



Wednesday 3 February 2021



# PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

- We welcomed our students in Years 1-6 last week and most seem well and truly glad to be back with their friends and teachers to start the new school year. A warm welcome to those new students who have joined us for the first time. I know it won't take long for them to realise what a special place our school is.
- A big welcome to our Kinder students who started on Tuesday. They have had an amazing start and with little fuss, they are already well and truly into the routine of learning. I had the opportunity to meet some of the siblings at the Pre-school and they are very excited for their older brothers and sisters to be starting "Big School".



- Today you will have access to the online booking form to meet with your child's class teacher next week. As always, the system operates on a first in first served basis so please enter your preferred option as quickly as possible, particularly those families with more than one child. If you are in this category, it is probably best to allow 10 minutes between your booking times to allow time for you to move to the next room. Please [click here](#) to make a booking and the event code is **pp2n7**.



Parent-Teacher  
Conferences

As referred to in the previous communication, the purpose of the interviews is to give parents the opportunity to speak to the teacher directly, informing us about what you would like us to know and/or be aware of concerning your child. We look forward to meeting each of you in the week ahead.

- We welcome Mahalia Keevers-Ryles (1 Dolphins), Georgia Kevin (2 Pelicans), Carly Forsberg (4 Starfish) and Hayley Davies (Japanese) who are new to the staff of OLSS for 2021. We hope and pray their time in our community will be a time of great learning and joy in their roles.
- I'm looking forward to seeing the students at the Swimming Carnival on Friday. Thank you to the parents that have completed the permission form and the parent helpers. If you stated that you could be a parent helper, a note will be coming home with your child today. I also would like to thank our Sports Coordinator, Miss Molly who puts in hours of work supported by parent helpers, staff and our Year 6 Leaders.
- Good luck to our basketballers who this week travel to Tamworth to attend the Polding basketball trials. These students were selected late last year to be part of the Broken Bay team. Summer M, Imogen C, Cruiz P and Oscar M will all take part in the Polding trails, which see the best basketballers from Catholic Schools north and west of the Broken Bay Diocese. We know you will represent yourselves, your family and school to the best of your ability
- We have been notified by our Uniform Shop that there is a delay with some stock. We are expecting it late February / early March.

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My best wishes for a peace-filled start to the 2021 school year.

**John Barton**