

# Newslette:

Term 1 Week 3 Thursday, 13 February 2020

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School Closure

Days

Term 1

Fri March 20th

Term 2

Thur June 4th

Dear Parents,

It is that time of year when we need to ensure that our calendar is filled with community building and fundraising events. Last year family fundraising ensured that we were able to build a new cubby and play space. In the past, chrome books and ipads have been bought for the classrooms as well as books and sandpit toys. Next week I will head out to buy board games for rainy days, as suggested by the students.

For all of this to continue we need your help. The first thing we have this year is the Bush Dance on the 28<sup>th</sup> February. I hope to see as many families there as possible. The children will spend time during the day learning the dances and you will be invited to join in. We will need some parents to help with the BBQ. Please remember to return your form and \$5 which will help to cover the cost of The Billy Tea Bush Band.

The next important event coming up is the Bunnings BBQ. This has been a great fundraiser in the past. We need parents to help out with the coordination, purchasing of supplies and cooking and selling sausages. The date that has been allocated to us is Easter Saturday.

Please fill in the attached form and return it to school or email me by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February. Our parents have been heavily involved in the school over the years and I would love to see this continue. This is your opportunity to join in the fun.

Thank you to the parents who were able to join us for our Opening School Mass on Tuesday. It is always great to see parents celebrate Mass with us. While it was not a particularly hot day, you may have heard that two girls fainted during the Mass. Please be assured that Father Kevin and our staff always have the best interest of our students at heart and they were well looked after.

I cannot stress enough how important it is that parents do not approach other parents about incidents that involve their children. If there are any issues please see your child's teacher and then me if it needs further attention. How distressing for parents to receive a phone call from another parent telling them that their child had misbehaved or was involved in something at school. Please leave this up to us. If you believe that no one at the school knew about it, please tell us. It is not possible to follow up if we do not know.

Thank you to the parents who were able to come to meet their child's teacher this week. There was a great feel around the school and I have had very positive feedback from parents about our STEM and Auslan programs. Communication between home and school is essential. Please ensure you have downloaded the See Saw and Flexi Buzz app to ensure you are well informed of what is going on here at school and for you to be able to communicate with us as well.

# 2020 Term Dates

## Term 1:

Tue 28th January -Fri 27th March

(Easter: Fri10th -Mon 13th April)

#### Term 2:

Tue 14th April -Fri 26th June

# Term 3:

Mon 13th July -Fri 18th September

## Term 4:

Mon 5th October -Fri 16th December

Congratulations to the students who trialled for the OLMC swim team. It is really important to encourage our children to put themselves out there. They won't always be successful but then success is meaningless if they haven't failed beforehand. The following children will represent the school next Thursday afternoon at the Sunbury Aquatic Centre and we wish them all the best:

Lincoln Phillips, Roman Stella, Ben White, Max Levey, Riley Wilson, Connor De Veth, Harvie Pattera, Jarrad Millman, Joshua Urbaniak, Ben Kelly, Jaiden Doricic, Ciaran McMullin, Cooper Pietromonaco, Isla Kelly, Sarah Bordon, Juliet Luca, Lacy Urbon, Isla Lavelle, Erin Wilson, Amelia Haxby, Emma Derriman, Keira Wilson, Erin Kelly, Olivia Kimble and Macey Newman.

This Sunday we celebrate the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. (Matthew 5:17-37)

We sometimes forget that Jesus was a faithful Jew who observed the Law handed down within Israel from generation to generation. Sunday's gospel is from Matthew's Sermon on the Mount in which Jesus, the faithful Jewish teacher, addresses his Jewish disciples and the Jewish crowds who gather to hear his words.

Enjoy the week

Julie

#### Dear Parents,

The State Government have mandated that all parents are to be informed if their child is absent from school when the absence is unreported or unexplained. The response to this Legislation can be costly to the School. In order to avoid expensive software programs and human resources we urge parents to report their child's absence via the Flexibuzz app before 9.00am.

If your child will be late, we encourage you to also use the Flexibuzz app to advise the details of late arrival time or call the office directly to notify us before 9.00am to avoid the school contacting you unnecessarily.

If you change your contact details, please inform the School Office immediately.

# **OLMC Bell Times**

8.45am	First school bel

8.55am Classes commence

**11.00–11.30am** Recess time

**12.50 - 1.00pm** Eating time

**1.00–1.40pm** Lunch time

**3.15pm** End of school day



# **OLMC Parents and Friends Volunteers**

Please return note to school office by Wednesday 19th February

Name:		
Contact Number:		
Eldest Child's Class:		
I would like to volunteer to help with the f	following (please tick)	
Bush Dance BBQ ——————————————————————————————————		
Bunnings BBQ.		
Easter Raffle		
Easter Raine		
Parent Dinner (this has been booked for 8 <sup>th</sup>	May but we need helpers)	
Mothers Day Stall		
Mothers Day Breakfast or High Tea		
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Fathers Day Stall		
Fathers Day Breakfast		
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Year 6 Graduation		
Christmas Raffle		
Christmas Carols		
Other (please specify)		
I would be interested in joining the Parent	ts and Friends Committee in any of the following roles:	
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President	Secretary	
Vice President	Treasurer	
We are unable to help the school in any ca	apacity	

# 2020 Dates - Please put these dates on your calendar

# February

11<sup>th</sup> February – Opening School Mass 9:30 – all welcome

11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Parent teacher chats – please book in

17<sup>th</sup> February–SRC being presented at assembly

### March

3<sup>rd</sup> March 7:00pm and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2pm – Information and registration sessions for Eucharist (Year 4 parents)

9<sup>th</sup> March – Labour Day Holiday – no school

10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 and 4 camp

16th March—OLMC Open day

18th March – School photos

18<sup>th</sup> March – Prep Parenting In Faith 6:30pm – All prep parents and children

19<sup>th</sup> March – Interschool Athletics Carnival

20<sup>th</sup> March – Staff professional learning day – No school

27<sup>th</sup> March – Last day of term 1 – students finish at 3:15pm

# April

11<sup>th</sup> April – Bunnings BBQ – Help needed

12<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday

14<sup>th</sup> April – Term 2 begins

19<sup>th</sup> April – 160 years celebration

20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Year 5/6 Camp

28<sup>th</sup> April – Year 1 and 2 Parenting in Faith – all year 1 and 2 parents and children 6:30pm

# May

3<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 1 and 2 Family Mass 10:30am

6<sup>th</sup> May – Interschool Cross Country

7<sup>th</sup> May – Mothers Day Stall

8<sup>th</sup> May – Mothers Day High Tea or breakfast

11<sup>th</sup> May – Whole school sports day

## June

 $2^{nd}$  June 7pm and  $3^{rd}$  June 2pm – Information and Registration session for Confirmation

4<sup>th</sup> June – staff professional learning day – no school

5th June – Year 5/6 Winter Round Robin

8<sup>th</sup> June – Queen's birthday holiday – no school

10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June 6:30pm – Eucharist Thanksgiving meal for year 4 students and parents

26<sup>th</sup> June - Last day of term 1 students finish at 3:15pm

# July

13<sup>th</sup> July – Term 3 begins

15<sup>th</sup> July – OLMC Feast Day

# **August**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> August –First Eucharist Dates

11<sup>th</sup> August 7pm and 12<sup>th</sup> August 2pm - Information and Registration session for Reconciliation – year 3 parents

25<sup>th</sup> August – Year 6 Confirmation parenting in faith – all year 6 parents and students

# September

 $1^{st}$  September 6:30pm - Year 3 Reconciliation parenting in faith — all year 3 parents and students

3<sup>rd</sup> September – Fathers Day Stall

4<sup>th</sup> September – Fathers Day Breakfast

18<sup>th</sup> September – End of term 3 – students finish at 3:15pm

## October

5<sup>th</sup> October – Term 4 begins

6<sup>th</sup> October - Year 5Human Sexuality evening – All year 5 parents and children

13the October – Reconciliation for Confirmation candidates

15<sup>th</sup> October – Confirmation Practice Day

18<sup>th</sup> Confirmation – Sacrament of Confirmation 2pm and 4pm

# November

2<sup>nd</sup> November – School Closure Day

3<sup>rd</sup> November – Melbourne Cup Day – no school

 $24^{th}$  and  $25^{th}$  November – Sacrament of Reconciliation 5pm and 7pm

#### December

3<sup>rd</sup> December –Whole school Carols evening

14<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Graduation

16<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term 4 for students

# SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD







Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep JR	Chadley McMahon	For showing great responsibility in Prep JR! Awesome effort Chadley!
Prep MR	Havish Kumar	For being a resilient member of our grade. Well Done Havish
1 H	Liam Grech	For using the Learning Disposition of Determination and demonstrating resilience when working with others in class and on the playground.
1 S	Harry Cronk	For showing determination and risk taking when writing about Sonic the Hedgehog.
2 JB	Bradley Spark	For being a risk taker and trying new things.
2R	Sam Preston	For being a responsible line leader when coming into class.
3ВС	Elijah Afamasaga	For displaying resilience and settling in so well to our classroom and OLMC!
3CC	Eva Puca	For displaying an enthusiastic attitude towards learning and working collaborative with her class members.
4PS	Jack DeBono	For showing respect in the classroom by listening to others and following instructions.
4SF	Joshua O'Connor	For outstanding use of the 3R's and a great start to the year
5/6 C	Milana Borgese	For sharing her skills and helping others get out of the Learning Pit.
5/6 MT	Macey Newman	For her dedicated work ethic and always showing respect to others.
5/6R	Lisa D'Monte	For always participating actively in class discussions and set tasks.

# IMPORTANT UP COMING DATES—2020

	Term 1
February	
17	SRC badges presented at morning assembly 8.45am
20	Interschool twilight swimming carnival—4.30pm
26	Ash Wednesday mass Years 3-6—12.15pm
28	Bush Dance—5.30pm for 6.00pm start
March	
3	Eucharist information & registration—7pm
4	Eucharist information & registration—2pm
9	Labour Day Public holiday
10 & 11	Year 3 & 4 Camp
16	OLMC School OPEN DAY
18	School Photos
	Prep Faith family Programme—6.30
19	Interschool Athletics Carnival
20	School Closure Day—Staff Professional Learning
27	Last day of term 1—3.15 finish
April	
10	Good Friday
11	Bunnings BBQ
12	Easter Sunday
	Term 2
14	Term 2 begins
19	160th years celebration

Prayer Roster
Thursday 2.45pm
OLMC Church
All Welcome

Date	Class Presenting
20th February	4 PS
27th February	No school prayer due to Ash Wednesday Mass 26/2/20
5th March	3BC
12th March	5/6 R
19th March	4 SF
26th March	5/6 C

Please note new day for prayer

# **Reminder for Prep Parents**

To Prep Parents

On the 18<sup>th</sup> of March our Faith Family Program begins with our Prep Pyjama Night. This is an opportunity for us to talk about faith for our Prep students and their families. Prep students wear their Pyjamas to the event and spend time with their classroom teachers creating an object for a family prayer space while parents' workshop the stages of development in the primary years. It is a requirement of the Prep program and is an integral part of the prep year.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Prep PJ night.

Colin Healy

Religious Education Leader.

# SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book club has commenced this week and the children have received their catalogues on Tuesday.

Scholastic Catalogues comes twice a term.

The catalogues have the books that you may purchase.

We have one preferred method by which you may buy the books.

The **Book Club LOOP** platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school safe and sound and the books will be delivered to class. You can place your child's order at **scholastic.com.au/LOOP** or using the **LOOP** app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

Go to the website and do the order yourself paying with a card.

You may also fill in the form, put the form and the money into an envelope return to the classroom teacher by the set date after a few weeks the books will arrive.

The return date for this order is 17th February. This date is non negotiable as any books that come later will incur costs for the school.

Thanks to Melissa Chapman Danielle Wadden and Adele Luca for offering to assist me.

**Evelyn Pickering Literacy and Numeracy (Years 3 - 6)** 

Fee statements will be sent out today. Please check your email. For those wanting to start a payment plan please contact Melissa to put a plan in place.

Thank you.







## Free webinar

This webinar from the eSafety Commissioner is a great opportunity to start 2020 with the latest information to keep your child safe online and gather some tips to help manage technology at home.

Cost	Free
Audience	Parents and carers of young people aged 5-12 years old
Date/Time/Registration	12 February 2020 - 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM AEDT
	14 February 2020 - 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AEDT
	Register here - esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars

## The session will cover:

- · ideas to 'Start the chat' about harmful content, contact with strangers and online bullying
- strategies for addressing common digital parenting challenges
- · skills that young people need to protect themselves online
- how to get help if things go wrong





esafety.gov.au/sid

# Start the chat before someone else does



## Start the chat about online safety and help make every day a Safer Internet Day!

#### Join in the Safer Internet Day buzz

This year Safer Internet Day will be celebrated on Tuesday, 11 February 2020. The theme is 'Together for a better internet' and Australia's eSafety Commissioner is encouraging parents to mark the day by starting family conversations about online safety.

You can download our Safer Internet Day resources at esafety.gov.au/sid and use them to start the chat about online safety with your family.

## Join our free parent webinar

The session will cover how to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and cyberbullying.

#### Explore Australia's online safety hub

Check out eSafety's great range of advice and resources. Check out esarety s great range or advice and coosti-get started by visiting our parents and carers pages and reading the practical tips for kicking off an online safety conversation. You can also download our 'Parents guide to online safety' booklet (available in 5 languages), look through eSafety Kids with your family or get familiar with our step by step advice for reporting different types of online abuse. Find out more at esafety.gov.au

#### Helping Kids Thrive Online

12th February 2020 at 8:00 PM (AEDT) 14th February at 2020 12:00 PM (AEDT) Register now at esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars





# OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1, 2020

14 <sup>th</sup> Feb  21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Barb O'Brien Simone Fawcus Nicole Petrie Michele Shalders Erin Thompson Irene Wishart	13th Mar 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Emma Clements Shelley Spark Antoinetta Preston Paula Jarski Adele Dichiera Danni Caruana	Thanl help i be im Pleas 10.15 will b 2.30p pleas
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Thank you for volunteering to help in the Canteen, it would be impossible without you! Please arrive at Canteen at 10.15am, 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.

look forward to seeing you,

Sally Hewitt-Tacey

# Carmel's Keyboard Program

has a few spare places for Term 1 lessons. If you would like your child to join the program, please email Carmel for more information: <a href="mailto:carmelskeyboard@gmail.com">carmelskeyboard@gmail.com</a> or pick up an enrolment form from the School Office.







# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

# INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

# CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

#### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

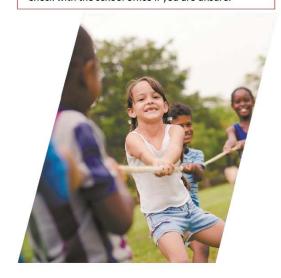
New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.







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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 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;
- 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/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

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 (28 January 2020) or term two (14 April 2020).

## **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/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

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 2020 closes on 26 June. 2020.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

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



# **School Uniform News:**

# School Socks available for sale from the school office

\$5 Cash only—correct money appreciated



AGS Pty Ltd

Wholesalers of Quality Schoolwear & Uniforms In house Design & Printing

www.aplusschoolwear.com.au

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# **School Banking day is Tuesday**

This week 29 students banked \$189.55. Great effort everyone

# **Community News:**

