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IMPORTANT DATES

December 2020

1st- End of Year Mass, Graduation & Awards Day

2nd- Last student day, school clean up, Reports, students finish at 12pm

4th- Teaching staff finish school **11**th- All staff finish school

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From the Principal

Dear members of the OLSH community,

The year is almost at an end, I am somewhat sad to say, because soon the buildings and the grounds will be empty. The joy-filled laughter and chatter of the most important little people and not-so-little people will not resound in the many spaces for the remainder of the week. Nevertheless, there is always the "joy of anticipation" of the new school year and the return of our valued students.

Reports

P-12 reports are nearly ready to go to print. I have read every report of every student from P-12 as I did in Semester 1. This has been a most valuable experience of my formation as Principal this year. I have learned about the OLSH culture of learning-teaching as it operates every day in each lesson, the content knowledge imparted by dedicated teachers and invaluable skills taught; students who have made vast progress in their learning and others who need to heed teacher advice for improvement next year. The Leadership Team acknowledges that due to COVID-19 we were unable to have the 2 sets of Parent-**Teacher-Student Report** Interviews this year. Hence I ask all parents and guardians, as our most valued partners in your child's education, to read the Semester 2 reports with your child/children and pay heed to the teacher comments. There is much to celebrate as well as to take on board for your child's enhanced learning.

Awards and Graduation Ceremony

1 December is a normal school day for all students P-12 who are expected to come neatly attired. Preparations are in progress for this highlight event that celebrates student achievement and brings the school year to a joyful end. Due to COVID-19 social distancing regulations, I regretfully inform parents that we have had to limit our numbers of parents attending. Hence only parents of the 3 graduating classes, Years 8, 10 and 12 are able to attend the Graduation and Awards Ceremony in the MSC Centre. There will be the mandatory temperature scanning done at the gate on arrival.

We apologise for the disappointment caused to many of the other OLSH parents and ask for your support for what has been a difficult decision to make by the Leadership Team in this COVID-19 school year. If we had streaming facilities, you would be able to watch the entire proceedings livestreamed as has been done by many schools around the world. A light afternoon tea will be provided for parents and guests following the end of the ceremony. If attending parents can support the school by bringing only a plate of biscuits or cake that would be greatly appreciated.

Picnics

The annual class picnics were a huge success as they traditionally have been. I was informed that the Prep, 1 and 2 students left the grounds very excited and shrieking with

delight. They returned at the end of the day very tired and very quiet. OLSH acknowledges the generosity of our parents Daphney and Sean Adams for opening the grounds on their property to this picnic. Our thanks also to Mr Picco Sition for the use of the Kavieng Beach Resort (3 & 4), Mr Shaun Keane for the use of Nusa Beach Resort (5-8, 10 & 12) and Mr Malas Thomas for the use of Usanlik (9 & 11). All our students and staff will have a memorable finish to Week 9.

Class Picnics 2020







Being Year 7s for 1 day in 2020

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, this initiative was a huge success beyond expectation. Year 6s attended Morning PC, Maths, Science, Social Science, PDHPE and a second Maths class just before lunch. My thanks to Ms Savitas and the Year 7 teaachers: Mrs Baiwan, Ms Songo, Mr Savit Mrs Luba for giving the Year 6s a most enjoyable taster of Year 7. The students reflect on their experience:

"I enjoyed the subject Social Science because it was fun. Also the activities given to us were easy to do."

"I am looking forward to learning new things in all my subjects".

"I am taking to Year 7 my best behaviour and positive learning attitude"

"My personal goal is to change my behaviour and be helpful to others."

"The subject I enjoyed the most was Maths, because the teacher explained it very clearly to us; we did some activities and I got everything right"

"I am taking to Year 7, the wisdom that God and Ms Savitas have put into my brain. I am taking the positive behaviours that I have been following."

"My academic goal is to get Most Improved at the end of the year and to get a good report." "I enjoyed Science the most because the teacher explained clearly how to make things bigger and it was fun using the microscope." "My academic goal is to go to a university in Australia with my good marks".

"In Year 7 I am looking forward to teachers who would explain the subject very well and teachers with good discipline."

"I am taking to Year 7, my self-respect and self-pride."

"My academic goal at Year 7 is to get high marks in order to get a scholarship." "What I am looking forward to in Year 7 is to be a good person and to get a good report." "I am looking forward to completing every task that is given to me and also studying hard for any test."

"My goal is to come first place in my class and get a high mark."

"Social Science was easy for me to understand because I like learning about Geography." "I am looking forward to sitting in different classrooms. All my Primary life I have been sitting in the one classroom for the rest of the year."

"I want to learn more new subjects because the more I learn, the smarter I get." "What I am looking to in Year 7 is many teachers and different classrooms" "My personal development goal in Year 7 is to hand in all my assessments on time and complete all my work."

"By the end of Year 7, I hope to have a clear record of attendance."

"I am taking to Year 7, that part of me that behaves properly in class and at school."



Year 6-7 Transition Day

Go Green Clean Up Day

BSP Kavieng Branch has invited OLSH to participate in its Go Green Clean Up Day tomorrow, Friday 27 November. From 1 pm onwards, students at Years 6, 7 and 8 will accompany their teachers and some grounds staff wearing the Go Green Clean Up Day caps and t-shirts and helping clean up a designated part of Kavieng around Government House. More about this worthwhile activity from the participating students in our newsletter next week. Kavieng is a beautiful town, New Ireland Province is as close as it gets to heaven on earth. Let us strive to keep Kavieng clean.



Getting ready for Go Green Clean Up Day

CATHOLIC CHURCH CALENDAR: Week 34th of the ordinary Year 'A' 2020.

WEEK REFLECTION. READING FOR THE WEEK: Mathew 25:31-46

Message: We will be judged on how well we served Christ the King.

Happy Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! This is the last Sunday of the Church year which means we focus on the final and glorious things to come! It also means that next Sunday is already the First Sunday of Advent.

When we say Jesus is a king, we mean a few things. First, He is our Shepherd. As our Shepherd He desires to lead us personally as a loving father would. He wants to enter our lives personally, intimately and carefully, never imposing Himself but always offering Himself as our guide.

Additionally, Jesus does wish for His Kingdom to begin to be established in our world. First

and foremost this takes place when we become His sheep and thus become His instruments to help convert the world. However, as King, He also calls us to establish His Kingdom by seeing to it that His truth and law is respected within civil society.

It's Christ's authority as King that gives us the authority and duty as Christians to do all we can to fight civil injustices and bring about a respect for every human person. All civil law ultimately gains its authority from Christ alone since He is the one and only Universal King.

The freedom to practice our faith openly (religious liberty) within any institution must be "imposed" also. And there are many other things we could list here. What's important to point out is that, at the end of all time, Jesus will be returning to Earth in all His glory and He will then establish His permanent and unending Kingdom.

At that time, all people will see God as He is. And His law will become one with "civil" law. Every knee will bend before the great King and all will know the truth. At that time, true justice will reign and every evil will be corrected. What a glorious day that will be!

Reflect, today, upon your own embrace of Christ as King. Does He truly govern your life in every way? Do you allow Him to have complete control over your life? When this is done freely and completely, the Kingdom of God is established in your life. Let Him reign so that you can be converted and, through you, others can come to know Him as Lord of all!

Prayer: Lord, You are the sovereign King of the Universe. You are Lord of all. Come reign in my life and make my soul Your holy dwelling place. Lord, come transform our world and make it a place of true peace and justice. May Your Kingdom come! Jesus, I trust in you. Amen.

This week is final week for Year 'A'. Next Sunday 29th November 2020 will begin Year 'B' and also begin the season of 'Advent' to prepare for Christmas.



Season of Advent is coming – let us get ready for Christmas!!



Pray the Rosary everyday.

Sunday Mass Program

7:00 Am – English Mass 9:00 Am – Tok Pisin Mass 5:00 Pm – Eucharistic Adoration God Bless you all.

Mr R. Rangatin