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Important Dates – 2020 MAY

Tuesday 26 May - Year 10 Written Expression (2) Mock Exam

Thursday 18 June - Year 10 Written Expression National Exam (Date changed by National Department of Education)

Thursday 25 June - Year 10 Science Practical Mock 1

Friday 26 June - Year 10 Science Practical Mock 1

Wednesday 1 July - Year 12 Mock Reading Written Expression (2)

Wednesday 8 July - Year 12 Mock Written Expression (2)

Wednesday 9 July - Year 10 Science Practical Mock 2

Wednesday 10 July - Year 10 Science Practical Mock 2

END OF TERM 2 - At 2.00 pm on Friday 10 July

START DATE FOR TERM 3 - Monday 20 July

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

SAVE THE DATE - Wednesday 22 July National Exam Parent Meeting - Years 8, 10 and 12

Time and Venue for this meeting will be announced in due course.

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Bank South Pacific
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From the Principal: **Ms Judeline Wadhvani**

World-class Canadian educational reformer Michael Fullan whom I had the good fortune to listen to in 2014 in Singapore and 2015 in Sydney, says:

"The world is rapidly and increasingly becoming more troubled to the point that literacy, numeracy, high school graduation and the like may be important foundational goals but are no longer nearly up to the challenges we face. Our students need these foundational goals; they also need much more...."

(Fullan and Gallagher, 2020)

Fullan goes on to propose Excellence, Equity and Wellbeing of students as the high level goals that all schools should be working towards and their connection to teaching students How to Become Good at Life.

Over the upcoming weeks and months, we are going to look at the following focus:

What do Excellence, Equity and Wellbeing look like at OLSH and what role does our school play in helping our students to become good at life?

Week 3 has seen a change in the Recess and Lunch times at Primary School to maximize learning time earlier in the day before lunch, at the request of the

Primary teachers.

Parents we ask for your support in ensuring that your child/children are using after hours' time to get into a routine for their homework, working on their assignments and assessment tasks as well as doing revision. Senior students are reminded to maximize weekend time to catch up on revision which is integral to their success.

At the start of Week 3, I sent to all class patrons from Years 6-12, my Principal's Letter to be read to students. In this letter I spoke about the 10--Minute Rule adopted by the British Rowing Team. It requires engaging in an activity like starting homework each evening, or revision or work on the assessment task due, for 10 minutes. It is then more than likely that the student will continue for much longer than 10 minutes. It is making the start that most students find the hardest.

After two editions of focus on the New Normal routine, we are delighted to feature our Student Writing once again. This week we have some excerpts from Year 12 Creative Writing by Adela Vovola and Lyone Judah, proudly provided by their English Teacher Mrs Fiona Burain.

OLSH International Alumni Association donated a refrigerator to our school last week. We are appreciative of their thoughtful gesture and thank Alumni - Ms Geraldine Jee, Mr Benjamin Wakip, Mr Patrick Bapi and Ms. Mahalia Seeto.

We approach the Feast of the Ascension of Jesus Christ this Sunday followed by the Feast of the Holy Trinity and culminate in the Feast of the Pentecost on the two following Sundays. All three feast days celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit that Jesus promises his disciples in the gospels, as he prepares to leave them and ascend to God, having completed his earthly mission.

"If you love me you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever".

(John 14: 15-16)

YEAR 12 CREATIVE WRITING

"Story telling is the most powerful way to put ideas into the world"

Wonderful Creation

Perched high up on the branch of a tree, my ears twitched at the sound of rushing waters. Deciding to pay the waters a visit, I swooped down the tree towards the sound.

They picked up their pace from the starting line and rushed furiously as if they were running late for a very important appointment. Bumping into each other on the way down. They slapped the rock in the face, making sure to leave imprints of their hands on them. As the wind gushed in my face, I raced them. It seems that they were winning because each of them passed me swiftly yet ferociously at full speed as I struggled to keep up with them. Looking up, I could see nothing but just the open indicating that we were approaching the finish line. As they crossed the line one after the other, I instructed at full speed before tilting my body and scored.

By: Adela. Vovola

The Dead Zone

The dead log slept peacefully at the river bank. It wasn't regular but looked strange as the swash of the sea turned it over. Lee stood there wondering. What is that? The unpleasing odour drilled through her nostrils. She looked away and wanted to turn back. The early bright sunshine shone on the shore like kaleidoscope colours. It wasn't a lucky day I guess, but she stood still, arms lifted, eyes closed as the bad odour surrounded her.

Lee actually had a chain of events planned out for the day. Suddenly, she realized the surrounding air had held her breath. The breeze was calm but she had to go back. It was still strange, as she watched the swash of the sea coming through the river bank. Oh my gosh! She was stunned. I looked at her, pinched her biceps, wave at her face but there was no reaction. I immediately tapped her on her forehead, deeply confused as she breathed out heavily. As her hands were still on her neck and chest, pointing out to the edge of the river bank, she rolled her eyes and dropped to the ground.

By Lyone Judah



May: The month of Mother Mary.

APRE NEWS LETTER: Term 2 week 3 2020
CATHOLIC CHURCH CALENDAR: Week 6 of Easter Year 'A' 2020.

WEEK REFLECTION.

READING FOR THE WEEK: John 14:15-21

Message: "If you love me you will keep my commandments" –In this, the Sixth Week of Easter, we begin to turn our eyes toward the coming of the Holy Spirit. In this passage above, Jesus speaks of asking the Father to send another Advocate to be with us always. This Advocate is the Holy Spirit. Interestingly, Jesus uses the title, "Spirit of Truth" to refer to the Holy Spirit. He also points out that the world cannot accept the Holy Spirit. We are currently living in what we

may call the "Age of the Holy Spirit." This is the age that Jesus spoke about with His Apostles. Therefore, it's good to look at the coming of the Holy Spirit in the way Jesus revealed it.

First, regarding the title, "Spirit of Truth," we should ponder whether we are able and willing to accept the full Truth that comes with receiving the Holy Spirit. If we are of the world, embracing worldly ideas and values, then we will not be able to accept the Holy Spirit.

However, if we are able to see the errors of our world and the many false values within it, we will more easily be able to reject those values and embrace the Holy Spirit and the many truths that the Spirit reveals.

Furthermore, if we are open to the coming of the Holy Spirit, we will receive the greatest Advocate we can have in life. The Holy Spirit is THE Advocate, meaning, the only helper we need. Becoming consumed by the Holy Spirit provides us with every grace necessary in life.

Reflect, today, upon the fact that Jesus' promise to His Apostles has been fulfilled and that you have the ability to receive that promise here and now in your life. Say a prayer to the Holy Spirit and anticipate celebrating Pentecost Sunday in two weeks.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Prayer: O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen. Jesus, I trust in you. Amen.

OLSH FEAST DAY – 29th May 2020

Due to social distancing, school mass is on hold until the lockdown under the SOE is lifted. The OLSH Feast Day celebrations for 2020 will be different compared to past years. All classes will be conducting a Para liturgy in their own classrooms. The format of the liturgy will be provided for each class to conduct with their class teachers and class patrons.

Remember the month of May!! The month of Mother Mary. Pray the Rosary during the month of May every day for God to stop the work of Covid -19 and for the souls of those who have died of the disease and for the comfort and peace for those who have lost their loved ones because of covid-19. May God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit with the grace of Holy Mother Mary continue to protect us from Covid-19.

God bless you all.
Mr R. Rangatin

PHOTOS

Ling family donation and team support.



1. Prep classroom desks



2. Grade 5 classroom desks



Fridge donated by OLSH Alumni Association



Learning in Primary (Top pic) and Learning in Secondary (Bottom pic).

