



COMING UP AT OLSH...

OCTOBER 2023	
Mon 30 th	Rochester Secondary Transition Visit
NOVEMBER 2023	
Mon 6 th	Pupil Free Day
Tue 7 th	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Fri 10 th	Mission Day
Mon 20 th – Fri 24 th	Gr 5/6 Camp - Canberra
DECEMBER 2023	
Thu 14 th	End of Year/ Graduation Mass
Fri 15 th	Last Day Term 4 (Students)



Rochester Secondary College Transition Session

On Monday, October 30th, all Year 5 and 6 students will have a transition session at Rochester Secondary College from 11.00 - 2.00pm. Students will be transported via bus and will be provided lunch also. Please check SIMON / PAM to ensure that you have completed the permission form for this, thanks.

End of Year Information

Just a further reminder that last week I received information regarding an increase in pupil free days for 2024. All schools in the diocese have been allocated an additional pupil free day to be used in Term 4 of this year. As we already have one pupil free at our disposal this year, I am suggesting that we will use these two days on the last 2 days of term. These being December 18 and 19. This would therefore mean that the students official last day will be Friday, December 15th.

Craig Simpson
Principal

From the Principal...

Dear Families,

School Surveys

Our School Satisfaction Surveys finish next Friday, October 27. I would be so grateful if you could take the 20 minutes required to complete these. Just a word of warning - some people have reported that when trying to access the survey on their phone that they are getting a message to say that the survey is closed - this obviously isn't the case and the problem doesn't appear to exist when accessing the survey via computer.

Year 5/6 Canberra Camp

Last week I emailed a letter to all parents of students in years 5 and 6, highlighting the fact that I will be attending the Canberra Camp with the students, rather than Kim. The reasons for this are outlined in the letter, with exorbitant cost being the contributing factor. Please let me know if you need to discuss this.

Religious Education Accreditation - final days for 2024

Next Thursday and Friday Kim, Lizzy and Janette will have their final two days of study for their RE Accreditation, for this year. It is a requirement of CES that anyone who teaches RE in one of our Catholic schools has this formal accreditation. The students will have their normal specialists subjects on Thursday and myself and Ellie will have the students on the Friday.

School News

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK 2: Congratulations to Zyrah, Chris, Hayden, and Hunter for being named our Learners of the Week!



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Uniforms can be ordered at any time:

- ☐ Phone Hip Pocket on 5480 1027 or
- ☐ Visiting Hip Pocket at 173 Pakenham St, Echuca.

We are grateful to them for working with us to provide school uniforms.



Congratulations to our Collingwood supporters on winning the footy tipping for 2023!

ORDERS DUE MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER

Don't forget, you can order books online from Book Club.

Issue 7 of the Scholastic Book Club catalogue is now online. Ordering books through Book Club is an easy way to offer students the best in children's books for the home and to encourage independent reading for fun. Plus, the school receives vouchers from any sales that we can use to buy more books!

Please order and pay online via <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/parent/login.aspx>.





We stand in prayer with everyone caught up in the terrifying situation in the Middle East.

*"To the innocent who live in the shadow of war and terror,
especially the frightened children,
be a shelter and strength,
their haven and hope.*

*And to those who have already lost their lives
as victims of human cruelty, open wide your arms
and enfold them all
in the embrace of your compassion, healing, and
everlasting life.*

*Grant this through Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord."
Amen*

On Monday, Rhonda from Elmore Food Share visited Grades Three to Six to discuss the program. Most of the food comes from Bendigo Food Share, donated by major supermarkets. Running Food Share costs approximately \$750 per term. Ways to help would be donating excess, fruits and vegetables which can be homegrown from the garden or other pantry items, which can be dropped off on Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. or Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.

Drop a bag of oranges etc on the way to school or the box at the office. Foods that are needed are tins of fruit and long-life milk. There's also a donation tin at the Bakery to help with running costs. Elmore Food Share has grown in three years and the OLSH learners were very keen to assist Rhonda. Your contributions are greatly appreciated



Elmore
Food Share

Foodshare
Term 4
2023

**CANNED GOODS
& BREAKFAST
CEREALS**



Community News



FUNLOONG. FREE FUN DAY!



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Saturday October 28
11am to 2pm
Hargreaves Mall and
Williamson Street

Join us to celebrate Children's Week with a range of FREE fun activities and live entertainment for children and families to enjoy! Scan the QR code to follow this inclusive event on Facebook.

This event is proudly sponsored by:





WORKING BEE
Sunday 29th October 2023 @ 10am



Please come along and lend a hand to get the pool and grounds ready for the opening in December.

We will be giving the kiosk, changerooms and toilets a general tidy, cleaning under the verandah and the footpaths, mowing, whipper snipping the lawns and edges, tidying the pool surrounds and along the fences and carpark area. We would appreciate if anyone could bring along lawn mowers (preferably with a catcher), whipper snippers, blowers and general cleaning/gardening gear

Thank You!

For more info contact Ellie on 0438129386

MOVING FORWARD AFTER THE FLOODS

EVENT LOCATIONS:

MARONG,
HEATHCOTE
& ELMORE.



Were you impacted by the floods?

Come to a local event and hear from Rochester personality Brad McEwan on kindness, resilience and perspective and enjoy a free meal with other community members.

Brad is a former television presenter and sports reporter, and current Beyond Blue Ambassador.

Elmore Community Hub

Wednesday, October 25th

6pm - 7.30pm

Junior TENNIS Tournament

5TH OF NOVEMBER
9AM

Round Robin

Divisions 1, 2 & 3
Entries emailed to
rochesterlrtc@gmail.com
or Karen Taylor
0448557139

COST
\$10
PER PLAYER

NO PARTNER NO PROBLEM
We will sort it!

Rochester Lawn Tennis Club