



**OUR  
LADY'S  
SCHOOL**  
TERENURE



21st December 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your continued support throughout the first school term. It has been a very busy term and we are delighted that we have made substantial progress with our Dome project. We are very excited to know that the Dome will be up and in use sooner rather than later. We will continue fundraising throughout the year to assist with the funding of the project. The addition of 3 full sized basketball courts, a multi purpose sports area, PE seminar room and changing rooms will really enhance the sports facilities for not only the students but also the local community.

The very high placement of Our Lady's on the school feeder tables has been achieved through the collaborative work of the whole community sharing the same values and clear aims. We excelled by being placed 8th in the Top 10 schools throughout the whole country for the numbers of students who progress to 3rd level education. This reflects our commitment to advancing student educational outcomes and ensuring that our students reach their full potential. We aim to create lifelong learners, students who are curious about the world, find their passions and enhance their life chances through progression to 3rd level. It is a phenomenal achievement to have reached such a high position on the tables. When our students feel connected to the school, their wellbeing is enhanced, which goes hand in hand with academic achievement. Our academic intervention programme is expanding all the time which also promotes our students to take ownership of their learning to reach their target goals.

We were delighted to attend the coffee morning held by the Sisters recently in the convent in aid of the Oasis Centre. So many students baked for the Sisters and those who got an opportunity to visit the convent enjoyed the warm welcome offered by the RCE.

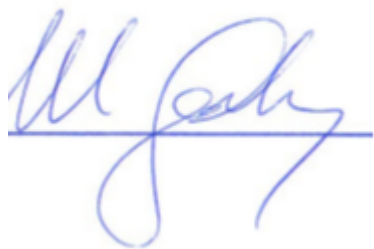
The school APP continues to play a central role in school communications. You can now access your VSWare reports from the APP and it is the only place to send student absences and lates.

We look forward to finishing the school year 2022 with our annual Christmas Carol Ceremony, the House quiz and our 12 Gifts of Christmas raffle in aid of the Sports Dome. A big thank you to all the parents and in particular the Parents' Council who donated the wonderful array of gifts and prizes and for supporting the raffle.

Our thoughts and prayers go to all those who have had bereavements over the past year and also to those unable to spend the festive season with their loved ones.

I wish each and every member of the OLS family a healthy, happy and safe Christmas.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Gorby', is written over a horizontal blue line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Marguerite Gorby  
Principal