



OLSH

OUR LADY OF THE
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COLLEGE

Term One - 27 March 2024 (No.5)

From the Principal



Dear Parents / Guardians, Friends, Staff and Students of OLSH College,

Easter

This week on Thursday (28 March) the College community will gather for our Holy Week Liturgy. Our Liturgy provides us with an opportunity to pray and focus on the events of Holy Week. Our Liturgy invites us to reflect on our own response to the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus through music, prayers, readings, reflections and drama based around the traditional ritual of the Stations of the Cross. It is a special and most important time in the Church liturgical calendar. Holy Week leading into Easter Sunday recalls the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, where we are invited to become part of a community which believes in new beginnings, a community that supports each other, especially when we face adversity and despair. It gives us hope and the promise of new life founded on love and service. During this time, I ask that you pray for those, particularly in our community, who are struggling in general or who are in poor health. May Easter be a time of renewal and hope for all of us.

Olsh Open

The chance to showcase our school is always an honour and OLSH Open, held on Sunday 17 March, was another successful opportunity to do so. We are always proud to open the College, allowing prospective families to explore all that we have to offer across curricular and co-curricular offerings. The prospective families and their daughters enjoyed meeting our staff and were impressed by our student led tours. I am forever moved by the obvious pride that our girls demonstrate and the advocacy for an OLSH education.

OLSH Open is not possible without the vision, inspiration, energy, and leadership of Assistant Principal – Leading, Learning and Innovation, Mrs Sonia Venour. Her team of proud and enthusiastic OC students, Marketing and Publicity team, and of course every

OLSH College staff member who works under her guidance. We acknowledge their efforts and diligence leading up to the day and on the day. A big thank you to all within the OLSH College Community for your support, commitment, and enthusiasm.

Naplan

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) were completed last week for students in Years 7 and 9. Students were tested in writing, reading, conventions of languages and numeracy.

When data is released to schools and families later in the year, it is useful for parents/guardians to be aware that the achievement level may have changed since their daughter last completed the NAPLAN and cognisant that it only reflects a moment in time. You may recall changes to student achievement which are now marked against four levels of proficiency: Exceeding, Strong, Developing and Needs Additional Support.

We congratulate the girls on the positive manner in which they engaged in NAPLAN and hope to see encouraging growth for all girls. We look forward to using the data to help understand our girls' progress over the past two years.

Enrolments

A reminder to our current OLSH College families who have a daughter in Year 6, 5, or 4: please ensure you have an application in our system if you wish for your daughter start in Year 7 in 2025, 2026 or 2027 respectively. If you need assistance in this area, kindly email our Registrar, Mrs Sue Thompson, at registrar@olsh.catholic.edu.au or [apply online](#).

I wish every OLSH College family a safe, happy, Holy Easter and restful break.

*May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be Everywhere Loved,
Maria Urbano, Principal*



Wishing the OLSH Community a safe, happy & Holy Easter

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2024 DIARY DATES

TERM 1

28 March	Easter Liturgy
29 March	Good Friday
30 March	Easter Saturday
31 March	Easter Sunday
1 April	Easter Monday
4 April	Year 7, 8, 9 Folio Day
7 April	Daylight Savings Ends
8 April	Ramadan Ends
9 April	Eid al-Fitr
10 April	Year 11 Reflection Day
12 April	End of Term 1

TERM 2

29 April	Term 2 begins
30 April	College Tours 9:30am & 5:30pm
1 May	Effort Assembly
3 May	Year 11 Outdoor Education Bushwalking
9 May	Year 8 Reflection Day
9 - 10 May	Year 10 PE Camp
14 - 15 May	Year 9 Camp
19 May	Pentecost Marian Procession
21 May	Student Parent Learning Conversations
22 May	Student Free Day
28 May	College Tours 9:30am & 5:30pm
3 - 5 June	Year 11 Outdoor Ed Bushwalking Camp
7 June	Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass
10 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
17 June	Year 10 & 11 Study Day
18 - 20 June	Year 10 & 11 Exams
21 June	End of Semester 1 Student Free Day
24 June	Semester 2 begins
25 June	College Tours 9:30am & 5:30pm
28 June	Year 10 Immunisations
5 July	Last day of Term 2

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SECURE A PLACE FOR YOUR DAUGHTER AT OLSH COLLEGE

Do you have a daughter wanting to come to OLSH College who has not yet enrolled? All future students, including siblings are required to submit an Application for Admission Form to commence the enrolment process. Interviews for students commencing in 2025 and 2026 are now underway. We encourage you to visit or contact the Front Office to collect an Application for Admission Form, or phone 8269 8800 to secure a place for your daughter.

WANT AN ADDITIONAL DISCOUNT ON YOUR SCHOOL FEES?

Band 1, 2 and 3 families who pay their fees in full by 12 April, will receive an additional 5% off their school fees. Please note this excludes the diary for those year levels who have one.

If you need assistance in calculating the amount to pay, please contact the Finance Team by email accounts@olsh.catholic.edu.au or call 8269 8800.



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ARE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS UP TO DATE?

If you have changed your address or contact details can you please let the Front Office know as soon as possible.

It's important the College has your correct address and phone details at all times in case we need to contact you in the event of emergency, and to ensure you are receiving all correspondence by mail, email, phone or sms. Thank you



STAFFING UPDATES



Elyse



Julie



Monique

I take this opportunity to advise of some staff changes. We warmly welcome to the Learning Diversity, Inclusion and Equity team two Education Support Officers namely Miss Elyse Venour (Class of 2021) and Mrs Julie Chambers. Elyse has already commenced in the role and is a great addition to the team. Julie will conclude her current role in the school Finance Team and commence in her new role from the beginning of Term 2. We look forward to Elyse and Julie's input and contributions as they bring new insights and enthusiasm for their roles.

This week we were thrilled to welcome Mrs Monique Tabuena to OLSH College in the role of Personal Assistant to the Principal (PA) and Registrar. In these first few days and for the remainder of Term 1 Monique is working closely with Mrs Sue Thompson as they implement a handover. I know Monique is very pleased to be joining the OLSH College community and volunteered her time at the OLSH Open last week. Welcome, Monique.

We are delighted that Mrs Sue Thompson (PA) will remain at OLSH College in a part-time capacity undertaking some aspects of her current role but also new duties and responsibilities.

We are excited for the opportunity these staff changes will bring and thank each member Elyse, Julie, Monique and Sue for the good work we know they will do and instil in their respective roles.

Last Friday we farewelled Ms Hayley Mitchell (Class of 2005), Resource Hub Officer who is looking forward to advancing her professional career and moving into the University field.

The decision to leave a place that you have cherished and enjoyed is never easy. However, as Hayley looks back and reflects on the last six years, she is proud of what she has achieved. OLSH College takes great heart in having played a part both in recent years and during her time as a student. Of course, we know Hayley is a very proud OLSHie.

While we are sad to see Hayley leave, we take this opportunity to thank her for her commitment to her alma mater, contributions across many areas of school life including but not limited to the Library / Resource Centre, ICT support / assistance, WHS, music learning area, pitching in as asked, nurturing our girls in their journey as students at OLSH College and her respect, support and friendship with colleagues.

As she embarks on a new journey we ask God to bless her, and we wish her our best.

Maria Urbano, Principal

FROM THE APRIM : REFLECTING ON THE SIGNIFANCE OF EASTER



As we approach the celebration of Easter, we take a moment to reflect on the significance of this sacred holiday in the Catholic tradition. While Easter is viewed as a well-earned break from the rigour of working and school life (as it surely is), its true meaning goes well beyond this. We embrace Easter as a time to deepen our understanding of the central event of our faith—the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As a Catholic school community, we remember Easter through our prayers, curriculum, and Holy Thursday Liturgy. This Thursday, the liturgy will highlight the message of hope and redemption that Easter brings.

A part of the liturgy will focus on a poignant moment during a public event, involving Pope Francis. He was approached by a young boy who tearfully asked him whether his atheist father, who had recently passed away, would be in heaven. Despite being an atheist, the father had all four of his children baptized. The Pope's response was filled with compassion and wisdom, offering comfort not only to the boy but to all who witnessed the exchange.

In his gentle and heartfelt reply, Pope Francis emphasised the boundless love of God, assuring the boy that God's love embraces all His children, regardless of their beliefs. He indicated that God's mercy knows no bounds, and that the door to heaven is always open to those who seek goodness and strive to do what is right.

This touching moment serves as a powerful reminder of the Easter message of hope and redemption. It exemplifies the all-embracing and compassionate love of God. May we find comfort in the assurance that God's love knows no limits. As such, we should strive to embody that love in our interactions with others.

In the spirit of Easter, let us embrace the message of hope and redemption that Easter brings. Let us recommit ourselves to living lives of faith, love, and service to others, following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ.

Damian Creazzo | Assistant Principal - Religious Identity & Mission

DRAMA AND CREATIVE ARTS EXCURSION "THE TREE OF LIGHT"



Earlier this term Drama and Creative Arts students across Year 8, Stage 1 and Stage 2, were very lucky to visit Slingsby's Hall of Possibility to view a work-in-progress showing of their world premiere production "The Tree of Light". This was a very exciting opportunity as OLSH College was the first live audience for this production, and students were able to give valuable feedback and ask questions of the creative team afterwards.

"The Tree of Light" was a powerful production exploring timely and important ideas around climate change and the connection between humans and nature, as told through a mesmerising production using innovative lighting and set design, a focus on sustainability, and an impressive cast.

The production finished with a lasting message of hope and an invitation for us to once again live with nature, which was amazingly represented as each member of the audience received a card made with seeded paper inspiring us to plant and nurture our own piece of nature.

Rebecca Wigg, Drama Specialist Teacher



It was such an incredible experience watching the performance of 'The Tree of Light' at Slingsby's Hall of Possibility. I loved how the actors portrayed their characters with lots of emotion and how they changed the lighting to fit the scene and set the mood. I really enjoyed visiting Slingsby's Hall of Possibility and hope to go again one day. Hadia (8 Sweeney)

With the compelling story of our potential future and innovative use of lights, Slingsby has delivered the perfect package of theatre right to Adelaide. Avi (11 Aleotti)



SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLY NOW FOR 2025 Applications Close Monday, 3 June 2024
(For new students starting in Year 7 & 8, 2025)



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SATURDAY MORNING SPORT



Since our last newsletter update, two more rounds of Saturday morning sport have been played and with only one round now remaining, some of our teams are in line to possibly finish first or second in their respective competitions. This has been a regular occurrence for our Volleyball teams for several years and it has been truly enjoyable and satisfying watching the growth in popularity of this sport.

Our Senior OLSH 1 team leads the way and under the expert guidance of Miss Neisha Perkins, the team remains undefeated and poised to notch up a premiership win. The team boasts several college leaders and girls who have represented the school in sport since Year 7/8 and typifies what it means to be ambassadors of the school.

The Senior OLSH 2 team has also had a good season, with only 1 loss and they too are pushing for a premiership win if they can win their final game and other results go their way. Although playing in a Senior competition a number of the girls are in Years 8 and 9 and are to be praised for playing at a higher level.

After playing an entertaining game against each other in Round 4 in the Hartzler Building both the Year 8/9 OLSH 1 and Year 8/9 OLSH 2 teams suffered losses on the weekend and will be hoping that the final round brings them some consolation.

Finally, we turn to the Year 8/9 OLSH 3 team. Our most inexperienced team has been a delight to watch this season. The development and growth of the girls since round 1 has been extremely pleasing and in Round 4 I was lucky enough to watch them convincingly defeat the opposition 3-0. With only 2 losses in the season, they too are looking at either a first or second placing in their competition should they win their final game.

For all players and parents please note that there are no games this week due to the Easter long weekend. The final round of games will take place on 6 April.

Quin Scacchitti | Co-curricular Sport Coordinator

In our thoughts and prayers



Our prayers and deepest sympathies are with OLSH staff member, Ms Maddie Hill and her family on the recent passing of her grandmother, Carita Pyne (nee Munday).

Carita was an OLSH Alumnae graduating in 1958, born on 11 November 1942 and passing away on 08 March 2024 at the age of 81 years.

*May Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.
May the souls of all the faithful departed
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
~ Amen ~*

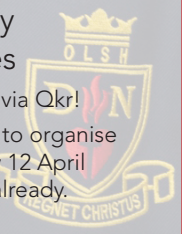
May she rest in peace and her memory be cherished.

ORGANISING YOUR WINTER UNIFORM FOR TERM 2

For families who need to organise a Winter Uniform for Term 2, the Uniform Shop is only open 8:30am - 12:30pm Monday to Friday during term times

Visit the Front Office or order via Oqr!

Families are reminded they need to organise their Winter Uniform by Friday 12 April at the latest, if they haven't already.



WELCOME TO OUR VIBRANT COMMUNITY - OLSH OPEN 2024



CELEBRATING HOLI THE FESTIVAL OF COLORS Monday, 25 March 2024

Holi, known as the Festival of Colors, is one of the most vibrant and joyous festivals celebrated primarily in India and by Indian communities around the world. This lively festival marks the arrival of spring and the victory of good over evil.

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INTRODUCING OUR 2024 STUDENT LEADERS

We are very blessed at OLSH College to have exceptional young women in the roles of Student Leaders. This Newsletter features our Arts and Social Justice Captain by way of introduction to the wider OLSH community.

Alexis (Year 12)
Arts Captain

Most influential and/or inspiring person in your life and why: It would be two people, who are my parents. They've been there for my whole life and have been a guiding light for me whenever I need support. I couldn't ask for better people to be there for me and to teach me things about the world. I will forever admire their resilience and determination and moulding me to be a good person.



Favourite subjects: My favourite subjects would have to be English Literary Studies (Chemistry and Drama are close though) as I love breaking down forms of media through different lenses and exploring the various perspectives. It has a special place in my heart and has helped me reflect better on who I am as a person.

Future career aspirations: I would love to work in a field of Chemistry, specifically as a Pharmaceutical or Nuclear Chemist. However, I may also pursue becoming an English Literary Professor as another option.

Favourite food: I love Filipino food, specifically the soup-based ones such as Sinigang or Nilaga.

3 things I like best about OLSH College:

- 1 - The welcoming nature of the students and staff creates and cultivates an environment where everyone feels like they belong from the second they walk into the gates. There are so many people who are willing to open their arms and pull you into our community.
- 2 - It's a place that creates lasting memories which students and staff can look back on in the future. Students are moulded to become their best selves and can surround themselves with people who may stay in their lives forever, becoming part of their 'family.'
- 3 - Students are given such a wide range of opportunities that help them become more active in their community. They can make friends, develop new skills and maybe even find a pathway that is of interest to them through co-curricular activities.

What are you most looking forward to at OLSH college in 2024? I'm most looking forward to spending my last year with such a wonderful cohort, some of which have been here since the very beginning of my high school years. I want to be able to look back and be happy about how I spent my high school years, especially my final year.

If you could travel back in time, what advice would you give your Year 7 self about being a secondary school student? If I could go back in time and give my Year 7 self advice, I'd tell her that it will all be okay. That although there will be many hardships and heartache, it will all be worth it in the end. I'd also reiterate a quote that my teacher once said, which was that we aren't just "Human Beings" but that we are "Human Becomings." We're all still developing, and although we may never find the true answer, we can be content with who we are and what we have. It will all be okay.

Nguyet Anh (Year 11)
Social Justice Captain

Most influential and/or inspiring person in your life and why: The most inspiring person in my life is without a doubt, my grandmother. She is the embodiment of generosity and selflessness and she has taught me to be both resilient and kind in my everyday life. Despite struggling herself, she constantly supports others with her kind-heart and she created a beautiful legacy of hope and good will.



Favourite subjects: My favourite subjects have always been English and HASS related subjects as such, my current favourites are English Literary Studies and Legal Studies.

Future career aspirations: In the future, I would like to be a secondary school teacher specialising in English and HASS subjects as I want to support young students like me to love learning.

Favourite food: My favourite food is most definitely my family's Pad Thai, as it is a recipe my mother brought to Australia right from the heart of Thailand. A close second is my father's Bánh xèo, a Vietnamese savoury pancake dish!

3 things I like best about OLSH College:

What I really like about the college is our close-knit community, as I feel I can chat with any of the students I walk past without feeling like strangers and have a bond with my teachers. I also like the diversity of our student body because it makes cultural celebrations so much more inclusive and colourful, and I feel truly supported by everyone around me. Lastly, I am very happy with all the opportunities that OLSH College provides such as the co-curriculars and the OLSH Links program, as it makes learning and developing my skills worthwhile and unique.

What are you most looking forward to at OLSH college in 2024? I am really looking forward to exploring my new subjects as the year progresses, because I am so excited for what they have to offer! However, I also look forward to developing myself as a leader and working alongside the rest of the talented captains!

If you could travel back in time, what advice would you give your Year 7 self about being a secondary school student? The main piece of advice I would give to my Year 7 self is to join all the co-curriculars I initially hesitated to join. I was really afraid of stepping out of my comfort zone and including myself in different groups and roles until I was in Year 10, when I joined netball. From there I joined more co-curriculars, and really began to enjoy myself and feel fulfilled with my college life. I want my past self to know that there is really nothing to be afraid of when it comes to getting involved in the community and that it brings so much positivity :)

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PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE - EXPOS & INFORMATION SESSIONS

Career expos are a great way to explore different career options and learn more about the opportunities that are out there. We will be holding our annual OLSH College Career Expo early in Term 3. This is an exciting event that brings together our three local universities, TAFE SA, plus several other vocational and professional training organisations. Information about the event will be released via our school newsletter closer to the time. For now, if you wish to explore additional Expo events please see details below:



Coming in 2024 - SA's Largest
careers & EMPLOYMENT expo
May 10 & 11, 2024
ADELAIDE SHOWGROUND
Free Entry
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ADELAIDE CAREERS & EMPLOYMENT EXPO

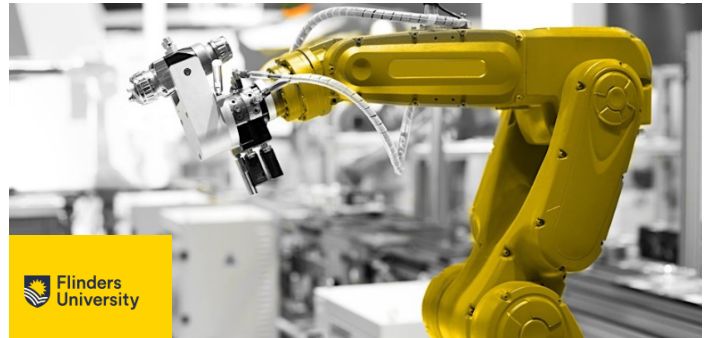
South Australia's largest Careers & Employment Event is open on May 10 & 11, 2024 at the Adelaide Showground. The Expo will host over 130 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages. Free entry.

The event is for school students, parents, teachers, graduates, job seekers, people looking for courses and workers seeking new training options.

The Expo is packed with Free advice, you can...

- Talk with over 130 Training Organisations & Employers
- Gain Free Career Advice
- Experience the Free Career Seminars
- Learn how to write a Winning Resume
- Enjoy the Try a Trade Interactive Zones
- Discover Defence & Space Industry Jobs
- Find your Ideal Role at the Australian Defence Force Display

For further information visit: Adelaide Careers & Employment Expo (careersemploymentexpo.com.au)



UNIVERSITY TASTER DAYS FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS (APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)

Flinders University is offering a unique opportunity for Year 12 students to dive into the world of tertiary study through 3 different themed Taster Days (during the April holidays):

- AI, Cybersecurity, Mixed Reality, Software Engineering Taster Day at Flinders. Tuesday 16 April. [Register here](#)
- Engineering & Design Taster Day at Flinders Wednesday 17 April. [Register here](#)
- Biotechnology-Forensics-Life & Plant Sciences Taster Day at Flinders. Thursday 18 April. [Register here](#)

ADF CAREERS

DEFENCE CAREERS AUSTRALIA - ADELAIDE: INFORMATION SESSION

Consider a career like no other and represent Australia with pride in the Navy, Army or Air Force!

Speak with current serving personnel at our upcoming information session and ask your questions - is a career in the Australian Defence Force for you? Places are strictly limited!

Date: Tuesday, 9 April 2024, 06:00 PM - 08:00PM

Location: Adelaide ADF Careers Centre

[Click here for details and registration](#)

ENROLMENT EXIT

When students leave school of their own volition, the family must provide a minimum of one Term's notice in writing, addressed to the Principal of their decision to withdraw their daughter/s from the College.

Verbal notification or notification to a staff member other than the Principal, is not considered due notice.

In the event a Term's notice has not been provided, a fee is payable which is the equivalent of one Term's Fee. This condition will also apply to students leaving at the end of the school year who have not provided advice prior to the end of Term 3. Thank you.

IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDER FOR ALL STUDENTS FROM SAPOL

Students and families are reminded to be wary of approaches from strangers, especially when they are unaccompanied or travelling to and from school. If approached, students should not respond and should not accept offers of rides or gifts. Students should seek the assistance of other nearby adults if they feel unsafe and should report the event to a trusted adult (parent or school staff member) as soon as possible.

SAPOL advises that taking out a mobile phone and calling police can deter the offender and they recommend the student making a formal report to their closest police station.