Our Lady Star of the Sea, Terrigal



User Guidelines:
Parents and Friends
Facebook Site

Our Lady Star of the Sea community recognises that social media, including Facebook can provide wonderful opportunities for parents and carers to exchange and support each other with information about practical aspects of school life. It can also be utilised to clarify information for parents and carers to assist them in planning for attendance and support of school events. The use of the Our Lady Star of the Sea P&F Facebook Page is designed to support parents in a positive manner through a medium that many modern day families access and use to communicate.

These guidelines should be read in conjunction to the school's policy on <u>Parent and Carer Use of Social Media</u> with appropriate reference to legal and acceptable responsibilities when posting or responding on social media.

- Primarily posts will be created by specifically appointed personnel from the P&F who will assist communication from parents to parents.
- From time to time the school may also post information to assist parents and carers on the P&F Facebook Page.
- The P&F Facebook Page is not designed to be a communication tool to, or about the school.
- Nor is it a forum in which to communicate where grievances or judgments are aired publicly. It is expected that any post responses are responsible and constructive in nature – and serve the broader promotions of the community.
- Responses should be named rather than anonymous and through bona fide accounts.
- Photos of students will not appear on the P&F Facebook page. Whilst the school can and does post photos on the main website or its Twitter account – this is after receiving appropriate parent permission. Due to privacy regulations, the school is not at liberty to share such permission or information with the P&F for its Facebook Page.
- Any post responses that are deemed inappropriate will be deleted as soon as they become known.
- Anyone who suspects responses are posted that are not constructive or responsible is asked to email the Parents & Friends to draw their attention to this at <u>olsospf@gmail.com</u>

Mr Robert Peers.

Principal. August 2015.