

# Newsletter

Term 4 Week 5 Thursday, 8 November

Principal's Message

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53 Macedon St Sunbury 3429 9740 7344 Dear Parents,

I hope you were able to enjoy some time off with your family over the long weekend. Many of our families took the opportunity to get away for a few days. It is such a busy time of the year and will only get busier!

We are getting closer to sorting out the staffing for next year so stay tuned. If you need to contact me about any concerns for 2019 please do so in the next couple of weeks as we have already started thinking about classes.

Last Friday the SRC organised a drought relief fundraiser to support the farmers. We raised over \$400 and I would like to thank you for your generosity.

I found a very interesting article on the weekend about bullying. I have had several prospective parents asking me about bullying. The national definition of bullying for Australian schools says:

Bullying is an **ongoing** and **deliberate** misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening.

Bullying can happen in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time (for example, through sharing of digital records)

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

While many parents are rightly concerned about how we handle bullying at OLMC, I would like to draw your attention to the following article from The Herald Sun on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018. It is essential that you know what your child is doing online, the sites they are visiting and the strangers they are connecting with. At school we have a monitoring program that allows teachers to log in at any time to see what the children are doing.

In films, the stalker is typically a shadowy figure who lurks in bushes or stealthily tip-toes behind their prey. But with children now spending more time in "online playgrounds", through phone apps and social media, parents are finding it more difficult to spot the real dangers.

Gippsland siblings Matilda, 12, and Brock, 14, said they were lucky to have support from their teachers and parents when teasing escalated to bullying and then stalking. Matilda was in grade 3 when she began being followed and tormented by other girls. The persistent pestering lasted six months and the once-bubbly youngster became withdrawn and afraid to go to school.

"I felt scared because they were always there," she said.

"I don't think anyone deserves that." Now in grade 6, Matilda has witnessed bullying move from the schoolyard to online where it is more difficult for parents to monitor activity.

## 2018 Term Dates

Term 1

Jan.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.19

School
Closure Day
TERM 4

December 3

Parents Leigh and Kelly said they tried to remain open with their children and thought it important to stay up to date with new apps. They backed their children's school's decision to ban phones at lunchtime and recess.

"We've always told them to be honest with us and that they can always come to us," Kelly said.

#### WHAT TO DO?

Document the stalking, including saving messages and taking screenshots of online comments Parents should monitor phone and internet use and learn about new apps popular with children Block the person and do not engage Raise the issue with the school Contact police Seek advice from your doctor Call Victims of Crime helpline on 1800 819 817

A reminder that we will be having a Working Bee on the 16<sup>th</sup> November. Please come along as many hands make light work. Mark sent home a form last week. Please return it to school as soon as possible.

This Sunday Is Remembrance Day. We take time out to remember and pray for the people who have made enormous sacrifices for our future.

Remembrance Day has a special significance in 2018. Sunday, 11 November 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18).

One hundred years ago, on 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders signed an Armistice, bringing to an end the First World War. From the summer of 1918, the five divisions of the Australian Corps had been at the forefront of the allied advance to victory. Beginning with their stunning success at the battle of Hamel in July, they helped to turn the tide of the war at Amiens in August, followed by the capture of Mont St Quentin and Pèronne, and the breaching of German defences at the Hindenburg Line in September. By early October the exhausted Australians were withdrawn from battle. They had achieved a fighting reputation out of proportion to their numbers, but victory had come at a heavy cost. They suffered almost 48,000 casualties during 1918, including more than 12,000 dead.

In the four years of the war more than 330,000 Australians had served overseas, and more than 60,000 of them had died. The social effects of these losses cast a long shadow over the post war decades.

Each year on this day Australians observe one minute's silence at 11am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

**Quote of the week** - "If we teach today's students as we taught yesterday's, we are robbing them of tomorrow". - John Dewey

This Sunday we celebrate the 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:

## Gospel

Mk 12:38-44

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

Have a great week,

Julie



### **OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL**

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## NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

8th November, 2018.

Dear Parents/Guardians

We wish to advise that a student in our school community is currently preparing for a heart operation. He will be attending school until this occurs in December 2018.

As a consequence of treatment this student's ongoing health is at risk if he comes in contact with infectious diseases, in particular chicken pox, measles or mumps. If your son or daughter is suspected of having one of these illnesses it is important that he/she does not attend school. It is very important that while your child is unwell he/she remains at home until he/she is no longer contagious. Information on infectious conditions can be found on your states health website: <a href="https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/infectious-diseases/school-exclusion">https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/infectious-diseases/school-exclusion</a> or alternatively contact your local GP.

If your child has chickenpox, measles or mumps or is suspected of having one of these illnesses please contact the school immediately. This will allow the school to assess the probable contact and therefore, exposure to the disease. Notification can then be given to the parents and medical specialists.

As a school community we value your support in relation to the wellbeing of all out students. Please do not hesitate to contact Our Lady of Mount Carmel if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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Position: Learning Diversity Leader

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## 2018 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the **department**), to advise you that the department has requested that your child's school provide a *statement of addresses*, in accordance with the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (Cth) (the **Regulation**).

A statement of addresses contains the following information about each student at the school:

- Student residential address (not student names)
- Student level of education (i.e. whether the student is a primary or secondary student)
- · Student boarding school status (i.e. whether the student is boarding or a day student)
- Names and residential addresses of the student's parent(s) and/or guardian(s)

Schools generate a record number for each student for the purposes of this collection, which is also provided to the department.

#### Purpose of the collection

This collection is routinely used to inform Commonwealth school education policy, and to help ensure that Commonwealth funding arrangements for non-government schools are based on need, and are fair and transparent.

The National School Resourcing Board recently completed a review of the socio-economic status (SES) score methodology used in the calculation of the Commonwealth's needs-based funding arrangements for non-government schools. The information collected in the *statement of addresses* will be used to progress the Board's recommendations, which have been accepted by the Government.

Further information on this review and the Government's response can be found here: <a href="https://www.education.gov.au/review-socio-economic-status-ses-score-methodology">https://www.education.gov.au/review-socio-economic-status-ses-score-methodology</a>.

### Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). Any use and disclosure of your personal information relating to the *statement of addresses* will occur in accordance with the Regulation.

Your personal information may be used by the department, or disclosed to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (the ABS), for the purposes of SES score policy development, reviewing SES score methodology, calculating SES scores, Commonwealth school education policy development (including school funding), or where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

For example, your personal information may be provided to the ABS for statistical and research purposes, which includes data integration projects such as the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Further information on the MADIP can be found here:

http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/D3310114.nsf/home/Statistical+Data+Integration+-+MADIP.

The department may, from time to time, carry out audits of school submissions. In the event of an audit, contracted auditors may seek to compare a school's *statement of addresses* with student enrolment information held by the school. These contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

The department may also be required to disclose your personal information to contracted providers for the purposes of the provision of ICT support services to the department.

The department does not intend to disclose personal information to overseas recipients.

## What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. Your school is responsible for providing the requested details to the department, however, please ensure that your school has the most up-to-date and correct details for your family.



## Contacts for further information

Your school can provide additional information about the process for the statement of addresses collection.

If you have any further questions regarding the collection, you can contact the department by:

- Email: seshelpdesk@education.gov.au
- Phone (free call): SES helpdesk on 1800 677 027 (Option 4)

The department's privacy policy is available on the department's website at <a href="https://www.education.gov.au">www.education.gov.au</a>. The privacy policy contains information about:

- how individuals can access and seek correction of the personal information held by the department;
- how complaints about breaches of the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) can be made; and
- · how the department will deal with these complaints.

If you wish to contact the department about privacy-related matters, please email the department at <a href="mailto:EducationPrivacy@education.gov.au">EducationPrivacy@education.gov.au</a> or write to:

Privacy Contact Officer Schools, Childcare and Corporate Legal Branch Department of Education and Training GPO Box 9880 Canberra ACT 2601



IMPORTANT DATES—2018				
	Term 4			
November				
8	Lap Top Information Night for Year 4 students - 7pm			
14	Parenting in Faith Evening for Yr 1/2 - 6.30pm			
15	2019 Prep Orientation Session 3 - 9.30 — 10.30 am			
16	OLMC Working Bee 3.30—5.30pm			
22	2019 Prep Parent Information Evening - 7pm MPR			
25	Yr 1/2 Family Mass 10:30am			
26	OLMC School Sports Day			
December				
3	School Closure Day for Staff Professional Development			
4	Prep Achievement Luncheon			
7	OLMC Christmas Carols 6—8pm			
10	Yr 1/2 Nativity Play			
11	Prep Travelling Kitchen Incursion			
13	Keyboard Concert			
14	OLMC Thanksgiving Mass—9:30am			
17	Whole school orientation session 12pm			
18	Year 6 Graduation – 6:30pm Mass			
19	End of 2018 School Year at 3.15pm			

## **CLASS PRAYER ROSTER - Term 4**

# OLMC Church—Monday at 2.45 pm All Welcome

DATE	CLASS PRESENTING		
12 November	5/6R		
19 November	5/6ST		
26 November	No Prayer Session		
3 December	Student Free Day		
10 December	No Prayer Session - Nativity Play		
19 December—Wednesday	Final prayer session Student RE Team 10.30am		

## OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 4, 2018

9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Emma Clements	30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Michele Shalders
	Antoinetta Preston		Nat Grant
	Leanne Urbon		Erin Thompson
16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Alexandra D'Agostino	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Rebecca Luca
	Nance Carlyle		Renee Ridington
	Liz Fahy		Louise Vasey
<sup>23rd</sup> Nov	Danni Cauana		
	Melissa Misiti		
	Jade Grech		

lcy Poles, Paddle Pops and Frozen Yoghurts are back on the menu again and available to order online and for over the counter sales at lunch time.

Lasagne and Macaroni Cheese have now been taken off until Term 2 next year.

Thank you for volunteering to help in the Canteen, it would be impossible without you! Please arrive at Canteen at approximately 10.45, and your assistance will be required until around 2.15pm. If you have long hair, please tie it back, and remember to sign in at the office with your Working With Children Check card details 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

SCHOOL SOCKS Anklet style sizes 9-12, 13-3 & 2-8 - \$4.00 each \*\*Limited sizes

Available for sale from the school office - Cash only—correct money appreciated



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## **KEYBOARD CONCERT**

Our annual Keyboard Concert will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room on Thursday

13th December

All Grade 5/6 students 9.00am

9.30am All Grade 3/4 students

10.00am All Grade 1/2 students

10.30am Prep students

We hope you are able to come along and enjoy the beautiful music your children have been practising.

Please contact Cathy for all enquiries on 0425 709 875

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## Sunbury Uniting Church's 15th Annual

## Giant Car Boot Sale & Craft Market







## Saturday 17th November

from 8.30am

Uniting Church Hall & Village Green Cnr Brook & O'Shanassy Streets, Sunbury

## Stalls selling:

jewellery candles confectionery hand-painted glass baby/kids' clothes cakes Christmas gifts man cave signs plants henna tattoos suncatchers

... lots more!

#### Jun and food for kids!

pony rides jumping castle sausage sizzle donuts fairy floss popcorn show bags lucky dips face painting



#### Live music!

also - our Devonshire Tea/Coffee café inside and don't miss - our huge second-hand book stall!

This is a great Christmas shopping opportunity!

Enquiries to Helen on 0407 506 507



# **Sunbury Tigers**

The Sunbury United Rugby League Club are seeking MALE and FEMALE players of all ages for 2019 season.





Our age groups start at under 6's and we have a pathway all the way through to senior

In 2019 we are adding female teams to our club, both youth and senior women's.

Our home ground is located at Langama Park in Mitchells Lane Sunbury.

Please contact: Tony Gould: 0434 184 626 Mark Gifford: 0418 133 940

Any other enquiries email: sunburytigers@gmail.com

