



# Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4 Thursday, 28 October 2021

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

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone for helping to make our transition back to school so smooth. We have had the extra challenge of the roadworks in Jackson Street and we really appreciate everyone's patience and cooperation. The children are doing a great job with their masks as well. They don't need to wear them outdoors and many teachers have taken the opportunity to take their learning time outside.

### School Address

53 Macedon St  
Sunbury 3429  
9740 7344



This weekend is a long one with Monday being a report writing day for staff and Tuesday being the Melbourne Cup. I am sure many in our community will take this opportunity to get away and to spend time with friends and family. I really hope everyone has a great weekend. From next Wednesday all students will be back onsite every day. A reminder that if your child has any symptoms they must stay home.

We are hoping to be able to open all of the school gates next Wednesday. This will depend on the roadworks, which seem to be taking longer than hoped. I will send out a See-saw message on Wednesday morning to let you know. Students will stay in the yard until 8:45, before heading into their classroom. Gates will be locked when the bell rings at 8:55am.

### School Closure Days

#### Term 4

Mon 1st

November

Tue 2nd

November

Melb Cup Day



I think it is worth mentioning what would happen if there is a confirmed case of Covid in the school. The most important thing is for people not to panic and start making any assumptions. The plan will be directed by DHS and will depend on the circumstances. There have been recent changes around who constitutes a close contact and who needs to isolate. Please be assured that I will give you the information necessary as soon as it comes to me.

There are still a number of school based activities that are on hold at the moment. Schools operate under slightly different guidelines to the general public. In the next week or so I expect an update on this like prep and year 7 transition, canteen, graduation and other events. I will keep you updated, as always. It is important to note that there are many decisions that are made that are above our jurisdiction.



It is understandable that school shoes no longer fit and are difficult to find in store or online. If your child no longer has shoes that fit please ensure you notify their teacher via email or Seesaw message.



On Tuesday I sent you an invitation to express interest in being part of our new School Advisory Council. Please consider this wonderful opportunity to work alongside myself and the rest of the leadership team to help make OLMC the best school in Sunbury. Please send me an email if you are interested.



# Newsletter

Term 4 Week 2 Thursday, 28 October 2021

Happy birthday to everyone who is celebrating their special day this week. How lovely that you can celebrate with friends and family.



Molly O'Callaghan

Eadie Cacioli

Taiyo Marshall

Connor Vella

Ebony Squatrito

Mahika Chand

Levi Pansino

Bridie Fish

Callan Flinn

This Sunday we celebrate the 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

## Gospel

Mark 12:28–34

*'You are not far from the kingdom of God.'*



Reflection:

*I notice too what Jesus says are the two most important commandments. They are about love, not about rules. Do I sometimes think that rules are the most important thing? Do I sometimes judge those who break rules? I sit with Jesus and think honestly about these things, asking him to lead me to the truth*

Have a wonderful weekend and please stay safe.

Julie

## IMPORTANT DATES

Term 4: 4th October—Wed 15th December— Students finish at 1.30pm

School Absences : [absent@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au](mailto:absent@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au)

**Sunbury Catholic Parish**  
**School Fee Policy for our Parish Primary Schools**

There are now three primary schools in the Parish of Our Lady of Mt Carmel. The Parish established the first two schools through the generosity of parishioners, and their continued support enables the Parish to sustain pastoral and financial assistance to our whole school community.

**2022 School Fee Structure & Schedule**

**Family Fee cost \$2270.00**

In order to support our families during the COVID-19 pandemic there was no increase of School fees for 2021, and so we have not been able to avoid a small increase for 2022 to \$2270.

This fee is charged annually per family. Billing is done at the start of the year for the full year and this account is required to be paid in full by the end of July. Payment may be made by Cash, Cheque, Credit Card or Direct Debit. *Payment by instalment can be arranged with the office before the end of February.*

**Per Student Fee cost - \$360.00**

In order to support our families during these difficult times we have not made any change to the Curriculum Levies charged for 2022. Each student is charged a curriculum levy in November/December \$360 for 2022. This fee must be paid mid December 2021 so that resources can be purchased and distributed. There are additional costs for Sacramental classes (charged by the Parish) and school camps (usually Years 3-6). Interscholar Sports can be an additional charge (Years 5 & 6) notified at the time.

**One to one Laptop Program Year 5 & 6 Students only**

Every student in year 5 and 6 has the opportunity to participate in a one to one laptop program, whereby all students are allocated an Apple Mac Laptop for their use at School and also at home (with controls) and Parents are billed (with school fees) for the rent of the machine whilst at OLMC in years 5 and 6. The cost for 2022 for the Laptop rental is \$490 for year 6 students and \$463 for year 5 students. At the end of Year 6 each family has the option to purchase the Laptop their child has been using for an extra buyout fee.

The three primary schools of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish receive limited funding from government sources. Parents who choose to send their children to our Parish Primary Schools are therefore obliged to pay school fees in order for the schools to repay loans, running costs, salaries and educational requirements. Parents will also be expected to participate in and support fundraising activities, which assists in the areas of maintenance, playground amenities and additional resources in curriculum.

It is a matter of justice that all parents are meeting their obligation and therefore the school fee policy has been developed to assist all parents.

**Process for Collection of Fees**

1. At the end of previous year, the school will inform parents of the fees, when due and payment options. Payments are to be made by the due date.
2. If there is a difficulty with fees at any stage, *onus is on parents to communicate with school* and contact the Principal who can negotiate a reasonable fee depending on circumstances. Also, some people, for budget purposes, need to pay weekly, fortnightly or monthly. The school can accommodate time payment plans, **but requests are to be made at the beginning of the year.**
3. Parents will be issued an account as shown below, and reminders throughout the year

<u>Fee</u>	<u>Sent Out</u>	<u>Due</u>
Book box, Stationery, resources, excursions, etc.	Early November	December (paid in advance)
Yearly Fee (Full Amount)	February	End of July*

*\*Unless payment plan is in place.*

4. If full amount is not received by the end of July, an Account Rendered is sent as a reminder.
5. One week later the Principal (or an agent of the Principal), will contact the parents. Arrangements are to be kept confidential between all parties.
6. If the agreed course of action is not implemented, a final letter will be sent one week later informing parents that the matter has been passed on to the Debt Collection Agency / Legal Team. In the event that the customer is in default of the obligation to pay, and the overdue account is then referred to an agency for collection, *the commission payable and legal costs incurred shall be added to the amount outstanding and form part of the debt.*
7. The Principal is to follow up the matter with the Agency. This will take place at various times during the year.

# SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
<b>Prep JF</b>	Milla Gatt	For her amazing efforts in writing this week - using her Writer's Notebook to record her nature walk experience. Awesome efforts Milla!
<b>Prep MR</b>	Jaxon Fuss	For his outstanding effort in his work and making good choices. He has been showing respect to others and trying his best in everything he does. I am so proud of you Jaxon what a super start you are.
<b>1H</b>	Adam Minawieh	Adam, you have made a wonderful start back to onsite learning. You are making wonderful choices and being a considerate friend to others. Thank you Adam, keep up the great work.
<b>1R</b>	Russell Salomon	For always showing respect by listening to others and contributing to our google meets in a positive way. Your beautiful smile is always a delight !
<b>2A</b>	Charlie Dixon	For returning back to onsite learning with a positive attitude and trying his best to focus and complete work tasks. Keep up the great work Charlie.
<b>2J</b>	Teagan Stephens-O'Brien	For always displaying a positive attitude towards her learning and asking questions when unsure.
<b>3BC</b>	Mater Paterra	For displaying the disposition of curiosity by asking great questions to find out more about Saint Mary Mackillop. So proud of you Mater!
<b>3CC</b>	Max Shalders	For asking clarifying questions and becoming a more independent learner. Keep up the great learning Max
<b>4PS</b>	Mason Ellis.	For working so hard & enthusiastically during Lockdown. You have shown such a great improvement in all areas especially reading & writing skills. You have shown the dispositions of Determination and Making Connection through your excellent reflection on "Caring for Our Common Home." Keep up your fantastic and positive attitude to your work.
<b>4ST</b>	Nina Felice	For returning to onsite learning with a smile so big that the face mask could not hide and being ready for a challenge
<b>5/6C</b>	Emma Derriman	For the work ethics and amazing creativity she displayed when completing all of her tasks during remote learning.
<b>5/6MT</b>	Olivia Grant	For her openness to learning new concepts and using the disposition of self motivation to seek clarification and ask for examples to support her learning in her maths group.
<b>5/6 R</b>	Bridie Fish	For working diligently and collaboratively on her humorous poem about sea life.

# Literacy News

Dear parents and caregivers

Just to bring you up to date with Scholastic:

There is an issue 8 on the Loop. You can have this order delivered to your home for an extra \$7.50. This looks like it will be the last order for the year, as the closing date is 8th December.

However I would be careful of ordering anything at the present, as the postal service is very much overwhelmed and I would hate you to order something for your child's Christmas and it not arrive in time.

We have recently got a subscription to Story Box Library for our students, which you can use at home. Hundreds of beautiful picture books read by actors and authors.

Story Box Library

<https://storyboxlibrary.com.au/login>

User name: OLMCSunbury

Viewer Password:OLMC#2021

As the children are on screens a lot of the time at the moment, you may wish to use this as a treat or use it more often when we return to school.

I also want to thank all the wonderful parents who are working in partnership with us to teach the children. I would like to acknowledge that it has been a difficult and long time but we will get there, if we all work together.

Take care and stay safe, we are all just waiting to see our beautiful children again.

Cheers Evelyn





## 24/7 Mental Health Services



### Is it an emergency?

If you or someone you know is at immediate risk of harm, call triple zero (000)

#### Suicide Call Back Service

Anyone thinking about suicide

[suicidecallbackservice.org.au](http://suicidecallbackservice.org.au)  
1300 659 467

#### Lifeline

Anyone having a personal crisis

[lifeline.org.au](http://lifeline.org.au)  
13 11 14

#### Beyond Blue

Anyone feeling anxious or depressed

[beyondblue.org.au](http://beyondblue.org.au)  
1300 22 4636

#### Kids Helpline

Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25

[kidshelpline.com.au](http://kidshelpline.com.au)  
1800 55 1800

#### MensLine Australia

Men with emotional or relationship concerns

[mensline.org.au](http://mensline.org.au)  
1300 78 99 78

#### Open Arms

Veterans and families counselling

[openarms.gov.au](http://openarms.gov.au)  
1800 011 046

healthdirect

## School Uniform News

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

**A reminder** to label all school uniform items especially jumpers & rugby tops and food/drink containers with your child's name. This will help stop the vast amounts of these items that end up in lost property.



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# OLMC RECYCLING CENTRE



PENS, TEXTAS AND WHITE OUT PRODUCTS, USED BATTERIES, PLASTIC BREAD BAGS AND ORAL PRODUCT PACKAGING CAN ALL BE RECYCLED AT OLMC.

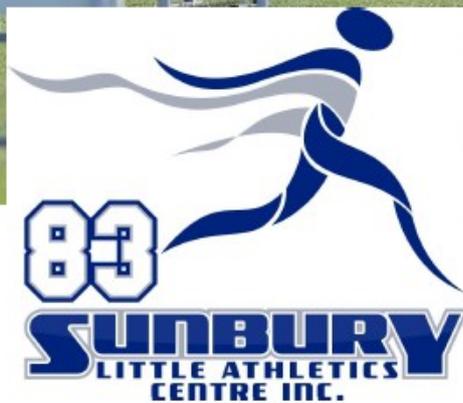
We are actively recycling a number of products to reduce the impact on our planet. Please continue to send your recyclable items to the School Office.

The boxes are located in the School Office Foyer



**THE WONDER BREAD RECYCLING PROGRAM HAS NOW ENDED BUT PLEASE CONTINUE TO RECYCLE ALL SOFT PLASTIC, INCLUDING BREAD BAGS BY COLLECTING THEM AND PUTTING THEM IN THE REDCYCLE BIN AT COLES AND WOOLWORTHS SUPERMARKETS. LOCATED NEAR THE CHECKOUT.**





# SUMMER TRACK AND FIELD REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Visit [www.lavic.com.au/membership](http://www.lavic.com.au/membership) to register

**FIRST WEEK:  
NOVEMBER 13 @8.15AM**

**COST:  
\$140**

**Eric Boardman Reserve, Sunbury**

For more information, please visit

**FACEBOOK.COM/SUNBURLAC**

**WWW.SUNBURLAC.ORG.AU**



# WANT TO PLAY JUNIOR CRICKET?

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FREE HAT AND  
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\$50  
FOR THE SEASON  
UNDER 11 - 17'S**

## TEAMS FOR ALL AGES

- BLASTERS' PROGRAMS - AGES 5 TO 9
- UNDER 11, 13, 15 AND 17 TEAMS
- TRAINING AND MATCHES WEEKLY
- BEST JUNIOR FEES IN LOCAL SPORT
- LOCATED LOCALLY IN SUNBURY
- ALL ARE WELCOME - NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY



## **INTERESTED?**



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Softball Australia's national participation program, Softball Batter Up, is designed to be fun, flexible and engaging for children from kindergarten age to Year 6, focusing on fun activities while learning basic throwing, catching and striking skills.

Every registered participant receives an Official SBU Starter Kit to begin their softball journey.



SUNBURY SOFTBALL BATTER UP SUMMER 2021

Venue: John McMahon Reserve, Sunbury

Dates: Fri 12 Nov - Fri 17 Dec 2021 (6 weeks)

Times: 5:30pm - 6:30pm    Ages: 4 - 8

Contact: Karen Wallace Ph:0412934518 after 4pm

Email: sunburysa@gmail.com

Register: <https://www.softballbatterup.com.au>

Cost: \$60 with pack included, \$40 without pack

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Fun and engaging with more player involvement from the first play. Try it now!

New registered participants will receive a starter pack which includes a glove and ball.



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