

Email: principal@olwkingsbury.catholic.edu.au

Issue: 24 Date: Monday August 10 2020

Dear Parents & Families,

Thank you to the 81 families who have now downloaded the Skoolbag app to keep connected to OLW. Please make sure that you download this app to your phone, iPad or tablet so that you can get the latest school information. We are no longer sending an SMS prompt for any important information uploaded to our website or school app so please make sure that you have the push notifications switched on.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) confirmed last week that a staff member at Our Lady of the Way School had tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). Following the protocols from the DHHS and Catholic Education Melbourne (CEM), we were closed for a precautionary pandemic clean last Thursday and contract tracing on Friday.

The staff member had only been onsite for a short period of time and had no contact with students. However, the school and the DHHS have worked through a thorough contact and containment strategy. I want to reassure you that we continue to do everything we can to contain and slow the spread of the virus and ensure the health and safety of our whole school community. The school has been commended by DHHS and the CEM for our procedures and protocols that are in place.

Parent - Teacher Interviews will be held over a 3-week period from today, Monday August 10, until Friday, August 28. The interviews are spread over a 3-week period so that staff can still conduct their daily Google Meet sessions, as well as provide onsite supervision of students and online classroom support. It is our usual custom to have the parents and the student attend the interview, but we are aware that some parents may be at work or away from their home caring for others and may not be able to have their child with them for the interview. We understand the many complexities that families are currently working with, but would ask that ensure that you share your child's successes with them once you are back at home.

Online bookings for interviews are open and an instruction sheet for bookings is included in today's newsletter. The easiest way to register for interviews will be through our school app which takes you directly to the login page. Interviews will be held online using a platform called Whereby. When you access our regular booking form, please ensure that you include an active and current email address. Depending on whether you use a smartphone or PC, you may receive a prompt after booking an interview to email your booking to yourself as shown below:

Parent bookings confirmed.

EMAIL BOOKINGS

Please select 'EMAIL BOOKINGS' as this will send you the video link for the interview in calendar form so that you can add this to your personal calendar. If you are using a smartphone, it will usually email you directly, without the prompt.

Our website is back up and running now after the CEVN DNS router issue last week has been resolved. All weekly planners and newsletters are now available from the website.

CareMonkey has changed its application platform name to Operoo. This will not affect the functionality of the program and all your current details remain the same for logging in and accessing permission forms or for updating your child's health information.

Thank you to the families who have sent through some great photos of their children engaging in their learning over the past week. A Video of all the photos is now live on our school app though our YouTube channel. Please keep sending them in!

Have a great week and stay safe!

Kevin Burke

WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that conundrum means 'a confusing and difficult problem or question' or 'a question asked for amusement, typically one with a pun in its answer: a riddle.'

Our word for this week is:

IMPECCABLE

Find out it's meaning and origin and see if you can add this word to your vocabulary over the next week!



Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents.

Parent-Teacher interviews will be held over 3 weeks in August from Monday, August 10 until Friday, August 28. The interview will be conducted online, with instructions and video link in your booking confirmation email. The daily times available are designed around Google Meet sessions, staff onsite supervision and online classroom support.

Bookings can be made through the School Interviews tab on our school app main page, or you can go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au to enter the School Event code shown below.



Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code

Enter THIS school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.









Before you click finish, make sure that you select 'email booking information' so that the link will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Interviews are strictly 15 minutes and spaces are limited on each day. If a teacher feels that the interview requires further discussion, they will make alternative arrangements with you.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking.

Where possible, we would prefer that the student also be involved in the discussion. However, we are aware that some parents may not be at home at the time of the interview, so having their child with them may not always be possible. If you are in this situation, please make sure that you speak with your child when you are at home and celebrate their successes.

How to Install SkoolBag

Instructions for parents installing the SkoolBag app.

The SkoolBag school app is the best way for parents to stay up-to-date with the school calendar, last minute forms, newsletters and all school communications. Get started with SkoolBag in only a few minutes. Just follow these simple steps:





Download the SkoolBag App

Open the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store and search for and install 'SkoolBag'. Alternatively, click on the Google Play or Apple App Store Store icons above and download the SkoolBag App.



Create an account

Open the SkoolBag app and Click 'Sign Up'. Enter your email address, create a password and click on 'Sign Up'





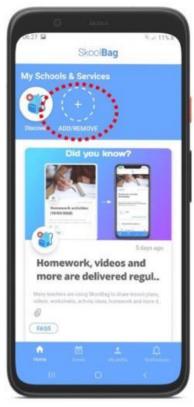




Add your school

Open the app, and Click 'Add/Remove'

Click '+' to add your school, now you can see your school, under My Schools & Services

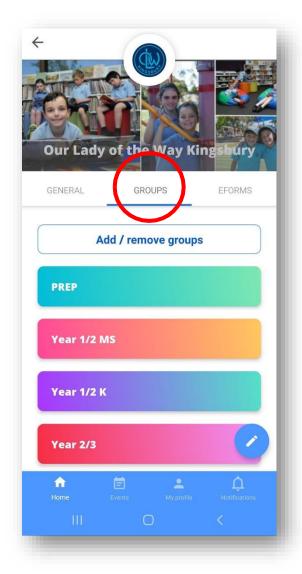




Click on 'Groups' to Add the groups that you or your child/ren wish to receive notifications for.

Click on 'General' to see School Newsletters and announcements.

Click on 'Eforms' to submit Absentee Forms.

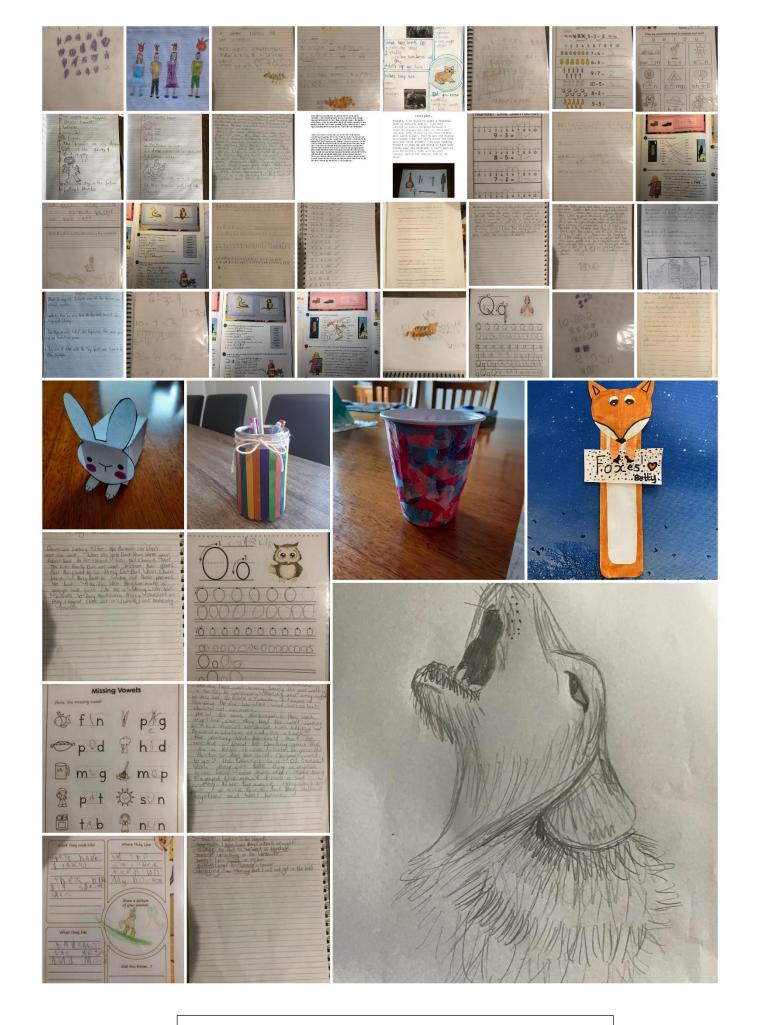


You are now connected to OLW to receive all our latest news and information.

If your notifications are switched off, please make sure that you manually check the app regularly to ensure you have the latest information for events, school or parish news.



Students at Work and Play in Week 4
*View the video in the Gallery on our school app



Student Work Week 4
*View the video in the Gallery on our school app





Enrolment Applications Welcome

Applications close Friday 21 August 2020 for Year 7 2022

Upcoming Virtual Tours Thursday 18 June 9.00am - 10.30am Book a place online http://www.olmcheidelberg.catholic.edu.au/enrolments/college-tours

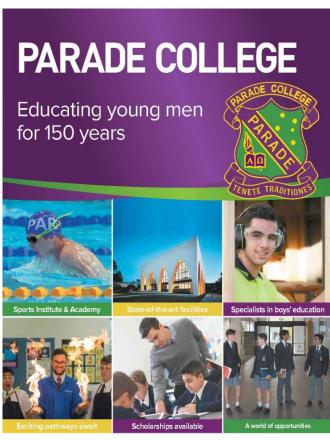
Enquiries:

Merri O'Halloran - College Registrar

T: 9459 2511 E: mohalloran@olmc.vic.edu.au



CREATING THE SCRIPT OF YOUR LIFE



Two campuses - Preston and Bundoora. For further details call the registrar 9468 3304 or go to www.parade.vic.edu.au

Please note the revised date! Applications for Yr 7 2022 now close on Friday October 9





KEY ENROLMENT DATES - YEAR 7 2022

9 October 2022

Applications for enrolment in Year 7 2022 close

October 2020

Family Interviews

1 December 2020

Offers of places to prospective Year 7 2022 students posted

15 December 2020

Final date for families to accept offers made

Limited places for Year 7 2021 still available.

Q & A session with the Principal

16 September 2020, 6pm – 7pm Click here to register

Please click on the link below to view our College Overview Video Presentation

For more information, please visit our College website: www.santamaria.vic.edu.au

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the enrolment process, please

Mrs Kylie Lawtey Admissions & Marketing Leader Direct Line: 9488 1630 Email: kylie.lawtey@santamaria.vic.edu.au

50 Separation Street Northcote VIC 3070 www.santamaria.vic.edu.au Phone: 9488 1600



