

Newslette

Term 2 Week 1 Thursday, 28 April 2022

Principal's Message principal@olmcsunbury.catholic.edu.au

Dear Parents,

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Welcome back to Term 2. The staff had 2 very worthwhile professional learning days and we are all very excited for the term ahead. Over the holidays we had 2 major events. The first was the Bunnings BBQ on Easter Saturday. A huge thank you to Vic Scerri for his very generous donations of sausages, bread, sauce and drink and to Nelson for coordinating the day with Vic. Thank you to the parents and Mark Gleeson who gave their time to help out. We raised close around \$2100. It would be great to see more parents helping out next year!





On Monday many of our families joined us at the ANZAC Day commemorative service, run by the Sunbury RSL. It was such a privilege to be part of this special occasion. If you haven't been before I highly recommend you try to attend next year. 'ANZAC' stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. On the 25th of April 1915, Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the allied expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli

peninsula. These became known as Anzacs and the pride they took in that name continues to this day. On the morning of 25 April 1915, the Anzacs set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula in order to open the Dardanelles to the allied navies. The objective was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul in Turkey), the capital of the Ottoman Empire, and an ally of Germany.

The Anzacs landed on Gallipoli and met fierce resistance from the Ottoman Turkish defenders. Their plan to knock Turkey out of the war quickly became a stalemate, and the campaign dragged on for eight months. At the end of 1915, the allied forces were evacuated. Both sides suffered heavy casualties and endured great hardships. Over 8,000 Australian soldiers were killed. News of the landing on Gallipoli and the events that followed had a profound impact on Australians at home. The 25th of April soon became the day on which Australians remember the sacrifice of those who had died in the war.

The Anzacs were courageous and although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives, the Australian and New Zealand actions during the campaign left us all a powerful legacy.



There will be a little bit of movement with staffing in the coming months. I will be able to give you more details in the coming weeks once they are finalised. Where teachers need to be replaced at all please know that we will be very thorough in our recruitment to ensure the smoothest transition for our students.

If you have a child starting Prep next year (or you know someone who does) please ensure enrolment forms are into the office this week.

The new **Noone school uniform shop** is up and running. Here are the opening hours:

Monday - 8.00am - 12.00pm Wednesday - 8.00am - 12.00pm Friday - 9.00am - 5.00pm

As mentioned in a letter I sent out on the weekend, there have been a few changes to Covid restrictions:

Masks

While recommended, mask are not required in any school setting. This means students in grades 3 to 6, staff and visitors in primary schools are no longer required to wear face masks. Any student or staff member who wishes to wear a mask may do so, including those who are medically at-risk.

RATS

Students who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation. This was previously 8 weeks.

RATs will continue to be supplied for the first 4 weeks of Term 2 to support the early detection of COVID-19 in our school.

The testing recommendations will remain the same this Term for students and staff with:

mainstream schools – recommended to test at home twice a week

Household contacts

Students who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are not required to quarantine. They may return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times during their 7-day period. They are required to notify the school that they are a household contact.

- Students aged 8 years and above who are household contacts are required to wear face masks when indoors at school unless they have a valid exemption.
- If a student household contact returns a positive RAT result, they must isolate for 7 days.

Vaccination requirements for visitors to schools

Parents, carers and other adult visitors (not performing work) are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine. Parent helpers will still require proof of 3 doses of the vaccine, as will all school staff. We will soon run a parent helper workshop for parents who wish to help in our classrooms.



Ruby Stepanoski Ben Carter Sam Dillon Ivan Rajab Islah Boyce Olivia Grech Teagan Stephens-O'Brien Jake Nicholls Tyler Vitaljic Harvie Paterra Chloe Strant

Here is a reminder of some important Term 2 dates:

5th May- Mothers' Day stall

6th May – Mothers' Day extravaganza

8th – Happy Mothers' Day

13th May – Interschool Cross Country

18 th Years 1 and 2 Family Mass at St Anne's at 10:30am

23rd May – School Photos (full winter uniform required)

7th and 8th June – Family Faith evening for year 4s

10th June – Year 5 and 6 Winter Sports Day

13th June - Queens Birthday Holiday

16th and 17th June – Year 3/4 Camp

21st and 22nd June – parent teacher interviews

24th June – Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass

 24^{th} June – Term 2 ends at 1:30pm

I am looking forward to a fabulous term 2! God bless,

Prep 2023 Enrolments are now open

Collect enrolment forms from the office or via website

Enrolments close April 29th 2022

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













Our Lady of Mount Carmel Canteen Roster: Term 2 2022

29th April	Sylvana Doricic	3rd June	Belinda Falzon-Pout
	Emma Clements		Shelley Sparke
	Nicole (Emmas Mum)		Louise Vasey
6th. May	Nicole Petrie	10th June	Sylvana Doricic
	Erin Thompson		Simone Fawcus
	Nat Grant		Jade Grech
13th May	Simone Fawcus	17th June	Emma Clements
	Kelly Xerri		Kelly Xerri
	Irene Wishart		Simone Fawcus
20th May	Danni Caruana	24th June	Early finish
	Alex D'Agostino		No Canteen
	Fran McKay		
27th May	Caroline Dillon		
-	Danielle Wadden		
	Cathy Carter		

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 and triple vaccinated certificate before coming to the canteen. We will now be working under COVID restrictions 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

Official Term Dates 2022

Term 1: 28th January—8th April

(Easter 15th April—18th April)

Term 2: 26th April — Friday 24th June (1.30 finish)

Term 3: 11th July—16th September

Term 4: 3rd October—20 December





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LOST PROPERTY located in the MPR is overflowing with numerous items especially rugby tops/school jumpers and food /drink containers, many unnamed. If your child is missing school items please check lost property

School Uniform News

Green socks — \$5 per pair and school hats — \$10 now available from the school office Cash only please

<u>A reminder</u> to label all school uniform items especially rugby tops/school jumpers and food /drink containers with your child's name—Thank you!

Community News







TO PARENTS OF STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADE 5

Here at Salesian College Sunbury we are proud of our relationship with our neighbouring schools and communities. We work together to provide a quality Catholic education to the young people of Sunbury and surrounds. We celebrate life and faith, prepare students to contribute positively, and provide opportunities to achieve excellence.

We would love to see you as part of our Saleslan family.
Did you know that now is the time to apply for a place at Saleslan College Sunbury in
Year 7 2024? Applications are being accepted and close on Friday 19 August 2022.

<u>Visit our website, or click here to apply.</u> The online application form can be started, saved, and completed at any time. I invite you to visit our College website for all other information.

Our website also features a $\underline{\text{wirtual tour}}$ where you can explore what makes us so unique and 'A Home that Welcomes'.

First round interviews for Year 7 2024 places will be conducted in early September 2022 and offers will go out in October 2022. An interview booking link will be supplied to all applicants soon after the closing date.

If you require further information, please contact our College Registrar (details below).

Mark Brockhus Principal - Salesian College Sunbury







POP-UP VACCINATION HUB GOONAWARRA

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House

8 Gullane Drive, Sunbury VIC 3429

Friday 6th May – 12pm to 5pm

The first 10 people who receive a vaccination on the day will also receive a \$60 URBNSURF gift card!

Why should I get vaccinated?

Vaccines are the best way to protect ourselves and others against infectious diseases and viruses. COVID-19 is incredibly infectious for people of all ages, and the long-term effects of infection remain widely unknown. The symptoms of COVID-19 are much milder and shorter in duration among those who remain up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines/boosters.

Who will be administering my vaccination?

DPV Health registered nurses.

DPV Health is a community-based health care organisation, that provides a range of services. DPV nurses are very welcoming, kind, and happy to answer all your health-related questions when you visit.

Who can attend the vaccination hub?

People of all ages and cultural backgrounds are welcome to attend to receive their next dose.

Pfizer, Novavax and Paediatric Pfizer will be available for your first, second, third or fourth dose!

We look forward to seeing you at the pop-up vaccination site!



