

OLW NEWS 2020

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Dear Parents & Families,

Last week we were contacted by Scholastic Australia to inform us that during the lockdown period our students had undertaken more reading, completed more quizzes and progressed more in their reading than any other school using the Lexile Reading Program. In recognition of their great work, Scholastic is donating some books and vouchers to our school so that all students can be rewarded for their great efforts.

Work on the demolition of walls and roof in stage 1 of our Refurbishment Project is almost complete with the underpinning of the floors to be completed by next week. Our corridor roof has been removed and restructuring should be commencing soon so that this area can become watertight. The project is pushing ahead as quickly as we can with the restrictions in place. Some photos of the work are included in today's newsletter.

Prep 2021 Transition Sessions will be held on Monday November 16, 23, 30 and December 7. Under COVID-19 restrictions, we are not able to host all students at the one time, so there will be a couple of sessions on each day for the students to attend in small groups.

School Photos are planned for Tuesday November 24. We are hoping for 5th time lucky! As this year has some restrictions around gathering and other protocols, our class photos are going to be a little different. At this stage, it is planned that classes will be photographed in a more casual pose on the Adventure Playground Area where they can socially distance. This year, we are also asking that all students wear their sports uniform on the day for the photos. Year 6 students will also need to bring their Jumper for their Graduation photo. Further information on ordering photos will be sent home next week, and a picture of the required uniform is included in today's newsletter. Please note that it will be house sports top, blue shorts, white socks and runners as shown by our Year 6 students.



Each year in Term 4 we hold our Annual Sports Carnival for Prep – Year 6. This year our Sports Day will be held over 2 days on December 8 & 9 in a COVID Safe manner. This will allow the students to participate and compete against other students in their year level. House points and ribbons will be awarded for each event and our Trophy presentation will be streamed to all the students at the end of the competition on December 9.

Please make sure that you have marked in your diary that with Catholic Education approval, we are bringing forward our finishing date at the end of the year to Friday December 11. This will allow for the demolition of the current student toilets and enable them to be rebuilt prior to the commencement of the 2021 school year so that we can start the school year without disruption.

Have a great week!

Kevin Burke

WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that demolition means 'the action or process of demolishing or being demolished', or 'to pull or knock down.'

Our word for this week is:

ALACRITY

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

