Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

At Our Lady of the River School we acknowledge the power and the gifts that each child brings to our school. We aim to develop in our students leadership qualities that they will take into life with them. Next Wednesday (ASH WEDNESDAY) we will present our School Leaders and new Sport Captain Leaders with their badges and charge them with the responsibility of being the best person they can be. I will meet regularly with the School and Sports Leaders to discuss matters that they bring forward in regard to school life. They are also encouraged to actively participate in whole school assemblies and special events. This Friday the whole school will vote on the Sports Captains for 2015. Around the school you will see nomination posters for those wishing to be elected as the School Sports Captains this year.

Riverland Junior Basketball Carnival
This weekend OLR will be one of the main venues for the Riverland Junior Basketball Carnival, with many games being played on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Thank you to the large number of responses to assist or supply donated goods to help with the catering in the canteen over the weekend. The winner of the ‘Reply Slip Raffle’ is Margrie Family.

School Board AGM – Call for Nominations
On Tuesday, 17th March at 7pm, the Annual General Meeting of the Our Lady of the School Board will be held. At this meeting 5 positions of the executive will re-open for election. Calls for nominations for 4 parent representatives, and a parish representative are now open. Please see Bernie/Sandy in the front office for a 2015-16 nomination form for the OLR School Board. All parents and carers of the school are warmly invited to come along to the AGM and share in the partnership of education we provide here at Our Lady of the River School. We value your contribution in this and would love to see as many families there as possible. Wine and cheese, tea and coffee will be provided.

REMINDERS
- B.O.P & B.O.P.P.E.R.S Playgroup is held on Tuesdays 9-11am in the transportable building next to the sandpit area.
- Next week the children will enjoy pancakes at recess for Shrove Tuesday $1.00 per family to pay for costs and donation to Project Compassion.
- Friday Canteen – more volunteers needed. Please check the new items and prices for 2015. The list is posted on the SchoolStream App.

Dates for Your Diary
Thursday 12th Feb: OLOR Expo/Parent Night.
Tuesday 17th Feb: SHROVE TUESDAY (Pancake Day)
School Board Meeting – General 7.30 pm
Wednesday 18th Feb: Ash Wednesday/Captain badges and Sacraments Presentation
Friday 20th Feb: Years 6/7 Assembly
Friday 27th Feb: School’s Clean-up Day
Today the first Issue of Scholastic Book Club for 2015 went home with your child/ren. Orders are due in next Friday, 20th February. If you would like to place an order, please send correct payment by cheque (made to OOLOR) or cash. Credit card payments can be made by following the instructions on the bottom of the order form. Please remember to clearly write your child’s name and class on the order form and send to school in an envelope marked “Book Club”. Regards, Sandy Sando

Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Challenge is on again!! Today your child/ren received their Premier’s Reading Challenge Record Form. To complete the Challenge, children need to read 8 books from the Challenge and 4 of their own choice. Please encourage your child to take part this year, as it would be wonderful to have the whole school participate.
Happy Reading, Sandy Sando

Laker’s Valentine’s Day Disco
Join us Saturday 14th February at our Laker’s Disco to be held at the Barmera Monash Football Club
- All children between the ages 10-17 welcome
- Music kicks off at 7pm
- $5 entry fee
- Snacks available for purchase
- Competitions with prizes to be won on the night
Fully supervised event. Any queries please contact Karen 0408027572

Circle of Security - A Relationship Based Parenting Program
What your child’s behavior might mean
How to help your child organize their feelings
How to help your child feel secure in their relationships
How to support you in your role as a parent when times are tough
When: Thursday, April 23, 30 and May 7 and 14, 10.00am to 12.00pm
Where: Relationships Australia (SA) 9 Kay Ave, Berri
Cost: Free
For booking or enquiries Contact: Traci-Lee at Relationships Australia (SA)
Phone: 08 8582 4122

School Fees 2015
School Fee statements will be distributed next week. We ask that any families requiring assistance please call or email the Principal.
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