

Newsletter

Term 1 Week 3 Thursday, 14 February

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

53 Macedon St Sunbury 3429 9740 7344 Dear Parents,

We have a new addition to our OLMC family. Our new Maths Leader, Mr Michael Minas, and his wife, Carla, welcomed baby Genevieve into the world on Tuesday. Genevieve is the couple's third child. Michael will be on parental leave for the next couple of weeks.

A new Literacy Leader has been appointed this week. Emilie Owen will join us before the end of term. Emilie is currently the Literacy Leader and Classroom Teacher at St Mary's in Thornbury. I am sure she will be made to feel very welcome.

Thank you to the staff and families who attended our Commissioning Mass last Sunday. It was wonderful to come together with our fellow Sunbury Catholic schools and be reminded of our mission to bring the Word of God alive to our families.

I have spoken to a few parents this week about my decision to introduce shirts to the boys' uniform. I need to clarify that it was a decision I made, based on how I see the current uniform. I have asked the uniform supplier for a prototype and I will present that to parents. We chose white as it is already part of the girls' uniform and comes up better than other colours if it needs to be soaked. Fortunately we don't have muddy fields at our school.

I am open to other colours but we are limited with what we have for the pants and shorts unless we reconsider the whole uniform. I'm happy to do that if parents prefer. The girls' uniform is supposed to be a white shirt and tunic or a white shirt and pants or shorts but this may have been lost in translation over time. Currently it feels as though most of the students look like they are in their Phys Ed uniform all the time. Stay tuned for more information.

This week you should have received and information from me to attend a special meeting next week to discuss fundraising and community building activities for 2019. I would love to see as many parents there as possible. This is your opportunity to meet other parents and set the direction for the school year. We can't do it without your help.

The 3/4 students will be part of an information session about how to use public transport safely. When this date has been set I will let you know and parents are very welcome to attend.

Yesterday the staff met with Dean Carmody from Catholic Education Melbourne who will be supporting our journey into the world of what you may have heard called STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics). We will begin with our year 6s and gradually work throughout the school.

Please make at time to see your child's teacher next week. Booking details have been sent home. Contact the office if you haven't received the note. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know your child's teacher and to pass on any valuable information.

A reminder to sign up for Seesaw so that you can see regular progress from your child's class. If you haven't downloaded the Flexi Buzz app please do so, and remember to make sure you have subscribed to the correct year levels.

This Sunday we celebrate the 6th Sunday in Ordinary time:

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 6:23

Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.

School Closure Days

March 11

Public Holiday

March 25

Student Free Day

Gospel

Luke 6:17. 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Happy Valentine's Day - "There is only one happiness in life: to love and be loved." – George Sand, Author.

Julie

SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD







| Class | Pupil of the week | Has demonstrated the 3 R's |
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| Prep MR | Frankie Chiodo | For displaying resilience and a bounce back attitude |
| Prep R | Joshua Munslow | For showing determination and putting in lots of effort in all his work. |
| 1 JB | Max Shalders | For being a self motivated learner by using his time well and finishing tasks! Fantastic effort Max! |
| 15 | Tahlia Bekker | For being a shining example of respect and responsibility in our classroom! |
| 2 C | Brandon Busuttil | For having a growth mindset and being ready to attempt all tasks |
| 2R | Zachary Chiodo | For showing respect to other by saying kind words and including every one. |
| 3/4 BC | Ashley Vasey | For being a respectful and responsible class member who always shows kindness towards others. |
| 3/4 CC | Joshua Carter | For jumping into the pit and challenging himself with writing his recount. |
| 3/4 H | Ava Loft | For showing respect to others when working collaboratively on place value activities and during circle time. Keep up the awesome approach to your learning Ava. |
| 5/6 MT | Keira Wilson | For setting a great example for others by being a polite and respectful class member. |
| 5/6 R | Henry Bordon | For showing accountability by coming to class in the morning organised for the day ahead and for continuously pushing yourself to be your best. |
| 5/6 SF | Indiana Stott | For exhibiting a strong commitment towards our school environment and having a positive mindset to try harder in her work |



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Parent/Teacher Interviews for all students will be held at

2.10pm to 6.30pm on Monday 18th February, 2019.

3.30pm to 4.40pm on Wednesday 20th February, 2019.

Bookings will open today, Tuesday 12th February, 2019 at 4.00pm

You can book interviews at times that suit your family.

Follow the instructions below

Bookings will close: Friday 15th February, at 4.00pm

This a brief meeting with the teacher to discuss your child. Please be aware that each interview is 10 minutes only. If you feel you need more time with the teacher you must make a separate appointment.

If you will have a PSG Appointment for your child you do not need to book a Parent Teacher Interview.

GO TO

www.schoolinterviews.com.au Enter school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps





1. Enter your details



2. Choose teachers



3. Choose times



When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically—check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time and change your interviews—until bookings close.

For parents who don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, you may send a note to school with the approximate times required, or phone the school on 9740 7344. Interviews are strictly 10 mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make an alternative appointment.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by revisiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code.

Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date should contact the school directly on 9740 7344.

| IMPORTANT DATES—2019 | | | | |
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| | Term 1 | | | |
| February | | | | |
| 18 & 20 | Parent teacher chats | | | |
| 19 | Parent meeting re fundraising & Community - 7pm | | | |
| 19 & 20 | Information & Registration for Eucharist | | | |
| 21 | Zone Swimming Carnival | | | |
| March | | | | |
| 1 | Colour Run 2.30pm | | | |
| 6 | Ash Wednesday Mass 12.15 pm | | | |
| 11 | Labour Day Holiday | | | |
| 12-13 | Year 3/4 camp | | | |
| 13 | Prep Parenting in Faith evening 6.30 | | | |
| 17 | Prep Family mass 10.30 at St Anne's | | | |
| 19 | School Photo day | | | |
| 20 | Prep 2020 enrolment information sessions— 10.30 & 7pm | | | |
| 25 | Whole school Closure Day | | | |
| 28 | OLMC Open Day—9.30 am & 7.30pm | | | |
| 29 | Zone Athletics Day | | | |
| April | | | | |
| 5 | End of Term 1— 3.15 pm | | | |

Prayer Roster: Monday at 2.45pm OLMC Church— All Welcome

| DATE | CLASS PRESENTING PRAYER | | |
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| February 18 | 2C | | |
| February 25 | 3/4 BC | | |
| March 4 | No Prayer—Ash Wednesday Mass 12.15 6th March | | |
| March 11 | Labour Day Holiday | | |
| March 18 | 5/6R | | |
| March 25 | School Closure Day | | |
| April 1 | 2 R | | |

2019 Term Dates

Term 1: Thursday 31st January - Friday 5th April

(Easter: Friday 19th April - Monday 22th April)

Term 2: Tuesday 23rd April — Friday 28th June

Term 3: Monday 15th July — Friday 20th September

Term 4: Monday 7th October—Friday 20th December (TBC)



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

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| I understand that: DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status. | | | | | | |
| this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school. | | | | | | |
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CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 - Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or nongovernment Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- · on the first day of Term one, or,
- · on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.
- * A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one or term two

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

- 1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
 - Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
 - If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
- 2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
- 3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2019 closes on 30 June, 2019

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



OLMC COLOUR FUN RUN

March 1st, 2019 – Run begins at 2:30

The Colour Run will be running with the same format as last year complete with heaps of colour, water squirts and inflatable's. We will again have special visitors from the Victoria Police and CFA.

We request the children wear old or cheap white t-shirts and old shorts or any colour. Old socks, shoes and hat are also recommended. The colour used is 100 % non-toxic and meant to washable however we do get VERY colourful.

It is also advised that children have an old towel to dry off with and for travelling home.

It is very important that all children participating <u>register online this year.</u>
We of course will still be taking cash donations via the sponsorship booklets, but we are encouraging all prize orders to be done online by student/parent.

This is a very FUN and successful fundraiser and we really hope to have all students registered and involved.

Visit Schoolfundrasing.com.au, you can register multiple children with one email.

We will be needing lots of parents to help and to be involved in the fun on the day. Please be at school at 2:15 on the day.

This is a major fundraiser for the year and money raised will go to upgrading the playground equipment.

Thank you



Flexibuzz Application

The FexiBuzz App provides quick alerts and reminders to be sent to the whole school or individual year levels.

We ask that all parents download the app to their smart phone, tablet or PC to stay up to date with all news, messages and events.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 1, 2019

| 15 th Feb | Louise Vasey | ^{15th} Mar | Barb O'Brien |
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| | Nance Carlyle | | Raquel Handley |
| | Caroline Dillon | | Alex D'Agostino |
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| 22 rd Feb | Michele Shalders | ^{22nd} Mar | Emma Clements |
| | Nat Grant | | Melanie Caccamo |
| | Erin Thompson | | Paula Jarksi |
| 1 st Mar | Denise Debrincat | 29 th Mar | Adele Dichiera |
| | Chantal Vella | | Dani Caruana |
| | Antoinetta Preston | | Jade Grech |
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| 8 th Mar | Skye Hewat | 5 th Apr | Joanne Borgese |
| | Jodie Sheedy | | Renee Ridington |
| | Nicole Petrie | | Rhonda Searle |
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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

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.

School Uniform News



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SCHOOL HATS: Slouch & Legionnaire styles -\$10 each **new stock has arrived **

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

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

Community News



HUME CITY COUNCIL SPEECH **EVELOPMENT**

Children learn communication and literacy skills during play and every-day activities. Our speech pathologist will discuss communication development and share strategies to develop your child's speech, language and early literacy skills.

Sunbury Youth & Library Services 51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury.

Ages 0-8

Thursday 21 Feb 1.15-2pm When:

Cost: Free

Who:

Bookings required on 9356 6970.













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For more information, phone our College Registrar on 9744 0000 or visit www.salesiansunbury.vic.edu.au



YOGA SAVVY

Kick start your health goals for 2019 with yoga at OLMC every Monday night at 7.15pm! This class is suitable for beginners and casual attendance is welcome. We practice postures to increase strength, balance and flexibility as well as exploring meditation techniques to change the way we respond to stress. For more info ring Joan on 0413 853 797 or message @yogasavvy1.

The class price is \$14 for a casual session or \$120 for a block of 10 sessions.

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