitude Pay account in just a few clicks and pay no interest or fees when you pay according to your payment schedule; it's that easy.

3 easy ways to purchase:

1. LatitudePay – Click on the link below, set up an account during the online order process and split your payments across 10 weeks with no interest or fees, if you pay on time
2. Visa, MasterCard or PayPal
3. Cash – complete the envelope supplied and return it to our photographer on photo day

[Order school photos here](#)

# SUBWAY MEAL DEAL



## TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

The Meal Deal will include a 6" Subway roll, Cookie and a Popper

Cost \$8.00 (payable through the Qkr App)

PLEASE RETURN THE MEAL DEAL NOTE BY TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED

**\$8 COST IS PAYABLE THROUGH THE QKR APP**

Payments close Monday night 20<sup>th</sup> June at 11pm.

The last 2 events  
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