



Important Dates

School Disco
Friday 2 December

Kindy Night Session
Monday 5 December

**Advent Liturgy -
Hope - 2.30pm - 1
Blue**
Tuesday 6 December

Kindy Night Session
Tuesday 6 December

**Advent Liturgy -
Love - 9.30am - 1
Green**
Wednesday 7 December

Kindy Night Session
Wednesday 7 December

**Advent Liturgy -
Joy - 2.30pm -
Reception Green**
Thursday 8 December

**Year 6 Graduation
Dinner**
Thursday 8 December

**School Picnic &
Colour Run**
Friday 9 December

**Advent Liturgy -
Peace - 10.30am -
Reception Blue**
Monday 12 December

**OLV Education
Awards - 2pm**
Monday 12 December

**End of Year Mass -
9.30am**
Tuesday 13 December

Kindy Picnic 6pm
Tuesday 13 December

**Year 6 students Last
Day**
Wednesday 14 December

**Year 6 Graduation -
7pm**
Wednesday 14 December

**Rec - Year 5 Last
Day of School**
Thursday 15 December

From the Principal



Class Structures 2023

I would like to announce the class structures and staffing for 2023. Class placements will go home with students on Thursday 8th December. There will be a transition session next Thursday 8th December - 11.30 – 12.55 for students to meet their new teachers and orientate themselves with their new rooms, expectations and procedures.

YEAR LEVEL	TEACHER
Growing into Reception	Vanessa Atkinson Christina Lagonicos
Reception	Tobi Cibich Louise Jensen
Reception	Lauren Martinello Louise Jensen
Reception	Julie Willson
Year 1	Tiana Borrello
Year 1	Jessica Izzo
Year 2	Jess Cowan Caroline Jiranek
Year 2	Emma Harvey
Year 2/3	Lorenza Bianchini
Year 3	Marni Knolder
Year 4	Kayla Kersten
Year 5	Caroline Jiranek Sandra Naismith
Year 5/6	Amelia Maddern
	Brooklyn McKenna

Year 6	Tina Ida
PE	John Merrett
Music	Lisa Robson
STEM / Enviro Club	Elli Kyriacou
Italian	Gessica Alvaro
Preschool	Georgia Hicks Liz Edmunds Alex Tuffin
Acting APRIM / Leadership	Jhovana Fenu
Leader of Learning	Tina Ida
Inclusive Education	Sandra Naismith
Principal	Frank DeTullio

Staff New to OLV

I welcome the following staff to OLV to begin next year. I am sure they will find our school a great place to be and provide our children with high level of learning opportunities.

- Marni Knolder Marni is an experienced teacher, who has been teaching Year 3 at St Margaret Marys.
- Kayla Kersten Kayla came to school at OLV and more recently has been teaching in Victoria before moving back to Adelaide.
- Brooklynne McKenna Brooklynne is an experienced educator, who has taught and her most recent school has been Pulteney Grammar at several Catholic Schools
- Emma Harvey Emma is well known to our students, where she has relieved across the school and more recently completing a contract in Year 1.

Marni, Kayla Brooklynne & Emma will be at school next Thursday to meet the students. Please join with me to welcome our new staff members for 2023.

School Fees 2023

The School Board, in conjunction with Catholic Education SA has decided to freeze our School Fees for 2023 at this year's level, where there was a significant reduction. The School Board over a number of years has reduced our School Fees to ensure it is affordable for parents. As always, if parents are having financial difficulties, please make a time to discuss a payment plan with me.

School Leaders 2023

Many thanks to Tilley Marlow and Leo Luu and all the House leaders for all their efforts throughout the year. They have all been outstanding school leaders in 2022

I am delighted to announce that our School Leaders for 2023 are: **Alex Jackson & Jack Page.**



House Leaders 2023

I would also like to announce that the House Leaders for 2023 are:

St Anthony	Zamara Turley & Alysia Baldacchino
St Dominic	Ajok Kuir & Rylan Barry
St Elizabeth	Leah Sng & Kobe Fowler
St Mary	Savannah Butler & Eli Agars

I congratulate the students who were elected House Leaders for 2023 and also thank the other students who participated by being candidates.

We are still finalising our Enviro Club Leaders and next year all classes will elect SRC Reps which will form part of our school leadership structures.

Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all of the students who received a certificate or medal for the Premier's reading challenge in 2022. These were presented to students at OLV at a special presentation earlier this week.

It is now **SIX** consecutive years that we have had 100% of children completing the Reading Challenge.

At OLV we are committed to improving students literacy levels.

Library Books and Readers

We have come to that time of the year where we are asking for all library books and class readers to be returned to school. This is a necessary process to ensure we take stock of our essential school resources. The library will be closed for the remainder of this year and class readers will not be sent home in the final week of school.

Overdue notices will be sent home towards the end of next week. Our school policy is that parents will receive an invoice for any lost books.

I ask that all parents look around their house, in the children's bedrooms for all Our Lady of the Visitation books & readers to be returned to school. This will allow us to use our budget to purchase new materials, instead of replacing lost books.

Christmas Eve Mass 24 December at 7pm in the OLV Church – If attending you will need to register.

Are you attending the Family Christmas Eve celebration with your family? I encourage all families to attend. Once again OLV School (Frank & staff) will be coordinating this celebration with the parish. We need our children to assist with the Liturgy as:

- Readers - (of the Word and Prayers)
- Actors - (enactment of Nativity Story)

A rehearsal will take place on Friday 23 December 11.30 – 12.30 in the church.

Please contact Our Lady of the Visitation School (8248 2480) or info@olv.catholic.edu.au if you're interested. We hope to see you there!

SRC Colour Door Day

The SRC have organised a 'Colour Door Day' for Thursday 15th December (last day of school). All students are invited to come to school dressed in their door colour.

To support the St Vinnies Christmas appeal, students are asked to bring a gold coin donation. Your generosity will provide urgent relief for vulnerable families in our community.



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Thank You



End of Year Activities

In any school the last weeks of the school become even busier places. Our Lady of The Visitation I am sure will be no different. I have listed below these events and I ask for parental support in ensuring all events,

Please make note of the following school events;

Friday 9 December	School Picnic (Roy Marten Playground & Colour Run - details to be sent home on Monday
Monday 12 December	2.00pm OLV Educational Award Ceremony
Tuesday 13 December	9.30am End of Year Mass
Wednesday 14 December	7.00pm Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
	Last Day School for Year 6
Thursday 15 December	Last Day School for R – Year 5



Catholic Identity

On Sunday 27th November we came to the end of ordinary time into the beginning of Advent.

Advent is Here! This is a very special season in our Church as we begin to prepare for Christmas and be reminded of Jesus' birth. The time of Advent is a time of preparation, of getting ready and also being excited.

GOSPEL - A reading from the gospel according to Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man appears, things will be just as they were when Noah lived. People were eating, drinking, and getting married right up to the day that the flood came and Noah went into the big boat. They didn't know anything was happening until the flood came and swept them all away. That is how it will be when the Son of Man appears. "Two men will be in the same field, but only one will be taken. The other will be left. Two women will be together grinding grain, but only one will be taken. The other will be left. "So be on your guard! You don't know when your Lord will come. Homeowners never know when a thief is coming, and they are always on guard to keep one from breaking in. Always be ready! You don't know when the Son of Man will come." The gospel of the Lord. R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Gospel text © Lectionary for Masses with Children (1993) Catholic Book Publishing Co. New York)

As a whole school we celebrate Advent by lighting each of the four candles and placing them on our Advent wreath to symbolise the coming of Jesus. Families are welcome to join us in our Advent preparation Liturgies.

The Liturgies will take place in the Veritas Centre at 9:30am. Please see dates and times and which class is running the Liturgies below.

- Week 8 - Tuesday 6th December - 2.30pm - 1 Blue
- Week 8 - Wednesday 7th December - 9.30am - 1 Green
- Week 8 - Thursday 8th December - Reception Green
- Week 9 - Monday 12th December - Reception Blue



- Week 9 - Tuesday 13th December - 9.15am - **End of Year Mass**
- Week 9 - Wednesday 14th December - 7pm - **Year 6 Graduation**
- Christmas Eve - Saturday 24th December - 7pm - **Nativity Mass** (all welcome)

Father Roderick and Josh McDermid visit to our Graduating Students

We had the privilege to have Father Roderick and Josh McDermid visit our graduating students on Tuesday 22nd November. It was a prayerful opportunity for our students to reflect on their Graduation Liturgy which highlights the virtues of kindness, meekness, love and forgiveness.

Our students shared and discussed how they will strengthen these virtues as they enter secondary schooling and beyond. What a wonderful opportunity for our students.

We thank Father Roderick and Josh McDermid for sharing their time, knowledge and wisdom.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians

*As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,
clothe yourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.
Bear with one another and,
if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other;
just as the Lord has forgiven you,
so you also must forgive.*

*Above all, clothe yourselves with love,
which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
to which indeed you were called in the one body.
And be thankful.
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly;
teach and admonish one another in all wisdom;*

*and with gratitude in your hearts
sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.
And whatever you do, in word or deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

The Word of the Lord

We congratulate Scarlett Reed (4G), Lotus Black (2/3R), Harper Cowan (2/3R) and Zamara Turley (5/6R) for preparing and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This sacrament is a sign and experience of God's unconditional forgiveness.

After saying this he breathed on them and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven, for those whose sins you retain, they are retained."

John 20:22

Soft Plastic Recycling and Nude Food Day

You may have heard that supermarkets have suspended soft plastics collections from their stores until further notice due to increased pressure.

What you can do in the meantime:

1. Keep separating your soft plastics

If you usually separate your soft plastics from your other rubbish at home, you should continue to do this so that children can maintain good recycling habits. However, ultimately your soft plastics will need to be placed in your blue lid bin until RedCycle is up and running again.

2. Choose the plastic free option

Since our soft plastics will be going into landfill for the foreseeable future, please be mindful when shopping for plastic-wrapped products. Choose the plastic free option where possible.

3. Participate in Nude Food Tuesdays

Continue to pack nude food for your kids. This is the more environmentally friendly option for our school and it raises awareness for the wellbeing of our planet.



Socktober

On Wednesday the 30th of November OLV held our first Socktober event. Year 4 Green and Year 3/4 Blue hosted the event with the help of Tony from Catholic Mission. The day began with students and staff dressing up in their favourite sporting teams' colours. At lunchtime, students had the opportunity to participate in a range of smaller soccer games or challenge themselves against Mr DeTullio and Mr Bentley in a penalty shoot-out. As a school, we managed to raise \$362 which will buy 7 goats. We thank you all for your participation and hope you enjoyed the day.



Student Absences

Reminder...when alerting the school of the absence of your child/ren, can you please contact the school via the phone number or email address below with child's name & reason for absence.

(P) 8248 2480

(E) absent@olv.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady of the Visitation School Calendar

Term 4 2022



*Dates subject to change

Week	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	16/10	17/10 Term 4 commences	18/10 Parish Mass 5B OLV Athletic Trials 9 - 1	19/10 Ed Review Meetings 9 - 1	20/10	21/10	22/10
2	23/10 Swimming (Rec R, R/1P, Rec Y, 1B, 5R & 5B)	24/10 Swimming	25/10 Parish Mass 1G Swimming	26/10 Swimming	27/10 Swimming Aquatics Yr 6	28/10 Swimming	29/10
3	PAT Testing 30/10 Swimming Rec B & G, 1G, 2Y, 2/3R, 3/4B, 4G	31/10 Swimming	1/11 Swimming All Saints Day (Yr 4G)	2/11 Swimming	3/11 Swimming	4/11 Swimming	5/11 Theatre Group Perform
4	6/11 Theatre Group Performance	7/11	8/11 Parish Mass Rec R Ed Review Meetings	9/11 John SAPSASA Cricket	10/11	11/11 Remembrance Day Prayer Service (5B & 5/6R) Assembly Yr 2 & 2/3	12/11
5	13/11 PULSE SURVEY	14/11	15/11 Parish Mass R/1P Ed Review Meetings	16/11 Children's Uni Graduation	17/11	18/11 Yr 2Y & 2/3R Excursion to Botanic Gardens Assembly Yr 1B & G & R/1 P	19/11
6	20/11 PULSE SURVEY DIBELS TESTING	21/11 Rec Red & Rec Yellow (Louise / Tobi) National Park 2	22/11 Ed Review Meetings Parish Mass 1B	23/11	24/11 Catholic Athletics Carnival (back up day)	25/11 School Leader Election Assembly Rec R & Rec Y	26/11
7	27/11 ADVENT DIBELS TESTING Catch Up	28/11 Yr 3/4 B & Yr 4 G Excursion Woodville Bowls Premier's Reading Challenge Presentation (tbc)	29/11 Year 5 & 5/6 Excursion	30/11	1/12 House Leaders Election	2/12 Catholic Athletics Carnival (Mile End tbc) School Disco (tbc) R/1 P & Yr 1 B & G Excursion Road Safety Centre Assembly Rec B & Rec G	3/12
8	4/12 Parent Teacher Interviews (Rec Green & Blue)	5/12 SMC Transition Day Kindy Night Session	6/12 Advent Lit - HOPE (1B) Parish Mass Rec Y Naz Orientation Yr 6 Kindy Night Session	7/12 Advent Lit LOVE (1G) Kindy Night Session	8/12 Advent Lit JOY (Rec G) Yr 6 Graduation Dinner	9/12 School Picnic & Colour Run	10/12
9	11/12 Library Closed	12/12 Advent Lit PEACE (Rec B) OLV Education Awards 2pm	13/12 End of Year Mass 9:30am (Veritas Centre) NO Kindy Kindy Picnic 6pm	14/12 Playgroup Christmas Party Year 6's Last Day Year 6 Graduation 7pm	15/12 R-5 Last Day of School	16/12 Staff Day NO OSHC / SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL	17/12

Labelling uniforms

Please check and ensure that your child's jumper/jacket, beanie, hat, drink bottle etc. are all labelled so that they can be returned to them.



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