Dear Families and Friends of OLOF,

Facebook & Communication: Thank you to all the parents and friends who have liked the school Facebook page. It is becoming a very important way of us communicating the various things that are on at the school. Other ways that we communicate include the school newsletter, term overview, notes on special occasions, the school website, phone conversations and word of mouth. All of these methods were used very effectively to get the message out when we had that very significant weather event last term.

School Disco: Just a reminder about the school disco will be on from 5.00pm until 7.00pm in the undercover area on Friday May 5.

School fees: Last week the school fees for the term were sent out. If you are having any issues paying them, please come and see me. Also, if you are already on a payment plan, this invoice is just for your records. Please note the invoices are for the whole term and not a month.

NAPLAN: Next week our year 3 & 5 students will be participating in the NAPLAN testing. Their classroom teachers have well prepared the students for the tests. If you have any concern about your child participating in the tests, please see the classroom teacher ASAP.

100's board... It is on again, only $2.00 a number and all funds raised go to the P&F.

Mother’s Day Prayer and Breakfast: Just a reminder to that there will be breakfast and prayer on the 12th of May beginning at 7.40 in the undercover area. RSVP via the newsletter or Facebook for catering purposes.

ANZAC Day Service: A very big thank you to the 30 students, their families and the staff who attended the ANZAC Day service. The students participated with reverence and respect, and their presence was appreciated. A special thank you to the students who showed the value of flexibility when the roles changed on the day.

Cross Country: On the 18th May, a squad of 40 students will represent our school at the Catholic Zone cross country carnival at St Matthews Cornubia. We wish them all the best and know they will give of their best. A big ‘thank you’ to Mr. Green for his preparation of the day.

Choral Festival: Since the beginning of the year a dedicated group of students have been participating in choir practice in preparation for the choral festival. The first whole day practice for this day will be the 7th of June at St Ignatius School. We thank Patricia and Therese for their commitment to this extra school activity.

District Sports: Following a conversation with several parents, the school has become a financial member of the Inala district sports association. This will mean that our students can represent the school at district events. The calendar for these events will be on our school website plus we will attempt to put the relevant events in the newsletter if parents want their children to trial they will need to have the permission signed by me before they attend the event. These forms will be available from the office and our school website.

Interschool Sport: On Friday, pending fine weather, our Year 5-6 students commence interschool sport, where they will compete in soccer, Oztag and netball competitions. We expect the highest standards of our students with regards to sportsmanship, effort, and courtesy. The details for this Friday's events are listed below. All the best to our students and staff for a great season.

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Round 2

May you have a week full of warmth. Damian
**A WORD FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**REligious Education (APRE)**

Next week we will begin the celebration of Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day and the 100 year centenary. We will mark this time with a whole school liturgy on Friday 12th May at 9:00am followed by a whole school sausage sizzle.

We will also join the parish on Saturday 13th May for the feast day. This will commence with a rosary procession from the school at 5:00, followed by Mass at 6:00pm with Archbishop Mark Coleridge. The celebration will continue with soup and bread after Mass.

I invite you and your family to join us for this celebration and for your student to join the procession. We ask students to wear their school uniform for this event and to meet school staff at the school statue at 5:00pm on Saturday the 13th May.

If you are able to make this event, can I please ask that you return the tear off section below to your class teacher. I look forward to celebrating this Feast day with you and your family.

What: Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day  
When: Saturday 13th May at 5:00pm  
Where: OLOF School Statue  

Please return to your class teacher

Student Name:______________________________  
Class:______________________________  
Will be able to represent the school at the Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day.

Parent / Guardian signature:______________________________

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**A WORD FROM SR BERNADETTE**

This morning on local radio one of the leading parenting and child specialists, Dr Michael Carr-Gregg was being interviewed. Part of this message to parents was the need for young children not to be burdened by homework but for them to ensure plenty of activity. His suggestion was for children to cover by walking or running, at least 14000 steps per day. Too much screen time on ipads or games could be reduced and more time given to physical activity. Of course, daily walking is recommended for adults as well as children.

Stay healthy.

Peace

Sr Bernadette

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**LUNCH BREAKS**

We have two dedicated eating breaks at OLOF each day. The first eating break is a 15minute break and should be the students’ main meal (sandwich/wrap). The second break is a 10 minute snack break. Please make sure students bring in enough lunch for both breaks.

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**Staff Car Park Safety**

NO PARENTS are to use the STAFF CAR PARK to pick up or drop off children. This is a safety requirement. Parents may only use the staff car park when picking up sick children.

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**Mother’s Day Breakfast**

For catering purposes for Mother’s Day Breakfast on Friday 12th May at 7.40am. Please let us know if you are coming by returning this section back to the office. Thank you

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Family Name:______________________________  
How many adults:__________  
How many children:______________