



Newsletter

Term 4 Week 3 Thursday, 21 October 2021

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School Closure Days

Term 4

Mon 1st

November

Tue 2nd

November

Melb Cup Day

Dear Parents,

How exciting it has been to have our prep, 1 and 2 students back in their classrooms this week. We look forward to seeing the 5/6s tomorrow and the 3/4s on Tuesday. At this stage the staggered return remains the same, other than the 5/6s being onsite tomorrow. It is a big juggle as we have students who are in their class and others who still need to be supervised on the days but we are so excited to see the smiling faces race through the gate each morning.



I recently came across a wonderful webinar from the Royal Children's hospital - Supporting primary school children in their return to onsite learning It can be found here - https://www.rch.org.au/covid/COVID-19_resources/ I strongly encourage you to watch it as it may allay some concerns you or your children may have. We have updated our Covid Safe Plan and teachers are trying to spend as much time outside with their students as possible. To allow for air flow, windows and doors are open whenever possible. Please ensure your child has their jumper with them at school each day. There have been a couple of cool days and some students are feeling the cold if they are wearing shorts and a tshirt. Remember school hats are also essential. Just a reminder that the State Government has stated that students in years 3-6 are to wear a mask indoors and also highly recommended that students in prep-2 do so also.

First Eucharist

This week we announced that First Eucharist will take place on the 16th November. I have sent out an email and a seesaw message to parents this involves. If you haven't made your booking please so. I think there are only 4 or 5 families who haven't registered. Please note that everyone over 16 who is attending must be double vaccinated. The year 5 and 6 students and parents were invited to an information session on Monday night about human sexuality. This is part of our family faith program that is run for each year level with a different theme, often around the sacraments. Thanks to everyone who tuned in. It was a great turn out. I am sure you had a lot to talk about afterwards. More information can be found on the website - www.aboutreal.life



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Past Students

Congratulations to some of our past students who are having great success. Sian D'Monte has been elected School Captain at Salesian College for 2022. Salesian also have a student of the term award and of the 21 students who were nominated for all of year 7, five were past OLMC students: Matthew Clarke, Oliver D'Crus, Lisa D'Monte, Cooper Shalders and Myles Luca. Congratulations to all of these students. We are very proud of you.

OLMC Bake Off

Thank you to all our wonderful chefs who have sent through an entry to the OLMC Bake Off competition. Winners will be announced next week. I only wish I could have tasted them all! I will put together a collage of all the entries and share with you.



Happy birthday to everyone having a birthday this week. Some of you will be lucky enough to be able to celebrate with family and friends which is fantastic.



Juling Esmaque

Alissa McKay

Aria Scerri

Ruby Parker

Grace Zudetich

Jagan Fitzpatrick

Luca Cunsolo

Scripture

This Sunday we celebrate the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Gospel

Mark 10:46–52

Go; your faith has saved you. Reflection Where do I fit into this story? Am I happy to fall in with the crowd with its different moods and reactions? Or can I see myself showing the courage and persistence of Bartimaeus?

Student Work

The following story was written by one of our year 4 students, Ben Carter. Ben wrote this last term and read it to the year 3s during remote learning. Barky and the Spooky House

Barky and the Spooky House Once upon a time, in an Australian forest lived a Dog. His name was Barky but people called him Barky the mysterious red dog. He loves to solve mysteries, spooky mysteries!! This is a story about one red dog who has the courage to face his fears! One stormy night Barky and his dad were taking a little walk through the forest. Suddenly Barky heard the swish of the wind and it started to rain. Lightning appeared, the wind was howling. He turned to his dad but his dad was gone. He started to look for his dad. He looked into the distance and saw what looked like a really spooky house. He sniffs for his dad using his sense of smell. Each time the thunder hits, Barky starts counting, "1,2,3" BOOM!! This doesn't stop him. Sniff, sniff, he's not sure where his sense of smell will lead him.

One hour later, it stopped storming. It was quiet, too quiet for Barky's liking. He finally got to where his smell led him, the spooky house!! Barky knocked on the door, no answer. He knocks again and suddenly the door creaks open... eeeeeeee. "Ooooooooooooo".....oooooooooooo". "What was that?", says Barky. He goes in, pulls out his magnifying glass and starts looking around for clues. He goes into what looks like the main living room. The rain starts up again, thunder and lightning hits! Barky stops to look out the window. Then continues on with his investigation. He goes into a downstairs bedroom and finds a coffin with a human skeleton inside. This scared him but he kept going, using his sense of smell to find his dad. He walks through the hallway and sees a picture with moving eyes! This scares barky, so he runs up the stairs as fast as he can!!! He finds a sheet on the floor and another one and another, until it leads him to a door. There's a rug outside the door. With his magnifying glass, he finds something shiny under the rug. He lifts it up and it's a key!! Barky picks up the key and opens the door. To his surprise he sees his dad! "Dad was that you making the spooky noises"? "Yes it was. Well done Barky you've solved the mystery". "Why did you set up a mystery for me?". "Because you started to doubt yourself and I wanted to prove that you're still a great mystery solver. Well done Barky. I'm proud of you. Let's go home now. That's enough mystery-solving for me, how about you son?" "Yes me too". Off they went home.

The End.

I look forward to seeing everyone at school over the coming week

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 week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep JF	Juling Esmaque	You have shown wonderful efforts to re settle into our classroom Juling, showing kindness to all our friends in Prep JF and concentrating on your learning tasks -Congratulations!
Prep MR	Malika Chand	For being a confident speaker when she adds to our special intentions during prayer. Well Done Malika
1H	Mason Warner	For always being ready to contribute to discussions during the teacher groups. Mrs Harper loves the way you always take the time to record your responses and think deeply about your answers and wonderings, especially during the Life and Faith activities. Keep up the amazing work Mason.
1R	Emily Nation	For being able to juggle her amazing holiday to Queensland and still participate in learning activities and google meets! Welcome back to Sunbury Emily!
2A	Abigail McKay	For showing self motivation and determination the whole way through remote learning. She is always ready to learn and give new things a go. It has been great to see her own self belief and confidence grow over the past few weeks. You are a superstar! Well done Abigail.
2J	Liam Grech	For displaying self-motivation throughout remote learning. Your hard work is showing through the work you are submitting. Well done.
3BC	Tyler Vitaljic	for being a self motivated learner by going above and beyond to find out more about poetry and Onomatopoeia. You are a star, Tyler!
3CC	Molly Russell	For being resilient, taking risks and challenging herself to be a better learner by acting upon feedback in a positive manner! Keep up the awesome effort Molly!
4PS	Emily Browning	Emily, you have worked so well during Lockdown. You have presented some excellent work and your story writing is so imaginative. I love the way you share your stories using such great expression and enthusiasm. Keep up the great work Emily.
4ST	Emma Cortese	For showing initiative by exceeding expectations on an amazing report on the platypus.
5/6C	Lacy Urbon	For having a positive attitude towards all of your work and always being willing to listen to and act on feedback. Keep up the great work Lacy.
5/6MT	Tom Wadden	For showing determination to work through challenges and putting increased effort into completing his remote learning tasks.
5/6 R	Zac Paoly	For his work during our mathematics meetings. Zac is a great problem solver. Keep up the super effort Zac!

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 TAGS 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.

