Dear Parents,

As the end of the term approaches I would like to thank you all for the support that we have received throughout the term and to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

**Post Fathers Day celebration**

We have had a couple of very successful community events in the last week. On Friday evening about 50 people attended our Post Father’s Day celebration with our guest speaker being Tom Hafey. Tom kept us entertained with stories from his time in football and also the positive message about leading a healthy life. This was followed by footy on the big screen. It was a terrific night and a great opportunity for some of our dads as well as other members of the parish to enjoy each others company.

**Art Show and Celebration of Learning**

On Monday evening we opened our doors to families to come along and look at the wonderful art that the children have been doing as well as the chance to visit the classrooms to have a look at class work and to mingle with other parents and teachers. We never know how many people are going to turn up on these nights as we were a little disappointed with the crowd two years ago. Much to our surprise we had huge numbers turn up and the spirit in the place was fantastic. I don’t think the school has looked better and the teachers and children are to be congratulated on the work that went in to preparing for the night. I have received some lovely emails from parents expressing their thanks for the night.

**Fete meeting**

At 7.30 tonight, Thursday, you are invited to join a group planning the fete for March next year. As I have said in the past we are planning something a little different and your input would be greatly valued. The meeting will take place at the Ball Court Hotel.

**Class Groupings for 2014**

From about week three of next term we will start looking at class groupings. It is my usual practice to invite parents who have issues that they would like to discuss in relation to class groupings to make an appointment to meet with me to discuss these issues. The teachers spend a lot of time and care taking into consideration the many factors that must be addressed so that we have well balanced classes. Factors such as academic, behavioural and social progress are taken in to consideration. Friendships are also taken into account but are not a major factor as friendship groups change all the time. If you would like to discuss any concerns that you have in relation to the class that your child will be in for 2014 please make an appointment to meet with me in the first three weeks of term four. This will be your only opportunity and when the classes have been done they will be finalised.

**Beausang Bore Project**

Several Years ago Rita and Anthony Rocco, Ruth Lethlean and Christine and Bruce Wallace travelled to Kenya to support the work of the Christian Brothers in a very poor area of the East African country. The school in which they worked is putting in a bore in 2014 to extract water fresh drinking water. The cost of the project is $16,000. We have decided that the money raised from our recent walkathon will go towards this project. We will be partnering with Catholic Ladies College in Eltham as well the Christian Brothers to fund the project. The children will be able to see the progress next year and as we already have a connection with the school as well as knowing that 100% of the funds will go directly to the project, I think it is a great initiative. If you would like to find out more information about the school you can check out their website on [www.bbcec.org](http://www.bbcec.org)

Take Care
Paul Hogan
Congratulations Declan!!

Yesterday Declan Berne of 3/4 Harper competed in the 200 metres final at the Meadowglen Athletics track in Epping. Not only did Declan present as the fastest boy in his age group for the Sunbury Zone, he is now Zone champion for the 200 metres. First place!

This is a great achievement for Declan who now goes on to the next phase of competition in the 200m, running against the top runners in the State! Thankyou to his mum Anna for supporting him on the day and the organisers of the VPSSA for coordinating this event.

We wish Declan all the best in his future races in 2013.

Colin Healy

PE leader.

Head Lice ** Head Lice ** Head Lice **

We are currently being advised of numerous cases of Head Lice across all year levels of the school. Could we ask all parents to continually check their children’s hair and to seek appropriate treatment to help combat the spread of lice.

Thank you

Recycling Mobile Phones

Help to save the Gorillas, send your old mobile phones to the school office for recycling.

Parish Thanksgiving: Final quarterly payment of $166.68 for Thanksgiving to be paid by 30 September to qualify for lower school fees in 2014. Please contact the Parish Office on 9744 1060 if you have any further queries.

SCHOOL BANKING

THIS WEEK: 38 students (1 new) banked
$355.10

Great Effort OLMC!

LOST PROPERTY REMINDER

Please check the lost property cupboard located in the MPR as there are numerous items waiting to find their owner!!

A timely reminder to check your children’s clothing to ensure they do not have items belonging to other students.
An important message from the Executive Director of Catholic Education, Melbourne about NAPLAN.

NAPLAN delayed: It will be a few more weeks before parents get their children’s NAPLAN reports after a mistake was found on some Years 5 and 7 student reports for language conventions that affected the national mean. The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) admitted the mistake, saying it was not students’ marks that were wrong.

OSHCLUB—Program Update

Wow last week of term already...this term has flown! We have lots of fun activities planned this week and have a party on Friday after school where we have party pies, sausage rolls and lots of party games planned. We also will be enjoying International food day on Wednesday which includes Turkish bread, Fried Rice and Pavlova! This was a fantastic child suggestion. We will be enjoying lots of Outdoor activities if the weather is nice. Don’t forget that we offer a holiday program at St Annes so if you would like to book in just log on to the website below. Have safe and happy holiday.

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 3 2013

Contact Sally 0400 384 403 if you are unable to attend

| 20th Sept | Maree Webber | Helen Hrkac | Raquel Handley |

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Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0401 850 518
Coordinator: Sarah Parkinson
Assistants: Simone Mosticone
Trudy McConnell
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

HOOPSMART BASKETBALL CAMP
Boardman Stadium—Oct 3 & 4 9.30am—3.00pm  All details: 0406 488 313/admin@hoopsmart.com.au

Get into the Swim of things With the Sunbury Amateur Swimming Club
The oldest and original, swimming club in Sunbury If you’d like to work on your swimming technique, learn new skills, improve your fitness, or get ready for competition, come and try our offer of two free training sessions, before becoming a member. It’s a fun interactive club where the entering of competitions is optional.

For more information, contact Karen Garrard on 0402 267 510. (Free sessions apply to Friday night training 7-8.30pm, Sunbury Aquatic Centre, Ligar St. Sunbury)

SUNBURY SQUARE SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN
Mobile Planetarium comes to Sunbury. Mon 30 Sept to Friday 4 Oct. Session times10.30,11.30,1.00, 2.00 and 3.00. Free of charge .Advance bookings welcome 9740 9400

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

INTERNATIONAL GATHERING: will be held after 10.30am Mass on Sunday 6 October in the Parish Centre. If you would like to read one of the Prayers of the Faithful in your native language, please contact the office, so that we can get the prayer to you asap. All families are encouraged to be part of this annual event. In the parish Centre, people are invited to display their culture. Tables will be set up to reflect important historical people representing various countries. If you would like to contribute to your native nations’ table set up, please contact Garnet for more information. It may be by performing a song or dance. You are welcome to bring a plate of international food to share. Drinks will be sold at the Parish Centre. Please register you details with Garnet Jacob on 0411 286 428 for further information.

PARISH HIGH TEA: will be held on Tuesday October 15 from 1pm to 4pm. (Please note change of date)
Our last event went very well, so please come along and share high tea and a few laughs. We will have the fashion show and a raffle where everyone wins– but there will be a twist this time! Please RSVP to Jo on 9744 1060 by September 23 for catering purposes. Tickets are $30.00. Fashion show will be by Postie Fashions and 10% of sales go to charity.

YOUTH GROUP FUND RAISING: calling all keen bakers!!! Our youth group need your best cake and bake recipes to develop the Parish Cook Book. We are just looking for cakes and sweets at this time (if it goes well, a soup, casserole and curry one will follow). Please drop your recipes into the parish office or email sunbury@cam.org.au. All donations for recipes will be acknowledged in the cookbook. Closing date will be 6 October, so book orders can start being taken immediately. Any family legend recipes to share? Gran’s best apple pie? Aunt Jenny’s chocolate cake?

PARISH POSTIES 4 times a year a Parish newsletter is delivered to every Catholic household in Sunbury. We endeavour to hand deliver them as part of our Parish Neighbourhood Structure. Our Parish has 22 Neighbourhoods and growing. The letter has some news, reflection and a short prayer. Most importantly the letter welcomes and connects us to one another. Our Parish target is that “all feel that they belong and are valued in our Catholic community.” We are asking for Parish Posties to deliver these letters, 4 times a year, can you help? Please let the school office know, many thanks