

# Newsletter

Term 4 Week 8 Thursday, 24 November 2022

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

Dear Parents,

There is a lot happening behind the scenes at OLMC at the moment: class lists, staffing, teacher allocations, new preps, front entrance plans, new adventure playground plans, reporting writing.

It is both exciting and challenging and is certainly giving us a great deal to think about. I will provide you with updates over the next couple of weeks. One of the recommendations that was made to me was to reintroduce a Performing Arts program. We have employed Hayley Penno for this role, starting in the new year. We welcome Hayley to OLMC and wish her all the best in this new venture.

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Sunbury 3429  
9740 7344



We look forward to seeing all of our families at our Carols Night on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 5:30 to 7:00pm. Let's hope for fine weather. We will gather on either the basketball court or the green, depending on the ground conditions.

**School Closure Day**  
**Friday 2nd December**

There will be no assembly on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November due to our swimming carnival and activity day. The next assembly will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December and our last assembly will be on the 12<sup>th</sup> December. A reminder that everyone is invited to attend our assemblies.



Congratulations to the Sultana family (Damon Prep C) on the birth of baby Aiden. Welcome to the OLMC community.



Oliver Breese    Xavier Mihos    Ellora Clements  
Sonny Boyce    Ashton Falzon Pout    Bonnie Grant

**Term 4 Dates**  
**3rd October**  
-  
**16th December**  
**(1.30 finish)**

This Sunday is the first Sunday in Advent and the focus is on Hope. What, as we enter the Season of Advent, are you in Hope of?

Father, let your *hope* arise in our hearts! Lift our eyes up to see that you alone are where our *hope* comes from. Help us to shake off the anxiety, discouragements, and distractions that have filled this year.

May we pause to remember that we have *hope* in you.

You know the end of our stories, and we give thanks because you have promised that it will be a victorious ending. Give us the grace we need to wrap up this year joyfully.

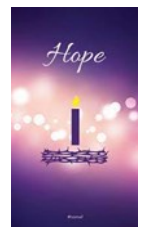
We invite your Spirit into this beautiful Advent season. Renew our sense of holy anticipation! Let us be those who are waiting eagerly for Jesus to come again.

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Amen.

God bless, Julie



# SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep C	Billie Thompson	For being a kind and caring friend and helping her teachers and her friends when they are in need.
Prep J	Jimmy Kaminski	Congratulations Jimmy, you have shown the learning disposition of self motivation and worked super diligently this week! Wonderful work!
1 H	Marco Francese	For the improvement and the ability to self correct in his number exercises.
1 R	Jaxon Purton	For showing resilience to try new things especially in Sport. Keep up the amazing effort!
2 R	Jacob Kiss	For being actively engaged in class discussions; regularly sharing his thoughts and respectfully listening to others.
2C	Holly Strant	For her incredible problem solving skills and sharing her different strategies to solving maths problems during class discussions.
3/4 C	Ben Letzis	For demonstrating resilience and persistence when working to improve his ability to read and calculate both 12 hour time and 24 hour time. Keep up the excellent work Ben!
3/4 M	Audrina Cole	For taking a risk in her learning and demonstrating her mathematical thinking for the grade. Amazing Audrina
3/4 R	Samuel Evans	For an incredible first week at OLMC. It was impressive to see him take part in the class morning sport games and interacting with his peers as though he had been at this school all along. Welcome to the OLMC family, Samuel!
5 D	Marley Stott	For using the disposition of risk taking to take herself out of her comfort zone and her speech for School Captain in front of an audience. What a brilliant effort.
5 T	Zac Hills	For contributing to class discussions and always treating his peers with respect.
6 C	Juliet Luca	For including strong arguments in her persuasive text, The Voting Age Should Not Be Lowered to 12 Years.
6S	Ruby Lane	For acting on feedback to improve her persuasive text about the importance of removing plastics from our oceans.



We are officially half way through term 4 and storming towards the end of term. We have a number of upcoming events and I will remind you of the dates so please ensure they are in your calendar. I also have dates for next year for sacraments and camps and other special dates. School closure dates should be determined by the end of this year

2022	2022	2023 Term 1	2023 Term 2
<p><b>November</b></p> <p>24 - OLMC Choir-Christmas Cheer at Sunbury Global Learning Centre 4pm</p> <p>25 – House Spirit Day - Students may wear-house colours with a touch of Christmas</p> <p>28 – Years 2-6 School swimming tabloid day at Sunbury Aquatic centre</p> <p>28 – Prep and year 1 inflatable fun day at school</p> <p>30 – Prep orientation session 3 (9:30)</p>	<p><b>December</b></p> <p>1 – Carols night 5:30 -7:30</p> <p>2 – School closure day – planning for 2023</p> <p>6 – School Advisory Council dinner 6:30</p> <p>8 – Christmas casual clothes day – return raffle tickets</p> <p>9 – Year 6s at Fun-fields</p> <p>12 – Keyboard concert</p> <p>12 – Prep orientation session 4 and whole school orientation at 12pm</p> <p>14 – Year 6 graduation</p> <p>15 – Year 6 lunch</p> <p>15 – Reports available online</p> <p>16 – Thanksgiving Mass (all invited) 9:30am</p> <p>16 – Term ends at 1:30</p> <p>16 – Year 6 guard of honour 1:30</p>	<p><b>January</b></p> <p><b>31 – All students begin term 1</b></p> <p><b>February</b></p> <p>6 – Swimming trials 9am</p> <p>10 – Opening school Mass 9:30am</p> <p>14 and 15 – Parent teacher chats</p> <p>22 – Ash Wednesday Mass 9:30am</p> <p><b>March</b></p> <p>13 – Labour Day Holiday</p> <p>15 – NAPLAN starts</p>	<p><b>April</b></p> <p>3 – School photos</p> <p>6 – End of term 1 at 1:30pm</p> <p>9 – Easter Sunday</p> <p>24 – Term 2 begins</p> <p>25 – ANZAC Day holiday</p> <p><b>May</b></p> <p>11 – Mother’s Day Stall</p> <p>12 – Mother’s Day celebration TBC</p> <p>14 – Mother’s Day</p> <p>19 – Confirmation reflection Day for year 6s</p> <p>21- Sacrament of Confirmation 2pm at St Patrick’s Cathedral</p> <p>22- 24 – Year 5 and 6 camp – Phillip Island</p> <p><b>June</b></p> <p>8 and 9 – Year 3 and 4 camp</p> <p>23 – End of term 2 at 1:30pm</p>
<b>2023 Term 3</b>		<b>2023 Term 4</b>	
<p><b>July</b></p> <p>10 – Term 3 begins</p> <p>11 and 12 – Family Faith evenings for year 4s – Eucharist</p> <p><b>August</b></p> <p>5 – First Eucharist 5:30pm</p> <p>6 – First Eucharist 10:30am</p> <p>23 and 24 - Family Faith evenings for year 3s – Reconciliation</p> <p>31 – Father’s Day stall</p>	<p><b>September</b></p> <p>1 – Father’s Day breakfast</p> <p>3 – Father’s Day</p> <p>13 – Sacrament of Reconciliation – year 3s</p> <p>15 – End of term 3 at 1:30pm</p>	<p><b>October</b></p> <p>2 – Term 4 begins</p> <p><b>November</b></p> <p>6 – Melbourne Cup Day</p> <p><b>December</b></p> <p>13 – Year 6 Graduation</p> <p>14 – Thanksgiving mass 9:30am</p> <p>End of term date TBA</p>	

## 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.

### 2023 School Fee Structure & Schedule

#### Family Fee cost \$2380.00

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/debit card or direct deposit. *Payment by instalment can be arranged with the office before the end of February.*

#### Per Student Fee cost - \$380.00

Each student is charged a curriculum levy in November/December \$380 for 2023. This fee must be paid mid December 2022 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). Interschool 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 MacBook Laptop for their use at School and also at home (with controls) and Parents are billed (with school fees) for the rent of the computer whilst at OLMC in years 5 and 6. 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. In 2023 we are also offering a more cost effective option, a Chromebook instead of the Apple MacBook Air 13". The cost for the Chromebook is significantly lower, however families should consider whether this computer is suitable for them if intending their child to attend Salesian College as this device will not operate Windows and MacOS programs as is required for secondary school. The cost for 2023 and 2024 for the Laptop or the Chromebook is outlined below.

Apple MacBook 13" Laptop	\$1607.00	ChromeBook	\$619.00
Charged 2023 Year 5	\$540.00	Charged 2023 Year 5	\$210.00
Charged 2024 Year 6	\$540.00	Charged 2024 Year 6	\$210.00
End of 2024 buyout	\$527.00	End of 2024 buyout	\$199.00

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

- 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.
- 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.**
- Parents will be issued an account as shown below, and reminders throughout the year

Fee	Sent Out	Due
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.*

- If full amount is not received by the end of July, an Account Rendered is sent as a reminder.
- One week later the Principal (or an agent of the Principal), will contact the parents. Arrangements are to be kept confidential between all parties.
- 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.*
- The Principal is to follow up the matter with the Agency. This will take place at various times during the year.

## Christmas House Spirit Day

Dear families,

On the 25th of November O.L.M.C. will be participating in a House Spirit Session from 11:30am to approximately 1:30pm.

**Please read below for more information....**

To build community and house spirit, the house leaders have planned a really fun session before the end of term....a session full of Christmas fun! There will be 4 different house zones with activities intertwined with the Christmas spirit.

**Students will be invited to wear their house colours with a Christmas touch. If this is not possible, students are invited to wear sports uniform instead.**

For one of the activities we will need some boxes e.g cereal boxes, parcel boxes (no bigger than a shoe box), if you have any random boxes lying around your home please send them to 6S prior to the date.

Thank You

Regards The House Leaders,  
Julian, Lily, Lacy, Juliet, Madison, Lauren, Luke and Max

If you would like to come along you are most welcome!



## OLMC Christmas Raffle

**1 winner from each classroom drawn on  
Monday 12th December at Assembly.**

### Donation Ideas:

Prep- Christmas decorations  
Years 1 & 2- Holiday Fun e.g. puzzles, games, stationery etc.  
Year 3/4- Food & Wine Indulgences e.g. drinks, nibbles, chips etc.  
Years 5 & 6- Home Decor & Relaxing e.g. pamper items, craft, candles etc.

*\$1 per ticket.  
Tickets & donations due  
back on Thursday 8th  
December.  
Casual dress on this day!*



THIS YEAR WE WILL SUPPORT  
THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY  
THROUGH YOUR GENEROSITY

**SUPPORTING VIMMIES  
SUNBURY**

November 27 2022 10:30am



## Family Mass



An invitation for you to come to celebrate Mass together as a family.

An opportunity for young people to...

- Join the choir
- Read at Mass
- Join Children's Liturgy
- Lead the Our Father
- Bring up the offertory
- Try Altar Serving



To volunteer for one of the above jobs,  
as a child or supporting adult, please  
[click here](#) or scan the QR code.



## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Canteen Roster—Term 4 2022

Please contact Sally if you can fill a vacancy 0400 384 403 / olmccanteen@hotmail.com


25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Emma Clements Esther Kuscus-Harrison Renee Ridington	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Michele Shalders Erin Thompson Irene Wishart
2nd Dec	<b>School Closure Day</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>NO Canteen</b> 1.30 Finish

**Report School Absences :**

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

### 2022 OLMC Bell Times

8.45 am :	First bell / move to classroom
8.55 am :	Classes commence
11.00 –11.30am	Recess time
1.30pm:	Eating time
1.40pm- 2.20pm	Lunch time
3.15pm	End of school day



Green socks — \$5 per pair & school hats — \$10 now available from the school office . (Limited sizes)

Cash only please

**A reminder**

Please label all school uniform items especially rug-by tops/school jumpers and food /drink containers with your child’s name.

Lost Property is located in the MPR


### INVITATION!

The Students of the Keyboard Program would like to invite Parents, Teachers, Classmates, Friends and Family, To Our Christmas Keyboard Concert which will be held in the OLMC Church on Monday 12th December

The Students will be performing as a group, and children who choose, will also perform a solo item.

All Students will perform with their grade at the following times;

09.10 :	Grade 5T Grades 3/4C & 3/4R
09.50:	Grades 2BC & 2R
10.20:	Grades 1R & 1H Prep J



We hope you will be able to come and enjoy the beautiful music your children have been practising. They have been working very hard for many weeks, and we are all quite excited! Please be on time as we have so many students performing and we need to run to a tight schedule.

From  
The Keyboard Students  
and Cathy (enquiries 0425-709875)

# School Uniform News



OFFICIAL UNIFORM SUPPLIER TO  
**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
 PRICE LIST VALID TO 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023

Uniform	Sizing	Price
Pullover - Bottle	70-75	\$80.50
	80+	\$83.95
White short sleeve shirt – classic	29-42	\$32.50
White short sleeve shirt - tailored	4-20	\$32.50
White long sleeve shirt – classic	29-42	\$35.50
White long sleeve shirt - tailored	4-20	\$35.50
Academic Trouser – Grey Full Elastic Waist	4-18	\$39.95
Academic Trouser – Grey ½ Elastic Waist	4-18	\$44.95
Straight leg pant - Bottle	4-16	\$31.95
Tailored slacks – Bottle	4-16	\$59.95
Gaberdine shorts - Bottle	4-16	\$23.50
Dress – Green/white check	4-18	\$49.50
Tunic – Green check	4-18	\$65.00
Short sleeve polo top – Bottle/Gold	4-14 & XS-2XL	\$29.00
Long sleeve polo top – Bottle/Gold	4-14 & XS-2XL	\$32.00
Sport Shorts – Bottle	4-18	\$25.00
Skort – Bottle	4-16	\$24.50
Track pant with cuff – Bottle	4-16	\$29.95
Softshell Jacket – Bottle	4-14 & XS-M	\$65.00
Polar fleece vest – Bottle	4-16	\$30.00
Rugby top – Bottle/Gold	4-14 & XS-2XL	\$70.00
Bucket Hat – Bottle/Gold	XS, S, M, L	\$15.50
Legionnaires Hat – Bottle	OSFA	\$15.50
Slouch Hat – Bottle	XS, S, M, L	\$15.50
Scarf – Bottle	OSFA	\$10.00
Backpack with logo		\$56.50
Library Folio - Bottle		\$13.50
Library Bag – Bottle		\$9.00
Art Smock – Bottle or Navy		\$21.00
Ankle Socks – 2Pk	5-8, 9-12, 13-3, 2-8, 7-11, 11-14	\$10.00
Knee Hi socks - Bottle	5-8, 9-12, 13-3, 2-8, 7-11, 11-14	\$9.95
Cotton Tights - Bottle	3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-14	\$14.95

Uniform is available from the Salesian College Sunbury campus Uniform Shop

**Salesian College Uniform Shop Trading Hours:**

Monday 8.00am – 12.00pm  
 Wednesday 8.00am – 12.00pm  
 Friday 9.00am – 12.00pm and 1.00pm – 5.00pm  
 Ph: 9740 4831

All prices are subject to change without notice



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# UPCOMING

## EVENTS

Free webinar series for  
parents & children  
aged 10 - 15 years.



Oct  
**11**

### Cyber Security for Families

Hear from cyber safety experts as they uncover just how easy it is for cyber criminals to scam and hack us!

Nov  
**09**

### My First Mobile Phone

Is your child about to get their first mobile phone or personal tablet? Learn helpful tips to level up your mobile phone security and create a safe digital environment for the whole family.

Nov  
**22**

### Online Gaming Safety

Uncover how gaming platforms are hooking us in and learn how to take control by managing screen time and creating healthy gaming habits.

Nov  
**28**

### Digital Balance & Wellbeing

Tune in, wake up and take control. Practical strategies to find a balance and learn to thrive in a digitally-connected world.



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# HAVE YOU SEEN THE OLMC RECYCLING CENTRE?



IT'S LOCATED IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOYER.  
WE ARE CURRENTLY COLLECTING BREAD TAGS (PLASTIC ONLY), OLD PENS AND TEXTAS, USED BATTERIES, ANY ORAL WASTE PACKAGING AND NOW .....

**WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE WE ARE ABLE TO  
RECYCLE MEDICINE BLISTER PACKS.**

**Lets do our bit and help save the planet—it's easy, just  
collect these items and drop them in at our Recycling bins**

