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Important Dates 2020 September

9 September – Farewell Programme for Bishop Rochus Tatamai

Tuesday 15 September – Free Dress Day, Independence Day
Fundraiser

16 September-

Independence Day Holiday

Thursday 17 September – Year 12 Tertiary Choices Information Session 3.00 – 4.00 pm for students, parents and teachers.

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,

Only 20 school days for Year 10, 25 school days for Year 12 and 30 school days for Year 8 are left to prepare for the National Exams.

Teachers at these year levels are busily marking the Mock 1 Exam responses from last week, to provide the allimportant feedback they will give students later this week and next week. Parents please encourage your daughter/son at these year levels to spend some hours each day during the holiday week, revising for their Mock 2 exams commencing on first day back in Term 4, Monday 28 September.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday 17 September, 3.00 - 4.00 pm, AV Room. Year 12 **Tertiary Choices** Information and Guidance Session, for Year 12 students and parents. Teachers will be in attendance. All people attending are required to wear face masks. Mandatory temperature scanning will also be conducted just outside Reception for all parents and visitors. Let us be COVID-Safe.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) is a worldwide focus in schools preparing students for the challenges of our evolving world and especially with the drastic changes brought about by COVID-19. I am delighted to include the excellent work in Science done by Grade 4 students under the guidance of Mr Anthony Kavanamur, who provides the context for this learning along with the student reports and delightful photos. Well done Grade 4s.

Staff Professional Learning at Primary is forging ahead in leaps and bounds. I am very proud to share with the community that under our School Improvement Plan which is a work in progress currently, Primary staff have embraced the sharing of their collective expertise to develop the team. Enhanced digital learning has been a strong focus. I commend and thank Ms Grace Savitas for her leadership and guidance of the Primary teachers in this process.

On Wednesday 9 September, OLSH had a Farewell Ceremony for Bishop Rochus Tatamai, Archbishop Elect of Rabaul, Bishop Tatamai's contribution to the spiritual formation of the OLSH community which has informed our academic and pastoral life cannot be acknowledged highly enough. Photographs and more details of the ceremony will appear in our next newsletter. I take this opportunity to thank Bishop Tatamai most sincerely for his support and wish him God's abundant blessings in his new ministry as Archbishop of Rabaul.

On Tuesday 8 September, the Catholic Church celebrated the Nativity of Our Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. Mother of the Church and Queen of Heaven. Let us pray to Mary, to give us a heart and mind of discipleship and faith, trusting our deepest needs and desires to the Lord: Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death Amen.

GRADE 4 SCIENCE

In Science, Grade 4s have been studying the topic Moving The Earth. They learned about the earth and its layers and how these layers change as well as what causes these changes. The students did a Volcano Project and simulated an eruption which can be seen in the photos and student reports.

Mr Anthony Kavanamur Grade 4 teacher

STUDENT REPORTS

At the beginning of our experiment, I thought our model volcano would explode and it was scary.

First we put in about 14 teaspoons of baking soda. Then we added 2 teaspoons of detergent. We added food colouring (red and yellow). We also added some warm water before pouring in vinegar (white). Then out came the foam and liquid. It looked like a real volcano erupting. Just like the videos on volcano eruptions we watched during our Science lessons. The lava coming out and flowing down the model volcano looked so real. It was amazing, so much fun.

Tanisha Korere

I thought it would explode and the red lava would come out. This is what we used:

1 teaspoon white vinegar, 1 tray, baking soda, red and yellow food colouring, detergent, hot water, sticky tape, newspaper, brown, orange, green and red paint. There was yellow and red lava that came out of the volcano. It looked very realistic and amazing. Our experiment was a success. The next time, we are going to do a lot of improvements to the Volcano Project.

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PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Even though there are only 5 school days remaining to the end of term, Primary School has an ongoing business in the classrooms. Learning-Teaching continues: assessments are being carried out and experiments conducted. While this is going on, you can still hear the chatter and laughter coming from the children in the classrooms. It clearly tells us that our children are learning and having fun at it. With the ongoing Professional Learning sessions for teachers each week, your child's teacher is improving their skills in delivering high quality lessons each day.

All Year 6 students have been issued with two masks each and are required to wear a mask when entering school each day. Masks may also be required throughout the day if students are participating in a partner or group activity, working more closely together. Parents please ensure that your child's mask is washed.

It is pleasing to see the majority of students in correct uniform each day. A reminder that only white socks should be worn. If students are wearing thongs to school, they need to bring a note, or parents need to send an email to the school.

Ms Grace Savitas Head of Primary School

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) NEWS

The SRC has organised an Independence Day free dress day fundraiser on Tuesday 15 September. The theme is Independence Day and the theme colours will be the PNG flag colours. A fee of K 2.00 will be collected from all students on that day.



Grade 4 students with their model volcanos



