



Newsletter

Thursday, 15 February 2018

Principal's Message

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Dear Parents,

The weeks just seem to be getting busier and busier. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who helped out with making the pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. The children had a wonderful time and learnt all about the history of the day, while enjoying delicious pancakes!

Yesterday marked the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time where we can reflect on the things that matter the most in our lives and how there are times when we take for granted the people we love the most. It is a time to say sorry and follow in the footsteps of Jesus. It is also a time for almsgiving. What can we offer others?

*The State Government has mandated that all parents are to be informed if their child is absent from school, when the absence is unreported or unexplained. In response to this Legislation we need to ensure that parents are contacting the school when their child is absent or arriving late. **I urge parents to report their child's absence or late arrival via the Flexibuzz app or telephone before 9.00am.** If we do not hear from you, expect a phone call. It is preferable that parents make the contact as I am sure you can appreciate that following up numerous absences will become very time consuming and expensive. If you have not downloaded the Flexibuzz app please do so now. If you have any issues, instructions are available at the office. All parents should have the app as we also use it in case of emergencies.*

To assist us and also to avoid receiving unnecessary messages we ask you to do the following:

- * Download the OLMC Flexibuzz app from the app store
- * If your child is to be absent or late, let us know via the Flexibuzz app
- * If you change your contact details please notify the office immediately
- * Ensure your child is at school by 8:55 or they will be marked absent and you will be receiving a phone call

We have a number of upcoming events that I would like to bring to your attention. The PTFA have been working tirelessly behind the scenes. We will have a casual clothes day on Friday 9th March. Students are asked to bring along donations for the Easter Raffle on this day. From there, hampers will be made up and raffle tickets will be distributed to each family. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 28th March.

Our first big fundraiser of the year will be the OLMC Colour Run on Friday 23rd March. More details will follow very soon. It should be a great day with lots of fun and a wonderful opportunity to kick off the fundraising for the year.

Our next big event for you to mark in the calendar is the OLMC Bunnings BBQ on Saturday 31st March. More information will follow but we will be asking for volunteers to help out on the day. As it is the Easter weekend, I realise many people will be away so it is important for those of us who are around to really help out. If you are unable to attend a small cash donation would be greatly appreciated so that we can purchase the sausages, bread and drinks. Alternatively, you might like to donate some of the required items. Every little bit helps.

Please note that the PTFA meeting will now be on Monday 5th March 6pm – 7pm, followed by the Board meeting 7pm – 8pm.

The first day of next term – the 16th April – will be a school closure day. On this day, our staff will work with the staff from St Anne's and the Parish, as well as Father Kevin. Our focus will be on the role of the media with Father Richard Leonard. Dates for any further school closure dates for the year will be published in the next couple of weeks.

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2018 Term Dates

Term 1

January 29—March 29

Easter

(March 30—2 April)

Term 2

April 16– June 29

Term 3

July 16— Sept. 21

Term 4

October 8— Dec.21

Labour Day

Holiday

March 12

School

Closure Day

Monday April
16th

Parking at the front of the school continues to cause issues. I am still trying to get someone from Hume Council to come and conduct a traffic report. In the mean time, entry is from the corner of Jackson Street only, and exit on to Macedon Street. Please be aware of the bus zone at the Police Station end of the car park. This impacts the direction of our traffic. I also urge you all to be patient with one another. There is no need to abuse other parents. Remember the children's safety is the most important issue at hand. Please park your car before your children even open the door. I appreciate your cooperation.

Next week we will have an evaluation drill so that the whole school can practise for the possibility of an emergency. On this occasion we will only evacuate to the area outside Father Kevin's house. I will keep you informed via the Flexibuzz app and the children will be well prepared.

A reminder that no child should be waiting near the stage and adventure playground before school. All children must wait on the other side of the church where they are supervised.

This Sunday we will celebrate the 1st Sunday in Lent

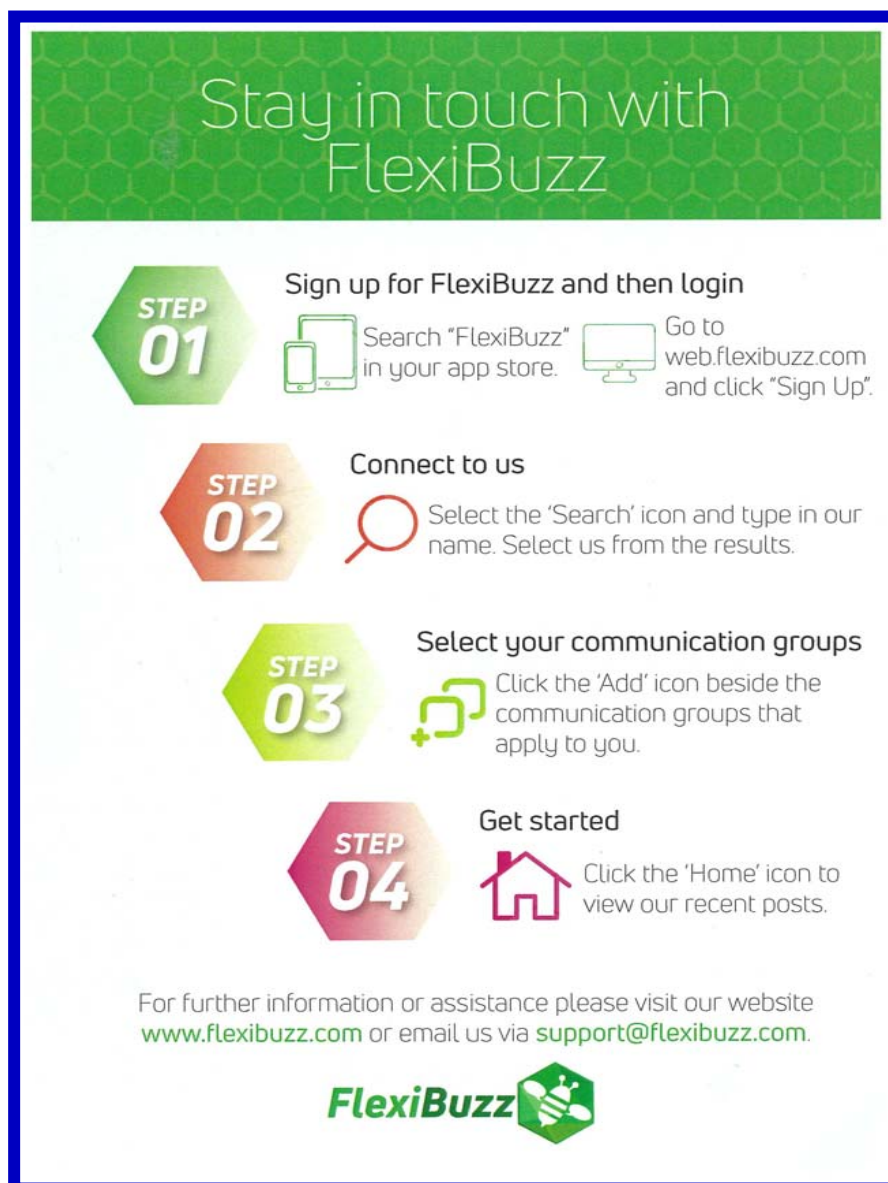
Gospel

Mark 1:12-15

He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

Enjoy the week

Julie



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Please put the following dates to remember in your diary

IMPORTANT DATES—2018	
February	Term 1
20	Eucharist Registration & Information Session - 7.30 pm
21	Eucharist Registration & Information Session—2.00pm
22	Zone Swimming Carnival
23	Prep Paraliturgy - 10.30 am
26	Athletics Trials (Year 3—6)
26	Classroom Literacy Parent Helper Workshop 9.10 am— LRC
March	
2	Wellbeing Expo 4—7 pm
5	PTFA Meeting—6pm—7pm School Advisory Board Meeting—7pm
9	Casual Clothes Day
12	Labour Day Public Holiday
13—14	Year 3/4 Camp
14	Prep 2019 Information Sessions—Parish Centre 10.30am & 7.30pm
15	Zone Athletics Carnival Prep Parenting in Faith Evening
18	Prep Family Mass (St Annes Church)—10.30am
19	School Photos
21	School Open Day for 2019 Enrolments - 9.30 am & 7.30pm
22	District Swimming Carnival
23	OLMC Colour Run
29	End of Term 1—3.15
30	Good Friday
31	Bunnings BBQ
April	
1	Easter Sunday
16	School closure day
17	Term 2 begins

PRAYER ROSTER—Term 1

Monday 2.45 pm OLMC Church—ALL WELCOME

Date	Class Presenting Prayer
February 19	3/4CC
February 26	1/2 JM
March 19	5/6 S
March 26	3/4TC

SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep N	Lucas Flinn	For being respectful to others
Prep R	Tahlia Bekker	For showing determination and resilience in her learning
1/2 H	Lachlan Kiss	For being resilient
1/2 JM	Zac Chiodo	For being so resilient and building his writing stamina
1/2MT	Lewis Lupson	For showing exceptional responsibility in class.
3/4 CC	Aiden Walters	For being a responsible and respectful class member who helps others.
3/4 D	Olivia Kimball	For being a responsible and resilient learner
3/4TC	Emma Derriman	For having a responsible attitude towards her work
5/6R	Lily Pucar	For a great start in the senior area
5/6S	Chelsea Carruthers	For a magnificent start to Year 5! What a star!
5/6ST	Logan Inserra	For an outstanding beginning to the school year and being responsible for his own learning

This week's **Waste Watcher** is

Julia Saloman



Keep up the **Green Work** everyone

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 1, 2018

16 th Feb	Louise Vasey Rhonda Searle Cathy Carter	9 th Mar	Trudy Law Raquel Handley Anna Marinacic
23 rd Feb	Michele Shalders Nat Grant Liz Fahy	16 th Mar	Margaret Pietromonaco Leanne Urbon Paula Jarksi
2 nd Mar	Denise Debrincat Vacancy Vacancy	23 rd Mar	Adele Dichiero Dani Caruana Renee Ridington

Thank you for volunteering to help in the Canteen, it would be impossible without you! Please arrive at Canteen at approximately 11.00, and your assistance will be required until around 2.30pm. If you have long hair, please tie it back, and remember to sign in at the office before coming to the Canteen. Your lunch will be provided on the day.

If you are unable to attend on your rostered day please ring Sally on 0400 384 403, as soon as possible so a replacement can be arranged.

I look forward to seeing you,

Sally Hewitt-Tacey

SCHOOL UNIFORM NEWS

SCHOOL HATS Slouch & Legionnaire styles - \$10 each ****limited sizes**

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Appointments available:

Monday 5 March	12.00 pm – 7.30 pm
Tuesday 6 March	12.00 pm – 7.30 pm
Wednesday 7 March	1.00 pm – 7.30 pm
Thursday 8 March	12.00 pm – 7.30 pm
Friday 9 March	8.00 am – 3.30 pm

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