



Many Hearts, One Voice  
1st April 2020

### Important Dates

End of term - April 3

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS  
COMMENCE

Good Friday – April 10

Term 2 – Tues 28 Apr TBC

For more dates, go to  
<https://www.ladyofcape.wa.edu.au/calendar.php>

Note: dates are subject to  
change and the calendar  
should be checked regularly.



*Our Lady of the Cape Primary School is a community where each child is valued as an individual and nurtured spiritually, by many hearts working together as one voice to fulfil their overall potential.*

Dear Lord

Let your light shine  
through us to others

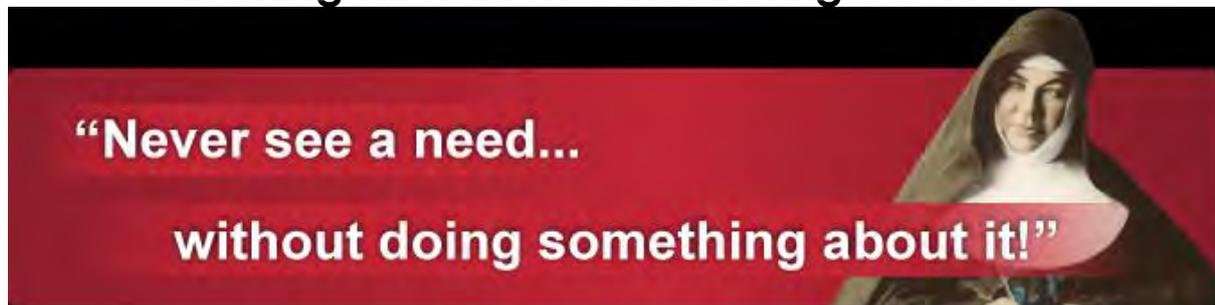
Amen



## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CORNER:

Dear Parents, friends and students of Our Lady of the Cape school community

### Looking After Each Other During Covid-19



There is no doubt that the uncertainty of our current situation is likely to be causing anxiety for many members of the OLC and broader Dunsborough community. As a Catholic school, we are guided by the likes of Australia's first Saint, St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop, to **"Never see a need without doing something about it"**.

For some families, times like these can bring unprecedented financial and emotional hardship, and it is important to know that we are here to help. We have access to services that can provide emergency relief to residents who have been impacted by COVID-19 and are experiencing financial hardship.

These local services can provide **food parcels, Coles vouchers and up to \$100 towards bill payment** to those in need. If you or another family you know of is in need, please do not hesitate to contact me so that I can connect you to this assistance. Our school pastoral care fridge is also full of **ready cooked meals** for immediate distribution should you or

someone you know become physically, emotionally or financially incapacitated. Please just let me know and we will arrange contactless delivery.

Similarly, if you or someone you know needs some emotional support we will do our best to check in as regularly as possible to see how we might help people out. One of the best ways we improve our own mental wellbeing is to help others. This template might be something you consider delivering in your neighbourhood at this time.

**HELLO!** If you are self-isolating, I can help.

**My name is**  
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**I live locally at**  
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**My phone number is**  
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**If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19 I can help with:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Picking up shopping	<input type="checkbox"/> Posting mail
<input type="checkbox"/> A friendly phone call	<input type="checkbox"/> Urgent supplies

Just call or text me and I'll do my best to help you (for free!)

**Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution to ensure you are spreading only kindness. Avoid physical contact (2m distance). Wash your hands regularly. Items should be left on your doorstep. #ViralKindness**

If you would like a PDF copy of this to print, please email me at [amie.meyer@cewa.edu.au](mailto:amie.meyer@cewa.edu.au).

There are many ways to share your light with others. Last week at school students spent time with me reflecting on ways we could meet the social needs of those elderly residents in our area who are locked down in Aged Care facilities. A mixed age group of around 30 students created notes of encouragement and an audio recording for the residents of the **Aegis Ellenvale Aged Care Facility** in Busselton. These recordings were intended to give the residents a new voice to hear and an opportunity to establish new relationships, which we hope to develop and maintain when things return to normal. Hopefully this brightened the day of many of those in isolation and provided them with a purposeful activity to undertake in replying to the students. This is an activity that I am sure the residents of Aged Care facilities, hospitals and even your own neighbourhood would appreciate, so feel free to get your child to write a letter or make a drawing to brighten someone's day.



Finally, this coming Sunday is **Palm Sunday** which marks the beginning of **Holy Week**, the most important week in our church calendar. This is the week leading up to Easter and

each day we remember the final events in the life of Jesus before his Resurrection on Easter Sunday. For many Catholics not being able to celebrate Easter in the Church this year is causing some distress, however, Father Francis (despite being in lockdown in Manila) has shared several family activities for you to undertake during this time. I will email these to you in the coming days and would encourage you to take the time to remember the real meaning behind Easter. Your child's classroom teacher will also be providing materials in preparation for this Holy Season.

Please keep the many people suffering from Corona Virus in your prayers currently and pray for the good health and safe return of Father Francis in the coming months.

Wishing you health, harmony and blessings and a safe and holy Easter.  
God Bless.

**Mrs. Amie Meyer**  
**Religious Education Coordinator**



## From the Principal:

### Current Climate

A number of parents in our school community have lost their jobs and many families are facing significant financial stress. We want to assure you of a very important and simple message: the ongoing enrolment of every child at our school is guaranteed, irrespective of a family's financial situation.

Catholic Education's position is very clear on the enrolment of children in all Catholic schools. No parent who wishes their child to receive a Catholic Education would be denied the opportunity to do so because of financial circumstances.

Emme helping to take care of the girls ...

If you are worried about your financial situation and your capacity to pay school fees, the following options are immediately available to you:

- The Centrelink Health Care Card Discount Scheme provides an automatic fee concession to the holders of eligible means-tested family concession cards. This discount applies to all year levels from Kindergarten to Year 12. Additional financial considerations are also available depending on each family's circumstance.
- For parents who do not qualify for the Health Care Card discount but who are experiencing financial difficulties, arrangements can be made to provide immediate support to assist you with tuition costs.

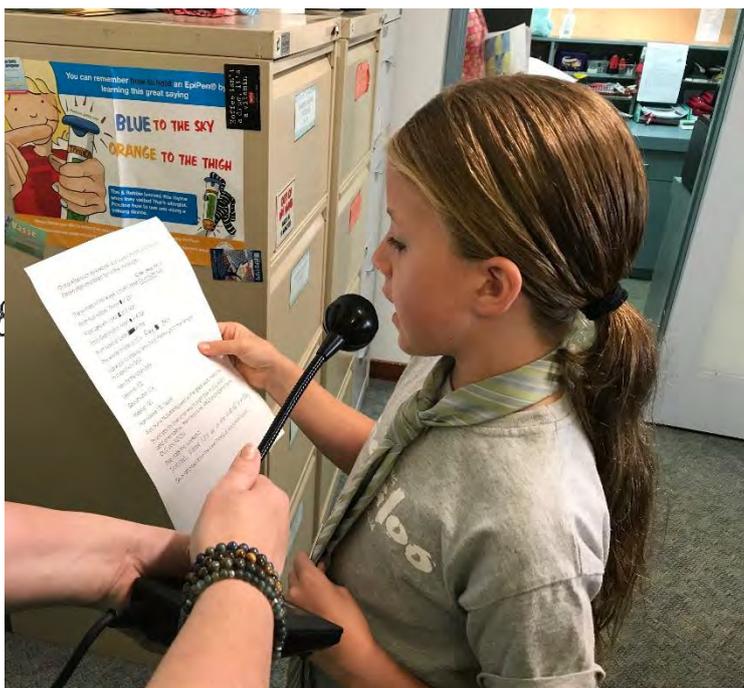
Any arrangements which are made between parents and our school naturally remain strictly confidential.

## Interim Reports

Our school interim reports will be emailed out next week. Some of the reports will be limited due all the data not being collected before COVID-19 virus appeared on the landscape.

## Acting Principal

In these current challenging times we had a good deal of life injected into our school last week when Olivia Breheny took the hot seat for a day. After initially putting Mr Lee's nose out of place by giving all the staff freshly baked biscuits as they arrived for work, Olivia took charge and contributed to the staff white board for daily instructions. (photo provided)



Over to Little Seedlings playgroup to chat to parents and toddlers, inviting friends into the office, giving out merit awards, sorting out the swimming certificates with her self-appointed Assistant Principals, refusing to grant staff leave, denying any mention of pay rises, making announcements over the school PA system, doing yard duty and generally just whipping the school into tip top shape. Top job Olivia and please never change that beautiful personality.



## **Home Learning – The New Normal at OLC**

Firstly, a huge thank you to all the teachers at OLC for their agility, resilience and tenacity to develop quality online/home learning sequences and packages for the past two weeks. Our teachers have shown a moral imperative to continue to deliver meaningful and relevant learning to your children, even in the face of every changing adversity and uncertainty.

Secondly a huge thank you to our OLC parents who have taken on the challenge of home learning, new ground for many. Through video conferences and phone calls we have appreciated your words of appreciation and encouragement as well as taken on feedback to make our home learning approaches in Term 2 even more streamlined, accessible and helpful.

### **Some of the highlights of home learning from the classes have been:**

- Amazing and meaningful uses of technology through Teams meetings.
- We've had many OLC teachers creating personalised videos for parents and students about how to access their home learning.
- We've had students join in video conferencing sessions to ask questions and join in live reading and maths group sessions.
- Q&A sessions through video conferencing for parents and students.
- Seeing many students sharing their home learning and home activities through the technology platforms we are utilising.
- Hearing about valuable time and opportunities that parents have been able to spend with their kids.
- The wonderful detail that teachers have shared to assist our parents.
- Our class blogs becoming more important than ever to distribute vital learning to our students and classes.

If you are experiencing any technical issues or need some support with the learning, please contact either myself or your classroom teacher.

Next week I will be emailing all parents some home learning guidelines for what to expect in Term 2 and how we will further refine the delivery of learning to our students.

Adrian Torrese  
Assistant Principal

### **Some Snap shots from our Class Blogs.....**



Please click [here](#) for the 1/29 Week 9 Learning Grid Overview

Additionally here are some paper based Learning Resources for Week 9. Keep in mind if you do not have a printer then just refer to from a screen and complete on lined or blank paper.

Please click [here](#) for Week 9 Home Learning English-Maths-Other resource

Please click [here](#) for How to access and use Reading Eggs Library

Please click [here](#) for A little introduction to using Seesaw Class at home

Please click [here](#) for How to use Mathematics and Rainforest Maths

Please click [here](#) for A little introduction how to use Study Ladder for learning

Optional: Please click [here](#) for Week 9 HASS Learning from Mrs Meyer

**Videos (Screenshots):**

I have currently made 8 videos on Learn to help the students and yourselves to online learn. So far they are Add audio to OneNote, How to complete Reading Comprehension, How to complete the Number of the Day Homework, Completion and Uploading, Uploading a photo on OneNote, Champion Life future.

All these videos can be watched as many times as you need. Just click on the link and away you go. I will make more videos where necessary.

To access the videos you have to go onto OneNote, onto the Content Library and from the Videos section Below is a screenshot on where you can find them.



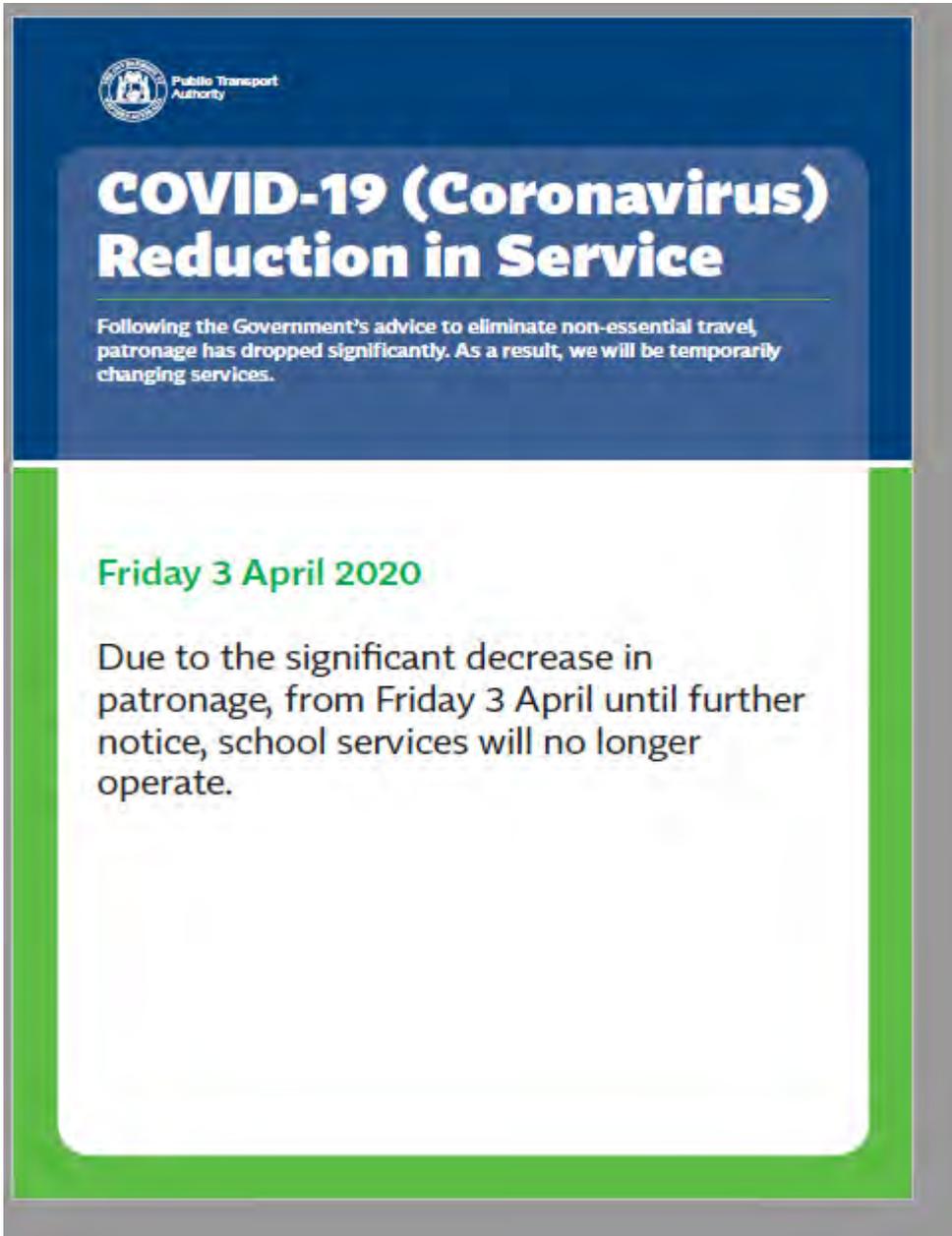
### Home Learning Daily Schedule

TIME	LEARNING AREA
0830 - 0900	Champion Life - Log in (can be found in One Note) - Digital Technology
0900 - 1030	Reading / Reading Strips (Access One Note - Reading and Reading Group folders)
TEAM MEETING (30 min)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spelling LISTEN (15 min)</li> <li>2. CLASS MEETING (15 min)</li> <li>3. Independent Reading (10 min)</li> <li>4. Reading group activities (10 min)</li> </ol> (Upload any completed activities to One Note - Reading Group folder)
1030 - 1300	Writing (ALL WORK TO BE COMPLETED IN ENGLISH EXERCISE BOOKS) (Access One Note - English folder) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <a href="#">Writing</a> - Information Memo</li> <li>2. <a href="#">Writing</a> - Informative Reader</li> <li>3. <a href="#">Writing</a> - Fiction and Anecdotes</li> <li>4. <a href="#">Writing</a> - Letter (Access in my signature folder)</li> <li>5. <a href="#">Writing</a> - Informing our community</li> </ol> (Check to parents, reading list to help children make choices, observations, activities, selected photos and experiment with at least 2 photo and a metaphor complete the writing process)
1300 - 1330	MORNING TEA
1330 - 1337	NUMERACY ROUETTES
TEAM MEETING MONDAY - 1330	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CLASS MEETING (15 min)</li> <li>2. Numeracy rouettes (10 min)</li> </ol>
1330 - 1400	LUNCH
1400 - 1500	OTHER (HOMESCHOOL, HASS, FORM)



## COMMUNITY NEWS:

Please see below a message regarding school bus services;



The image shows a notice from the Public Transport Authority (PTA) regarding a reduction in service due to COVID-19. The notice is presented on a blue and green background. At the top left is the PTA logo. The main heading is 'COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Reduction in Service'. Below this, a paragraph explains that following government advice to eliminate non-essential travel, patronage has dropped significantly, leading to temporary changes in services. A specific date, 'Friday 3 April 2020', is highlighted in green. The final paragraph states that due to a significant decrease in patronage, school services will no longer operate from that date until further notice.

 Public Transport Authority

### COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Reduction in Service

Following the Government's advice to eliminate non-essential travel, patronage has dropped significantly. As a result, we will be temporarily changing services.

**Friday 3 April 2020**

Due to the significant decrease in patronage, from Friday 3 April until further notice, school services will no longer operate.

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