Dear Parents

The swimming lessons will dominate this coming fortnight. The lessons have begun without a hitch which is great, the swimming teachers seem very organised and Sharon Law-Davis has done a great job, in conjunction with the class teachers to ensure things have run so smoothly. The children will become quite tired as the fortnight unfolds, particularly the younger children but the skills learnt by our children within the climate that they are growing up in makes this a crucial part of our curriculum.

Congratulations to all the children who represented our school at the Interschool Athletics carnival last Friday. The children performed really well in the team games and the field events but we did lack some depth in many of the age groups with our running. My thanks to Oz Celenza for the way he coordinated the interschool team, the day ran very smoothly.

A group of parents are currently participating in a 1st Aid course on Tuesday evenings, 3 consecutive 2 hour sessions. My thanks to Peter Brigg who is facilitating the programme and the parents for committing to further develop their skills and knowledge for the benefit of their family.

Last Wednesday morning, the children from Years 2-6 had a visit from a representative from the Australian Youth Choir and it was a good opportunity for the children to learn a little more about singing in a choir and the different experiences available to children in this area.

Enormous thanks to Emma Spackman and Lorraine Szefczyk who ensured that a significant number of families at our school could have “Family Portraits” with a professional photographer. I am sure the photos will look great and it has also been great fundraiser for our P & F. My thanks again ladies.

The Year 6 children will be heading off to “Forest Edge,” the campsite in Waroona on Tuesday morning next week. This will be a great experience for them to be away for 3 nights and 4 days, participating in a range of challenging “outdoor ed” type of activities. It has been designed so that the Year 6 class from St Patrick’s, Fremantle will be at the campsite at the same time. This will provide the chance for the children to meet some other children who may be going to the same secondary school, to make that transition a little easier.

The teachers at OLOF met with the teachers from two neighbouring Catholic primary schools last night, Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Hilton and St Patrick’s, Fremantle to discuss a range of different aspects related to the teaching of mathematics. It is always a valuable experience to spend time collaborating with similar year level colleagues to develop and refine teaching methods.

We will be having a Remembrance Day ceremony at school on Tuesday 11th November at 9am. This will be a more convenient time for parents to attend, rather than the traditional 11am starting time. Please join us under the flag pole at the front of the school to commemorate this occasion if you are able to.

A reminder of our upcoming P&F event on the evening of Friday 7th November. The P&F have organised a “Family Sport Night” which will be a great opportunity for families to come along and enjoy a range of fun, sporty activities and maybe even some small physical challenges. Please consider coming along and spending the time with your child/children engaging in some fun activities, and supporting our P&F.
From the Principal (continued)

Some dates to remember over the next few weeks:
Thursday 30th October – School Board meeting at 7:30pm
Saturday 1st November – All Saints Day
Sunday 2nd November – All Souls Day
Tuesday 4th November to Friday 7th November – Year 6 Camp
Tuesday 4th November – First Aid course at 7:30pm
Tuesday 11th October – Remembrance Day ceremony at 9am

Best wishes for the coming fortnight.
Paul Hansen
PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL NEWS

• BOOK FAIR  This year’s OLOF Book Fair will take place during Week 5 starting Tuesday 11th November. During this week, we celebrate books and give children the opportunity to purchase some fabulous books and other items from the fair. Parents of PK, Kindy, Pre-Primary and Years 1 to 3 are asked to accompany their child to purchase items at the fair before school and after school. Students in Years 4 to 6 can purchase items at recess and lunchtimes on Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th as well as before and after school. Parents, you might like to do some Christmas shopping at the fair and give a book for Christmas. All sales benefit the school. We receive up to 35% commission on some books. Thank you for supporting the school by participating in the OLOF Book Fair.  Sharon Law-Davis

• CONGRATULATIONS  - Congratulations to Fletcher and Linda Passmore on the arrival of a darling daughter Izzi, sister for Lachlan in Year 6 and Oliver.

A big congratulations to the Year 2 class who are winners in the state wide Water Corporation run competition – 'Create a Water Song'. I have been told the competition was very tight and the entries were of a very high standard.

The prize includes a professional recording of the song and a performance at a school assembly. Also the song will be showcased on the Water Corporation’s website for teachers around the state to use.

I am so proud of the Year 2 class! Thanks for helping me create a winning song!

Mrs Pippa Nimmo
Music Teacher

SPARE UNIFORMS

If your child comes home in one of our spare uniforms, please make sure you return it (washed) to the office, as soon as possible, as we need them on a regular basis. Thank you.
**SCHOOL BANKING**

For families who can’t make it to Tuesday morning school banking, we will now have a CBA School Banking drop off point in the Office for children to bring in their bank books and money any day of the week. We will deposit the money and return bank books to the classes. We have a lot of inactive banking students, so now there is no excuse. In Term 4 we are running a competition to see which class has the most active banking students.

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**OLOF P&F Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - Saturday 1st November**

Help us beat the $2,210 raised at the first sizzle in March.  

**Volunteers needed from Kindy, PP, Year 1 and 2**

Many "shifts" available between 7:30am and 5pm.

Please contact Aaron Arbery (aaron@arbery.com) or 0412 446 753) or see your class reps.
Senior Playground Update

Our playground redevelopment is now at the exciting planning and design stage. Phase 3 Landscape Construction is preparing a detailed technical plan for the area which will guide ongoing work.

If you would like more information or wish to contribute services or products to assist with the playground redevelopment please email P&F President Deirdre Westerhout at world126@hotmail.com

MELVILLE BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE
This Sunday 1st Nov

Help support this important school fundraiser by...

♦ Visiting Bunnings Melville and buying a hotdog from our valiant OLOF crew
♦ Donating sliced onions to assist with the sizzle
♦ Contributing towards the cost of the sausages, buns, etc. to help boost the bottom line

Please contact Sizzle Coordinator Aaron Arbery on 0412 446 753 or email aaron.arbery@gmail.com if you are able to assist.

P&F Meeting
Next Thursday 6th November
7.30pm staff room
Everyone welcome!

Please join us to share your thoughts and get involved where possible.

If you can’t make it but have something to contribute, let your class rep know or email P&F President Deirdre Westerhout at world126@hotmail.com

On the agenda:
♦ Parent Christmas function
♦ School Christmas Carols Night
... and lots more.

YOU’RE INVITED!
P&F Update

Family Sports Night

Friday 7th November
Bring a picnic from 5pm in the junior area
Activities commence 5.45pm on the main oval
Bring a water bottle and wear comfortable shoes!

Bring the whole family and enjoy a range of fun sporty activities, dance and team challenges. It’s a great opportunity to be active outdoors and enjoy the friendship of the OLOF community.

Get ready for 2015!

Want to get more involved in OLOF but not sure how? Got ideas and experience you’d like to share? Want to be part of a fantastic group of volunteers who shape the social and fundraising goals of our school?

Then the P&F is the place for YOU! Please consider joining the P&F in 2015 as...

Treasurer, Vice President, President, Class Representative (2 from each year), P&F Committee Member (6 needed)

Don’t worry if you can’t be at every meeting or event — just do what you can. It all helps your child and your school!

Nomination forms for P&F positions will be sent out next week. We look forward to having you on board in 2015.

SAVE THE DATE
OLOF Parent Christmas Function

Saturday 15th November
Mark your diary for a night of laughter, fun and friendship...

Come join us for our last Parents Social Event for the year at the Tradewinds Hotel Saturday, 15th November 2014 from 7pm
$5 per person includes finger food
A great way to kick-off the Festive Season!
RSVP 10th November 2014
Hope to see you there!
CHRISTMAS CARD FUNDRAISER
Boxes of 30 beautiful Christmas Cards are available for purchase at the office for $30 a box. Order forms will be going home next week with your child/children.

Register Now...

Family Sports Night
Friday 7th November 5.00pm—7pm (activities start at 5:45)
Junior side undercover area, Our Lady of Fatima School
A FREE event, proudly sponsored by your P&F Association

Yes, register us for the Family Sports Night!

Family name: ________________________________

Number of participants: _____________________

Number of slices of pizza: ___________________ $2 per slice

Or email your details to Regi Wheeler at alou1@iinet.net.au

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## Books can open a world

Fremantle Department for Child Protection and Family Support are helping children in care discover books. The Discovery Book Club provides a book pack to every child in care twice a year to encourage and nurture a love of reading. Educational outcomes for children in care are less than those not in care – introducing books and the love of reading and storytelling with children at any age can help with their educational outcomes.

If you had any books that you no longer need then consider donating them to the CPFS Discovery Book Club – the books will be distributed to children in care to begin to encourage them and their carers to read and discover a world in books.

Please contact Catherine King or Caroline Muir on 9431 8800 if you are keen you donate books or leave the books with Tracy at reception for collection.
We are having a Book Fair in the Library
During Week 5 - Term 4.
Buy a book or novelty pens, pencils or
erasers and help your library purchase some
books. We receive up to
35% commission for all sales.

We will be open for book sales
Tuesday afternoon until 3.00 pm - 4 pm
Wednesday 8.30 am - 4 pm
Thursday 8.30 am - 4 pm
Friday 8.30 am - 3.30 pm
Week 5 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th November

Come along and do some early Christmas Shopping.
EVERYONE NEEDS A FRIEND!

Who/What is a friend? Someone who is always there for you when you need them? Someone who cares what happens to you? Someone who will go places with you when you are uneasy about going alone? Someone who will stick up for you when you are being treated unfairly? Someone who will tell you when you are ‘out of line’? Someone who steers you in the right direction when you are feeling a bit lost? Someone who encourages you to try new things, to strive for the best?

Through the Personal Advocacy program, Our Lady of Fatima Parish Palmyra is reaching out to 6 young adults who have difficulty making and keeping friends of their own because of their intellectual disability. At the moment, they are missing out on all those informal supports that friends give so willingly; they are missing out on the opportunities to ‘connect’ with others in the community.

This is where Personal Advocacy comes in. Through the small group program, these young people will be linked on a one-to-one basis with someone from the local community and will be given time to develop a real friendship. They will come to feel that they are ‘valued’ and that they ‘belong’.

For this to become a reality, however, three more volunteers are needed to step forward. Can you help to see that no-one is disappointed? All you need is a willingness to open your heart to one of these young people and 2 hours to spare on a Monday night for the group gathering in the OLF Parish Centre. To find out more about what is involved, please phone Leonie Reid as soon as possible on 9319 8550.

Schoenstatt
Spring Affair
Sunday,
2nd November 2014
From 10 am
till 2 pm
At the Schoenstatt
Shrine
9 Talus Drive, Mt. Richon
9399 2349
Be in it to win it.

KEYED UP MUSIC
Keyed Up Music will be teaching keyboard and guitar group lessons next term during school. Lessons start from $17 for a group of 3/4 keyboard. If you in your son/daughter learning an instrument, ring Therese on 1300 366 243 or enrol at: