



COMING UP AT OLSH...

FEBRUARY 2022

Fri 18	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
Wed 23	Foundation Rest Day
Wed 23	Advisory Council Meeting – 7pm
Fri 25	Beginning of Year Liturgy

MARCH 2022

Tue 1	Shrove Tuesday
Tue 1	Shrove Tuesday Pancakes – 8.30am
Wed 2	Ash Wednesday
Wed 2	Ash Wednesday Liturgy – 10.40am
Wed 2	Foundation Rest Day
Thu 3	Pie Drive Collection Day
Fri 4	Cluster Swimming Carnival - TBC
Fri 12	Elmore Charity Ball
Sat 13	Charity Ball Clean-up
Mon 14	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tue 15	Foundation students start full time
Tue 15	School Photos - TBC
Wed 23	PSG Meetings
Fri 25	School Dental Programme

APRIL 2022

Wed 6	Cluster Cross Country - TBC
Wed 6	Resilience Project Parent Night
Fri 8	Last Day Term 1
Mon 25	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Tue 26	First Day Term 2

From the Principal ...

To our OLSH School Community,

Things are starting to really get rolling at school. I am so grateful to all of our students, staff and parents for helping make the start of the year so smooth.

Our major event for next week is our opening school liturgy on Friday, February 25. This will be held in the Chevi Centre at 2.30 pm. Unfortunately, current regulations are still not allowing for us to have parents and other community members gathering onsite, I'm really sorry about this.

An initiative that we are entering into as a school that I am very excited about is the change that we are undertaking in the teaching of languages. This year, we are going to be teaching all students the common sign language of Australia, Auslan. Rather than have a specialist teacher to teach this, as was the case with past years with Indonesian, the classroom teachers learn the language alongside the students, so that they are learning and teaching on the go. I know that I am personally excited to embrace this learning and see if I can stay even one step ahead of the students as we learn together.

I look forward to sharing with you some of the learning staff have undertaken today in our Visible Learning Professional Development. This is

all part of ensuring that we, as teachers and staff, are fully equipped to be the best leaders of learning we can be.

Have a great weekend and week ahead everyone.

Craig



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

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School News



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKES: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of some parent volunteers to help with our Shrove Tuesday pancakes on Tuesday 1st March. We will start cooking at 8.30am. Please email or call the school office if you are able to help. We would also LOVE some lemons if anyone has some fresh ones on their trees!

BEGINNING OF YEAR LITURGY

We will be coming together to celebrate the start of another fantastic school year with our beginning of year Liturgy on Friday 25th February at 2.30pm in the Chevie Centre.

Unfortunately, at this stage, we are unable to welcome parents and community members onsite, however we will let you know if this changes.

Denise Nihill (Catholic Identity Leader)

REMINDERS:

- Photograph Permission forms are due back now
- School Dental programme permission forms are due back by 1st March
- Elmore Charity Ball volunteer forms are due now

PSG MEETINGS

PSG meetings will be held on Wednesday of Week 9 each term this year. This is aimed at celebrating your child's success from the term and reviewing the goals that have been set for the term ahead. Families with children with a personalised learning plan will be advised of their PSG time in the week prior to the day. In the meantime, if you have any questions about your child's learning goals, please feel free to touch base with your child's teacher.

ELMORE BAKERY PIE DRIVE

Thank you to all our families who have supported our Pie Drive. Orders will be ready for collection directly from Elmore Bakery on Thursday 3rd March between 12.30pm and 4pm.

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Reece, Hudson, Isabella, & Cooper for being named our Learners of the Week!



AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM – NOW AVAILABLE!



Welcome to OSHClub, provider of After School Care at Elmore Primary School!

Our program at Elmore Primary School is also open for the children of Our Lady of Sacred Heart Primary School.

We're all about creating happy memories for your little ones. Our programs are designed so that every child, no matter their age, skill level, or interests, feels included and has fun.

We offer a diverse range of experiences after school and focus on building knowledge, skills, and behaviours that help prepare your child for a world yet to be imagined.

You can be confident that your child is in safe hands with our highly experienced and passionate educators. Whether your child attends OSHClub daily or casually, each visit is an exciting new adventure with yummy food, exciting clubs, activities, mindfulness and so much more!

Enrolling with us is easy and completely free. Head to our website, oshclub.com.au or call our Customer Service Team on 1300 395 735 to enrol and book in today.

We look forward to welcoming you and your family to OSHClub!

[Click here to see the Elmore OSHClub Key Information Sheet](#) for more information.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE PROGRAM (CAP) 2022

The Conveyance Allowance is a form of financial assistance from the Victorian State Government to assist families in rural and regional Victoria with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest appropriate school. The allowance is available to parents who are required to –



- drive their child more than 4.8 kilometres to school (if there is no school bus)
- or drive their child more than 4.8 kilometres to meet the nearest school bus to the school
- the child must attend their closest government or non-government school (Catholic)
- the allowance is based on kilometres travelled and not based on any financial eligibility

Distance is calculated by the shortest practical route from home to the school or from home to meet the nearest school bus to the school. Distance can be calculated by using Bing Maps. Application Forms are available from the school office and must be completed by a parent/guardian.

Parents who received the Conveyance Allowance in 2021 do not need to complete a new form in 2022 unless their children enrolled at OLSH in 2022 have changed (i.e. Gr 6 student left at the end of 2021 or a Foundation child commenced in 2022). If your family circumstances have changed, a new form needs to be completed in 2022. If you have recently changed address please advise the office if you are no longer eligible. Application and Authority to Pay forms need to be completed and returned to the office by Friday 11 March 2022 please.

Further information can be found at: <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/conveyance-allowance/policy>

If you're unsure if you may be eligible, please do not hesitate to contact Nerida in the school office.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per primary school student is \$125.

HOW TO APPLY: New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the site listed below. If you received a CSEF payment in 2021, you do not need to complete an application form in 2022 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances or your concession card details. Check with the school office if you are unsure or go to <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

Community News



RUNNYMEDE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Runnymede Junior Football Club is looking for expressions of interest from families for 2022.

If you're new to Runnymede, games are usually played Friday night or on Sundays. Training is on a Wednesday @ 5pm alternating between Elmore and Colbinabbin football ovals. Please go to our Face Book page - Runnymede Junior Football Club or email emilymcfadzean3566@gmail.com and express your interest with the age of your child as of 1st Jan 2022.

We are also looking for coaches for 2022, so if you are interested in coaching or joining the committee, we'd love to hear from you.

Regards – Runnymede JFC committee

JUNIOR AFL FOOTBALL – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Junior Teams

Under 10s

Under 12s

Under 14s

Mixed Girls and Boys!



Playing under the Mt Pleasant banner in the Bendigo Junior Football league fixture.

**For further details & interested,
contact Sonya Browne on 0438 904 611**

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Huntly Family Fun Day

Proudly sponsored by
Fosterville Gold Mine

Sunday February 27, 2022



- Climbing Wall
 - Inflatable Water Slide
 - Animal Farm & Pony Rides
 - Live Music and Dance
 - Water Fun with Huntly CFA
 - Coliban Water refill units – PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR DRINK BOTTLE
 - Woodwork with Bendigo Northern District Community Enterprise
 - Bubbles, Balloons, Stilts & Circus Activities
- And much more.....



BBQ
Sausages and
veggie burgers
\$2 each

Drinks \$2 each &
FREE fresh fruit

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Sunday February 27, 2022
10am – 1pm
Strauch Recreation Reserve
14 Gungurru Road, Huntly
Remember to **BYO** towel and change of clothes
for the water slide!

