



Our Lady of the Way
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TERM 2

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Date	Day	Time	Event	
Jun 21	Wed	06:30pm	Term 2 Parents & Friends Meeting	Staffroom OLOW
Jun 23	Fri		St Vincent DePaul Mufti Day	Mufti with Beanie and or Scarf Donation via QKR
June 26-29			Listening Conferences	
Jun 27	Tue	All Day	Stage 2 Boys & Girls Soccer Gala	
June 20-30			No Sale of School Items	
Jun 30			Last Day of Term 2	

TERM 3

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY/AUG

Date	Day	Time	Event	
July 2-July 10		All Week	NAIDOC Week	
July 17	Mon		Staff Development Day	
July 18	Tues		First day of Term 3 for Students	
July 26	Wed	All Day	Year 2 Excursion Sydney Zoo	Year 2
July 27	Thu	Afternoon	Anti Bullying Positive Behaviour for students	Kinder – Year 6 Hall
July 28	Fri		Stage 3 Boys/Girls Touch Footy	
Aug 2	Wed		Year 1 Excursion to Rouse Hill Estate	
Aug 9	Wed		CSPD Nepean Zone Athletics	
Aug 18	Fri	All Day	Pupil Free Day	Staff involved in Faith Formation Day

TERM 4

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF OCT

Date	Day	Time	Event	
Oct 9	Mon	Pupil Free	Staff Development Day	New Syllabuses
Oct 10	Tues	Pupil Free	Staff Development Day	New Syllabuses

REGULAR EVENTS

Date	Day	Time	Event	
Each Week	Fri	08:50-09:10am	School Assembly	Cola – All Welcome

MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

Date	Day	Time	Event	
GRADE MASSES				
Jun 16	Fri	09:00-09:30am	Year 1 and Year 6 Parish Mass	OLOW Church
Aug 8	Tues	TBC	Feast of St Mary of the Cross Mass	OLOW Church
Aug 15	Tues	09:00am	Feast of the Assumption Mass	OLOW Church
Sept 1	Fri	TBC	Father's Day Liturgy	TBC
Sept 15	Fri	10:15am	Grandparent's Day Mass	OLOW Church

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Date	Day	Time	Event	
Jun 14	Wed	07:00-08:00pm	Eucharist Rehearsal	
Jun 17	Sat	03:30-04:30pm	Sacrament of First Holy Communion	OLOW Church
Jun 18	Sun	08:00-09:00am 09:30-10:30am	Sacrament of First Holy Communion	OLOW Church



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

As you know schools have been provided with three additional Staff Development Days this year. These will occur on the first day of term 3 and the first two days of term 4. The days are specifically in recognition of the work required by staff to implement the various new syllabuses in both Literacy and Numeracy.

Staff will be engaging in learning and then implementing this learning to plan for 2024 when full implementation of the new syllabuses will occur. This is a significant change for teachers which will require all documentation in new syllabus areas to be rethought and rewritten.

The school will not be open on these days, and we appreciate your understanding and support as staff do this vital learning.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING

Next Wednesday, 21st of June at 6:30 the P& F will meet. Parents are encouraged to attend and help inform the future direction of the school. The meeting will take place in the staffroom in Our Lady of the Way Primary School.

NAPLAN UPDATE

Student NAPLAN reports are expected to be sent to schools for distribution to parents and carers early in Term 3 – no date has been given.

Changes to NAPLAN - the attached brochure has been supplied by ACARA to help inform parents of the changes to NAPLAN reporting this year. Brochure [Link](#)

Regards
Mr Phillip Kapitanow
Principal

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

SEMESTER ONE REPORTS AND PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parents and teachers are critical to the wellbeing and development of our children here at *Our Lady of the Way*. We acknowledge the important partnership we have with you, the primary educators of your child/ren. As we work together to make the most of children's learning and to nurture their talents, it is important to take the time to evaluate and celebrate their learning successes and prioritise next steps in their learning journey.

In order to do this, the Semester One reports, which will go live via COMPASS on **Friday 23rd June** will highlight the learning progress your child has made so far this year. It will also identify the focus areas where improvement can be made.

Parents and students are invited to make an interview time, via the Listening Conferences Booking Platform on COMPASS to discuss these reports. These interviews will take place during **Week 10, Monday 26th June - Thursday 29th June**. Interview time slots will be 15 minutes long. It will be imperative that teachers and parents keep to the scheduled times. If for any reason you are unable to attend your scheduled appointment, please contact the office to notify and seek to reschedule.

Grade	Available Days
K	Mon - Thurs
1	Mon - Thurs
2	Mon - Wed
3	Mon - Wed
4	Mon - Wed
5	Mon - Wed
6	Mon - Thurs

Regards
Ms Catherine Ruff
Assistant Principal

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATOR COORDINATOR MESSAGE

First Holy Communion

Please keep in your prayers the children who have been preparing to receive Jesus for the first time. Most of them will be celebrating their First Holy Communion at a special Mass this Saturday June 17th at 3:30pm.



Lord, we ask your blessing upon these children as they prepare to receive you in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Help them to understand the wonderful gift of Jesus that will be present in their lives.

Bless their parents and those who have been preparing them to receive Jesus for the first time. Help them to nurture in these children a desire to give and not simply take and teach them to truly live what the Good News shares with us.

May they know the love of God and work each day to share that love and become one in the Body of Christ.

*We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen***

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal



Next Friday, June 23 is our 'Scarf and Beanie Day' - a fundraiser for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

Students can wear mufti and a beanie and/or scarf and make a donation.
You can donate now via the Qkr! App.

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Grades attending Parish Mass

Year 1 and Year 6 will be attending the last Friday Parish Mass for this term this Friday June 16 @ 9:00am. You are very welcome to attend.

Term 3 dates for grades attending Friday Parish Mass will be published in the Newsletter next week.

Mrs Carole Day
Religious Education Coordinator



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WELLBEING COUNSELLOR MESSAGE

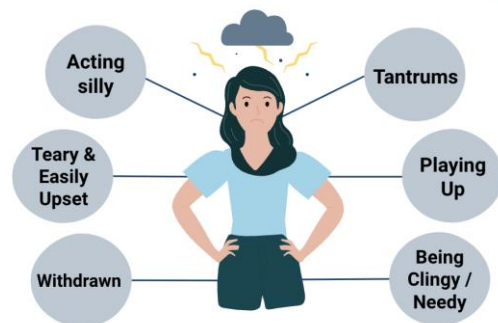
Empathic Emotion Coaching Cheat Sheet

What skills are we teaching with Emotion Coaching?

- Emotional literacy
- Tolerance & comfort of intense emotions
- Skills to help others
- Adaptive ways of coping with emotions
- Recognition of emotions in their body
- Recognition of emotions in others
- Empathy & altruism for others
- Ability to independently regulate emotions

Identify the child's emotional state

Listen to their words or use your observations of their behaviour. Remember, behaviour is a form of communication and can indicate that the child is struggling with intense emotions.



Use a stem statement to start the conversation & listen with empathy

- *You look pretty _____, is that right? Can you tell me why?*
- *Based on your face, you're looking like you might be feeling _____, what's happened?*
- *It seems like you're _____, can you tell me why?*



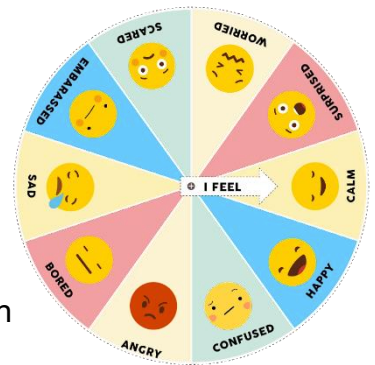
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Validate their feelings & help the child label the emotion with words

- *It must be tough to be feeling this way.*
- *Thank you for being honest about how you feel.*
- *That would make me feel _____ too.*

This is such an important part of developing children's emotions; you are teaching them the words to express themselves! You've already reflected their emotions, now it's their turn to identify the emotions themselves with some prompting and reflection from you.



They need to NAME the emotion to be able to TAME the emotion.

Set limits as appropriate & explore problem solving together

Set limits ESPECIALLY around safety or property damage.

- *It's ok to be angry, BUT it's never ok to hit/kick/yell/punch/break items*

Problem solve together about what they can do to regulate their emotions, solve peer conflict, or make reparations. Don't give them all the answers, work as a team so they can develop their independent emotion regulation skills.

Don't forget to... TEACH, PRACTICE, FEEDBACK

Regards
Mrs Marita Vecchio
Wellbeing Counsellor



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PBS4L AWARD FOR WEEK 7 - CONGRATULATIONS

Week 7 We are active participants.



PBS4L Award

Kindergarten	Hudson H
Year 1	Elsa P
Year 2	Mia T
Year 3	Lucy T
Year 4	Max R
Year 5	Jock N
Year 6	Cody T



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GENERAL INFORMATION

OUR LADY OF THE WAY PARENTS & FRIENDS TERM 2 MEETING

Wednesday June 21st at 6:30pm

Hope to see you there!



SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to the families who have finalised their second instalment of school fees for 2023. The school fee statements for Billing Period 2, 2023 were due on **31 May 2023**.

Please be advised that unless alternative arrangements have been made regarding the payment of your account it will be assumed that full payment will be made on or before the due date. Fees are payable in accordance with the Diocesan School Fees Policy which states "all fees are due and payable within 30 days of the date the school account statement is issued". Outstanding accounts will be forwarded to Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese for actioning.

Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese is committed to supporting families experiencing genuine financial hardship. If you are experiencing difficulties with the payment of your school fees, you are encouraged to contact Deanne Hearnden. Discussing of fees will be dealt with confidentially and each person is guaranteed that they will be treated with respect and dignity.

Fees can be paid either by bpay, postbillpay, BPoint, direct debit or by using our EFTPOS facilities.

If you need to discuss any issues in relation to your school fees, please don't hesitate to contact Deanne Hearnden on 02 4777 7200 or email OLOW-EMUPFees@parra.catholic.edu.au.

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES HATS, BAGS, SOCKS, LIBRARY BAGS AND CLOTHING POOL

WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY JUNE 29TH AND FRIDAY JUNE 30TH

We are closing sales of all school supplies; hats; bags, socks library bags and also any items from the clothing pool due stocktaking of supplies.

Sales will recommence Tuesday July 18th, when school resumes