Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of the first term I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday period. I would like to thank you all for your support throughout the term and to congratulate the children on the way that they have settled in to the new year and for the manner in which they have participated in school activities. Easter is one of the Church’s most significant seasons and I would encourage you to take the children to Church to celebrate the Easter season with the rest of the parish.

Trivia Night.
On Saturday evening about 80 parents and staff came together for a fun night of competition and dancing. I would like to thank the members of the PTFA who organised the night and especially Bridgit Price who did a lot of work in the lead up to night. Thanks also to our sponsors who donated prizes and to Peter Price and Louise and Chris Mentor who helped with the setting up of the Parish Centre. I am not sure of the final figure that was raised but I will let you know.

Enrolments for 2016
Enrolments for Prep 2016 are now open and will close on 30th April. Yesterday we had two information sessions at the Parish Centre which were very well attended. We have an Open Day on Thursday 16th April with sessions at 9.30am and 7.00pm. At these sessions you will have the opportunity to hear from some of our curriculum leaders as well as a tour around the school and it’s facilities. Enrolment forms can be picked up from the office.

Uniform
When we come back from holiday we enter in to a transition phase from summer to winter uniform. As we are a Sunsmart School, children are expected to wear their hats until 30th April. From this date children are all expected to be in their winter uniform. Until the 30th April the children may choose to wear summer or winter uniform depending on the weather. Also could I remind parents that we need the children in their correct uniform every day. We have a few children wearing their runners on days when they are not doing sport. It is also a requirement that the children bring their school bag supplied by the uniform shop. No brand name bags are to be used.

Japanese Festival
Every second year we celebrate a Japanese Festival. The children really enjoy this day and Sensei Osborne goes to a lot of trouble to ensure that the children throughout the school are exposed to the culture of Japan. This year the festival will be 22nd April which is week 2 or term 2. The children are asked to get in the spirit of the day by dressing up. More information will be coming home soon.

School Wide Positive Behaviours
On Tuesday, some of our teachers and myself joined with 16 other schools to learn more about a Catholic Education Office Initiative called School Wide Positive Behaviours. It is not a program but a change of mindset where everything we do and say should be framed in a positive way. We are quite a way down the track due to work which we started last year and the children have already been exposed to our 3Rs of Respect, Resilience, and Responsibility. It will be a matter of taking things further and using the information in the grids to teach lessons about the various values.

Easter Raffle
Today we drew the Easter raffle and thanks to your support we had 45 very happy faces at my door today. Thanks also to our helpers who put the hampers together. Thanks also to the families who returned their raffle tickets. It is a great way of raising very important funds.

Take Care
Paul Hogan
**Terrific Kid**

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<td>For being a maths super star!</td>
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**Assembly 2.45 in the Multi Purpose Room—ALL WELCOME**

Assembly Roster Term 1

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**LOST PROPERTY**

The lost property cupboard in the MPR is once again at capacity, with school clothing (jumpers & rugby tops) and food/drink containers **(most are unnamed)**.

A timely reminder to:

- name all school clothing and food/drink containers clearly with your child's name. If the clothing has been passed on from an ex OLMC family, please change this to your child’s name.
- Check that the clothing your child brings home is not labelled with another student's name
- If the cupboard is not cleared by the end of term we will have a gold coin clothing sale with proceeds going to Vinnies.
Our Lady Of Mt Carmel School OPEN DAY
Thursday 16th April 2015
9.30am & 7.00pm
Guided School Tours
Curriculum and Enrolment information

PTFA MOTHERS DAY DINNER
Mothers Day Dinner bookings are now open!
This years event is on Friday 15 May at 7pm for a 7.30 pm start until midnight.....with a new DJ and if enough people confirm there will be other surprise entertainment.....!
So bring a friend, a sister, a past mum or a future mum. You can book a table of 8-10 people as well.
Tickets are $65 each and include a 3 course meal and drinks at bar prices. The venue is Pitruzello Estate just outside Sunbury.
Please message/text me for questions or bookings on 0419 771 717
LAURA HUGHES

Loreto Book Stall
Don’t forget the Loreto Book stall is on tomorrow. Bring a silver or gold coin to buy a book and raise money for Caritas this lent.
Bullying
Continuing on with the theme of bullying, this week we will be covering both the rationale and the implementation of the bullying policy. The information detailed below is an abridged version and please feel free to ask for the policy in full.

Anti Bullying Policy

RATIONALE
The school will provide a positive culture where bullying is not accepted, and in so doing, all will have the right of respect from others, the right to learn or to teach, and a right to feel safe and secure in their school environment.

Aims
To promote a bully free school.
To ensure a safe environment for all members of our school.
To provide students with strategies and skills to respond to bullying in an appropriate manner.
To reinforce within the school community what bullying is, its inherent consequences and the fact that it is unacceptable.
Everyone within the school community to be alert to signs and evidence of bullying and to have a responsibility to report it to staff whether as observer or victim.
To ensure that all reported incidents of bullying are followed up appropriately in a consistent restorative manner and that support is given to both victims and perpetrators.
Ensure immediate parental and peer-group support and co-operation.

IMPLEMENTATION
Parents, teachers, students and the community will be aware of the school’s position on bullying. The school will adopt a three phase approach to bullying.

Phase One:
PD for staff every two years through outside agencies.
School community awareness and input relating to bullying, its characteristics and the school’s programs and response through communication channels.
Provide programs that promote resilience, life and social skills, assertiveness, conflict resolution and problem solving
A bullying survey and yard survey carried out and followed through at least once annually.
Each classroom teacher to clarify the school policy on anti-bullying at the start of each term
SRC, staff and students to promote a “Bully Free Zone”.

Phase Two:
Promote the reporting of bullying incidents
Teachers reminding students to report incidents, and that reporting is not dobbing.
Encourage parents to contact school, through The Communication Process, if they become aware of a problem.
Remind children that our designated quiet place for children to access is The Quiet Area.
Public recognition and reward for positive behaviour and resolution of problems.
The Leadership Team will monitor all reported bullying incidents.
Issues identified through the Bullying Survey will be addressed.
Phase Three:
when the Bullying is identified as ongoing and/or serious
The child is sent to the Principal.
When bullying is noted, the Principal initiates a Restorative Student Support Group meeting with all involved.
Dependant upon the outcome of the meeting A Behaviour Modification Plan may be implemented for the aggressor/s and may include reparation and/or community service. Reconciliation will need to be sought between victim and aggressor.

Consequences may involve any or all of the following:-
- exclusion from class and/or yard.
- withdrawal of privileges.
- ongoing counselling from appropriate agency for both victim and bully.
- school suspension.

The school will also conduct ongoing monitoring of identified bullies / victims. If the RSS group recommend it or think it necessary we will refer the student (either victim and/or bully) to outside Counselling Agencies. There will be continued feedback to ALL parents involved.

Wishing all families a happy and holy Easter and enjoy the time spent with your children.

If you have any further questions about the SWB team, the CASEA program or anything mentioned today please don’t hesitate to contact Ann Douglas (adouglas@olmcunbury.catholic.edu.au).

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday 27th April at 8:10am in the LRC. All are welcome. Come and see what we do!

Good Luck!

The SWB team
RE NEWS:

The Passion of Christ: Faith and Integrity.
Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

“No my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!”

Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.” The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

Our Mission:

Children often ask in RE classes about the hard choices Jesus made and why each year we remember the sacrifice he made on our behalf. In this gospel passage we find Jesus saying his mission was to glorify the name of God. Both human and divine in nature Jesus felt troubled and asked for God’s support. The presence of the spirit is evident in the voice of God thundering out; like at his Baptism and transfiguration, we find God supporting the actions and mission of his son.

As we celebrate this Easter season may we support our children in the true meaning of Easter and reflect on our own Christian mission and our duty as people of faith.

Term 2: Dates of Importance in the Faith Life of our School and Parish

April: 18-19th Our Father Prayer card presented at Weekend masses to First Holy Communion candidates.
April 21st-22nd: Parent/Child Meal Nights for First Holy Communion candidates.
April 25th: ANZAC Day – 100 year anniversary.
April 28th: Parenting in Faith – St.Annes Prep PJ night.
April 29th -Parenting in Faith – OLMC Prep PJ night.

IMAGES FROM OUR HOLY WEEK GALLERY WALK
COMMUNITY NEWS:

HOOPSMART Basketball school holiday camp. Boardman stadium, Sunbury. All levels, Boys & Girls, 6-14 years March 30 & 31. Register at hoopsmart.com.au or call 0406 488 313 for more info.

SUNBURY COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT 2015 Tuesday April 21st at 7pm Phone 9744 1066 for more information

BUNNINGS EASTER FAMILY NIGHT Thursday March 26th 6pm—8pm. Easter DIY workshops. Visit from Easter Bunny, Easter egg hunt, Easter activities for the whole family. Light refreshments provided. Bookings recommended—speak to a team member in store or go to www.bunnings.com.au

OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

Dear parents,

I can’t believe we are already at the end of term one! It has gone to quick. In saying that I would like to
Wish everyone safe holidays.
For families that need St Anne’s holiday program please contact Lisa on the St Anne’s holiday program On 0431104999 or contact head office on 85649000 as it is Important for us to have correct number of staffing per children. Last week children all worked well in group activities I would like to also thank all my wonderful assistance for their great work efforts
OSH program phone: 0401 850 51

Coordinator: Barbara Mosticone
Assistant : Chelsea Millardship, .Alannah Moule
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.

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

School Banking Day is TUESDAY
This week 82 students ( 1 new) banked $637.90. WOW !!