



# Newsletter

Term 2 Week 5 Thursday, 23 May 2019

## Principal's Message [principal@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au)

Dear Parents,

Can you believe we are already half way through term 2. The weather has been very kind to us but I see the forecast for next week shows us what is to come. Children should be moving into their winter uniform by now. Speaking of uniforms, I am still investigating the white shirts for the boys. I have not been happy with the fabric presented to us so there is no movement on this at the moment. We have also been talking to the uniform suppliers about a number of issues that have been brought to our attention. Stay tuned!

Last Friday the OLMC Cross Country team participated in the Sunbury school cross country carnival. It was a wonderful event and I am proud to tell you that our team placed 1st in the small schools section. We have had an amazing record in this event and this year it was no different. Thank you to Mr Healy, Mr Minas and Mrs Ellis and to the parents who helped out on the day. Congratulations to Alex Fish, Harry Jones, Ava Loft and Amelia Haxby who have advanced to the Woodlands Cross Country on the 29th May at Bundoora Park. We wish them all the very best.

Congratulations to the children who will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist this weekend. We welcome them to the table of the Lord for the first time. Please keep the following children in your prayers: Summer Pietromonaco, Royce Barnes, Milana Borgese, Vianne Falzon-Pout, Callan Flinn, Liam Joyce, Addison Gardiner, Lilly Urbon, Daisy Handley, Amelia Haxby, Molly Jones, Mitchell Lane, Max Levey, Ace Parker and Aiden Walters.

I am continuing to search for a psychologist to replace Errin from Healing Minds. As soon as I am able to secure a replacement I will let you know. If you know of anyone please ask them to contact me.

We have had a diagnosed case of Influenza A in the school. If your child is unwell/displaying symptoms related to this condition please visit your health professional.

The 5/6 Camp is being held next Monday to Wednesday at the Phillip Island Adventure Resort. This is my favourite of all school camp sites. I wish the staff, students and parents a happy and safe experience.

I had a phone call this morning from a local resident who is concerned that some of the children who are riding to school are displaying some unsafe behaviour. Mark has spoken to the children today to remind them of how to stay safe and look after each other. Can you please do this at home as well?

### Some upcoming dates to remember:

May 28 at 7pm and May 29 at 2pm - Information and Registration for Reconciliation (all year 3 parents to attend one of these sessions if their child is receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation this year)

June 7 - School Closure Day (restorative practices learning for staff)

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### 2019 Term Dates

#### Term 2 :

Tue 23rd April —

Fri 28th June

#### Term 3:

Mon 15th July —

Fri 20th Sept

#### Term 4:

Mon.7th Oct —

Fri 20th Dec (TBC)

### School Closure Day

Friday June 7th

(Staff PD Day)

### Public Holiday

Monday June 10th

(Queen's Birthday)

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21st June - First semester reports will be sent home

24th June and 26th June - Parent/Teacher Interviews (more information to follow)

24h - 26th June - OLMC Art Show

28th June - End of term 2

## Helping your child make and keep friends by Michael Grose

Children who develop healthy friendships generally have a definite set of social skills that help make them easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with. One such skill is the ability to adjust their behaviours to suit the social requirements of a particular situation. Many boys struggle in this area and can be loud, overbearing and bossy when their peers want them to be quiet, cooperative and to follow others. You can coach your child to fit in with the requirements of many of their social groups using this three-pronged approach:

### Encourage healthy friendships

Be pre-emptive with your teaching. Before your child visits their friends provide some relevant pointers about their behaviour. "Remember to say hello quietly and ask them if they'd like to play with you."

- \* Rehearse: It's useful to practise with children how they should act in social situations. "Okay, Jeremy tell me what you will say when you want to enter a game. Let's practice waiting for a break in the game, approaching someone you know and saying, "Excuse me. Can I play with you guys?"
- \* Revisit: Give your child feedback after the event but keep it positive and upbeat. "That was great the way you let the other kids lead the way. Your friends love it when you let them be boss." Boys, in particular, benefit from being told what works well in terms of their friendships behaviours.

The wellbeing of many primary school girls is heavily impacted by her relationships with her peers. When relationships are going well she'll tend to be happy, however when friendships become tricky then she can feel unhappy, even distraught. Help your daughter identify what a healthy friendship looks and feels like – she should feel safe, valued and able to speak up. Unhealthy relationships, such as cliques, are restrictive, one-sided, full of gossip and criticism. To assist them to reflect on the nature of healthy relationships help your child to formulate responses to these questions: *"What does a good friend look like? How does a good friend behave? What do good friends do?"*

### Encourage friendships with both genders

The primary school age is an ideal time for children to form friendships with both girls and boys. This is particularly valid if your child has siblings of their own gender, or don't have siblings. It's through these early relationships that we gain the confidence to mix with different genders in the later years. Forming friends across genders helps to break down the mystique that sometimes forms, when a child has little contact with the 'other' gender.

### Understand the impact of gender on friendships

Research shows that boys' friendships groups are more inclusive and less changeable than friendships enjoyed by girls, particularly those in the eight to twelve age group. If you have a girl, be ready to support your daughter through the hurt of friendship breakdowns and remind them that new friendships are just around the corner. Many girls take a disagreement with a friend personally as they don't have the emotional development to deal with conflict constructively. Help her reflect on her own place in a friendship breakdown, and encourage her to be open to restoring a relationship once emotions are in check.

### Remember, friends a feather flock together

If you think that your child doesn't have as many friends as a sibling or other children their own age, don't be too alarmed. On average, children usually have only two or three significant friendships at any one time. It's the quality rather than the quantity of friendships that counts. If you are concerned that your child lacks friends at school encourage them to take up a variety of extra-curricular activities. It's easier to strike up a friendship with someone when you have something in common.

Above all else, encourage your child to be friendly by talking to others, showing an interest in what other children do, offering help when needed, and being willing to enter a game or social situation. Consider teaching your child, if necessary, alternatives to fighting and arguing when there is disagreement and conflict within groups.

This Sunday we celebrate the 6th Sunday of Easter:

John 14:23-29

*The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.*

Have a great weekend,  
Julie



**Lost Property Reminder :** please check the lost property cupboard located in the MPR if your child is missing any school items as it is currently overflowing with school uniform & food/drink containers.

A reminder to label all items with your child's name to enable a speedy return. Thank you

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## **National Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) Introducing the new NCCD Portal**

A new Portal has been launched to help school communities participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

Every school is required to submit data to the NCCD. The information gathered helps teachers, principals, education authorities and governments better understand and support students with disability.

There is no change to the data submission process this year. However, school communities can access extra support through a comprehensive online resource.

The new NCCD Portal is packed with free and practical resources to support schools and their communities to participate in the NCCD, including e-learning modules, videos, case studies and templates.

The Portal includes step-by-step guides to the NCCD process, explains why data is collected and what supporting evidence is required, and suggests key timelines for action.

The e-learning modules assist school leaders, teachers and teaching assistants to understand their obligations under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992*, the *Disability Standards for Education 2005* and more.

Parents, guardians and carers can also find tailored information on the Portal.

For more information on the NCCD, visit [www.nccd.edu.au](http://www.nccd.edu.au).

# SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
<b>Prep MR</b>	Ava Franc	For showing determination and a willingness to jump in the learning pit. Excellent effort Ava
<b>Prep R</b>	Audrina Cole	For contributing to class discussions more often this week! Great Effort !
<b>1 JB</b>	Zahra D'Agostino	For using the disposition of self motivation in learning tasks this week. Great effort Zahra
<b>1 S</b>	Lina Luca	For working collaboratively with her classmates and being willing to support others with their learning. Keep up the great work!
<b>2 C</b>	Samuel Plummer	For always being considerate of others and being ready to include everyone in activities
<b>2R</b>	Sam Dillon	For being a self motivated learner and always challenging himself to do his best.
<b>3/4 BC</b>	Ruby Lane	for always being an exceptional model of the 3Rs. You are a superstar Ruby!
<b>3/4 CC</b>	Max Levey	For showing determination and writing an excellent persuasive text.
<b>3/4 H</b>	Matthew Ji	For using the learning disposition of determination to complete his narrative writing
<b>5/6 MT</b>		No Splash this week due to 5/6 camp
<b>5/6 R</b>		No Splash this week due to 5/6 camp
<b>5/6 SF</b>		No Splash this week due to 5/6 camp

  
 PREMIUM Our Lady of Mount Carmel School PREMIUM  
**Justice in**  
 \*\*\* June \*\*\*  
**Pamper Pack**

**June 2019**  
 St Vincent de Paul  
 Feast of the Sacred Heart Appeal

Toothbrushes. Toothpaste. Face washers. Soap.  
 Shaving cream. Deodorant.

*St. Vincent de Paul Society of Sunbury*

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish**

The ASRC Foodbank supports nearly 700 people per week, providing free groceries for their families. Many people seeking asylum have no income at all, and the Foodbank offers essential food and groceries to support them. We are most grateful for the support of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

All donations great and small are appreciated!






**TOP 10 MOST-NEEDED ITEMS**

1. Coles Group & Myer Gift cards for families to buy essential items \$20, \$30 or \$50
2. Tinned tuna in oil
3. Honey
4. Coconut cream
5. Tinned tomatoes 400g
6. Peanut butter & jam
7. Basmati rice
8. Breakfast cereal
9. Tomato Paste
10. Sweet & savoury biscuits

Donations can be left in the collection boxes in the church foyer by the 26th of June






**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPASSION IN ACTION**

PLEASE NOTE WE DO NOT REQUIRE TINNED SPAGHETTI, SOUP OR BAKED BEANS THANK YOU!

A box for each collection will be in classrooms for donations of above goods

IMPORTANT DATES—2019	
	<b>Term 2</b>
<b>May</b>	
25-26	First Eucharist Masses
27-29	Yr 5/6 Camp
28	Information and Registration for Reconciliation - 7pm
29	Information and Registration for Reconciliation - 2pm
<b>June</b>	
1-2	First Eucharist Masses
7	School Closure Day—Staff PD
10	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
13	Fatima House Thrift Shop
17	School Advisory Board Parent Information Session—7pm
18	Confirmation Registration & Information Session—7pm
19	Confirmation Registration & Information Session—2pm
21	Reports sent home
24 & 26	Parent/teacher Interviews
24-26	OLMC Art Show
28	Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass 12.15pm End of Term 2

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

DATE	CLASS PRESENTING PRAYER
Monday 27 May	1S & 1JB
Monday 3 June	5/6 MT
Monday June 10	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Monday 17 June	Student RE Team
Monday 24 June	No School Prayer - Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass on June 28th at 12.15

## Fatima Thrift Shop – Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 in the Multi Purpose Room.

Every second year Fatima House runs a Thrift Shop and this year we will be organising and running the shop in second term – June 13<sup>th</sup>.

All money raised goes towards the St Vinnies Winter Appeal - in the past we have purchased blankets and coats with the money raised for those in need. This year we will again be buying blankets.

We have sold toys, books, costume jewellery, jigsaw puzzles and clothing in our other thrift shop years and again we ask that if you have any of these items that your children have out grown that you kindly donate to our shop.

We do ask that whatever you have to donate is in good condition.

So please gather any items and place them in the Multi-Purpose Room for the Fatima staff to look after and store.

Fatima House thank you for your support.

Kindest regards

From the staff and students of Fatima House



OLMC School is participating in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn between now and June 25th.

Please place stickers collected in the boxes located in the foyer outside the school office or in store at Woolworths Sunbury.

Stickers collected will be redeemable for new school equipment



## CHESS CLUB THURSDAY LUNCHTIME

### Are you interested in playing chess?

We will be holding a Chess Club in the library on Thursdays at lunchtime.

You can come along and learn the basics or play against more experienced players.

Hope to see you there.

THURSDAY  
LUNCHTIME  
Begins 9 May 2019

THE LIBRARY

GRADES 3-6  
(P-2 WELCOME BY  
ARRANGEMENT)

CHESS SETS WILL  
BE AVAILABLE OR  
BRING YOUR OWN

CONTACT

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## SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

School Banking day is **Tuesday**

This week 29 Students  
banked \$ 485.60

**Fantastic Effort**



## OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 2, 2019

24 <sup>th</sup> May	Belinda Falzon-Pout Nance Carlyle Caroline Dillon	14 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Raquel Handley Danielle Wadden Nicole Petrie
31 <sup>st</sup> May	Alexandra D'Agostino Taryn Paterra Danni Caruana	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun	Michele Shalders Nat Grant Erin Thompson
7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	School Closure Day	28 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Barb O'Brien Raquel Handley Jing Ji

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 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 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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**COLLEGE TOURS AND OPEN DAYS**

March	Tuesday 19 March, 9am
April	Friday 26 April, 9am
<b>WEDNESDAY 15 MAY - OPEN DAY</b>	
June	Friday 7 June, 4pm
July	Tuesday 16 July, 9am
August	Thursday 8 August, 9am (2021 Enrolments due 23 August)
September	Monday 9 September, 9am
<b>FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER - OPEN DAY</b>	
November	Tuesday 12 November, 9am

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