



# Our Lady Star of the Sea

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL TERRIGAL

### Newsletter – 11 December 2019

#### What's new this week

**End of Year Mass**  
**Tuesday 17 December**

**Guard of Honour Farewell Yr 6**  
**at 2.40pm – last day for Yr 6**

**Canteen closed**  
**Wednesday 18 December**

#### Term 4 - Dates to remember

Thurs 12 Dec	Reports available in Compass
Friday 13 Dec	Whole School Assembly at 2pm
Monday 16 Dec	Talent Quest
Tues 17 Dec	End of Year Mass 9am Last day for Year 6 and Guard of Honour at 2.45pm
Wed 18 Dec	Last day for K-5 students

***Please [click here](#) to access school diary and obtain all upcoming dates***



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### A note from our Acting Principal, Mr Todd Vane-Tempest:

Dear Parents, Boys and Girls

We are rapidly approaching the end of another school year and 2019 will soon be a memory. For me the year has passed very quickly but has been packed with wonderful highlights including individual student success both academic or sporting as well as whole school achievements including our fantastic school musical, 'Cinders - a Charming Tale'. I would like to acknowledge the great support we receive from the parent community and your ongoing commitment to seeking a Catholic education for your children.

As we prepare to say goodbye to 2019 and the staff and students leaving and moving onto other adventures, we also look forward to the celebrations of Jesus' birth at Christmas.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is a list of Christmas Masses here in our Terrigal Parish. I urge our families to come to Mass over Christmas (especially the Christmas Eve Family Mass and pageant which is a wonderful way to celebrate as a family). I pray the peace and joy of the newborn Jesus gives all our families hope for the New Year and holidays.



## End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

**Next Tuesday morning (17 December) at 9am** we will celebrate our end of year Thanksgiving Mass and thank God for the many blessings and opportunities of 2019. This is always a special occasion when we say thank you to those who have been part of our community and leaving. Our Year 6 students will feature heavily at Mass and will have their much-anticipated blessing by their Kinder Buddies which in a lovely gesture, was the very same blessing bestowed upon the Kinders by their Year 6 buddies at our beginning of year Mass to start 2019.

We will also farewell leaving staff (Mrs Melissa Jones, Ms Hannah Fryar and Mrs Tahren Van Laar) and any students in other grades who are moving on. All parents and friends are most welcome to join us.

## Year 6 Farewell and Guard of Honour

Tuesday is also the last official day for Year 6 and as has been custom for many years, their final moment of Primary School will be celebrated with the school 'Guard of Honour' in the top playground. This is a special moment and parents are warmly encouraged to join us from 2.40pm.

## Year 6 Graduation

Meanwhile, last evening, the young men and young ladies from our 2019 Year 6 class held their formal Graduation Liturgy and presentation. It was a wonderful celebration of their primary school years here at OLSS and we congratulate each and every one of these lovely students as they move to their respective new beginnings. Thank you to our Year 6 families who joined us, the Year 6 teachers and office staff who contributed so much to support a beautiful Liturgy, and our Year 5 parents who did a wonderful job preparing the hall and scrumptious supper for the Year 6 families.

A special thank you to Birdies Nursery for their continued generosity and support for donating plants for the Year 6 Graduation. They went above & beyond yesterday, allowing us to use over 30 plants out of the kindness of their hearts.



## Semester 2 Reports

Tomorrow all families will be able to access Semester 2 reports via Compass. I encourage parents to read them carefully, focusing on effort and comparing them with the Semester 1 reports to look at

growth. Parents are encouraged to contact the office if you would like to discuss the report with your child's teacher.

### **Important message for Year 6 Parents and parents of leaving students**

Please be aware that you will need to download/print off semester reports currently appearing in Compass by **31 December 2019** if you wish to keep a record of these. Once a student leaves a school, parent access to that student's details in Compass ceases.

If you have any problems doing this during the holiday period, please contact us after 28 January 2020 when we are open for the new school year.

### **End of Year Band Concert**

On Monday our band presented their end of year concert to a most appreciative audience of students and some family members. It was a wonderful performance and the students sounded fantastic! I really congratulate the students, their parents and of course our band teacher Faith McLeod on the wonderful work achieved by the students in 2019.

Parents who are interested in finding out more about our band for 2020 (Years 2-6) are encouraged to access information from Faith and Enrolment Forms for the Band in 2020 by [clicking here](#).

### **Year 6 Leadership 2020 – Assembly this Friday**

On Friday I had the privilege of listening to young men and women present a leadership speech to students and teachers in Years 2-5 as aspiring School Captains. I think those present would have been most impressed with the maturity and insights provided by these students. This was followed up on Monday with our Coloured House Captain speeches, again to students in Years 2-5. Whether students progress to an official captain role or not (and there will be a mix of both even for shortlisted school captains) each can be proud of the recognition of their peer group, and the way they presented themselves.

Congratulations to our Shortlisted students below.

Anton Boffo	Ava Drury
Angus Stewart	Molly Dawson
Ronan Hope	Lara Bridger
Oliver Lyons	Scarlett McCudden
Isaac McCudden	Meghan Winser

This Friday at 2pm we will hold our last assembly for 2019 and this will be a whole school Leadership assembly. At this assembly we will welcome Federal Member Lucy Wicks and State Member Adam Crouch. We will acknowledge our wonderful 2019 School Leaders and Captains before announcing and handing over to our 2020 Captains. Parents are warmly invited to come along.

### **Classes 2020 and Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAIs)**

Yesterday students were informed of their classes and teachers for 2020. Always highly anticipated, it is an approach that supports readiness over the holidays for the new school year. With this information, parents will be able to book MAIs appointments for Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020 in the coming weeks. Keep a look out on Compass for further information.

God bless you and your families,

Todd Vane-Tempest  
Acting Principal

## Christmas Masses at Terrigal Catholic Parish

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December

- 6pm: Children's Mass (with pageant)  
9pm: Vigil Mass  
11pm: Midnight Mass (Carols before Mass)

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December

- 8am: Mass  
10am: Mass

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December

- 9am: Mass



## News from School Office:

### School Office hours

Please note the School Office is open Monday to Thursday from 8.30am until 3.30pm and Fridays 8.40am to 3.30pm as we have Staff Prayer on Friday mornings.

### Chess

Please [click here](#) to view the Chess News Podcast.

### Uniform Shop Opening Hours January 2020

The Uniform Shop will open on the following days:

- Monday 20 January 2020 2pm to 4pm  
Friday 24 January 2020 8.15am to 10.15am  
Wednesday 29 January 2020 2pm to 4pm  
Friday 31 January 2020 8.15am to 10.15am

## Sports News from Miss Molly:

### Broken Bay Basketball and Tennis Trials

Well done to our boys and girls who trialled for Broken Bay basketball and tennis teams last week. We have a large number of children who play basketball at a high level and as a result had to have our own school-based trials for the Broken Bay trials.

Congratulations to Oli P, Josh G and Cruz P who have been chosen in the Broken Bay boys basketball team and to Amelie B, Ava D and Scarlett S who were selected in the girls' basketball team. These 6 students will represent Broken Bay at the Polding trials being held early next year. We wish them all the best.



### Broken Bay Outstanding Sportsperson Awards

Three of our students received a very special award last Wednesday night at the Broken Bay Outstanding Sportsperson awards. The criteria for these awards are making two Polding teams or a State team or National Team. Obviously, the students who are nominated for these awards compete at their sport/s at a very high level. Congratulations to our three students.

Dominika K    State Representative National Swimming Championships

Taylah M     State Representative National Swimming Championships

Tahj H        State Representative and finalist National Athletic Championships  
2 x Gold Medallist State Athletics.

Well done to Dominika, Taylah and Tahj for receiving this award as acknowledgment of your wonderful talents and dedication to your sport. We are very proud of not only your talents but the positive way you always represent our school



## Library News from Mrs Hawton:

**Congratulations to the following OLSOS Reading challenge recipients:**

- RUBY Award:** Brianna S (4D), Eli T (KP)  
**Gold Award:** Charlie W (2D)  
**Silver Award:** Ryan H (KD)  
**JF Silver Award:** Charlie W (2D), Emerson W (2D)  
**JF Bronze Award:** Isabella A (2S), Charlie W (2D), Willow M (2D)  
**A-Z Author Award:** Hugo C (KP)



**Thank you** to all the children that are returning all **library books** and **Guided Readers** and the parents that are helping to find them. 😊

## ALL LIBRARY BOOKS ARE NOW DUE BACK

I would ask that all parents please remind their children to **return all library books by the end of this week**. If a book has been missing for some time, I ask that you either replace it with the same book or send in money to cover the cost of a new book (the amount will be shown on the overdue notes)

I hope that the children will continue to read. This is a great opportunity to visit the local libraries at **Erina Fair, Kincumber or Gosford**. All of these libraries are open during the holidays with summer reading programs as well as holiday story time and art/craft activities for the children

**Thank you for all your support throughout 2019.**

Happy reading!

Hania Hawton  
Teacher Librarian



## General Information:

### Canteen News - We are Online!

Please [click here](#) for more information on Flexischools.

### The parent helpers are:

#### FRIDAY 14 December 2019:

8.30am-1.30pm

8.30am-11.30am Madeleine Todd/Mary-Louise Vince/Rebecca Leahy

10.30am-2pm

#### WEDNESDAY 18 December 2019:

8.30am-1.30pm

8.30am-11.30am **CANTEEN CLOSED**

10.30am-2pm

Thank you  
Kerrie Clarke  
**Canteen**



## Parish News

Please [click here](#) for Parish Website.  
Parish Office phone number 4367 4610.

## School Banking

Our School Banking Day is **THURSDAY**  
Please [click here](#) for information on School Banking.

## Second Hand Uniform Shop

The second hand uniform shop is now contactable by sending an email direct to them  
[olsosuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:olsosuniformshop@gmail.com) with your request for second hand uniforms.

## Sustainable School Shop

Please [click here](#) to access our 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniforms on the Sustainable School Shop.

## Before and After School Care

Please [click here](#) to get all the information about Before and After School Care.



## Early Learning Centre

Please [click here](#) for ELC Website  
ELC Phone Number: 4365 3222.



## OLSS Village Hub & Playgroup

All are welcome every Tuesday during School Terms in the Parish Hall at 9-11am. Please [click here](#) for more information.



## Please [click here](#) to access our uniform shop

Our Lady Star of the Sea Uniform Shop

### Opening Hours:

**Monday 2pm to 4pm**

**Friday 8.15am to 10.15am**

For pricelists, opening hours and shop details, login/register online [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)

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# SIXERS HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



Woolworths Cricket Blast INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM teaches boys and girls new skills in a Big Bash inspired fun and safe environment!! Blasters can choose a cricket or craft adventure during a 'Free Play Session'.



The 6ers Holiday Camp is ideal for boy and girls playing JUNIOR FORMAT STAGE 1 with their local club. Players will be exposed to contemporary coaching activities lead by experienced coaches.

Date   Time	Suburb (Postcode)	Introductory Program (5-9 yrs.)	Junior Format Stage 1 (9-11 yrs.)
13 Jan 2020   9am-3pm	Lorn (2320)	\$80	\$100
14 Jan 2020   9am-3pm	New Lambton (2305)	\$80	\$100
15 Jan 2020   9am-3pm	Cameron Park (2285)	\$80	\$100
16/17 Jan 2020   9am-12pm	Ourimbah (2258)	\$99	\$100
20/21 Jan 2020   9am-12pm	Erina (2250)	\$99	\$100

## REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

Introductory Program - [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au)

Search for camp by: age filter and suburb (as listed above)

Look for Program title "Sydney Sixers Holiday Program"

Junior Format Stage 1 - [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)

Click Buy on the landing page and then search "Sydney 6ers" and the suburb (as listed above)

