



# Our Lady Star of the Sea

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL TERRIGAL

### Newsletter – 6 May 2020

#### What's new this week

**Welcome to Term 2**

#### Term 1 - Dates to remember

Mon 11 May	Mackillop students (Yellow)
Tues 12 May	Therry students (Red)
Wed 13 May	Polding students (Green)
Thurs 14 May	Chisholm students (Blue)

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



[Click here](#)



[Click here](#)



[Click here](#)

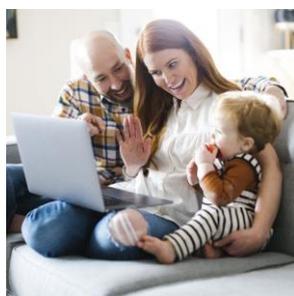


### A note from our Principal, Mr Robert Peers:

Dear Parents and Children

On Sunday, we will experience Mother's Day albeit one with a difference. During our COVID-19 challenges, it might be that we won't be able to connect in the way we hope and are used to. Our own Catholic community here at OLSS will also be celebrating differently. Our usual Mother's breakfast followed by Liturgy and class visits won't be possible this year. This is disappointing as it is really one of our big community highlights each year.

We've thought long and hard about how we might be able to replicate our sense of community on Friday morning, in a prayerful way, thanking God for our mothers, and praying for them with their children.



**At 9.30am on Friday**, we will be inviting our OLSS mums to join us **via 'Zoom'** (link to be provided on Thursday) as we connect in community, and in prayer. It won't be quite the same as being physically together – but we hope it will be the next best thing.

Fr Pawel will be joining us, and we hope as many mums and children can be there for the 20 minutes or so of the Liturgy. We hope to create a beautiful and prayerful memory for everyone.

## IMPORTANT FOR FRIDAY'S ZOOM LITURGY:

- We have a licence for a max 300 x viewers on Zoom, so we're keen to prioritise OLSS mums and their children before outside interested viewers. **OLSS families are asked to be online and ready by 9.25am to ensure you're not locked out.** You will be able to join us from 9.20am.
- **After 9.25am**, grandparents and other interested viewers are invited to join us (you will need to share the link and password with them, and this will be provided Thursday).
- **Microphones must be on Mute** (unless directed to speak).
- When commencing, you are required you to be on "**Speaker View**", however towards the end, everyone will be directed to change to "**Gallery View**". It is important everyone is familiar with how to do this prior to Friday to ensure our Liturgy runs smoothly.
- As mentioned above, part of the Liturgy will be showing Mums and children at home via Gallery View. **It's important to be aware of considerations with clothing, background etc.**

**We will be sending the Zoom Link tomorrow** and ask mums with children to join us from 9.20am for a 9.30am start. (Let's also pray our technology doesn't let us down).



### Mother's Day Stall

This is a very popular stall, and we had some parents enquiring whether this will be going ahead this year. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, this isn't possible this year. I take this opportunity to thank Lenise McIntosh who has run this very successfully as part of the P&F Daytime over many years. We will have to wait to see if the Father's Day stall later in the year will be possible.

### Student Phased (1 x Day Per Week) Return – Starting Next Week

As outlined last week, from next week (Monday May 11) NSW schools begin the phase-in of students 1 x Day Per week. The roster for OLSS is in line with most Primary schools and according to recommendations by the NSW Government, which enables siblings to attend together. For us the roster is:

- Mondays - MacKillop (Yellow / Gold) house students**
- Tuesdays - Therry (Red) house students**
- Wednesdays - Polding (Green) house students**
- Thursdays - Chisholm (Blue) house students**
- Fridays - Home-Based Learning continues as well as supervision of children.**

We do appreciate this will suit some families more than others but ask you to keep to your rostered day. Simultaneous to this will be supervision of Home-Based Learning for children of frontline workers (elsewhere on site) and Home-Based learning support for most students at home. We will be evaluating this straight away, and from our point of view, will be keen to move towards more immersed attendance within a short period of time.

We are working through some of the safety and risk adjustments and can advise below:

- **Morning Drop-Off:** We have been asked **not to allow parents to come on site and congregate.** Unless using buses, **drop-off** should be between **8.10am until 8.35am** in the two zones (near the undercroft and near the front office). Please follow normal processes and we will have staff on deck to assist.
- **Pickup:** Should be via Bottom Drive Through and will be available (from next week) at **3pm – 3.30pm** near the undercroft. Families will be grouped together and spread into the undercroft at

appropriate social distance, so we will be operating slower than normal. Please have your surname visible on the passenger visor.

We ask parents not to queue too early for pickup as this creates chaos at the Early Learning Centre. **Above all, please be patient, and expect to be delayed, as this procedure will take a few minutes each afternoon.**

- **Bubblers will not be active when children return to school.** Children will need to bring and use their own drink bottle with water each day.
- Children must bring their own coloured pencils, pencils, pens and will not be permitted to share any stationery items in the classroom. If you haven't already done so, please organise for a pencil case containing personal stationery items for your children.
- **Cleanliness:** We are in the process of organising increased class cleanliness procedures, as well as providing daytime cleaning where we can. This will include the employment of a hygienist who will be cleaning classroom furniture and other aspects of classrooms during the day. Whilst we are only too aware this doesn't stop every eventuality; we are seeking to minimise risk. Children will continue to be engaged with frequent handwashing prior to and after break times.
- **Classroom Space:** Ensuring social distancing, especially in the younger years is very difficult, and so again we are seeking to do what is reasonable. Rostered children will be in double-classrooms and spaced apart where possible. Similar arrangements are in place for children supervised if numbers warrant this.
- **Staggered Breaks:** We are still working on some of the details for these but will be staggering lunches and Fruit Break internally to support social distancing.
- **Sport and Sport Equipment:** It is important children have some physical time here at school, however we will be looking at adopting sports that don't rely on shared equipment or close proximity until such restrictions are eased in the community. Please do not bring handballs.
- **If your child is experiencing any Flu Like Symptoms** It is important to keep your child at home if he/she is displaying any flu like symptoms. We have a separate Sick Bay at school for students displaying flu symptoms and at any sign of this, we will need to contact parents to collect your child.

**If your child is suffering from an underlying medical condition and you are uncomfortable sending him / her, please contact us at school. We will be endeavouring to support families in this situation, and this will happen on a case by case basis.**

## Uniform

As mentioned last week, students may now come in Winter Uniform, and we will be phasing this in during May. Please come in **full Winter, full Summer but not a combination of both.**

I have noticed a few students with incorrect shoes and ask that school shoes be worn unless sports days. ([Please see uniform expectations here](#)).

Alinta uniform shop is open Friday mornings and more information is available below.

## Kinder Enrolments

We are now well into the process of Kindergarten 2021 interviews, with these happening via Zoom with Maria Kennedy (siblings) or myself (new families). If you know of any families who are interested in sending their children to OLSS next year, please encourage them to contact the school office.

God bless you and your families,

Robert Peers

## P&F News

The P&F would like to thank the many families who have provided us with feedback on the design of our new skort uniform option. We are pleased to confirm that the skort design has been finalised and will be available for purchase soon. There are supply delays from Alinta (coming from overseas imports during COVID-19 restrictions) so hopefully these will be available soon.

The skort will be available as an option for girls to wear instead of the winter tunic and the summer dress. In Winter, the skort will be an option to be worn with the current girls long sleeve blouse and navy tights.

In summer, a short sleeve girls shirt will be available to purchase to be worn with the skort and white socks. The P&F is looking forward to the arrival of our new skort. Many parents have expressed their desire to provide this uniform option for our students, and it will be extremely exciting to see it being worn within our community.

## Alinta Uniform Shop

Open Friday Mornings Or Contact for Online Ordering



**ALINTA**  
Contact Free Ordering



**WE ARE STILL SHIPPING!**

Online Order - [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)  
Phone Order - 02 4321 0433  
Request a call - Text 0421 253 113 or Email [info@alinta.com](mailto:info@alinta.com)

Click Phone Email Request a Call



**ALINTA**



**WE ARE NOW FITTING!**

Online Orders - [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)  
Phone Order - 02 4321 0433  
Request a call - Text 0421 253 113 or Email [info@alinta.com](mailto:info@alinta.com)

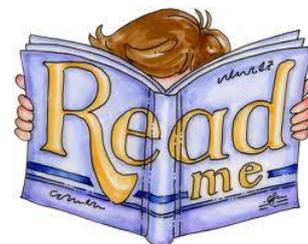
Click Phone Email Request a Call

## News from School Office:

### School Office hours

Please note the School Office is open Monday to Friday from 8.10am until 3.30pm.

## Library News from Mrs Hawton:



There were keen readers at the end of last term and over the holidays that have completed their OLSS Reading Challenge Awards and have been able to hand them in. I know there are so many students eagerly reading while they are Home based learning.

Congratulations to:

**Gold Award:** Cooper W (KP)

**Silver Award:** Christelle C (4S), Dane D (3P) and Noah A (1P)

**Bronze Award:** Haydn L (4P)

**JF Bronze Award:** Zoe R (2D) and Felix B (1D)

**Please see below information on Scholastic Book Club – Issue 3.**

### Library Express – Bookings for This week

Our very successful 'Library Express' will operate Thursdays and Fridays this week. We encourage parents to take advantage of this. Please book a time by [clicking here](#). The code is y9thg.



**Premier's Reading Challenge-** The challenge has started once again and I know there are quite a few students who are taking part. For those who have a password from last year, you can log online and start recording your books. New Students- please let me know if you would like to take part in this challenge so that I can organise your usernames and passwords.

There have been important updates to the 2020 PRC Challenge rules to help all students meet the Challenge requirements this year. Please see the [Rules page](#) for more information on these amendments <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>



**Have a look at our school subscription to World Book online**

<https://www.worldbookonline.com/>

username: olss      password: olss



**STORY BOX Library – is available till the end of May- Australian authors and illustrator and storytellers share some great stories.**

<https://storyboxlibrary.com.au/>

username: olss

password: olss

**Destiny our Library catalogue can be accessed online:**

<https://destiny.dbb.org.au/quest/servlet/presentquestform.do?site=506>

## BOOK CLUB IS COMING!

We're really excited to have **BOOK CLUB** running this Term, but it will look a little different! It will be a **virtual catalogue** rather than the printed catalogues you're used to receiving.

To order from this issue go to:

<https://scholastic.com.au/book-club/virtual-catalogue-1/>

Place your order on LOOP as normal and orders need to be in by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**.  
(There will be no cash orders accepted this time.)

We will receive your order here to our school like normal. Once your order arrives, it will be distributed to your child's classroom (put in their tubs) waiting for them when they come to school. A note will be sent via the school newsletter to inform you when the orders arrive.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Mrs Hawton (Mon - Thurs)



Even though this is a virtual catalogue, we will still receive 20% of your order value back in Scholastic Rewards to use to purchase additional books and resources for our school!

 SCHOLASTIC



Happy reading,  
Hania Hawton.  
Teacher Librarian

### **General Information:**

#### **Parish News**

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

#### **School Banking**

We have been advised by Commonwealth Bank that all school banking will temporarily cease and will recommence in Term 2.

## 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.



[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)

Alinta Apparel Pty Ltd Phone: **0437 133 032** Email: [starofthesea@alinta.com.au](mailto:starofthesea@alinta.com.au)



# THE UNIFORM SHOP

## Term 2 Shop Opening Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The Uniform Shop will be open as normal from Monday 27th April.

To abide by social distancing regulations, we require any customers that wish to attend the shop for a fitting or to try on more than 2 garment to book an appointment. Appointments can be made by contacting the shop.

### Postage and Order Collections:

For contact free collections, customers are recommended to select home delivery on all orders which will be dispatched twice weekly. If you prefer to collect your order from the Uniform Shop please collect during the opening hours.

### Contact Free Ordering:

- Order Online - [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)
- Phone Order - call the shop  
- call our call centre on 02 4321 0433

Thank you for your consideration

Uniform Shop



