



PREPARING FOR HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 7 2023 & BEYOND

Principal: Sue Host

Senior teachers: Jane Denny & Alison Perosin

Prayer



Dear Lord,

We come together as a community to support our children.

We thank you for the gift of our children, you have entrusted us to care for and love.

We pray for your love and guidance on our education journey together.

We pray that our school prepares our students for High School and life beyond.

As we watch our children grow into fine young men and women, we pray the decisions we have made with your guidance and blessing will take them on a life journey where they know you and are fulfilled.

With Love We Grow,

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

Amen

Tuesday | March 2022

Agenda

- 7:00 - Welcome and Prayer
- 7:05 - Mrs Sue Host – OLPS Principal: Introduction
 - Mrs Jane Denny & Mrs Alison Perosin – OLPS Senior Learning Hub
- 7:30 - Mrs Brenda Timp – Mercy Catholic College
- 7:45 - Mr Tony Gleeson – St Leo's Catholic College
- 8:00 - Break Out Rooms
 - Opportunity to talk with High School representatives
- 8:30 - Close

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This evening you will:

- reflect on the transition points in your child's educational journey
- articulate and share with family and friends about the Senior Learning Hub here at OLPS:
 - focus
 - engagement
 - preparation
- be aware of local Diocesan Catholic High Schools and their unique characteristics
- Opportunity to interact with local Independent schools

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Vision and Mission Statement

Our vision is that OLPS will be recognised as a welcoming and contemporary Catholic school where our innovative learning environment prepares students to be future ready for secondary school and life beyond.

It is the mission that of all members of the OLPS community work together to provide a learning environment which:

- **O**ffers a nurturing environment where committed and passionate teachers prioritise students' social and emotional well-being.
- **L**ives our shared values of love, compassion, courage and joy as we welcome all families with a diversity of backgrounds to join our Faith filled school.
- **P**romotes future focused and deep learning experiences that prepares students for success in a changing world.
- **S**upports opportunities for every child to be challenged to be their very best.



GLOBAL COMPETENCIES

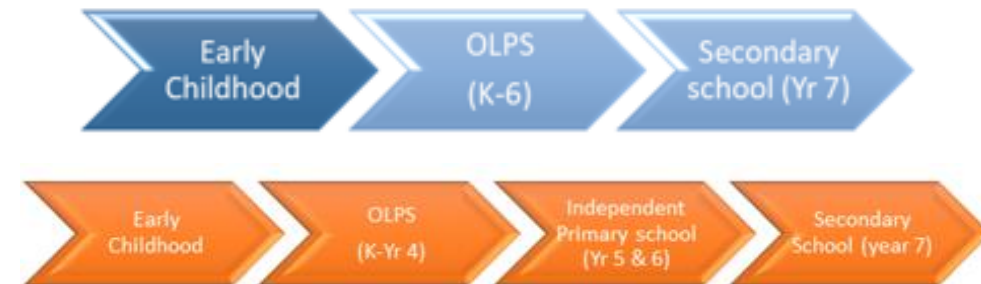


TRANSITIONS

Transitions are periods of change and continuity.

- Big and small transitions
- Children need well developed social and emotional skills for successful transitions
- Educational transitions require children and families to adapt to new circumstances, expectations, people, environments and routines
- Responsibility of educators, community services and families to provide some continuity from one setting to the next

Building social and emotional skills



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WHY WE LOVE OLPS

- Strong sense of community and belonging enjoyed by all
- A safe and nurturing environment
- An exceptional playground that caters for all students Kindy to Year 6
- Excellent student academic achievement (NAPLAN, standardised testing)
- Senior Learning Hub
- Sporting opportunities and achievements
- Musical opportunities
- Casual before & after school care available
- Extra Curricula
- Feeder school to the local Catholic High Schools/Colleges

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A CO-ED PRIMARY School Experience

*Building social and
emotional skills*

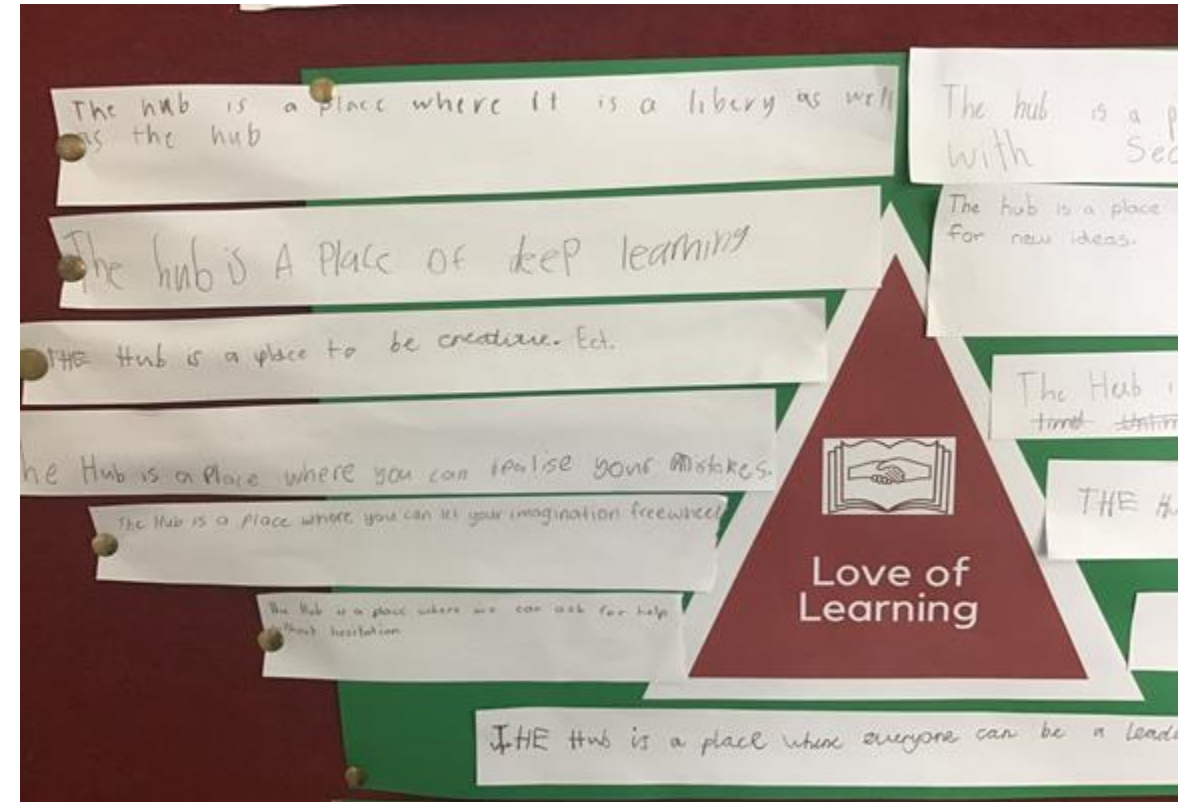
Personal Observations:

- Kindy to Year 3 boys tend to play with boys and girls tend to play with girls
- By Year 4 girls and boys start to become interested in interacting with each other

Benefits

- Strong cross gender relationship skills
- Developing respectful competitive relationships
- Building a community of boys and girls where they learn and play together

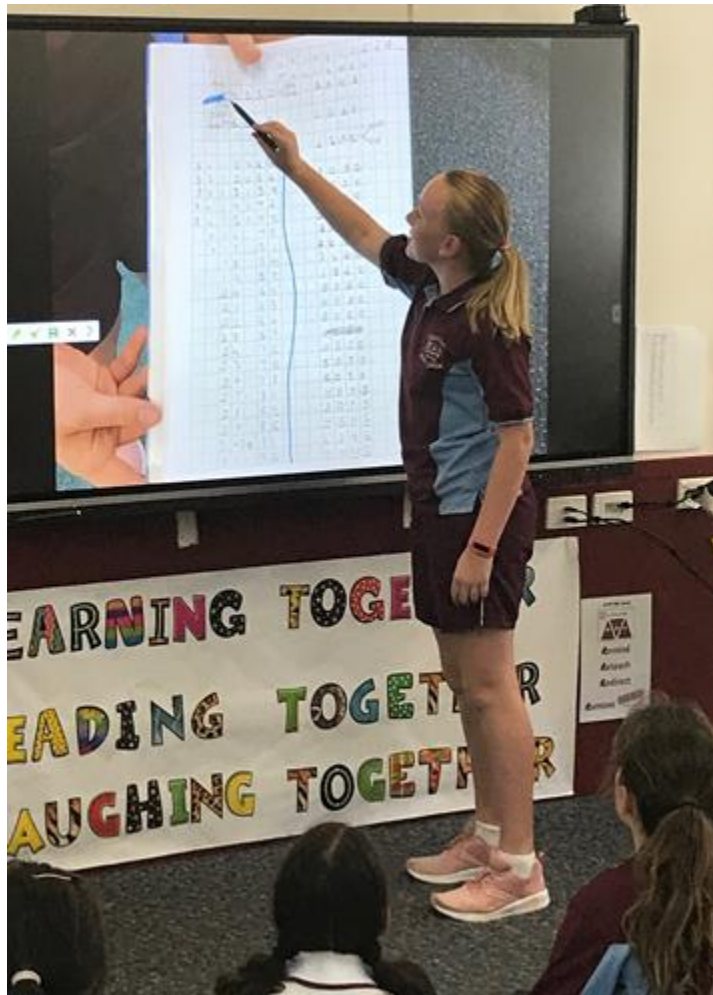
OLPS SENIOR LEARNING HUB



"READ, LEAD, DO GOOD DEEDS!"



LEARNING IN THE HUB - TRANSITIONING AND ENABLING

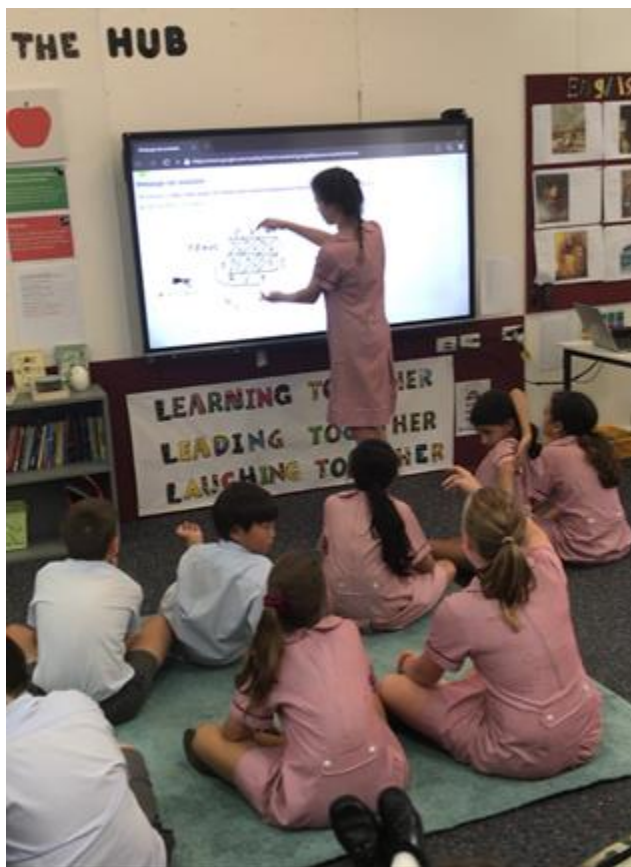


High school structures:

- Diaries
- Timetables
- Assessment rubrics
- School provided laptop
- Google Classroom
- High expectations
- Real world consequences
- Student agency



LEARNING IN THE HUB - VIBRANT, DEEP & INNOVATIVE



Students as drivers of their own learning/ Risk-takers/ Solving real-world problems/ Developing global competencies

GLOBAL COMPETENCIES

Sympathy is like putting a bandaid over a wound without looking at it and cleaning it up. You just want to cover it up and get the person back to normal.

Empathy is looking at the wound, getting the dirt out, using antiseptic (which might make the person cry!), comforting them and then putting the band-aid on.

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LEARNING IN THE HUB - LEADING SELF AND OTHERS



Learning to LEAD AND DO GOOD DEEDS

- Safe and caring environment
- Pastoral care and wellbeing
- Positive Behaviours for Learning
- Authentic leadership in action
- Established and valued traditions



Authentic leadership dealing with real life situations and making decisions which impact self and others



TRANSITIONING TO HIGH SCHOOL

*Teacher and parent partnerships
to assist with transition*

- OLPS Parent Information sessions
- Learning Conversations between teachers and parents
- Two way communication between parent and teachers eg What's the Buzz? Here We Grow and Community Connections
- Attending their High School orientation days
- Visiting ex OLPS students
- Teaching students to recognise their feelings around transition and developing social and emotional skills to adapt to change
- Communication with High Schools to support transition

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WHAT TO EXPECT FROM US

Our commitment is to provide:

- the very best teachers in all classes Kindy to Year 6
- ongoing professional learning of our teachers
- student growth in literacy and numeracy
- skills that enable learners to flourish as citizens of the world
- an innovative, creative and inquiry-based approach to learning that is student focused and engaging
- solid transition programs from Kindy to Year 6
- continuous school improvement of facilities, with an emphasis on catering for those senior years at OLPS
- a safe and nurturing environment

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A Call to Action

1. High School decisions are big decisions
2. Parent conversations
3. We are here to support you in your K-6 journey
4. A K-6 OLPS education provides a solid foundation for High School and beyond

In addition to an excellent education, our school provides a caring and nurturing environment for each individual to thrive and be confident learners.

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