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Abby, Alexandra, Zoe and Amelia. Congratulations on being placed 1st in 4 x 100 Relay

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

This term is passing us by very quickly and teachers are currently in the midst of writing Semester 1 reports for each of the students. These will be available for all families on Monday 4th July, Week 10 of this term. A big reminder to parents that Week 1 of Term 3 (Monday 25th July to Friday 29th July), are **STUDENT FREE DAYS**. The staff and I are attending a retreat in Penola at the Mary MacKillop Centre, where it all began when Saint Mary MacKillop and Father Julian Tenison Woods made their dream of building schools a reality. Our Lady of the River School is one of those schools in which the Sisters of St Joseph started over 80 years ago. The teachers will also have the opportunity to visit schools in the South East, including Tenison Woods College, Saint Mary MacKillop Memorial School Penola and St Anthony Catholic Primary School Millicent.

APPA (Australian Primary Principals Association) Trans-Tasman Conference – New Zealand. Last week I attended what some would describe as a 'working professional holiday'. Being on the organising committee of this conference and also having to attend National Catholic and APPA meetings there wasn't a lot of time to visit the city of Auckland. The weather also didn't assist with quite a lot of rain that I'm sure I followed home and it is now hitting our East coast of Australia. It was lovely to share with new friends from 'across the ditch' in New Zealand Catholic Primary Schools, the wonderful information and stories I have about Our Lady of the River School. I certainly learnt a lot about the education system in New Zealand and again I came home appreciating the people and place I work and live in. We really don't know how fortunate we are until we visit other places. I thank Mrs. Rosie Perre greatly and the staff for looking after the school while I was absent.

School Uniform

Well, the winter weather has finally arrived. We are fortunate to have a very inexpensive and flexible uniform at Our Lady of the River School. Students are permitted to wear items of our uniform that suit their comfort throughout the year, however I must insist that parents please check your children's items of clothing for sizing and wear and tear. There are many students who have outgrown their jumpers, items are looking very old or students are wearing other items of clothing that are not in our current uniform policy. Coates, gloves, beanies and scarves are permitted **only** if navy blue in colour. If you look at the photos in today's newsletter you will notice how smart our uniform is at OLOR and all the students are wearing their uniform correctly, which is pleasing.

Enrolments

In the next few weeks we will welcome a number of families and new children to the school. This will include new Foundation students to begin Semester 2 as well as new families who have moved into the area. Please contact me, if you know of any families wishing to enrol their children at OLOR into the future. Our class sizes are filling fast and I want to ensure all families wanting a Catholic Education are catered for in the coming years.

Ros Oates

SPECIAL NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

Please update your diaries

Week 6

Wednesday 8th June – St Catherine's Visit Senior Students

Friday 10th June – Year 3/4 Assembly @ 2.45pm featuring the play about Captain Cook and the OLOR choir singing.

Go Green for World Environment Day
Children can wear Green.

Week 7

Monday 13th June - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 14th June – Writing ICAS

Wednesday 15th June – Spelling ICAS

Thursday 16th June – Year 5 Mass

OLOR School Canteen Roster

Please place your orders written clearly on a brown paper bag and bring to school with the correct money on THURSDAYS for a Friday delivery.

Week 6 – 10/6/2016

Stacey Hunter & Lara Vallelonga

Week 7 – 17/6/2016

Annette Bilson & Stacey Hunter

OLOR SPORTS NEWS

On Friday in Week 5, we had 28 students participate in the SAPSASA Athletics Carnival held at Glossop. In what can only be described as a pearler of a day, the kids performed brilliantly and represented OLOR with pride, as we bolted ahead to claim the Small Schools Division Title! It was brilliant to see so many happy faces on the day no matter their event result.

Congratulations is extended to the following students for their event performances:

10yo Girls 100m: Abby Fenwick (1st) 10yo Girls 200m: Amelia Morgan (1st)

10yo Girls 4x100m Relay: Abby F, Alex H, Amelia M, Zoe S (1st)

11yo Boys High Jump: Macey Eleftheriadis (1st) 12yo Boys 100m: Darcy M (2nd)

12yo Boys 4x100m Relay: Darcy M, Oscar K, Josh S, Mitchell (1st)

13yo Girls Long Jump: Lana Gregoric (2nd)

Mr. Kelly and I extend a big well done to those students competing for the first time who stepped outside their comfort zone and performed to their very best. Good work! Yours in sport, Mr. Cotter

YEAR 2 MASS

Lulu Mitshabu from Caritas Australia shared her story with us on Thursday at the Year 2 Mass. Thank you Miss Roberts for your lovely Mass.



ELECTIVES

The Years 5, 6 & 7 students as part of their electives program this term are visiting St. Catherine's home for the aged with our Chaplain, Mrs. Stacey Hunter. The group pictured below were listening carefully Mr. Stephen Donald, the Lifestyle Coordinator at St Catherine's. The children have the opportunity to interact with residents, build relationships and respect.



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

Winter Uniform Stock Tri-state Renmark

Please check that your child/ren have the correct sizing for this winter. New stock of jumpers, tracksuit pants and long sleeved shirts are now available. Please allow time for personalised printing on the jumpers.

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

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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