

Newsletter

Term 4 Week 2 Thursday, 14 October 2021

Principal's Message

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Dear Parents,

We are busily preparing for the students to begin their transition back to school. As I am sure you can imagine, there is a lot to juggle around timetabling and rostering of staff each day. However, we have done it before and we will do it again to the very best of our ability. On Tuesday afternoon we had a guest speaker at our staff meeting and one of the things we discussed was being mindful of our own and others' 'Window of Tolerance'.

Last weekend I sent out an email and Seesaw post regarding information for returning to school. Please make sure you read this in detail as it will answer most of your questions.

School Closure Days

Term 4

Mon 1st

November

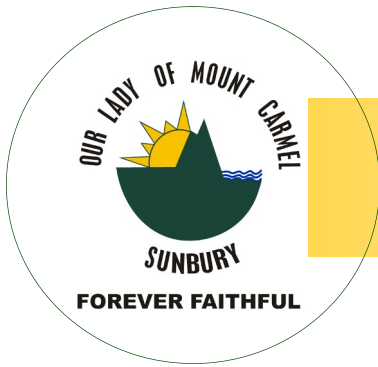
Tue 2nd

November

Melb Cup Day

Here are the main points:

- The transition back to school starts Monday 18th October for the Prep
- Please see the table below for all of the important dates
- Remote learning will continue for the days classes are not onsite
- Onsite supervision will continue for those children who have been eligible during this lockdown
- All children who at school must wear their full Summer uniform, including their hat
- All students from year 3 must wear a mask inside unless they have a medical exemption sighted by Mark Gleeson or myself
- Preps will use the Oshclub gate for drop off and pick up
- You may use the gate most appropriate for you to drop off and pick up students in Years 1-6. Please let your child know where to meet you
- Drop off for all students is from 8:30am and students must be collected by 3:30. If your children are here outside of these hours, they need to be booked into Oshclub
- Please ensure you adhere to social distancing at drop off and pick up and keep the footpaths clear
- Parents and other visitors are not allowed onsite unless it is an emergency
- Parents may enter the office foyer if really necessary (e.g. to sign children in or out, to pay fees, other queries that cannot be answered via phone or email) but will need to sign in via the QR code
- Assemblies will continue online at 9am on Monday mornings
- Covid safe protocols such as social distancing and hand sanitising will be enforced at school



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We really appreciate your cooperation in all of this so that we can have all staff and students back onsite for the remainder of the year. There is a chance that once everyone returns we may have a case of Covid at the school. If this does happen we will follow the directives of DHHS and I will keep you updated on closures, etc.

With all this happening, I am also starting to think about 2022. If you know your children are not returning next year please let me know as soon as possible so that we can make decisions about staffing and class structures.



Happy Birthday to the following students celebrating birthdays this week:

Audrina Cole

Eli Afamasaga

Lucas Stevens

Tyler Stott

Olivia Tranter

This Sunday we celebrate the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Gospel:

Mark 10:35–45

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.

Reflection - Realising that Jesus is our servant is what helps us to be servants to others.

God Bless,

Julie

IMPORTANT DATES

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

School Absences : absent@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au

SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep JF	Cody Nadja	Well done Cody! You have shown great enthusiasm towards your tasks and learning this week. You are a positive role model to your peers on-site and have balanced remote and onsite learning so well. Congratulations!
Prep MR	Lucas Blume	For his determination and self motivation to extend his learning while in remote learning. Lucas, you are a fabulous mathematician
1H	Georgia Walters	For being the first to volunteer to lead prayer this week. I love your enthusiasm! Also being able to try different things, especially showing us this week your new talent of playing an instrument - the guitar!
1R	Blake Brincat	For making great connections when responding to the song 'Pearly Shells' as a way to tell a story.
2A	Audrina Cole	For being a risk taker and having a voice. She has been asking and answering questions confidently, sharing her ideas and asking for things to be repeated during our small group meets. Keep shining, well done Audrina.
2J	James Chapman	For being a risk-taker and working outside his comfort zone. Well done on asking questions in our small groups.
3BC	Hudson Gatt	For displaying self motivation and a can-do attitude in completing challenging multiplication tasks. So proud of you Hudson, well done!
3CC	Zahra D'Agostino	For using the disposition of creativity and writing an amazing diary entry from the perspective of Captain Cook. Continue to let your talents shine Zahra!
4PS	Sam Plummer	Sam, you are such an enthusiastic student who has done some amazing work during lockdown. You always make sure that your work is explained well and you use technology so well. Thank you for teaching Mr Devlin so many new skills and for showing him how to change his Seesaw icon. Keep up the great attitude to your work.
4ST	Andrew Martinho	For always volunteering to run prayer and sharing his thoughts and ideas during our class google meets.
5/6C	Mitchell Lane	For writing an amazing free form poem about earthquakes and including figurative language in it for added effect.
5/6MT	Allura Qoriniyasi	For her excellent effort and dedicated and consistent approach to remote learning.
5/6 R	Jessica Preston	Jessica has demonstrated an outstanding effort when completing and presenting her presentation about droughts to the best of her abilities. Keep up the amazing work, Jess!

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)

<p>Suicide Call Back Service <i>Anyone thinking about suicide</i></p> <p> suicidecallbackservice.org.au  1300 659 467</p>	<p>Lifeline <i>Anyone having a personal crisis</i></p> <p> lifeline.org.au  13 11 14</p>
<p>Beyond Blue <i>Anyone feeling anxious or depressed</i></p> <p> beyondblue.org.au  1300 22 4636</p>	<p>Kids Helpline <i>Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25</i></p> <p> kidshelpline.com.au  1800 55 1800</p>
<p>MensLine Australia <i>Men with emotional or relationship concerns</i></p> <p> mensline.org.au  1300 78 99 78</p>	<p>Open Arms <i>Veterans and families counselling</i></p> <p> openarms.gov.au  1800 011 046</p>



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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Registrations are now open for a Skills and Careers: Your Way, a free 6-week online program starting Thurs 21 Oct with Victoria University Polytechnic that connects women in Sunbury and the Hume area to skills, training and industry. Find out more: <https://www.vupolytechnic.edu.au/events/skills-careers-your-way-partnership-hume-city-council>



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.

