



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 1

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

14th October 2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER

Monday 17th

Stage 2 & 3 Basketball
Gala Day

Friday 21st

Meal Deal

NOVEMBER

Friday 11th

Staff Development Day
Pupil Free Day
No School



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am certainly excited to be back at school after my three weeks of leave. I wish to thank the leadership team and in particular, Mr John Tomczyk for his service and commitment to the St Oliver's community in my absence. I know that the staff took to him very quickly and that he was made to feel welcomed by all. Where possible, Mr Tomczyk spent considerable time with our students, either in the classroom or on the playground. He was also readily available for staff and parents to speak to him. I am grateful for his care and compassion, which made it possible for me to step away from work for a little while.

And so a new chapter begins this term. It is hard to believe that we find ourselves in Term 4 already and that we are approaching the end of the year. As I stated to the students on Tuesday at assembly, this term is about embracing the learning opportunities presented to us and making the most of these 10 weeks of teaching and learning. Whilst there is much to look forward to in the weeks ahead, our priority is the learning experiences created and to be embraced.

As with all school terms there are a number of items on the agenda. Throughout this term we will be celebrating and taking part in the following activities, just to name a few:

- Kindergarten Transition
- Swimming Program
- Fundraising
- The Sacrament of Confirmation
- Year 6 Graduation

We look forward to the events above and pray that with God's blessings all goes well throughout this term.

In prayer,

Pascale Joseph

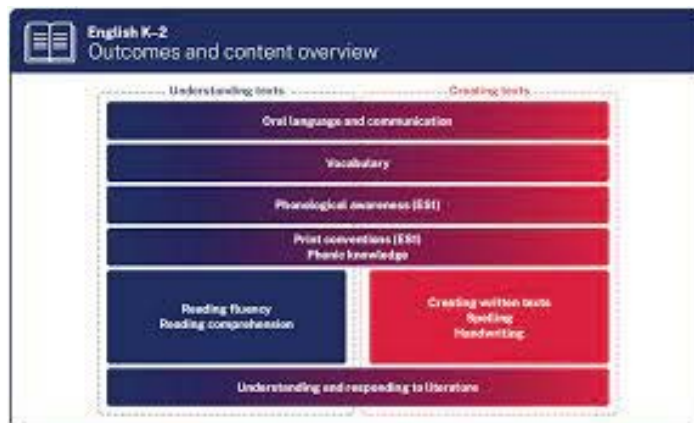


Staff Development Day

On Monday 10th October staff of St. Oliver's undertook Professional Development in 3 Key learning areas. We began the morning by looking in depth at the New K-2 Maths Syllabus with a particular focus on Representing whole numbers. Teachers familiarised themselves with the outcomes and content in readiness for the implementation of the syllabus next year. A lot of time was spent in researching and developing teaching strategies so as to meet the needs of all our students . The new K-2 syllabus will be mandatory from 2023.

In Religious Education teachers explored the unpacking of Scripture through the use of many different forms like Vision Divina, Exploring scripture and using 4C's.

On Wednesday teachers continued the journey of Professional Development by looking deeply at the K-2 English syllabus. For the learning session the focus was on Oral Language and Communication. For the rest of the term teachers will continue to familiarise themselves and implement parts of the new K-2 Maths and English syllabus. As a staff we are excited to continue this journey of learning and teaching.





October is the month of the Rosary

“The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God...and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary.”

Pope Saint Pius X

TIPS TO PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY

-  Fall asleep praying the Rosary. It is better than counting sheep.
-  Say it in moments of sadness or spiritual drought.
-  If you can't pray a whole Rosary at once, break it into parts.
-  Carry a Rosary in your pocket.
-  Use each mystery to ask for a particular intention.
-  Say it while you wait (for example, at the bus stop)
-  Pray while you walk and think of the people in your life.
-  Recite the Rosary while doing chores or while you work out.
-  Use images and music. The Rosary is a contemplative prayer.
-  If you're upset, pray for the situation that worries you.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Gospel

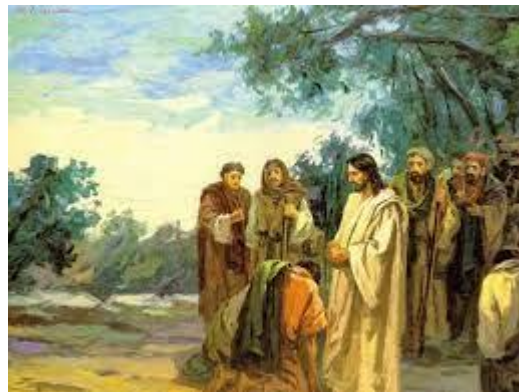
Lk
17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

On the way to

Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'



REFLECTION

Like the other nine lepers, the Samaritan was cured of his skin disease. Unlike the other nine, he thanked Jesus and expressed faith in Jesus as the agent of his divine healing. Only to him did Jesus say: 'Your faith has brought you *salvation*.' So, 'salvation' is evidently more than physical cure. Every aspect of this man's personality, bodily, socially, relationship with God, was made whole. Being brought to this 'holistic' situation we call 'salvation'. This Gospel assures us that there is nothing which makes me 'taboo' to Jesus. Jesus is only too willing to reach out to that part of me which is dis-eased, ill-at-ease with myself, other people, creation, or God. Having faith in Him allows the full force of His love to heal me, to take effect. We could pause for a moment to pray that we might join the Samaritan walking along the road to final salvation, praising God.

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Sacraments at St Oliver's

This term we have some students in Stage 3 who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they begin this journey.



PARISH NEWS

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

**JOIN US FOR A NATION-WIDE
ROSARY CHAIN!**

PUBLIC ROSARY @ST OLIVERS

WHEN: Saturday, 15 October 2022 at 4:45 p.m.

**WHERE: At the grounds of the Holy Spirit
Seminary, 31-33 Allen St, Harris Park (weather-permitting) or
inside the church (if raining). To be followed by mass at 5:30 p.m.**

For more information, please call Victoria on 0414 212 943.

THE PUBLIC ROSARY

The Public Rosary is an international campaign to pray the rosary together in commemoration of the last apparition of Our Lady at Fatima (October 13, 1917). It is a great opportunity for prayer groups and communities to join together in public prayer. In 2020, there were 180 groups registered to pray the Rosary throughout Australia.

The purpose of this Public Rosary is to make a public act of reparation and so that members of the public can witness this. Groups are encouraged to do this in public; if this is not possible, the group can pray the Rosary inside the Church.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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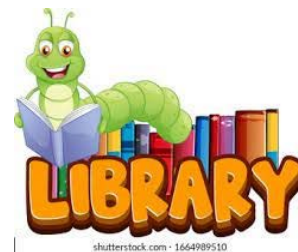
BABY NEWSFLASH!!

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Jaquelin Dib, our Religious Education Coordinator, is expecting a baby. Mrs Dib and husband Anthony are awaiting their first child, due to arrive in April 2023. We are very excited for them and look forward to sharing the journey with her over the coming term. Please keep Mrs Dib and baby Dib in your prayers during this time. Many blessings to mummy, daddy and bubs!! ❤️🙏



LIBRARY BORROWING

Library borrowing is every **Monday**. All students need a cloth Library bag. St Oliver's Library bags are available for \$12 in the School Office. However, other cloth Library bags may be used.



Canteen News

Apple A Day will be operating an
online lunch order delivery service to
parents and staff at
St Olivers.

Orders can be placed through
Spriggy School

Commencing Monday 24th October 2022
Every second Monday until end of term
Cut off times apply.

Please follow us on Facebook [Aappleaday](#)

Please contact Fiona on 0435 720 413
Email address fiona@aappleaday.com.au



Place your canteen orders online with Spriggy Schools

We are excited to announce the introduction of a new online lunch ordering system called Spriggy Schools on 24/10/2022

Spriggy Schools will make lunch orders more convenient for both families and the canteen. Steps to get started:

1. Go to www.spriggyschools.com.au to register and download the app.

2. Add a profile for each of your children, making sure you select St Olivers and your child's class.

3. Start placing lunch orders! You can place orders up to 2 weeks in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact Spriggy Schools via their website.

Spriggy Schools is backed by Spriggy.com.au, a digital pocket money app designed to help parents improve the financial literacy skills of their children.

Spriggy Schools

The canteen has partnered with Spriggy Schools for online lunch orders!

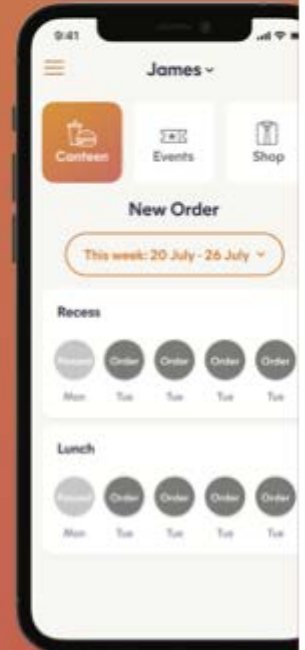
Creating your account

- Download the app
- Register your details
- Create a profile for each child

Placing your first order

- View the canteen menu on the home screen
- Browse the menu and tap 'Add to Cart' on any item
- Go to cart and tap 'Place Order' to confirm
- You can edit or cancel your order before the cut-off time

Download the app now!



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