



# OLW NEWS 2020

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Dear Parents & Families,

Our 2021 Sports Carnival will be held over 2 days with Year Prep – 3 competing in their events on Tuesday and Years 4 – 6 competing on Wednesday. Therefore, students in Year Prep – 3 will need to wear their sports uniform on Tuesday this week.

## 2021 FAMILY & LEVY FEES

**The School Fee for 2021 will be \$1700 per family and the levy will be \$400 per child.** (\$50.00 will be refunded if families attend one working bee during the year). The annual rise in fees is kept to a minimum and in line with, or just below CPI, to ensure that OLW remains accessible for all families.

As we have previously informed you, Student Book Orders will also be billed to your 2021 account as we will be ordering and receiving these items at the school. You will not be required to order books or texts.

## GRADUATION DAY OF CELEBRATION

Our Year 6 students will be celebrating a 'Day of Graduation' starting with spending the day at Funfields, followed by a Graduation Dinner at school at 6.00pm and they will then meet their families in the Church for a Graduation Mass and Presentations commencing at 7.00pm. It should be an action packed day, and a great way to send off our Year 6 students!



## END OF YEAR REPORTS

End of Year Reports will be distributed this Wednesday. Please take the time to read through your child's report and celebrate their achievements. 2020 has brought challenges for everyone, but the learning and growth of our students has been outstanding. With your support, the students' engagement in Learning from Home was exceptional and this has shone through in our testing data showing that our students continue to perform at a very high level and well above the state averages. Scholastic Australia has also recognised this through their online platforms and has awarded book vouchers to OLW in recognition of having students who read the most books, completed the most

quizzes, and had the highest level of achievement of all schools Australia wide!

## 2021 CLASSES

Year 1 – Year 6 students will spend a session with their 2021 class on Friday December 11. On this day the students will spend about an hour working with their new cohort and will also bring home booking information for the Beginning of Year Testing.

## END OF YEAR DISMISSAL

The 2020 school year closes this Friday, December 11, with our staggered dismissal times from 3.10pm. Classes for the 2021 school year will commence for all students on Monday February 1 as Thursday January 28 and Friday January 29 will be online Testing Days for students in Years 1 – 6. Information about Beginning of Year Testing will be sent home with your child on Friday December 11 after they have met their 2021 teacher, and booking information will also be included in our school app.

I would especially like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their continued hard work and dedication in 2020. In spite of COVID-19, it has been another year with many outstanding achievements, and the staff have been a great support to the students, to me, to each other, and to the wider community, and will deservedly enjoy a well-earned break.

On behalf of the Parish and the School Staff of OLW, I would like to wish all families a safe, happy and holy Christmas, and we look forward to seeing you in the new year.

*Merry Christmas!*

*Kevin Burke*

## WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that smidgen means 'a small amount of something.'

Our word for this week is:

## HALLELUJAH

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



# *Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury*

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**Parish Website:** <https://www.olwkingsbury.org.au/>

Mass times this week:

Monday: 10am. Tuesday: 10am & 7pm. Wednesday: 10am. Thursday: 10am.

Friday: 10am. Saturday: 10am & 6pm. Sunday: 8am & 10am.

The 10am Saturday mass is recorded for viewing over the week on YouTube and website. It will be Sundays readings.

Below is the 1st Leadership Team Member, Tony Nguyen's profile:



Hello everyone, my name is Tuan Nguyen known as Tony the computer guy at Our Lady of The Way Kingsbury to some. I came to Australia to study my Masters at Latrobe University in 2008 and have lived around this area ever since.

Time surely is flying fast as I can not imagine a lonely single man who has lost his way on the first Sunday walk looking for a church nearby now become a father of 3 children. My oldest son is going to our beloved primary school here. Kingsbury parish and neighbourhood has become my second home now. I can not wait to see our church's doors are wide opened and join in morning tea after mass, listening to people talking about their lovely children, grandchildren, fruit tree or where are bargains in shops. Those conversations are great source of learning for me. I have not only improved my English in all aspects but also learn a great deal of Australian way of life. Aussie Aussie ... oi oi oi.

I would love to repay all of your kindness and contribute my little knowledge toward building our wonderful church and community. Our church website has helped many oversea students, new residences find the way to our church without having wondering around for 3 hours or ending up with police drives home (like the lonely man mentioned above). During the years, it becomes a good channel for our parish communication and a good source of faith reading material. It works incredibly well through the Victoria hash lockdown period where our

online masses have been streamed to many households. If you have any ideas or needs for help in computing or technology area, please don't hesitate to yell out to our church's committee. We will try our best to improve and thriving to meet our parishioner's expectation. Hope we will be able to come to the church, hug each other and share the peace in very near future.

Your Faithfully, Tony Nguyen.

If you are not receiving an SMS from OLW or Fr Terry please fill out a census form, found on the church table.

Christmas Eve mass is now full. No more booking for 7pm can be taken. 8am and 10am Christmas day are still open.

Have a great week.

Fr Terry.



# Lately at OSHC

## KINGSBURY OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

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On Monday we tried a new craft activity, making these awesome twirligig paper spinners out of strips of paper, long skewers, and glue. Once assembled, you rub the skewer between your palms and watch as the colours blend together and round into a ball as the twirligig spins. Violet and Sophie also liked gently pressing the bottom to make a colourful flower. Lucas and Daniella found out that with the right technique, you can throw the twirligig into the air and it will spin and slowly float back down to the ground. They are heaps of fun to play with - we are obsessed!

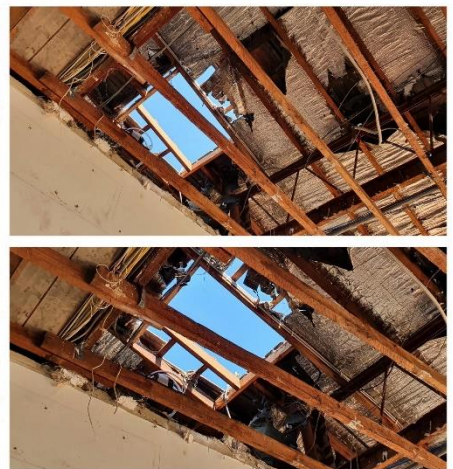
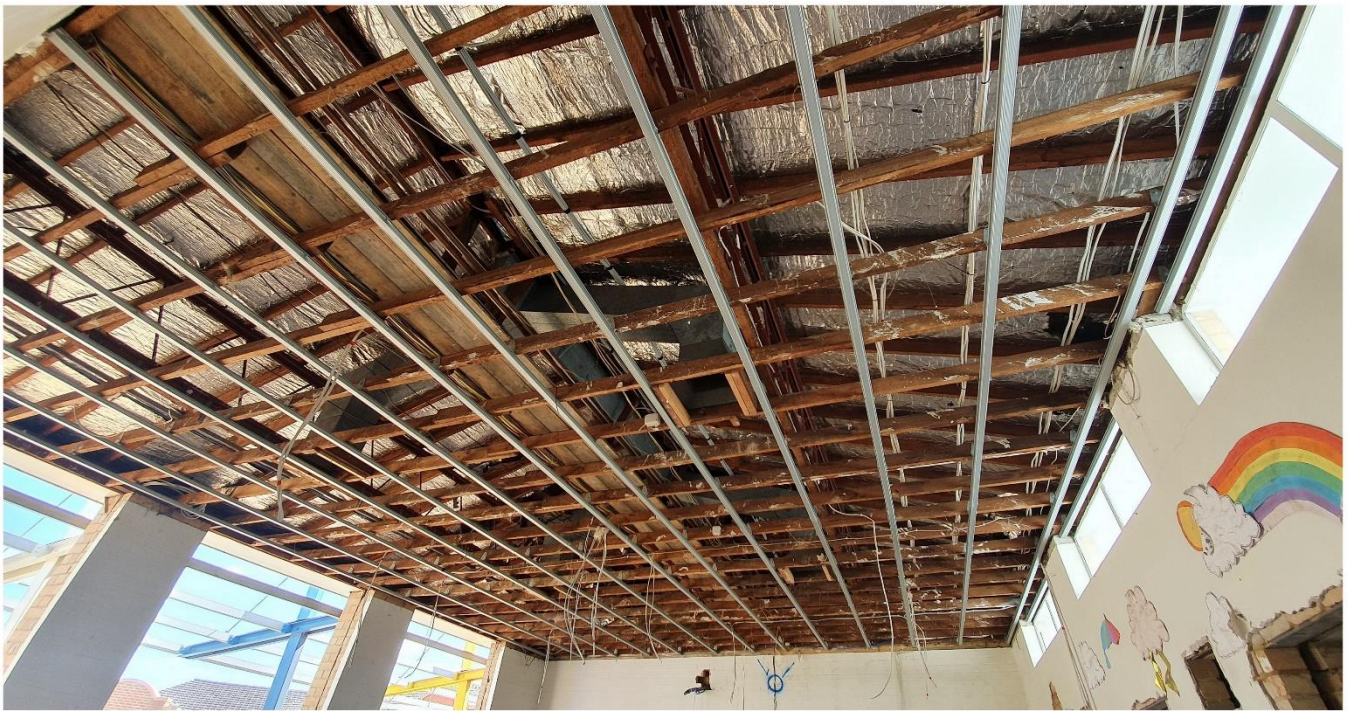
We're pleased to confirm our program is operating Pupil Free Day Care from Monday 14th December for OLW children. This program will operate from 7:00am to 6:00pm, and will include plenty of Christmas crafts, cooking, games and other favourite activities from throughout the year.

On Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd December we are also operating our Vacation Care program from 7:45am to 6:00pm. Monday the 21st will include our annual "Kingsbury Christmas" celebration, which will include a special Christmas party lunch, themed arts and crafts, fun games and plenty of prizes! To help get into the spirit, we are asking everyone to dress festively for the day; whether that means wearing an elf costume, Christmas morning pyjamas, or going all out with more accessories than a Christmas tree!

These programs are a great opportunity for any parents working in or out of home, or who are busy preparing for family celebrations. Normal Vacation Care fees apply, and an additional fee of \$5 will be charged for children attending the Christmas party. Book now via My Family Lounge or email. The more the merrier!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAKFAST	TOAST AND CEREAL	RAISIN TOAST	TOAST AND CEREAL	TOAST AND CEREAL	EGGS & HASH BROWNS
AFTERNOON TEA	CORN FRITTERS	CHICKEN WRAPS	SCONES	VEGIE PASTA BAKE	YOGURT, FRUIT & GRANOLA
ACTIVITY OPTION 1	CRAFT: TWIRLIGIGS	COOKING: LEMON SLICE	CRAFT: CHALK DRAWING	COOKING: CARROT CAKE BLISS BALLS	CRAFT: ORIGAMI
ACTIVITY OPTION 2	DANCING GAMES	FOOTY	SKIPPING COMPETITION	MINUTE TO WIN IT	SANDCASTLE BUILDING
FREE PLAY IDEAS	PLAY UNO OR CONNECT FOUR, WRITE A LETTER TO SOMEONE, DRAW A SELF PORTRAIT, OR MAKE A PIRATE'S TREASURE MAP				





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**Congratulations to Patrick, Alexandra, Amelie, Maya & Clarisa  
whose artwork pictured above was selected to be displayed in the  
2021 Catholic Education Art Exhibition.**