



# Newsletter

Term 1 Week 2 Thursday, 4 February 2021

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

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2021 school year! I hope you have had a restful break. The children have looked so excited to return to school and I wish them all the very best for a year filled with fun, friendship and learning. The atmosphere around the school has been really positive this week.

A very special welcome to all of our preps and to the new students across the school. The following families are new to OLMC and we welcome them all with open hearts:

*Austin, Billingham, Bishop, Blume, Brndusic, Cacioli, Carrello, Cartledge, Croxford, Dixon, Esmaquel, Ferguson, Filice, Francese, Fuss, Haines, Mikhail, Minawieh, Mitandis, Nevin, Newitt, O'Callaghan, Purton, Scown, Squatrito, Tan, Xerri*

**This email is filled with a great deal of information and it is important that you read it carefully.**

We are still operating under our Covid Safe Plan, as regulated by DHHS and the State Government. I had planned to make changes to the before and after school arrangements but given the uncertainty at the moment we will keep things as they are for now.

Masks are required to be worn by all adults indoors at school and all public places. There are times you need to come into the school and that is totally understandable. Please visit the front office but ensure there are no more than 2 adults in the foyer at one time. We ask you to adhere to all of the regulations to keep us all safe.

*If you are dropping off your child at the stage gate please be aware of the danger of reversing your car near this gate. We have had a number of near misses where cars are reversing on to the foot path and this is extremely dangerous. It is not necessary to park right in front of the gate.*

Assemblies will start back on Monday. At this stage, only the parents of SPLASH award recipients or other special achievement will be able to attend. As soon as this can change I will let you know. Social distancing between adults is required at all times.

This week you should have received the information regarding parent/teacher chats which are being held next Monday and Tuesday. This is the opportunity for you to touch base with your child's teacher to pass on any information you deem relevant. You have the option of an online Google Meet, a telephone call or in person. If you attend in person, you will be required to sign in at the front office. If your child is in year 1-6 and had a PSG meeting at the end of last year, please do not book one of these meetings.

Just a reminder of what to do if your child is absent or will be in late or leaving early. You can contact your child's teacher or me via Seesaw, you can ring the school or you can email us – [absent@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au](mailto:absent@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au)

If your child is absent and we haven't heard from you, we are mandated to phone you to find out the reason for the absence. Please also let us know the reason for the absence, e.g. Julie is absent today as she is unwell or for family reasons, or something specific.

### School Address

53 Macedon St  
Sunbury 3429  
9740 7344

This year we will be involved in a school review. These are conducted every four years as an independent review, in conjunction with Catholic Education Melbourne. During this time we look at our School Improvement Framework that we devised 4 years ago and at the end we will use the process to plan the next 4 years.

Next week I will send you a calendar of events for the whole school year.

Happy birthday to all of our students born in January:

Hudson Gatt	Liam McKay	Amelia Wadden
Addisyn McNamara	Boston Ferguson	Addison Ridington
Lucille Caruana	Ronnie Kaminski	Nash Kelly
Jaida Kelly	Lily Munslow	Mason Kupresanin
Olivia Laird	Charlie Dixon	Samuel Plummer
Robby Mand	Vincent Xerri	Lacy Urbon
Nina Felice	Jack De Bono	

And to those students who have celebrated a birthday so far in February (up until Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February)

Zac Francis	Blake Brincat	Hunter Stott
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This Sunday we celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:

### **Gospel**

Mark 1:29–39

### **Reflection:**

The Gospel stories tell us that as well as healing, casting out demons, and preaching, Jesus was in the habit of going off to a quiet place to pray. He felt this need to be in touch with the fact that he was the Father's beloved.

God bless

Julie

### **2021 Term Dates**

Term 1	27 January — 1st April (Easter 2—5 April)
Term 2	19 April — 25 June
Term 3	12 July — 17 September
Term 4	4 October — 17 December

# SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
<b>Prep JR</b>	Matthew Mikhail	For demonstrating our school value of respect by using kind words to his classmates.
<b>Prep MR</b>	Thomas Cartledge	For being a responsible and resilient member of our prep grade
<b>1H</b>	Ivy Luca	For always starting each day showing respect to her friends in 1H & responsibility as our line leader by setting the right example. Love your attitude Ivy, keep up the great work. Mrs Harper is amazed with you!
<b>1R</b>	Alan Liang	For showing respect to others by listening while others speak and waiting to share his ideas.
<b>2AF</b>	Nicola Borgese	For an outstanding start to the year. She has settled back into school life beautifully, showing the 3 R's in all that she does. Keep up the great work, Nicola.
<b>2J</b>	Lucas Stevens	For settling in well and showing resilience.
<b>3BC</b>	Alvin Liang	For starting Year 3 with such a positive attitude and displaying great responsibility in his learning.
<b>3CC</b>	Austin McMahon	For being a responsible and respectful class member and helping to make our class happy and calm.
<b>4PS</b>	Alana Dixon	For demonstrating resilience, responsibility and kindness when starting at her new school. Welcome to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Alana!
<b>4ST</b>	Levi Pansino	For showing resilience when faced with a challenging problem and bouncing back with a smile.
<b>5/6C</b>	Lincoln Phillips	For challenging himself to use a variety of operations when creating multi-step equations in Maths.
<b>5/6MT</b>	Lily Munslow	For adjusting back into school routine and being a positive member of our class
<b>5/6 R</b>	Addison Gardner	For being a risk taker in her learning by choosing to read a different type of book this week. Keep up the fantastic work, Addison!

Parent/Teacher Interviews for all students will be held at  
**3.30pm to 7.00pm on Monday 8th February, 2021.**  
**3.30pm to 5.30pm on Tuesday 9th February, 2021.**

Bookings are now open

You can book interviews at times that suit your family.

Follow the instructions below

Bookings will close: Friday 5th February, 2021 at 4.00pm

**This a brief meeting with the teacher to discuss your child via Google Meet/ Telephone or face to face. 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 had a PSG Appointment for your child (in year 1-6) at the end of 2020 please do not book a Parent Teacher Interview.**

GO TO  
[www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)  
Enter school event code. Then

Enter School Event Code

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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](http://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](http://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.*

**Start the chat** about online safety to celebrate Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 9 February 2021.

Safer Internet Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about the safe and positive use of digital technology. It's also a good time to explore the role we can all play in creating a better online community.

This global campaign is celebrated by millions of people in 170 countries across the world.

Help us make every day a Safer Internet Day!

- Join our parent webinar [eSafety's guide to cyberbullying and online drama](#).
- Visit [esafety.gov.au/SID](https://esafety.gov.au/SID) for tips to start the chat at school, at home and in your community.



eSafety Commissioner



[esafety.gov.au](https://esafety.gov.au)

## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Canteen Roster

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5th Feb	Sylvana Doricic Tracey Kilkenney Anna Marinacic	5th Mar	Caroline Dillon Cathy Carter Joanne Borghese
12th Feb	Skye Hewatt Simone Fawcus Nicole Petrie	12th Mar	Emma Clements Shelley Spark Antoinetta Preston
19th Feb	Michele Shalders Erin Thompson Irene Wishart	19th Mar	Paula Jarski Alex D'Agostino Kelly Xerri
26th Feb	Belinda Falzon-Pout Nancy Carlyle Louise Vasey	26th Mar	Danielle Wadden Jade Grech Christine De Veth

Thank you for volunteering to help in the canteen, it would be impossible without you!  
Please arrive at the canteen at 10.00am, your assistance will be required until around 2.00pm. If you have long hair please tie it up and remember to sign in at the office with your WWC before coming to the canteen. We will now be working under COVID restriction which may mean the wearing of masks and social distancing.

If you are unable to attend on your rostered day please ring Sally on 0400384403 as soon as possible so a replacement can be arranged.

I look forward to seeing you all.

Sally Hewitt-Tacey

## PRE LOVED SCHOOL CLOTHING SALE is on the MPR.

Gold coin donation. Come along and grab a bargain. Final Days

### OLMC Bell Times

8.55 am	Start of school day
11.00 - 11.30am	Recess
1.30pm	Eating time
1.40 - 2.20pm	Lunch time
3.15pm	End of school day



**IMPORTANT:** Can school families please refrain from parking in the Woodlands Early Learning Centre at all times as these parking spaces are reserved for their staff and clients only.

Thank you.

### SCHOOL BUS TRAVELLERS

If your child intends to use any of the School Bus services in 2021, either public bus or school registered buses, please contact the office to add your child's name to the list so that the Teacher on duty can know which children use this service on any given day.



### School Uniform News

School Hats (\$10) and Bottle Green socks (\$5) are available for sale from the school office.

Correct money appreciated please.



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## OLMC School Banking 2021

School Banking will begin again next Tuesday (9/2/2021).

For those students in Prep (and any other older students) that don't already do banking, an information pack is being made up for you and your parents by the people at the Commonwealth Bank (CBA) to let you know how School Banking works.

The first thing you need is an existing account, in your name, with the CBA.

For those students in Levels 1-6, who already do banking, bring your bank books (and money) to school each Tuesday to bank and collect a token. Once you have ten tokens there will be reward items to redeem (new brochures are also being prepared by CBA).

Keep up the good work of growing your savings.

## *GO GREEN-RECYCLING AT OLMC*

### *Bread Tags for Wheelchairs*

Are you saving your bread tags?

Please send them along to School as soon as possible and deposit them in the box in the Office foyer.

We will make arrangements for them to be recycled and the money earned will go to "Bread Tags for Wheel Chairs".

Thanks for your support and keep up the good work.



### *Terracycle Oral waste recycling*

We are collecting all oral waste such as, empty toothpaste tubes & caps, toothbrushes & packaging, floss picks & floss containers and electric toothbrush heads. Please deposit any oral waste in the box (no plastic bags please) located in the Office foyer. Every piece of waste recycled earns our School \$\$\$ so tell family and friends to start collecting.