Dear Parents/ Caregivers and Friends of OLOR,

Welcome back to Our Lady of the River for Term 4. I hope everyone had a restful holiday in readiness for a busy final term for 2015. It was a privilege sharing our pupil-free day on Monday with our very dedicated hard working staff who spent the day preparing for the term. Ros is on study leave for the first two weeks of Term Four and I will be acting in her absence. She has some wonderful learning and experiences to share with our families upon her return so we look forward to hearing from her soon. We also welcome back Mrs Meagan Rudd, as she replaces Mrs Rosie Perre who is enjoying two week’s Long Service leave with her family. I have been on Long Service leave since the middle of third term so it is so good catching up with all the children and families once more. During my time away my husband and I went on our ‘trip of a lifetime’ to Canada and Alaska. It was an absolutely beautiful country with every photo looking like a post card! However, upon our return to Australia we appreciated how blessed we are to live in this magnificent country.

While I was away and listening to the radio, I heard it said that at the beginning of every day as we awaken, we should thank God for the ‘precious gift of life’; simply thank God that we are alive and breathing. This sounds very simple and yet, I think if we could try to remember to do this, our lives would change for the best. Another suggestion was to practice ‘half-smiles’ throughout our day to boost happiness. I think both of these life practices are very worthwhile and especially good for our souls. I would also like to offer a few little suggestions that may help you and your children as we approach this last term:

• Give them your love and attention.
• Offer your children strategies to enable them to take responsibility for remembering to do things. If they forget their diary or homework allow them to experience that they will get through the day, and then discuss how they can remember things next time.

Important Reminders
Please Check these Updates

www.olor.catholic.edu.au or
www.facebook.com/olorverrantce

SchoolStream App
The one stop shop for OLOR information

UNIFORMS for 2015
Tri-state Renmark
PLEASE ORDER NOW

NO CANTEEN
FRIDAY 16TH & FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER DUE TO VOLUNTEERS UNAVAILABLE

Working BEE
Saturday 24th October @ 9.00am
More details to follow
Rob 0438 800 752 contact person
• Try not to be the rescuer. Let the situation play out—even though it is tough—this will enable your children to make enormous leaps in helping themselves.
• Provide plenty of opportunities for your children to exert age-appropriate control over their own lives by offering them a decision-rich environment. Control over all aspects may lead to difficulties with things such as bedtime, homework and food choices.
• Take pleasure in the little things instead of focusing on what they want. Research shows that grateful people are happier overall.

October is World Mission Month
The God of Love is the source of care, tenderness, compassion, hospitality and charity. During October the children at OLOR will be involved in activities focussed on helping others in need.

This year World Mission Day is Sunday 18 October

World Mission Day is celebrated every year in every country wherever there are people committed to building a better world for all of God’s people; a world where everyone has all they need to live a dignified and fulfilling life. Tomorrow we celebrate Mass to pray for missionaries in our school and all over the world. Please join us in the Church on Thursday at 9am as we pray together.

May God bless you and keep you in His loving care always,
Raelene Edwards

From the Federation of Catholic School Parent Communities

The inaugural Parents in Education Week is being held from 19th to 23rd October. This is a state wide initiative that recognises the significant role of parents and families in children’s learning and in our schools.

During this week a link to check out the free events that are being held [https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parents-in-education-week-registration-18623409118](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parents-in-education-week-registration-18623409118)

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Term 4 Workshops commence Week 2
Come along to one of our fun clubs Week 2 for a FREE Come n Try Bring a friend & Have fun together.
Contact us on 8586 3437 or admin@ryt.org.au for more information.

SPECIAL NEWS
IMPORTANT DATES
Please update your diaries

Friday 23rd October Foundation and Year 1 and 2 Assembly

Friday 6th November Year 6 and 7 Assembly

Saturday 7th November
OLOR Monster Movie Night
Family night with movies, popcorn, drinks and food

Friday 20th November Year 5 Assembly

Monday 23rd November
TWILIGHT SPORTS DAY

2015 RE News
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Fr. Medard:  85866239
Fr. John Stuart James:
85882452 ~ 0419176514

PARISH MASSES
Sunday 9.00 am & 6.00 pm
MASSES TERM 4

Thursday 15th October
Year 1 and 2 and Year 5

Thursday 29th October
Year 1 and 2 and Year 5

Thursday 12th November
Foundation and Year 3 and 4

Sunday 1st November
All Saints