



Newsletter

Term 1 Week 7 Thursday, 15 March 2018

Principal's Message

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Dear Parents,

This week we celebrate Catholic Education Week. It is a time for us to reflect on the important role we play in helping to develop our children's faith and attitude towards social justice. Tomorrow a group of year 6 students will celebrate Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, along with over a thousand students from Catholic schools across Melbourne.

I would like to invite all parents to come to our PTFA AGM. It is the beginning of a new era and we are looking to restructure the way the PTFA has been running. It is important for all families to be involved in the life of the school. If you have any ideas for fundraising and building community spirit, please come along and share your ideas. Don't be concerned that you will be forced into being the next president. If you can commit to one idea for the year, it would be greatly appreciated. The meeting will be held on Wednesday 28th March at 7pm. Hopefully the staff room will be too small for the number of people in attendance!

Congratulations to Riley Coughlan, Jameson Haxby, Alex Fish, Harry Jones and Emma Joyce who have completed at the next level of the swimming competitions this week. We are very proud of you.

The District Athletics Carnival is taking place at Boardman Reserve today. I wish all of our competitors the very best. Thank you to Mr Healy for organising the team. Results will follow next week.

The Year 3/4 students had a wonderful time at camp this week. I was fortunate to spend Tuesday with them. Camp is so important in helping to develop children's social and emotional skills, including resilience and independence and it is something they always remember about their time at school.

Thank you for the donations for the Easter raffle. It is not too late to bring something in, if you haven't already done so. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 28th March so don't forget to return your tickets and money.

Excitement continues to build for our Colour Fun Run next Friday 23rd March at 2:15pm. I have been receiving notification of donations that have been made through the website. It is not too late to register. It is also possible to collect donations through the paper forms. Just \$10 per child would be a great start.

The Coles Sports for Schools campaign has only a few weeks to go. Thank you to the families who keep filling the box! Please keep the vouchers coming.

If you have a child who will be starting prep next year please collect an enrolment form from the office as enrolments are now open. Please spread the word in the kinders as well. We had a Parish information session last night and we have our school Open Day sessions at 9:30am and 7:30pm next Wednesday 21st March.

This Sunday we celebrate the 5th Sunday of Lent:

Gospel

John 12:20-30

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Enjoy the week

Julie

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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

School

Closure Day

Monday April
16th

SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep N	Lenny Lepua	For showing resilience in class and during sport
Prep R	Sonika Gooriah	For using determination when writing a recount
1/2 H	Madison Jarski	For being a responsible learner in class
1/2 JM	William Chapman	For being super focused during Writing and giving his very best! Well done William!
1/2MT	Levi Pansino	For having a positive attitude to his writing.
3/4 CC	All 3/4CC	For being great role models of the 3R's on camp and working together as a team!
3/4 D	Madalyn Moloney	For demonstrating great resilience on camp by having a growth mindset and being positive.
3/4TC	Jaida Anthony	For being resilient while on camp
5/6R	Tara Murphy	For always being a responsible and respectful worker
5/6S	Charlotte Loft	For being such a self-motivated, focussed and enthusiastic learner!
5/6ST	Riley Coughlan	For being determined to make the right learning choices for himself.

This week's **Waste Watcher** is

Ambrosia Caruana

KEEP UP THE GREEN WORK EVERYONE



*At OLMC we are working on 8 learning dispositions. Learning dispositions are attitudes to learning or ways of thinking about learning. One of our dispositions is **curiosity**.*

A learner who shows curiosity...

- asks questions
- learns from other sources
- always wonders
- wants to know more



A neurological study has shown that curiosity makes our brains more receptive for learning, and that as we learn, we enjoy the sensation of learning.



"The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing." -- Albert Einstein

It's no secret that curiosity makes learning more effective and enjoyable. Curious students not only ask questions, but also actively seek out the answers. Without curiosity, Sir Isaac Newton would have never formulated the laws of physics, Alexander Fleming probably wouldn't have discovered penicillin, and Marie Curie's pioneering research on radioactivity may not exist. Research has even shown that curiosity is just as important as intelligence in determining how well students do in school.

For more info on this study : <https://www.edutopia.org/blog/why-curiosity-enhances-learning-marianne-stenger>

So what can you do to encourage the disposition of curiosity in your child?

Be a good role model. Whenever a question pops into your head, ask it out loud. “I wonder what makes this spaghetti sauce taste so good?” “Why was there hail in that thunderstorm?” “What makes the dog get so excited after a bath?” Then, together with your children, try to find the answers.

Answer questions. It’s true; sometimes you simply don’t have time to answer every single question your child has for you. But don’t get into the habit of replying with a non-answer like “Because I said so” or “That’s just the way things are.” Give your child an answer or explanation whenever possible, and try to engage him in discussion afterward. If you *don’t* have an answer, try responding with something like, “Actually, I don’t know the answer to that. Let’s try to find one together. Where do you think we should start?” You don’t want your child to learn that his curiosity will never be rewarded!

Don’t micromanage. Let your child engage in open-ended play. Don’t always tell her *how* to do something (e.g., “Color only in this direction,” or, “Here’s what you need to do to build a fort underneath the kitchen table”). Let her figure things out for herself. Often, you’ll be pleasantly surprised—or even amazed—by the results.

Give your child tools. Give your kids the ability to pursue the things they’re curious about on their own. When it’s age appropriate, teach them how to use Internet searches (perhaps with parental controls in place) and libraries. Try to help them build a good home library, too, because you never know when a question about outer space, insects, or ancient Rome will pop up!

Banish “boring.” In other words, cut the “B-word” out of your vocabulary. Don’t label activities or situations as “boring,” because you don’t want your child to think that boredom is okay. Instead, encourage your child to *find* something interesting if he isn’t stimulated. Curious people are never bored because they have the ability to look around and ask questions: “Why is this the way it is? How did it get that way? What can it tell me about the world?”

For more ideas: <https://www.howtolearn.com/2013/05/10-tips-to-help-develop-your-childs-curiosity/>

Please put the following dates to remember in your diary

IMPORTANT DATES—2018	
	Term 1
March	
15	Zone Athletics Carnival Prep Parenting in Faith Evening –6.30pm
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 Fun Run—2.15pm
28	Easter Raffle drawn PTFA AGM—7pm
29	End of Term 1—3.15
30	Good Friday
31	Bunnings BBQ
April	
1	Easter Sunday
	Term 2
16	School Closure Day
17	Term 2 begins
18—20	Year 5/6 Camp
27	2019 prep enrolments close

PRAYER ROSTER—Term 1

Monday 2.45 pm OLMC Church—ALL WELCOME

Date	Class Presenting Prayer
March 19	5/6 S
March 26	3/4TC

2019 OLMC PREP ENROLMENT INFORMATION

Enrolment packs will be available at sessions and school office

March 21 OLMC School Open Day - 9.30 & 7.30 (repeated sessions)

April 27th Enrolments Close

Bridging through Art: A Creative Transition program for Grade 6 students

We are excited to provide grade 6 students with the opportunity to engage in a creative arts-based program designed to help them navigate the transition from primary school into high school. Spread across three sessions - past, present, and future - the program is designed to encourage students to reflect on their primary school experience, explore their present feelings, and envision the high school experience they would like to have. The aim of the program is focussed on providing the means for developing emotional expression, personal empowerment, and sense of direction.

The 'Bridging through Art' program is comprised of three sessions which will occur:

Dates: Term 3 & Term 4

Time: After school hours

Cost: \$150 per student to cover all three sessions, art materials, and guided instruction

Sessions are facilitated by Noor Shehabi, a registered psychologist with specialised training in art therapy and experience working in the primary school sector. The program is open to any Grade 6 students that are beginning high school in 2019 (numbers are limited).

If you would like to find out more information or reserve a space for your school to off this program, please contact me

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SCHOOLPIX will be here on MONDAY MARCH 19th

PHOTO DAY TIPS:

Dress: Clean and tidy as per school uniform guidelines

Hair: Neat and swept off face

Online Orders: To pre-order online, take your personal Order and ID Numbers found on your order form and go to www.schoolpix.com.au. Orders can be placed online up to 2 working days after photography. *You do not need to return the order form if you order online.*

Remember: All orders placed online before midnight on photography day will receive a free 20cm x 25cm black and white portrait print.

Sibling Orders: For a special photo of your children together order online by **8am** on photography day. Alternatively collect a Sibling Order Form from the office or download it from the SchoolPix website and return it on photography day. Only siblings that place an order will be photographed.

If you have any questions call SchoolPix on 1300 766 055 or email help@schoolpixx.com.au

Bookclub

Dear Parents,

The second issue of Ashton Scholastic Bookclub has been sent home today with your child. All orders for Issue 1 need to be returned, or finalised online, by recess on Friday 16th March.

As a result of purchases from Issue 1 we have been able to choose \$356.00 worth of books for free. These books will be used in classrooms and in our library.

Thankyou

Trish Cairns

Volunteers Required

OLMC PTFA requires volunteer assistance with the fundraising BBQ at Bunnings on Saturday 31st March (Easter Saturday). If you can spare 2 hours to help out your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Time slots are 8-10, 10-12, 12-2 and 2-finish (about 4/4:30)

If you are able to help please contact Narelle on 0419 006 671 and leave a message with your name, contact number and preferred time slot



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Afternoon Mass: as at 4 March, celebration of this Mass returns to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church at 5pm.

PARISH EVENT— ST PATRICK'S DAY 2018 : The Ripcords will be rocking up a storm in our **Parish Centre on Saturday 17 March— St Patrick's Day.** We will have Irish dancing display and lots of other fun. The band play a mixture of music from the 50's, 60's and 70's so get ready to dance the night away! BYO food and drink . We also have an Irish Dancing Troup performing on the night. **Tickets can be bought from the Parish Office at \$20 per head.** Time: 7.30pm. All proceeds will go to the Parish Overseas Humanitarian Project to support the HIV/AIDS affected orphans in Jakarta.



Our Lady of Mt Carmel PS

PREP MUMS 2018

Dinner & Drinks

FRIDAY
16TH MARCH
2018

THE WINE BAR
Macedon St Sunbury

RSVP BY TEXT TO

6.30 pm onwards

Kiera 0402766178 or
Taryn 0409958260

Hope to see you all there



6.30pm onwards



Save the Date

FOR THE ANNUAL PTFA

Mother's Day Dinner

FRIDAY 11TH MAY 2018 AT 7:00PM

♥ Further information to follow ♥



OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 1, 2018

16 th Mar	Margaret Pietromonaco Leanne Urbon Paula Jarski	23 rd Mar	Adele Dichiera Dani Caruana Renee Ridington
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DUE TO THE EARLIER LUNCH TIME (1.15PM) PLEASE ARRIVE FOR TUCK SHOP DUTY AT 10.45AM

Thank you for volunteering to help in the Canteen, it would be impossible without you! Please arrive at Canteen at 10.45am, 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 BANKING NEWS—School Banking day is Tuesday

This week 31 students banked \$233.40

Fantastic Effort Everyone

The School receives 5% of all deposits from the Commonwealth Bank, so thank you to all who bank regularly and we encourage new deposits so we can raise more funds for our School!

SCHOOL UNIFORM NEWS

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

SCHOOL SOCKS Anklet style sizes 9-12 & 13-3 - \$4.00

Are available for sale from the school office

Cash only—correct money appreciated



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COMMUNITY NEWS

**BASKETBALL
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP**

AGES 6-12 YEARS **\$139*** FOR TWO DAYS

***EARLY BIRD SPECIAL:**
Register and pay before
15TH March 2018

HOOP SMART
Ahead of the Game!

GRASS ROOTS

9TH & 10TH APRIL 2018 | 9.30am - 3pm
SUNBURY BOARDMAN STADIUM

Register at www.hoopsmart.com.au by 8TH APRIL 2018

SUN FEST This weekend at The Village Green is SunFest (Sunbury Community Festival). On Sunday March 18th starting at 8am, we will have a 2k Kids Colour Run, 5k Walk/ Run and 10k Run Event. Come along and help us raise money for Challenge - Supporting Kids with Cancer and CareWorks Sun-Ranges - supporting those in need. Medallions available to all participants.

For further info please email; walkrun@sunfest.org.au or find us on Facebook; <https://www.facebook.com/sunfest.sunbury>

Registrations can also be made at;
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/sunfest-runfest-tickets-42857836944?ref=eios&aff=eios>

SUNBURY JUNIOR FIRE BRIGADE



Are you aged between 11-16, then come along to see what the Sunbury Junior Fire Brigade is all about.

Every Thursday evening

7pm to 8:30pm.

Located at Sunbury Fire Station Cnr of Elizabeth Drive & Gap Road Sunbury.

For more information please call:

Frank Brown: 0407 324 638

Murray Cross: 0417 385 441

