



# Newsletter

Term 1 Week 2 Thursday, 7 February

## Principal's Message

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### School Closure Days

**March 11**

Public Holiday

**March 25**

Student Free Day

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2019 school year. I hope you all had a blessed Christmas and a restful break. A special mention to our new staff, families and students. We are thrilled to have you join our school community and we look forward to great partnerships. The students have settled in beautifully and are eager to learn! It seems as though the Preps have been at school for months.

The year has started well and we have a great deal to look forward to this term. Our biggest event will be our 2<sup>nd</sup> Colour Run on the 1<sup>st</sup> March. More details will follow shortly but please put it in your diary as we would love as many parents to help out as we can.

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm, I invite all parents to join us to discuss community and fundraising events for the year. Come along with your ideas and we will map out a calendar of events. We have changed our Parents and Friends structure so that a small group of people are not doing the majority of the work. You only need to commit to one event, with a small group of helpers, and the calendar will be full. Liza Rosati is our School Community Liaison staff member this year and she has already come to me with some wonderful ideas. We need someone to put their hand up for the Bunnings BBQ. This is a major fundraiser for the school and is booked in for Easter Saturday. Please see me for more information.

On Monday at assembly our 2019 SRC members will be presented with their badges. Classes are in the process of electing their representatives. I will contact parents by tomorrow afternoon to let them know if their child has been elected and inviting them to Monday's assembly.

I have had many discussions with parents about our school uniform. Last year the School Advisory Board agreed with the introduction of a boys' school shirt to be worn instead of the polo shirt on non-sport days. This will begin to be phased in for next year. I will let you know when it is available. There has also been much discussion about socks. Girls are permitted to wear white socks with their school uniform.

Thank you to the families who have volunteered to host a Japanese student in July/August. We still need a few families to help out. Please let me know as soon as possible.

### A reminder of some Term 1 dates:

10<sup>th</sup> February – Commissioning Mass for staff and school and house captains

11<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3-6 swimming carnival

18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> February – Parent/Teacher chats (more information to follow)

19<sup>th</sup> February – Parent meeting regarding fundraising and community

19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> February – Information and Registration for Eucharist

21<sup>st</sup> February – Zone Swimming Carnival

1<sup>st</sup> March – Colour Run

6<sup>th</sup> March – Ash Wednesday Mass

12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3/4 Camp (Information will be sent home very soon)

17<sup>th</sup> March – Prep Family Mass 10:30 at St Anne's

25<sup>th</sup> March – School Closure Day with St Anne's and Holy Trinity

28<sup>th</sup> March – School Open Day – Enrolments for 2020 open

29<sup>th</sup> March – Zone Athletics Day

5<sup>th</sup> April – End of term 1

As you would be aware we have had Margery, the Seeing Eye Dog in training, at school since August last year. Margery recently had her 7 month assessment and they found that she has a fear of heights and some suspicion of hip dysplasia. This was causing her some distress in her training and so they have decided to release her from the program. As a result she is now officially a very happy Freeman and the OLMC mascot. You will still see her at school from time to time as she still can't be left alone for long periods of time. I thank everyone for their support in her training.

You can care for a pup from 8 weeks up to 15 months of age, either full-time or a minimum of 6 months if a shorter time is more suitable for you. There is a Seeing Eye Dogs puppy carer program to suit everyone. Your role as a puppy carer is to:

- Provide a safe, loving home and to nurture a Seeing Eye Dogs puppy
- Help to socialise the pup in everyday situations including taking your pup to school
- Teach basic skills such as toilet training, to sit, and to walk nicely on the lead

There is no cost to you, only your time and affection. The cost of all equipment, food, dog health care and training is covered by Seeing Eye Dogs.

**TO APPLY:**

[Apply to become a carer today on the Seeing Eye Dogs website.](#)

For more information call: 0428 010 843 or email: [sedvolunteer@visionaustralia.org](mailto:sedvolunteer@visionaustralia.org)

This Sunday we celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time:

**Gospel**

Lk 5:1-11

*They left everything and followed him.*

Enjoy the week

Julie

### **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)

# SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
<b>Prep MR</b>	Alissa McKay	For showing respect and kindness to her new prep classmates
<b>Prep R</b>	Olivia Cortese	For showing a great understanding of respect and demonstrating it in the classroom.
<b>1 JB</b>	Lucas Flinn	For showing what respect looks like in 1JB through kind words and helping others when they needed it this week. You are awesome Lucas!
<b>1 S</b>	Molly Russell	For actively listening and participating in all classroom activities, setting a wonderful example for others!
<b>2 C</b>	Morgan Harmer	For displaying the learning disposition of collaboration by being prepared to work with anyone in our class
<b>2R</b>	Isabella Cammarano	For being able to identify many qualities of what makes a good learner
<b>3/4 BC</b>	Ben Tranter	For showing resilience and determination in all areas of his learning and by having a can do attitude.
<b>3/4 CC</b>	Luke Bekker	For his enthusiastic attitude towards learning and for being a respectful and collaborative class member.
<b>3/4 H</b>	Gasem Elshafie	For working collaboratively with others and making an awesome start to OLMC this week.
<b>5/6 MT</b>	Charlie Plummer	For having a responsible and enthusiastic attitude to learning.
<b>5/6 R</b>	Madeline Dunkley-Price	For being responsible and accountable with the new routine and in her learning
<b>5/6 SF</b>	Jackson Harmer	For having an exceptional respectful disposition towards others and using determination when completing challenging tasks.

IMPORTANT DATES—2019	
	<b>Term 1</b>
<b>February</b>	
<b>10</b>	Commissioning mass for staff and school/house captains 10.30am
<b>11</b>	Year 3—6 swimming carnival
<b>18 &amp; 20</b>	Parent teacher chats
<b>19</b>	Parent meeting re fundraising & Community 7pm
<b>19 &amp; 20</b>	Information & Registration for Eucharist
<b>21</b>	Zone Swimming Carnival
<b>March</b>	
<b>1</b>	Colour Run
<b>6</b>	Ash Wednesday Mass 12.15
<b>11</b>	Labour Day Holiday
<b>12—13</b>	Year 3/4 camp
<b>13</b>	Prep Parenting in Faith evening 6.30
<b>17</b>	Prep Family mass 10.30 at St Anne's
<b>19</b>	School Photo day
<b>20</b>	Prep 2020 enrolment information sessions 10.30 & 7pm
<b>25</b>	Whole school Closure Day
<b>28</b>	OLMC Open Day—9.30 am & 7.30pm
<b>29</b>	Zone Athletics Day
<b>April</b>	
<b>5</b>	End of Term 1— 3.15

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

DATE	CLASS PRESENTING
February 11	3/4 H
February 18	No prayer due to parent teacher chats
February 25	2 C
March 4	No Prayer—Ash Wednesday Mass :12.15 6th Mar.
March 11	Labour Day Holiday
March 18	5/6R
March 25	School Closure Day
April 1	2 R

## CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School Sunbury	E1038
<b>School Name</b>	<b>School REF ID</b>

### Parent/legal guardian details

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-    -    -  **OR**

☐ Foster parent\* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

### Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

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.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



## 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 non-government 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](http://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](http://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.

# Bookclub

Dear Parents,

The first issue of Ashton Scholastic Bookclub has been sent home today with your child. Throughout the year there will be approximately 8 Bookclub issues. These catalogues provide the opportunity for you to purchase books and other learning related materials at a very reasonable price. Purchases made by our parent community also earn 'bonus points' for our school – we receive points to the value of 20% of our order. These points can then be redeemed to obtain books and a wide variety of educational materials for classroom use.

If you wish to place an order there are two ways of doing this. You can fill in the form on the catalogue and return it and the correct money for the item to school (to your child's teacher) in an envelope marked with your child's name and grade. If you wish to order online and pay by credit card there are instructions on the order forms for this. If paying by cheque please make all cheques payable to 'Scholastic Australia'.

All orders for Issue 1 need to be returned, or finalised online, by recess on **Thursday 14th February**.

If you wish to make a purchase as a gift for your child and do not want them to be given the books to bring home themselves, please write a note and a contact number on the envelope in which you place your order and I will contact you to arrange collection when the materials come in. If ordering online there is a box to tick to indicate it is a gift. These orders can also be given directly to me or left at the front office. (If leaving at the office please make sure that you write details on the envelope if the item is for a gift).

Towards the middle of the year we will also be holding a Book Fair at our school – details regarding this will be sent home closer to the date.

Thankyou

Trish Cairns

## School Banking News

### SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

School Banking day is

## Tuesday

This week 10 students  
banked \$40.40

### SUPER SAVINGS EFFORT

Anyone who has ordered prizes  
in the last 2 weeks of 2018 should  
receive them next week.

**Start saving for Polar Savers rewards.**

Here's how you redeem the rewards below:

1. Make 10 School Banking deposits – you'll receive one silver Dolamites token each time you make a deposit (maximum one token per week).
2. Choose one of the rewards below and fill in the coupon that goes with it.
3. Put your chosen reward coupon and your 10 tokens in your Dolamites deposit wallet and take it to school on your next School Banking Day.

**Some simple rules:**

- To reward individual saving, Dolamites tokens can't be combined with other students' or siblings' tokens.
- Rewards can be redeemed during the specified school term, while stocks last.

School Banking rewards are not suitable for children 3 years and under. For safety reasons, remove any tags, labels and packaging before use. A pointer to the page instructions.

<b>Scented Stackable Highlighters</b> Released Term 1 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____	<b>Ice Slapband</b> Released Term 2 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____	<b>Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring</b> Released Term 3 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____	<b>Water Skimming Bounce Ball</b> Released Term 4 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____
<b>Snowy Origami Set</b> Released Term 1 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____	<b>Yeti Fluffy Notebook</b> Released Term 2 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____	<b>Scratch Art Cards</b> Released Term 3 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____	<b>Polar Pencils &amp; Pencil Toppers</b> Released Term 4 2019  Name: _____ Class: _____

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

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

Thank you for volunteering to help in the Canteen, it would be impossible without you! Please arrive at Canteen at approximately 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 Uniform News

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

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



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## Community News



HUME CITY COUNCIL

### SPEECH DEVELOPMENT FOR CHILDREN

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.

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

**Who:** Ages 0-8

**When:** Thursday 21 Feb 1.15-2pm

**Cost:** Free

Bookings required on 9356 6970.

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FIND RESEARCH  
LAUGH READ

For more information please visit:  
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## HELLO Sunbury & Melton!

Geelong's innovative skill-development provider has now  
joined your community too

Geronimo OT provide capacity-building supports for young people with additional needs – supporting them to live more independently and be able to take advantage of more opportunities into their adulthood.

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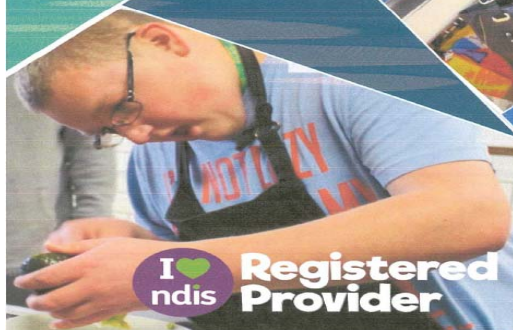


### HiFA-

#### High Functioning Autism Program

We understand the needs of young people who have high-functioning autism can be very different. HiFA provides programs specifically for this group with the goal of developing friendships and social skills with like-minded individuals!

(HiFA) will be provided to Sunbury and Melton participants in Term 3. - expressions of interest now being taken!



**Registered  
Provider**



## SEMESTER ONE PROGRAM GUIDE

Monday 29th January - Friday 5th April 2019

Monday 23rd April - Friday 28th June 2019



*\*See our back page for your chance to win your fees back!*

### Office Hours

Mon – Thurs: 9am – 4pm

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Find us on 

Contact the Sunbury Neighbourhood House for a wide variety of programs and workshops

### 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.

Join us on the mat!

