

Newsletter

Term 4 Week 1 Thursday, 8 October 2020

Principal's Message principal@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to term 4. I hope you have been able to find time to read the information I sent out via email and Seesaw yesterday regarding what will be in place at school for the students' return. The protocols come directly from the State Government directives. Hopefully in the coming weeks we will receive even more good news and are able to see our families and friends. I am hoping this term will be filled with a love of learning, building of relationships and the creation of happy memories.

It is important to note that just because the children are back at school, they won't necessarily feel 'back to normal'. One of the positives that has come out of remote learning include increased family bonding, student independence and self management and prioritising what is important. I have spoken to several parents who are grateful for the time they have been able to spend with their children. There have obviously been the negatives as well: balancing school and work commitments, student engagement and social isolation. We will be spending a great deal of time building up those staff/student and student/student relationships and routines. It is not a matter of 'catching up' but moving the students on at their point of need. Wellbeing and connection are the foundation on which this can happen.

Pupil Free Days

School Address

53 Macedon St

Sunbury 3429

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Term 4

Fri. October 23rd

*Grand Final Eve

Mon November 2nd

*Report writing day

Tue November 3rd

*Cup Day

We acknowledge that:

- 'It's not business as usual'
- * We are re-building stamina in students and ourselves for a 'normal school day'
- * Students may be experiencing anxiety, fear and a sense of loss
- * At home, students have generally had more freedom and unstructured time.

These are the main points for you to remember:

- * Students are to enter (and depart through the gate allocated to their surname)
- * If you have borrowed a device from school please remember to return these, Monday at the latest.
- * Students will need their school hats on Monday. We have some for sale at the office. They will also need their own drink bottle as the bubble taps cannot be used.

Term Dates

Term 4:

5th October -

16th December

Happy birthday to these children who celebrate their birthday this week:

Madilyn Grech

Morgan Harper

Cooper Sellwood

Mason Searle



This Sunday we celebrate the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

As Jesus says at the end of this story, "Many are called, but few are chosen." Many were called and invited to attend the banquet. But more than that was expected of them. They had to answer the call by saying a total "yes" to Jesus. We are all called to live out in our lives and in our relationships, what we claim to believe in. During this time of prayer can I be honest with God about how much I believe? "Lord I believe, help my unbelief".



I look forward to seeing you very soon!

God Bless,

Julie