

Term 3 Week 6 Issue: 24

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Important Dates 2020 August

31 August - 4 September -Year 8, 10 & 12 Mock Exam

9 September – Farewell Programme for Bishop Rochus Tatamai

16 September-Independence Day Holiday

END DATE FOR TERM 3 - At 2.00 pm on Friday 18 September

START DATE FOR TERM 4 - 28 September 8.00am.

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From the Principal

Dear members of the OLSH community,

Welcome to Week 6. We have only 3 weeks of term 3 remaining and a lot to achieve in this time.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING AT PRIMARY SCHOOL

The late eminent scientist Stephen Hawking once said:

"Remember to look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Try to make sense of what you see and wonder about what makes the universe exist. Be curious and however difficult life may seem, there is always something you can do and succeed at."

Ms Savitas Head of Primary and the teachers are participating since last term, in a range of robust Professional Learning activities each Tuesday after school, drawing on the professional expertise within the group.

Areas of Focus

- Strategies for Reading Comprehension

- Digital Learning in the Classroom

A successful outcome of this session has been the agreed collaboration of teachers and Learning Support Assistants (formerly called Teacher Aides) to compile electronic resources for the different units of P-6 learning in all subjects. These resources will be uploaded to the shared folders in the school's Main Drive.

I commend and thank Ms Savitas for leading teacher learning at Primary, aimed at improved student learning outcomes.

SECONDARY MOCK EXAMS

The Secondary Staff Meeting on Tuesday, focused on the upcoming Mock Exams for Years 8, 10 and 12. This week teachers have been preparing students through revision and practice, for the first round of Mock Exams on Monday 31 August. Every student is expected to attend all exams and to do their best. Parents are asked to ensure that your daughter or son does all exams.

AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM, ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING AUTHORITY

Friday, August 28th, 2020

A rigorous circle of **Revision-Practice-**Feedback has been initiated with the teachers. The feedback for improvement that will follow the marking of the exam responses will enable better achievement for Mock 2 exams commencing on Monday 28 September, the first dav back in Term 4 as well as for the final National Exams later in the term.

I reiterate Mr Baiwan's message from last week to all parents encouraging you to make contact with the teachers if you wish to speak to them about your child's progress. We have not forgotten about the Parent Information Night for the National Exams and will communicate with you about this matter as soon as we receive direction from the Provincial Government Education Department about reconvening in larger groups, with adequate social distancing.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Following the outbreak of Scabies at OLSH, we hope you received the Scabies Information Sheet emailed to you separately, early last week. A copy is also attached with this newsletter. Thank you to Mr Douglas Tsang, Chair of Board, for his timely sourcing of this ready reference.

Please support the health of the students and staff by not send your child to school if you notice symptoms of Scabies. Importantly please get timely medical attention for your child and ensure complete recovery.

We continue to pray for God's mercy and protection from COVID-19, as we go about our daily life doing our best in every situation. CATHOLIC CHURCH CALENDAR: Week 21 <u>WEEK REFLECTION.</u> READING FOR THE WEEK: Mathew 16:13 - 20

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Message: With this strong foundation formed by Peter and Paul, the Church of Christ has been able to withstand the storms that had rocked it during early, middle and neo ages.

Peter was anointed and appointed to head the Church of Christ despite many shortcomings that a true human being has. This can be exemplified by the many instances that Jesus Christ had to rebuke and reprimand him.

Let us learn from Peter that despite our human shortcomings, we are still invited by God to serve Him and His church throughout the world. God is not distracted by our human errors because He accepts us the way He created us. But he reminds us to always seek forgiveness when we wrong others and Him and also forgive others who wrong us too.

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, use us, like You used Simon Peter, to spread Your Gospel throughout the world and help us to always defend Your Church against attacks from the netherworld. Amen.

There is a change in our farewell program for the Bishop. OLSH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL will be having a farewell program for Bishop Rochus Tatamai MSC. DD on Wednesday 9th of September in the school.

Sunday Mass schedule: 7:00 Am - English Mass 9:00 Am - Tok Pisin Mass 5:00 Pm - Eucharistic Adoration

You all have a blessed week. God Bless you all.

Mr R. Rangatin

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What is scabies?

Scables causes a very itchy rash. Tiny insects (mites) lay eggs under the skin. The skin gets small blisters with red patches around them.

Why is it important to treat scabies?

Scahles won't go away without treatment. It can lead to more serious infections.

Who gets it?

Anyonel Even very clean people get scabies.

 Washing with soap and water doesn't stop you getting scables and it doesn't get rid of scables.

How do you catch it?

You get it through:

- close bodily contact, eg. holding hands, hugging, sleeping together
- * sharing clothes and bedding.

Scables does not live in furniture or carpets.

How do you know you have it?

Scables causes a very itchy rash. It's worse at bedtime or when you are warm.



If you are worried about scobies, talk to the health centre nurse. Put in a health request form (health chit) to see a nurse.

How to treat scabies

 A nurse will give you some cream and tell you how to use it.

Scabies won't go away without treatment.

It's best to treat scabies just before going to bed.

- 1. First, have a shower and dry yourself.
- Cover your whole body with cream, from the chin down to the bottom of the feet, including between the fingers, under the nails and on the private parts.
- 3. Put your night clothes on.
- Leave the cream on all night. (If you wash your hands, put the cream back on your hands. It needs to stay on all night.)
- 5. Next morning, have a shower and put on clean clothes.
- 6. To stop scabies from spreading:
 - all clothes worn against your skin in the last week must be washed in hot water
 - sheets, pillowcases, towels and facecloths should be washed in hot water (not blankets, duvets or quilts)
 - your nurse may tell you to repeat the treatment.
- The itchiness will not stop straight away. It can take up to four weeks for the itch to stop. You can ask the nurse for something that will stop the itch.
- One treatment should get rid of scabies. If you still have the rash and itch after four weeks, put in another health request form.

Preventing scabies

Don't share a bed or clothes with someone who has untreated scabies.













ORRECTIONS

This resource is based on information from the Ministry of Health resource Scables, May 2011.