



Newsletter

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Principal's Press

KEN GREENWOOD



I am pleased to announce the following student leaders who have been appointed for 2024. These students will begin to exercise their leadership roles in Term 4, 2023:

Captains:

Malachi KrKac

Leila Johnston

Vice-Captains:

Eleazer Armytage

Pip Parkinson

Senior Leader:

Lydia Kinsella

SLT Leaders:

Aelish Perez

Hannah Manhood

Leadership is not primarily about recognition, it is about service. Jesus, the most influential leader in human history, called himself the Lamb of God – a humble image of someone willing to sacrifice himself for the good of many. This idea is also conveyed in the titles we use in government, eg “Minister for Education”. A “minister” is one who serves – and we have chosen student leaders who are willing to use their gifts to serve our school community. Pray for them.

Prayer and Praise

Let us thank God for:

- The term that has been and the amazing learning experiences and celebrations that we have had. From cute puppies celebrating 101 days of Kinder through to the Year 12 farewell assembly.
- The years of dedicated and passionate teaching of Mrs Genevieve Pade at OCS. Please pray for Genna and her husband as they look forward to the birth of their baby.
- The opportunity that we have had to make a difference for children through Operation Christmas Child.

Please pray for:

- Safe, refreshing and positive holidays.
- The senior student leadership team for 2024.
- Orange Christian School to continue to glorify God in all aspects, both now and into the future.



Followed by morning tea in Bembooka for Year 12 students and families

Coffee available for purchase prior to assembly from 8:45am

For your Calendar...

Coming Up at OCS

- CIS Primary and Secondary Athletics – **19th Sep**
- Year 11 Exams – **19th – 22nd Sep**
- Year 12 Farewell Assembly – **22nd Sep**
- Last Day of Term 3 – **22nd Sep**
- Term 4 begins – **9th Oct**

Regulars

- STAR – **M-Th 3:15-5pm**
- After School Care – **M-F 3:15 – 5:30pm**
- SQUAD – **M + T 3:15 – 4:30pm**
- Primary Assemblies – **Friday fortnightly 9:30am**
- Secondary Assemblies – **Friday fortnightly 10:50am**

More information on



*Farewell Mrs. Pade**Please Pray...*

These students are all going to be sitting one or more HSC exams in Term 4. We believe in the power of prayer, so we are asking our community to put some prayer into these students over the holiday break and into Term 4.



Primary School

CATH BUCHANAN



This week we say a temporary farewell to Mrs Pade as she commences maternity leave. Mrs Pade has been part of our OCS community for many years and is a very dedicated and caring teacher. We wish Mrs Pade and her husband all the best as they wait for the arrival of their baby, and we will be praying for the whole family.

We look forward to hearing the wonderful news of your baby's arrival! This term has been a very busy one for our Primary students and they are to be congratulated for their efforts. I hope you will all have an enjoyable, safe and restful holiday break.

Secondary School

MEL COLLINS



Thank you to Year 12 and SLT for Thursday night's social. We're thrilled to announce that an incredible \$1000 was raised for Veritas House. And as we continue to bring in donations for Operation Christmas Child until the end term. These generous contributions will have the opportunity to bring positive change beyond our school community.

Please pray for Year 11, as they sit their end of preliminary course exams this week and prepare to start Year 12 next term. Year 12 Farewell Assembly will be on Friday at 9.30am in the Hall. I hope you have a blessed and safe holiday break.

Teaching and Learning

BELINDA ELLIOTT



This week is the final week for our Year 12 students, we have been honoured to partner with you. The OCS vision is to raise up effective leaders of Godly character who will blend academic achievement and biblical truth, to influence society for the glory of God. With this in mind, our Year 12 leaders have spoken in the Secondary Assemblies this term about OCS's Values (Creativity, Humility,

Respect, Integrity, Strength, Truth). Jesus lived these values in His life and in the way He died, our leaders encouraged the school to follow Jesus' example in the way we speak to and interact with each other. Please uphold our HSC students in your prayers - they will be commencing their examinations on Wednesday, 11 October.



From the Office

JAIMIE HONEYSETT



As the Term 3 break approaches, we want to ensure you have all the information you need to enjoy a safe and relaxing break with your family.

Here are some important updates:

1. Office Closure: Our school office will be closed from Friday, 29th September at 4:30 pm and will reopen on the 9th October at 8:30 am. Please plan your visits accordingly, and if you have any urgent matters, be sure to address them before the closure.

Alternatively, ocs@ocs.nsw.edu.au will be monitored during the break, so feel free to email as well.

2. Clothing Pool Uniform Sale:

Don't miss out on our uniform sale! From the 25th September until Friday, 29th September, you can find a variety of primary and secondary summer girls' uniforms,

sports uniform items, and some boys' summer uniforms in the foyer of the office. It's a "first in, best dressed" opportunity to gear up for the warmer months.

Enjoy quality family time this holiday break, take the time to relax, soak up the sunshine, and enjoy precious moments with your family. Recharge and be ready to finish the school year with a bang when Term 4 begins. We hope you make the most of this holiday break and come back refreshed and energized. If you have any questions or need assistance, please reach out to us before our office closes.



"Taking time to fully recover is just as important as any training you do. Taking time to properly warm up and warm down from training prevents fatigue and overuse or strain. The more intense the activity the longer the warming up and down to slowly ease your body into the intense training."

-Zoe

CLOTHING POOL SALE!

Summer and winter uniforms available

WHEN: Monday 25th - Friday 29th September, 8:30am-4:30pm

WHERE: Front Office Admin Foyer

PRICE: Will be posted on Schoolstream prior to sale starting

Photo Gallery



Social Japanese Culture with Mrs. Ward

