

Term 2 Week 5 Issue: 13

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# Important Dates – 2020 JUNE

Monday 8 June - Queen's Birthday Holiday 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 FND 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 Account Name: OLSH International School Account no: 1013245293 Westpac Bank Account Name: OLSH International School Account No 4700735201

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# From the Principal: *Ms Judeline Wadhwani*

All of us have been awaiting the outcome of Parliament's deliberations on 2 June, about the State of Emergency declared operational from 23 March 2020. Parliament has voted to extend the COVID-19 State of Emergency for a further 14 days. At OLSH, the implications of this ruling and until further notice are:

- Thermal Scanning for all students and staff at the gate on arrival at school, as well as for all visitors will continue. Students and staff are requested not to come to school in case you have a cough, cold or temperature above 37.5 degrees centigrade.

- Social distancing and enhanced hygiene practices will continue.

- The current revised timetable at Primary and Secondary will continue.

Week 5 concludes this Friday. bringing us to the halfway point of Term 2 and the muchawaited weekend. long Students are encouraged to make the most of the additional day of not attending school on Monday, to catch up with and get on top of all their homework and revision. Year 12s have their all-important Written Expression Mock 2 exam on 9 June, the day we return after the long weekend. Teachers are engaged in report writing alongside their daily preparation of high-quality lessons. Parents can expect to receive reports on Friday 10 July, the final day of Term 2. OLSH values the vital presence of parents as our partners in the education of your child and hence I invite and encourage all parents to feel very welcome to contact your child's teachers early next term, to discuss Semester 1 reports. All your

insights as parents will help us

in our mission to provide the

best learning for your child, every day in every lesson.

An important focus in Secondary School is the Year 8 class who is being prepared for their first experience of National Exams later in the year. Mrs Fiona Burain, Head of Secondary School and the Year 8 teachers met last week to set clear goals and action for a focused preparation of our Year 8 students for their Mock exams next term. I received the Minutes of this meeting and have communicated my response to the positive Action Points agreed by the Year 8 Teachers Team. Again, I ask Year 8 parents to support us by ensuring structure, discipline and routine in the life of your child after school and at weekends.

In an earlier newsletter I spoke about our focus on equity, excellence and self-esteem as factors necessary in enabling our students become good at life starting from their Prep year. At OLSH we spoke to our students from their first day back at the start of this year about the 3As -Appearance, Attendance and Application. We continued to reiterate the 3As regularly at assemblies and in the classroom. Under the New Normal, when we are unable to have assemblies and other larger gatherings, Heads of School and teachers are regularly reminding students about the 3 As, crucial for their successful learning.

Fees for Term 2 are to be settled at the earliest by all parents. As well as this, all outstanding Term 1 fees must be settled. According to the Board of Management policy, students are not permitted to attend school, if fees are in arrears. Please help us to keep your child at school by ensuring the prompt settling of all fees. Any queries please be directed to Mr Patrick Baiwan Head of Administration. The final date for settlement of all outstanding fees is Friday 19 June. "I am with you always, to the end

of time." (Matt 28:20b)

These words of Jesus Christ as He was ascending to His heavenly glory and treasured by us as we moved to celebrate the feast of Pentecost last Sunday, when we mark the



# Thursday, May 4th, 2020

birth of the Church. We have received the gift of the Holy Spirit and have transitioned from being Easter people to becoming Pentecost people. We are commissioned to Go and Act through the power of the Holy Spirit, energizing us every day for our mission of learning-teaching, as the community of OLSH. As we approach the feast of the Holy Trinity this Sunday, when we celebrate the beautiful unity, fullness and completion of our loving God, let us sign ourselves:

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen" and say: "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

Amen "

CATHOLIC CHURCH CALENDAR: Week 9 of the ordinary Year 'A' 2020. WEEK REFLECTION. **READING FOR THE WEEK: John** 20: 19 - 23 Message: Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I you." send And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are th<u>em,</u> forgiven and whose sins you retain are retained."

The Holy Spirit is our advocate in all our times of hardships and comfort. He will keep reminding us of everything that Jesus taught us while He was here on earth. He will also be providing good counsel always when we fall into temptations.

Jesus, today, is sending the Holy Spirit to us and at the same time sending us forth to the world to proclaim the Good News. He knows that it will not be an easy task to proclaim the Gospel to the world. The world is full of evil and persecutions.

The Holy Spirit will be with us to strengthen our faith and hope, when you face turbulence from the evil one. Our clergy are today being

given the powers to help us in penance. Jesus has advanced the powers of absolution to our Bishops and Priests. Let us seize this golden opportunity and always go to confession as often as possible.

Prayer: Come, Holy Spirit, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store! Come, within our bosoms shine. You, of comforters the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest. Amen.

Thank you so much for your prayers in the month of May (The month is when we honour Mary the Mother of Jesus Christ). In particular, for the prayer that was given to us by Pope Francis for the COVID 19 disease, which we may continue to pray it. Thank you all for your love and co-operation in the OLSH Feast day Para liturgy Liturgy program, it was worth the while.

To Bishop Rochus Tatamai MSC, we thank you so much for the OLSH Feast day message that was delivered to us here at OLSH International. There was hope, strength, and courage we all felt that was in the message given and it was really a blessing from God within the curse of covid19.

Let us remember Father Morris Kitup who passed away on Friday last week. He was one of the pioneer local priests of Kavieng diocese and was once our parish priest here also. During of which he would preside in our Friday School Masses. This Saturday there will be the final program to complete the customary traditional rites of the funeral program. As a token of appreciation for his work with the school under the church OLSH International will be giving K100 to the Diocese priests for Father Morris during this program.

This Saturday there will be a special Mass also, to celebrate Father Alex's 10 years as a priest at 9:00 Am. All are most welcome. You all have a blessed long weekend. God bless you all.

Mr R. Rangatin

# **HEAD OF PRIMARY Ms Grace Savitas** Changes in Primary School

Over the last several weeks, the Leadership Team has supported teachers, ancillary staff and parents' tireless efforts to support our school, to ensure the well-being and safety of our students. While that remains our highest priority, quality education must continue here at OLSH.

We have learnt from the Corona Virus and how life has changed, how our school's routines have changed especially in the Primary Sector. While the children still miss their sports, contact physical education and lunch play time, they are now spending more time in their classrooms completing activities.

Childrens' behaviour and attitude, health and hygiene have improved tremendously. Washing of hands by everyone and wiping of desks by the upper classes are being done automatically with lesser reminders. I was proud to share with the Primary School Inspector and the Heads of all the Urban Primary Schools in a meeting of our Primary COVID 19 Strategies

Quality education continues in the classroom with teachers using different teaching and learning strategies to impart knowledge to the children. I have noticed that children are more focused in learning rather than rushing out to play during breaks. Teachers have started on Semester One Report Card writing. By the end of the term, your child/children will be able to bring it home for you to read.

I commend all parents and guardians for sending your child/children to school looking clean and smart in their correct school uniform. We continue to uphold our uniform policy and take pride in the way our children dress when they enter the school gates. If you need to enquire about anything regarding your child's learning and welbeing, please don't hesitate to call the school or come and see me or your child's class teacher.

# Persuasive Texts

In Term One, Year 5s studied the genre "The Persuasive Text" as their unit of study. It emphasises the objective of investigating issues, topics and expressing an opinion or point of view by using persuasive words such as "I think" , or" I believe" to convince readers. This genre equips the students with the skills of carefully inquiring and expressing strong objective /subjective emotions and language text features of reading, listening and writing.

Below is an example of a persuasive text written as a personal letter by Joseph Timan, Year 5

> Joseph Timan **OLSH International School** P.O Box 211, KAVIENG **New Ireland Province**

#### **Dear Thomas**

How are you, my uncle is having a wedding on 27th of July up in the village and you are invited.

There will be a mass in the morning at 10:30 -11:30. Then we'll have a family reception and vou are also invited with some other old friends of us.

There will be hotdogs, sausage rolls, meat pies, drinks, pizza, pig meat etc... There will also be events like singsing groups from my village will also be performing a cultural dance.

Afterwards, we're having little playing games like tunnel ball, over and under and other games to finish the day.

Yours faithfully.

Joseph Timan

#### Media Texts

This term, the Year 5s are studying Examining Media Texts. They are investigating the evaluating of opinions of authors or reporters, in this case, of media texts.

Below is an example of a media text by Macford Mcnai, Year 5

#### Head line

Juventus Upset Fans

#### Summary Lead

SEOUL: Juventus drew 3-3 in a friendly with a K- League all-star team on Friday but 60.000 fans couldn't hide their upset after Cristiano Ronaldo, pictured failed to play.

# BODY

Ronaldo remained on the bench throughout the game, ignoring appeals from the crowd to lace up.

#### TAIL

The Italian team arrived in South Korea with the match scheduled five hours later.

Today's lesson engaged students in the activity of reviewing a newspaper article of their choice and convenience. The students investigated, analysed, identified and described features of the inverted pyramid in the headline, lead, body and tail.

\*The **Headline** should catch the reader's attention. It is often a pun or catchy phrase. \*The **lead** sentence or paragraph summarizes the basic facts covering the 5Ws - who, what, where, when, why

\*The **body** gives more detail about the why and how of the story, and contains less important information. The paragraphs are a mixture of information and quotes

\*The tail contains the least important information. It is often omitted by editors if there is limited space. The paragraphs are a mixture of information and quotes.

# Mr Wari Joel Year 5 Teacher

### PHOTOS

Learning in Year 5



