Dear Parent and Carers

LEADERSHIP AT OLGc IN 2016

This letter is to inform you of the exciting leadership opportunities available to our Year 6 students in 2016. Student Leadership roles are an important part of life at Our Lady of Good Counsel school as they provide opportunities for students to have a ‘voice’ in what happens throughout the school as well as enabling students to develop their own leadership skills. Student leaders are our role models and have a tremendous opportunity to positively impact their peers and school.

All children in Year 6 will be provided the following opportunities as Senior Leaders of our school:

➢ **December 2015 - Emu Gully Leadership Camp**
A camp designed to prepare the children for leadership in 2016.

➢ **Senior 2016**
To identify our Senior Leaders children are able to have “Senior 2016” screen printed on their sports shirt.

➢ **Leadership Speeches:**
All students will present a speech to staff and their peers and will outline their reasons why they would like to be a leader, what type of leadership qualities they possess and which leadership/ministry role they wish to nominate for.

➢ **Opening Mass & Badge Presentation**
All students in Year 6 will attend the Opening School Mass and Badge Presentation Ceremony.

➢ **Unleashing Personal Potential - Aspire Higher Program:**
The Year 6 program – Aspire Higher is evidence-based and engaging, targeting the following essential areas: Resilience and Persistence; Leadership; Teamwork and Cooperation; Goal Setting; Attitude and Growth Mindsets; Wellbeing and Positive Peer Influence. The program is facilitated by an experienced educator and school administrator and aligned to the Australian Curriculum- Personal and Social Capability.

➢ **Buddy Program**
This program aims at developing positive relationships amongst older and younger students. The senior students are models to the younger students who can learn more about positive school life and school routines from their leaders.

➢ **Transition to High School Program**
This is a vital program to ensure students are skilled and prepared to enter the next stage of their educational journey.

➢ **End of Year Excursion for all Year 6 Leaders**
Years of friendship and leadership come together for students during this celebratory event aimed at instilling long-lasting memories of their years together in primary school.

➢ **Year 6 Graduation Celebration**
This is an occasion that marks the students’ special journey together in a Catholic school where a love of God and the call to act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with God are core messages to carry with them on their life journey.
LEADERSHIP FRAMEWORK

RATIONALE
At Our Lady of Good Counsel, we believe that leadership develops students to their full potential. All Year 6 students are considered to be leaders of the school and are appreciated and encouraged to demonstrate their leadership skills to all in the community.

“This then is what the Lord God asks of you, only this: To act justly; to love tenderly and walk humbly your God.”

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Social Justice/Liturgy Ministry
Sports Ministry
Assembly Ministry
Environment Ministry
Technology Ministry
Library Ministry
Making Jesus Real (MJR) Ministry

CLASS CAPTAINS
## Proposed Year 6 Leadership Ministry Groupings for 2016:

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| SCHOOL CAPTAINS               | 2 Captains                                | • Scheduled meetings with Admin Team, Principal & APRE  
• Represent the school at outside functions  
• Deliver welcome & thank you speeches to special visitors & guest |
| VICE SCHOOL CAPTAINS          | 2 Vice Captains                           |                                                                                                                             |
| SPORTS MINISTRY               | 2 Long Captains  
2 Cahill Captains  
2 Walsh Captain              | • Assist to organise their team  
• Organise sports equipment  
• Build positive team spirit  
• Assist with Carnivals   |
| LIBRARY MINISTRY              |                                           | • Filing/returning of books  
• General library duties  
• Library displays  
• Assist with competitions |
| ASSEMBLY MINISTRY             |                                           | • Take a lead role in conducting assemblies  
• Presentation of Certificates |
| TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY           |                                           | • Assembly setup eg microphones/music/stage seating |
| MAKING JESUS REAL (MJR) MINISTRY |                                           | • To promote the MJR program throughout the school  
• Identifying and celebrating “God Moments”; acts of goodness, concern, compassion, humour, kindness and generosity  
• Being a WESTIE – welcoming, encouraging, saying sorry, saying thank you  
• Sharing and promoting with other students - Good Morning Monday; thank you Tuesday; Winking Wednesday; Thumbs up Thursday; Hi Five Friday  
• Coordinating activities that promote practical care and concern for those in need as part of our Catholic Mission |
| SOCIAL JUSTICE/LITURGY MINISTRY |                                           | • Coordinating activities that promote practical care and concern for those in need as part of our Catholic Mission  
• Ensure the smooth running of school liturgies |
| ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY          |                                           | • Developing garden areas in the school  
• Attending to school sustainability projects  
• Represent OLGC at National Tree Planting Days |

Leadership Ministry teams will meet fortnightly and will work with this ministry for the full school year. The children will be guided and managed by our dedicated staff members who will assist them to learn important leadership skills such as – responsibility, organisation, confidence, teamwork and public speaking.
If you have any questions or concerns in regard to the information provided about our Leadership program for 2016, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Yours sincerely

Sue Carpenter
PRINCIPAL

SENIOR 2016
SCREEN PRINTING

To identify our 2016 Senior Leaders children will have the opportunity to have “Senior 2016” screen printed on their sports shirt.

- SCREEN PRINTING IS ORGANISED BY OFFICE
- COST: $10.00
- SPORTS SHIRT MUST BE CLEARLY NAMED
- SPORTS SHIRT MUST BE CLEAN
- SPORTS SHIRT MUST BE HANDED TO THE OFFICE BY MIDDAY FRIDAY DECEMBER 5
- ONE DELIVERY WILL BE MADE TO PRINTER