



Our Lady of the Rosary Kellyville

Term 1, Week 6

7 March 2018

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Week 6

Monday 5 March

- * Library: Year 5 and Year 4

Tuesday 6 March

- * PE: Kindergarten, Year 5 and 6
- * Chess Club (Recess)
- * Library: Year 1 and Year 2
- * Diocesan Rugby League trials

Wednesday 7 March

- * Gardening Club 7.30am
- * OLOR Open Day from 9.15am
- * PE: Years 3 and 4
- * Library: Year 6
- * Uniform Shop 8.30am—1.30pm
- * P&F Meeting—7pm in Library

Thursday 8 March

- * PE: Year 2, Year 1
- * Library: Year 3 and Kindergarten
- * Parish Mass Year 4 @ 9.15am
- * Paul Kelly Cup—AFL

Friday 9 March

- * Dance Fever
- * Treat Day
- * Teaching Services Music
- * Year 5 Parish Mass

Week 7

Monday 12 March

- * Library: Year 5 and Year 4

Tuesday 13 March

- * PE: Kindergarten, Year 5 and 6
- * Chess Club (Recess)
- * Library: Year 1 and Year 2

Wednesday 14 March

- * PE: Year 3 and 4
- * Uniform Shop 8.30am—1.30pm

Thursday 15 March

- * PE: Years 1 and 2

Friday 16 March

- * Treat Day
- * Dance Fever
- * Teaching Services Music

Dear Parents and Caregivers

During the last fortnight many of our students represented our school at various sporting activities and we congratulate them on all their achievements, and the way they represented our school in a mature and spirited fashion. I am very proud of our students and their accomplishments.

Last week our Year 6 were visited by representatives of Marian College regarding High School placements. I would like to thank the students who came to speak with our Year 6's, together with Mrs Jayne Campbell and their Year 7 Curriculum Advisor.

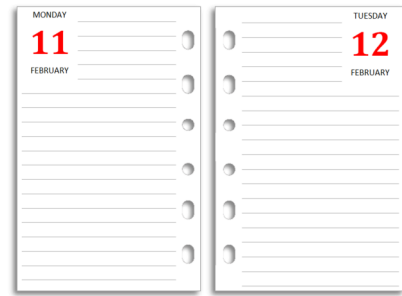
This week is Catholic Schools' Week and today we celebrated our OLOR Open Day. It was wonderful to see so many new families and also existing families at the Liturgy and Open Day activities. Thank you to all the teachers, staff and school leaders who conducted our tour groups and also to all the teachers who co-ordinated the activities showcasing our wonderful school.

Today is also the feast of Saints Perpetua and Felicity, both martyrs. Pope Benedict XVI once said "God's love is a powerful force that impels us on the path of holiness, if necessary even to martyrdom" (Homily, March 25, 2007). Let us remind ourselves of our commitment to raise up, sacrifice and offer during this Lenten period. In particular may this Lent be a time of even greater concern for the needs of our children in our own families for they are the future.

The P&F are holding a meeting this evening at 7.00pm in the Library. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Have a safe week.
Annelise Stockey
Principal

MARK IN YOUR DIARY



Thursday 8th March

- Paul Kelly Cup—AFL

5th—9th March

- Catholic Schools Week
- OLOR OPEN DAY—Wednesday 7th March

EASTER DATES

- Good Friday—Friday 30th March
- Easter Sunday—Sunday 1st April
- Easter Monday—Monday 2nd April

(Please note that these are all public holidays)

Wednesday 4th April

- DanceFever Interschool Challenge—Homebush

Friday 13th April

- Last day of Term 1

Monday 30th April

- PUPIL FREE DAY—STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Tuesday 1 May

- FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL TERM 2 FOR STUDENTS

2018 SCHOOL FEES

Please be advised that School Fees for Term 1, 2018 are due on 21st March.

If you are experiencing any financial difficulties, please call me for a confidential chat. It is better for you to come in speak to me so that we can develop a support plan rather than allowing a debt to accumulate. We are here to support you.

Mrs Tracey DiGiuseppe

Financial Secretary

tdigiuseppe@parra.catholic.edu.au or call 8664 7800

SENDING CASH TO SCHOOL

There is a new procedure in place when sending any cash to school which from time to time is required (ie. Fundraising, uniform orders). Parents are asked to place any money directly into the locked box located on the wall in the school office foyer. Please ensure that if your child is bringing notes in that contain money to school that they drop them into the post box first thing in the morning. No cash is to be sent to your child's classroom. All cash received will be receipted directly from the box



Come join Fr. Alejandro, the friars and Our Lady of the Rosary Parish for an Easter Movie night on Thursday, 5 April at 6.30 pm for the new film Peter Rabbit at Castle Tower Event Cinemas. We rent out a whole theatre just for us and profits go to helping with our church renovation. Seats are going fast at \$20 a ticket! Don't miss out on the fun for you and your family; contact the parish office at 9629 2595 and book your tickets today!



Level 1 30A George St, Burwood 2134
Office: (02) 9745 1170

CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School (Kellyville) is held on Tuesdays from 10:40am to 11:15am, starting on 13 February 2018.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

UNIFORM SHOP

Our Uniform shop is open every WEDNESDAY from 8.30am—1pm.

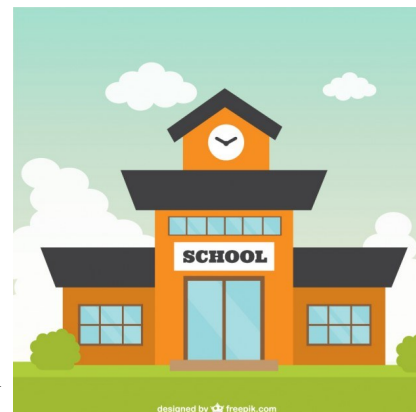
The Uniform Shop price list order form is available on the OLOR school website and also in hard copy form on the front counter at the Office

ENROLMENT FOR 2019

Thank you to those parents and caregivers who collected their enrolment packs today at our OLOR Open Day.

If you would like a pack sent home, please contact the office via email on olorkellyville@parra.catholic.edu.au

If you could return the completed enrolment in a timely fashion it would be appreciated as interviews will need to be scheduled.



REMAINING TERM DATES

Good Friday,	Friday, 30th March	} Public Holidays
Easter Sunday,	Sunday, 1st April	
Easter Monday,	Monday, 2nd April	

Last Day Term 1 Friday 13th April

Term 2	Tuesday, 1st May	to	Friday, 6th July
Term 3	Tuesday, 24th July	to	Friday, 28th September
Term 4	Monday, 15th October	to	Wednesday 19th December

Do you want your child to learn guitar?

Teaching Services Australia offers guitar lessons in a group setting at the school. Lessons are engaging and taught by a professional teacher. Available for students from years 2 - 6. Email enrolments@teachingservices.com.au or phone 9651 7333 for further information.

Please support **Caritas Australia's** annual Lenten fundraiser helping to end poverty and promote justice. In the School Office, Library and every OLOR classroom, a **Project Compassion box** is on the prayer table. We encourage each child to bring a monetary donation. *This donation can make a real difference.* Together we can help the poorest of the poor live a life of dignity. We can help those most in need to become self-sufficient so they do not need to rely on charity. For more

information on how we can help the disadvantaged during Lent, please go to
<http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion>

Catholic Schools Week Liturgy

This week we celebrated our Catholic Schools Week Liturgy. Catholic Schools Week is a special time in the year when we celebrate and give thanks for Catholic Schools, especially our own school. It is a time to give thanks for the wonderful learning and teaching that takes place each day in every classroom. Our theme for Catholic School's week this year is '*Developing the Curious Mind*'. We are privileged to belong to a faith community that continues to shape our learning and develop our curiosity.



CONFIRMATION – Children and parents Preparation Day

Saturday 10th March 2018

3.45-6pm Sacrament Overview and Fellowship for all children preparing for Confirmation and their parents.

6pm Vigil Mass for all children and their parents.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Children and parents Preparation Day

Saturday 17th March 2018

3.45-6pm Sacrament Overview and Fellowship for all children preparing for First Holy Communion and their parents.

6pm Vigil Mass for all children and their parents.



News from Sr. Antoinette

Dear Parents,
I would like to offer the following article as food for thought:

Teaching Kids to be problem solvers

One important area that is vital to help children become more resilient is to help them become 'problem solvers'. If children can solve their own problems their confidence grows as they realise that they are able to cope with anything that comes their way. If children don't get the opportunity to solve their own problems, they can form a belief that they are not capable of coping with struggles. Once children solve a problem independently they remember this for the rest of their lives and take this learning to new and more difficult situations. [*more next fortnight*]

A THOUGHT

"..... the things that are revealed belong to us and our children forever"
Deuteronomy 29: 29

PBS4L

Our PBS4L focus is respecting others by using "Safe and Caring Hands." We encourage your support in talking with your children about this – maybe asking them to share ways at home that they can use "Safe and Caring Hands"



JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER
at the parish of Our Lady of the Rosary
(8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville)

Fridays during Lent

9.15am Mass in Parish Church followed by
10.15am **Stations of the Cross**
at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville)

7pm Mass in Parish Church
followed by Confessions and
Stations of the Cross

DEANERY COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION:
MONDAY, 26 MARCH

7pm at St Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills

TUESDAY, 27 MARCH

7pm at OLOR, Kellyville followed by a special
8pm Mass of Thanksgiving.

EASTER SCHEDULE

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, 29 March,
7pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper** in Parish Church
Adoration in the old hall until 10pm

Good Friday, 30 March,
10am **Stations of the Cross** by Youth Group at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville)
3pm **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** in Parish Church

Holy Saturday, 31 March,
No Confessions

Easter Vigil Mass, 31 March at 8pm

Easter Sunday, 1 April
Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am

Please Note: There will be NO 6PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

SPORTS SPECTACULAR BY MRS HARVEY AND THE SPORTS TEAM

DIOCESAN SWIMMING

After a very busy zone carnival on the Monday, nine of our swimmers lined up again on the Friday 23rd February, to represent OLOR and the Hills Zone at the Diocesan Swimming Championships at Blacktown.

Congratulations to Tiarna H, Kieran T, Gabi McB, Charlie B, Callum B, Ava G, Gabby B, Emma P and Isobel P on a terrific week of swimming.

As always, the competition is fierce and only the top four place-getters move onto Mackillop Championships which will be held at Homebush on March 21st.

This year our representatives are:

Tiarna H....11yrs Breaststroke

Kieran T.....13yrs Freestyle

Gabi mc B...10yrs Breaststroke

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

INFANTS CROSS COUNTRY Tuesday 27th March

On Tuesday, March 27th the children from years K, 1 & 2 will be participating in a short cross country course. Parents are very welcome to attend and times are as follows:

Year 2 - 9:15 am

Year 1 - 11:30 am

Kindergarten - 2:15 pm

Times are staggered due to the children's sport times.

Parents are asked to assemble in the Kiss and Drop area and a teacher will open the gates just before the race. Parents are welcome to bring a fold up chair. The event will not take any longer than 20 minutes.

Cross country is a component of the PD/H/PE Syllabus and it is compulsory for every child to participate.

The children in Year 2 are very welcome to back up the following day and compete in the School Cross Country (2 kms). Children turning 8 years of age can qualify for the Zone Cross Country if they finish in the top 6 of the school race. This is not compulsory however and is only if you have super keen runners who can go the distance!

PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY Wednesday 28th March

9.00am 8/9 years Boys

9.15am 8/8 years Girls

9.30am 10years Boys

9.45am 10years Girls

10.00am 11years Boys

10.20am 11years Girls

10.40am 12years Girls and Boys

RECESS WILL BE AFTER THIS EVENT

Dear Parents,

The above programme is a rough guideline for our cross country.....there may be some variation but we will endeavour to keep to the timetable.

Just a few reminders for the morning:

Please ensure that your son/daughter has a good breakfast that morning and is well hydrated.

If your child is an **asthmatic** could you please ensure they have had their medication and that they have it with them on the course.

ALL Students in years 3-6 compete, (their results are included in our assessments for their half yearly report) and any students in year 2 who are keen and enthusiastic(those turning 8years and older will be considered for zone representation)

If your child is sick/injured could you please send a note.

All parents are welcome to come and support their sons/daughters...viewing and cheering will be from the goat paddock.

Students are welcome to wear a t-shirt etc to support their colour house. Could you please send their correct PE uniform to change into after their race.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE RE: **PARKING**

Due to our need to keep our students as safe as possible, the **KISS AND DROP carpark GATES** will close from **8.45am** and will **reopen** only at **12.15pm**.

Please park behind the church on our basketball court if you are staying to watch.

HELPERS REQUIRED: If any parents are available to help on the **WEDNESDAY**....for either recording, or supervising the track, could you please let me know, as it would be greatly appreciated..
Thanking you in anticipation!

MACKILLOP BASKETBALL

Last Friday Harrison V, year 6, competed in the Parramatta Diocesan Basketball team in Wollongong.

The Parramatta team were undefeated in all their games on the day, with, from all reports, Harry having a fantastic day. Congratulations.

PARRAMATTA SOFTBALL

Congratulations to Mac O, Year 5, on being selected in the Parramatta Diocesan Softball team. Mac will compete in the Mackillop championships to be held in June.



NEWS FLASH*****.....Mac O has just been selected for the Parramatta Diocesan 11yrs Rugby League team!!!! The fantastic week for Mac continues!

Congratulations also for Samuel S, year 6, for his selection in the Parramatta Diocesan Opens Rugby League.

PAUL KELLY CUP...AFL

For the first time in OLOR history, two teams, one boy and one girl, will compete in the Paul Kelly cup this Thursday.

Thank you to Mr Greg Thomas and Mrs Sorelle Prince for all their hard work and enthusiasm in preparing the teams.

Good luck and have a fun-filled day:

Kieran T	Kayley McG
Cedric X	Angie C
Harrison V	Taneesha G
Ryan C	Isobel P
Luka D	Sarah H
Oliver F	Gabby B
Sam S	Natasha O
Julian R	Eliya P
Rhys T	Shania A
Sam H	Emerson S
Marco Z	Amelia B
Kyan G	Eliana F
Mac O	
Ryan McP	
Joshua B	
Flynn P	

GARDEN CLUB

We have a hive of very busy bees every week at garden club.

From collecting our seasonal produce, to preparing beds, raising seedlings, watering, feeding and of course, mulch moving - I never thought I'd have students racing to be the first on a wheelbarrow! - there is a never ending list of activities to keep us all entertained.

This week we hope to search for sweet potatoes - bandicooting - and plant our sweet peas ready for spring blooming.

Thank you all again for supporting the raffles....our pumpkins are now the prizes and hopefully the sweet potatoes will have done their job underground during the summer. Fingers crossed.

OLOR IS NUT FREE

We have an increasing number of children in our school who suffer from an anaphylaxis reaction to certain foods etc. but in particular, nuts.

To assist in our duty of care for these children, direct nut products or products that list nuts as an actual ingredient, eg. peanut butter and nutella, are not permitted at Our Lady of the Rosary School. Please also keep this vigilance when sending in birthday cakes, cupcakes and other confectionary for whatever purpose. Additionally, we will continue to ask that children not to share their food.



EVERY DAY MATTERS

CHANGES TO STUDENT LEAVE APPLICATIONS: COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) has procedures and guidelines in place to achieve high standards of student attendance in collaboration with parents. Parents are required by law to ensure that children aged between 6 and 17 years attend school. Schools are required to monitor and keep a register of student attendance and explained absences.

Requirements for Extended Leave from attendance for student absence and travel

- 1-4 days absence: Parents **must** notify the school principal by mail or email (written) at least 2 weeks before leave date.
- 5 or more days absence: Parents must complete and submit the [*Application for Extended Leave*](#) form at least 2 weeks prior to commencing leave (Copies of travel documents must accompany this application). If approved the Principal issues a [*Certificate of Extended Leave*](#). If the Principal declines this application (i.e it is not within the best interest of the child to take leave and be absent from school), a letter notifying parents that the application has been declined would be forthcoming.

****NEW FORMS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE AND THE OFFICE****



Supervision from 8.15am

**PLEASE MAKE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR
CHILDREN OUTSIDE OF SUPERVISED HOURS**

PLEASE HELP US COMMUNICATE WITH YOU HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE SKOOLBAG APP YET?



HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE Skoolbag App YET?

Skoolbag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool. This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers important information as soon as it happens example: school news, event reminders, cancellations and much more.

To install it, just search for our school name "Our Lady of the Rosary Kellyville" in either the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or on Windows.



HAVING ISSUES WITH THE Skoolbag app

If you find you are not receiving messages or have lost your alert ping, sometimes it is just a matter of removing and re-installing the app.

System updates sometimes cause these minor issues.



USE YOUR Skoolbag app TO NOTIFY YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

1. Open Skoolbag app
2. Click on eForms
3. Select Absentee Form
4. Complete all fields
5. In the last field you need to tap and then you can sign with your finger on your phone screen
6. Press Submit

This will send an instant email to the school to advise your child's absence.

This document is now legally acceptable as an Absentee Notification as the form is signed. You will not need to send in an additional note when your child returns to school.

This eForm is not to be used for extended Family leave.

- Applications for leave are available from the School Office.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

New directive from the Diocesan Office 25th May 2016

BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE A CURRENT NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

Please note: Until both the ‘Volunteer Form’ and the ‘Module’ have been completed, parents will not be able to assist in any capacity as a volunteer within the school. (The school receives notification when you complete each section).

‘Building Child Safe Communities’ is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. **It is now a requirement that all volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form** that confirms expectations in relation to behavior whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centers. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

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Volunteers – please click on ‘[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers](#)’ by accessing the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the ‘Volunteers and Contractors-Click here’ image (halfway down page on the right hand side).



This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 1—Volunteer Form and follow the steps

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted.

- Your details will be maintained confidentially in a central database
- **A copy of your confirmation will then be emailed to the School / location where you are volunteering to be kept on file.**

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

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A reminder that you once you receive your confirmation email, you will need to complete the Child Protection Module.



www.parra.catholic.edu.au, then click on the ‘Volunteers and Contractors-Click here’ image (halfway down page on the right hand side). This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 2—Complete the Online Training Module

Once you complete this online module the school will receive notification that it has been completed and you will be cleared to volunteer.

Therefore in brief :

1. To complete form go to: www.parra.catholic.edu.au and follow Step 1 above
2. Wait for confirmation email
3. On receipt of the confirmation email follow Step 2 above to complete Child Protection Online Module
4. Wait for confirmation email
5. The School will receive an email confirming that you have completed both steps and are now cleared to volunteer.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support of Catholic Education.



2018 GALA OPENING NIGHT

FRI 23 MARCH 7PM - 10.30PM

TICKETS: \$35 ONLINE

WWW.ARTOAKHILL.COM.AU

EXHIBITION CONTINUES

SAT 24 & SUN 25 MARCH 10AM - 4PM

ENTRY: BY DONATION

OAKHILL COLLEGE - CENTENARY SPORTS CENTRE
423-513 OLD NORTHERN RD CASTLE HILL

celebrating art, creating community



OPEN DAY

Sunday, 11 March 2018

11.00am – 3.00pm

Inspiring students to aspire to greatness

Oakhill College Open Day

We warmly welcome prospective students and families to the Oakhill College Open Day on Sunday, 11 March 2018.

The day will run from 11.00am – 3.00pm and provides a great opportunity to meet our Principal, Brother Steve Hogan, staff and current students.

Tours are guided by students showcasing subject displays, co-curricular activities and performances by one of the many College musical ensembles.

Come and explore our beautiful grounds and inspect the facilities and resources at the College.

Principal's Address at 11.30am and 1.30pm. Visit our website to register your interest - www.oakhill.nsw.edu.au

OAKHILL COLLEGE OPEN DAY AND ENROLMENTS: Oakhill College is holding an Open Day on Sunday 11 March, 2018 from 11.00am – 3.00pm. Tours will be available on the day. Applications for enrolment into **Year 7, 2020** will close on **Friday 23 March, 2018** and enrolment for girls into **Year 11, 2019** will close on **Friday 18 May, 2018**. Parents who wish to apply for enrolment of their sons in Year 7 and/or daughters in Year 11 at Oakhill College, and who have not yet submitted an Application for Enrolment, are requested to contact the Registrar before the closing dates on 9899 2288 or registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au. Applications for Years 8-11 can be made at any time by contacting the Registrar.

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2019

Catherine McAuley



Catherine McAuley is a Catholic girls' secondary school, located at Westmead. Our broad curriculum encourages young women to pursue independent lifelong learning.



OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday 13 March 2018 4.00pm - 7.00pm

This school open event will give visitors the opportunity to tour the school and view facilities as well as meet our School Principal and School Leadership Team

CONTACT OUR SCHOOL ON 9849 9100 FOR AN ENROLMENT PACK. APPLICATIONS CLOSE 6TH APRIL 2018

Catherine McAuley, 2 Darcy Road, Westmead

www.mcauley.nsw.edu.au

Coles Sports for Schools Program

Started on Wednesday 7th February and ends on 11th May 2018.



Don't forget—for every \$10.00 spent at Coles, customers will receive 1 Sport for Schools voucher. Families can then bring vouchers to school and place them in the collection bin in the office.

Every voucher received by the school will go towards a tally which will then go towards ordering Sports equipment for the children.

Thank you in anticipation for your support!!

OLOR NETBALL CLUB

Your local Kellyville netball club

Register online now!

Ages 5 years to seniors welcome

**All information online @
www.olornetball.com.au**



Active kids \$100 rebate available during registration