Dear Parents,

Coming home on Friday is a copy of your child’s semester report. The report document conveys your child’s progress over the second semester of the year. If you would like to have a parent teacher interview there is an opportunity on Tuesday 17th December. Please note that these interviews are entirely optional. A note will be coming home tomorrow with log-on details to make an appointment.

As this is our second last newsletter for the year I’d like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have contributed to make this year at our school so successful. Thank you to all Board members and a special mention to Marco Citino for his leadership as Chairperson of our Board.

A huge thank you to Georgie McElligott and all of the members of our Parent Association. The energy and enthusiasm that these wonderful parents bring to the meetings and all of the fund raising activities throughout the year are gratefully appreciated.

Thank you to all the parents who have actively been involved in our school in many ways that include:

- the sharing of your expertise and skills in classrooms
- attendance and support for parent association and school functions
- involvement in sacramental workshops and celebrations
- attendance at school assemblies
- involvement in incursions and excursions
- assistance in our canteen
- assistance with and attendance at special school event e.g. sports day, ‘fun’ days
- support of special events and activities.

Thank you to every parent for your ongoing involvement
I’d also like to acknowledge the entire staff at our school. We have highly committed teachers, teacher aides and administration staff at St Oliver’s and for all of their work with your children I thank them. At St Oliver’s we have a wonderful leadership team consisting of Mary Kearney, Libby Sheedy and Trish Segrave. On a regular basis I see how they interact both with you and with the children around our school. The school could not run effectively without their expertise and enthusiasm.

Thank you to Di Tabone and Loretta Conboy for their work in the canteen and to Felix and Silvana as our crossing attendants for looking after your children on Landells Road and Gaffney Street.

Once again can I repeat that we are most fortunate to have Father Paul as our parish priest at St Olivers. He continues to offer his leadership to our community in many quiet ways.

I’d like to thank all of our children for their hard work and all of their efforts this year. We should all take pride in the behaviour of our children. Warm congratulations to our Graduating year six students. You have been wonderful leaders and you should all look ahead with excitement and anticipation to your secondary years.

Good luck to Marita Mannix, Susan Mitchell and Emily Monaco as they head to their new schools. Susan and Marita have both held leadership positions on our staff and they will be wonderful additions to their new school communities.

Please note that first term Student levies in 2014 will be $200 per child together with the building levy of $25.

School fees for second, third and fourth terms will rise to $315 per family plus the building levy of $25 per family, per term.

Next year we have been advised that there will be a reduction in the funds we receive from the Catholic Education Office and the increases in our fees allow us to meet the ever increasing costs of running the school.

Regards

Alan Sweeney
Principal

Please find below our staff for 2014. I’d like to welcome to our teaching staff for the 2014 school year Cecilia Garden and Robert McKenzie both who will be teaching in our Senior classes. Both Cecilia and Robert have worked with us as emergency teachers and we look forward to them joining our staff next year.
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**Curriculum Support**

- **English Advisor/Support Co/Reading Recovery**: Barbara Olanda
- **English**: Trish Segrave .4
- **Mathematics**: Jaki O’Halloran .4
- **Creative Thinking**: Sue Leighton .2
- **Classroom Support**: Liz Finlayson .2
- **Library**: Kerrie Weller
- **Sylvia Van Meel**
- **Administration**: Katherine Darmanin
- **Bernie Ryan .4 (T,W)**
- **Teacher Aides**: Kerrie Weller
- **Sylvia Van Meel**
- **Tash Zampogna**
SPECIAL ADVENT CHILDREN’S LITURGY

You are invited Children’s Liturgy for the 4 Sundays of Advent: December 15 and December 22. The children will be making symbols to hang on the Jesse Tree in the church, during the offertory. St Oliver's Children's Liturgy is especially for children aged between 5 to 12 years to come along and celebrate their own special Gospel of the Lord. All are welcome to attend. We would love to see many children there as we celebrate this very important time in the Church's calendar.

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS

The end of year is fast approaching along with the Christmas Eve Family Mass on Tuesday 24 December at 7:00pm. An invitation is extended to all the school children to be part of a re-enactment of the special gospel story telling about the birth of Jesus.

Rehearsal

When: Saturday 21 December 2013
Where: St Olivers Church
Time: 10:30 am until 12:00 noon
RSVP: mpascoe@gmkpartners.com.au

The End of Year School Mass is on Friday 13 December. The prep students will be leading the recessional song. The families leaving the school will also be presented with a certificate. The Graduation Mass for the grade six students is on Monday 16 December at 7:00pm

Trish Segrave
Religious Education Coordinator

MICHAEL GROSE- PARENTING INSIGHT

Please click HERE to access the parenting sheet. This week’s insight is about teaching your children to ‘Shrug’. A great read and a way to build resilience in our children.

Thankyou

A huge thank you to the families who have supported our families in need this year. Many families have contributed meals, their precious time and their support to families in our community. We are so very lucky to have this amazing network here at St Olivers.

Libby Sheedy
Wellbeing Coordinator
FAMILY DETAILS UPDATES
It is important that we have accurate student & family information, particularly home, work and mobile numbers of both parents and emergency contacts. Please inform the office if there are any changes to any of these details.

SUNSMART POLICY
A reminder that all children as part of the school summer uniform children are required to wear their SCHOOL broad brimmed HAT during recess and lunch times, as well as during physical education/sport lessons, during terms one and four. NO HAT, NO PLAY!

LOST PROPERTY
The lost property is located in a cupboard outside the Sick Bay. If your child is missing any items of clothing we would encourage you to check this area. Once again, there is an unreasonable amount of labelled and unlabelled lost property and due to storage space we can not hold it indefinitely. The current items will be disposed of Wednesday 18th December. To ensure there is not such a collection of lost property in the future, please ensure your child’s clothing is clearly labelled.

UNIFORM
As you are aware our uniform supplier is Noone Imagewear 541 Keilor Road Niddrie, Phone 9379 5037. If you require items of uniform for 2014, please contact Noone Imagewear.

SCHOOL FEES
School fees for Term 1, 2014 will be posted to families early January. Fees may now be banked directly into our Bank Account. 063 161 10029972
Please remember to quote your reference number/name when making payment. Your reference number is the number which appears on your account.

PARENT HELPER THANK YOU AFTERNOON TEA
This is a reminder that the parent afternoon tea will be held on Friday 13 December from 2.30 to 3.30 in the Staffroom. This is a sign of our appreciation of any parent who has helped at all this year. To help us with catering could you please advise the office by 4pm Tuesday 10 December.

STUDENT AWARDS

CANTEEN
Diane Tabone  0423 596 221

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Please note: If you haven’t handed in your canteen roster form for next year, please do so by the end of the week. Thanks.

Thankyou to everyone for their support to the Canteen this year.... Merry Christmas Di & Loretta
The Canteen will re-open on Thursday 6th February 2014

Please click HERE to see the current canteen price list/Menu.
This is also located on the Webpage in ‘Our School’ – ‘Canteen’
SCHOOL BANKING AT ST OLIVER PLUNKETT SCHOOL  The Dollarmites Character Moneyboxes will not be available in 2014. If you would like to redeem your tokens for a moneybox please do so prior to the end of the year. Please note that due to this change you can order more than one moneybox this year if you have the required tokens. St Oliver’s School Banking days are Tuesdays. We are currently seeking volunteers to help run this program. If you can help out on Tuesdays from 9am till 10.30 am please contact Georgie 0405 435 770

PRELOVED UNIFORM PROGRAM
A donation basket is located in the school office foyer. All donations must be clean and have no rips. The second hand uniforms will be available for purchase this Wednesday morning at the “Thank You Breakfast “

BUSINESSES OF THE WEEK
Our featured businesses are Kings Curtains, Kip McGrath and L’ Amour Events Boutique. Please view their adverts on the school website or refer to the 2nd edition of the St Oliver’s Business Directory

ST OLIVER FAMILY FAVOURITE COOKBOOK
We still have a few copies of the cookbook after the fete. If you would like to order please fill in the order form and return to the school office or for further information please contact: Franca James 0413 909 964

THANK YOU WEDNESDAY……Tomorrow
A big day to thank all of our families and students for all their support with our fundraising campaign in 2013. Breakfast in the morning and every student will receive a zooper dooper at lunch.

Thank you
Parent Association
OSHC NEWS

Due to the Sun Smart Policy parents should ensure children wear their hats for Terms 1 & 4. Also Parents need to update their children’s enrolment form.

Thank you.
Gowri.

REMINDEERS

How to get started before using our programs register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Visit our website to begin www.campaustralia.com.au

Once registered you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day online.

Save on Care You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the non-means tested Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 Monday to Friday.