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HAPPY EASTER

Many of our Greek Orthodox Christians celebrated Pascha according to the Easter date in the Julian calendar. Many of our families would have gathered together with their families and friends to share a special meal and play traditional egg games like what Annasia Dale is showing in today's newsletter. We wish all our Greek families at OLOR and in the community a 'Happy Easter'.

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Welcome back to Term 2! Having had the opportunity to regain our energy, I hope everyone is ready to take on the exciting activities planned for this term. Next week we will send out a term calendar.

At the end of the last term we celebrated OLOR's 80th Birthday. A huge thank you again to all those who in any way contributed to making the weekend such a huge success. Many happy snaps of the weekend were posted on the school Facebook. www.facebook.com/olorverrantce

This Sunday is Mother's Day. A very special day when we honour our mums and show our appreciation for the love they show us. No matter how you celebrate Mother's Day, where you live, or what culture you belong to, honouring our mothers on Mother's Day is one of the greatest gifts you can give her. This special day is dedicated to all those amazing women who have nurtured and cared for us. Our Mother's love is patient, kind and unconditional. It never fails and is never ending.

Mary, Mother of God and spiritual Mother of us all, may all mothers who seek your help experience your unfailing protection. Lead all mothers and their children to Your Son, Jesus. Amen.

We welcome Rhys Marr, his parents Jason and Kelly and family to OLOR this term. Rhys is in Year 7 and he is fitting in well to his new environment.

School Diaries

This week the Term 2 student diary was given out in each classroom. A reminder to parents that the school diary is an important tool of communication for the students as well as an important link between classroom teachers and the parents. Parents are asked to check the diary nightly and sign each week that you have seen homework or teacher/school messages. Messages of a general nature to teachers is also encouraged through the student diary. Important messages of a confidential nature need to be placed in an envelope addressed to the teacher or principal when needed.

SAPSASA News

Oscar Kregar and Darcy Minchella participated in the SA Country Basketball U12's tournament in Aldinga during the school holidays. The boys enjoyed the experience and are looking forward to further competitions this year. Well done.

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 2016

Tri-state Renmark
Stock is available
Please check on sizing as
you may need to order
for next year.

OLOR School Canteen Roster

Week 1 - 6/5/2016
Stacey Hunter and Naomi Hunt

Week 2 - 13/5/2016
Karah Waarsdorp and Bec Stokes

Week 3 - 20/5/2016
Nicole Pitt and Lara Vallelonga

OLOR School Canteen

Firstly, I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of the canteen helpers for Term 1. Everything went off without a hitch, and the school is very grateful for your help and support. Without this help, sadly there would be no canteen. We rely on the canteen profit to buy new sports equipment and the likes for the students.

The Term 2 roster has been done up, so please let me know if you are unable to make your allocated time. Again, thanks to those who are able to help us again this term.

A reminder that all orders need to be on a brown paper bag, clearly named and must be in on THURSDAY MORNING to ensure we have enough food ordered for Friday. Text messages to Ros, please only use as a last resort if you forget Thursday morning. NO orders will be available after 12.30pm THURSDAYS.

There will be no Ice-Blocks during terms 2 and 3.

Thank you again, Stacey Hunter

St Vincent DePaul – Winter Appeal

The Vinnies Winter Appeal will begin in May with Catholic Church parish collections occurring on the weekend of 7-8 May. If you would like to make a donation of non-perishable goods, sleeping bag, blankets or warm rugs please bring into school before this Friday. We will place all items in a special collection box in St Mary's church.



Donations Please

On Wednesdays the older students will be making soup to be frozen and donated to St Vincent DePaul in Berri. We are in need of 1 litre and 2 litre ice-cream containers. Could families please ask around if anyone they know are willing to donate these containers to the school this winter for our efforts in helping others.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing for Years 3, 5 & 7 will be conducted next week on Tues 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May. It is really important that students are here on those days so please avoid planning any absences from school. Teachers will ensure students are provided with appropriate support and guidance. NAPLAN is not a test of content. Instead, it tests skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum. Excessive test preparation using previous tests is not useful and can cause many students stress and worry. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these test please see the Principal as soon as possible.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Rosie Clark School of Ballet and Tap Introducing "Plus Fun" classes!
For the more casual students and parents who cannot commit to performances and outside shows.

**New members are always welcome for immediate enrolment.
Fun affordable classes available at our Glossop Studio. PH: 85882559/
0401326602**

SPECIAL NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

Please update your diaries

Week 2

NAPLAN Testing (Tues, Wed, Thurs)

Week 3

Catholic Education Week

Wed 18th May – Riverland Catholic Schools Mass

Frid 20th May – Walk Safely to School Day

Week 4

Tues 24th May - School Board Meeting 6.30pm

New School Timetable

8.30: Children arrive at school

8.50: Classes begin & Fitness

11:35: Early Lunch (10mins)

11.45: Lunch Play

12.15: Classes resume

1.45: Afternoon Break (10mins)

1.55: Afternoon Play

2.15: Classes resume

3.00: Pack-up/clean-up

3.15: Dismissed



2016 RE News

Fr. Paul Bourke: 85821894

**Fr. John Stuart James:
85882452 ~ 0419176514**

MASSES TERM 2

Thursdays 9.00 am

St Mary's Church

New Weekend Mass Times

Weeks 1,3 & 5 Sundays of the Month

Berri 9am, Waikerie 11am, Loxton 11am,
Barmera 6pm

Weeks 1,3 & 5 Saturday night

Morgan 6pm and Renmark 6.30pm

Weeks 2 & 4 Sundays of the Month

Renmark 9am, Morgan 9am, Barmera
11am, Loxton 6pm

Weeks 2 & 4 Saturday night

Berri 6.30pm and Waikerie 6pm