



From the Heart



Newsletter No. 9

25th March 2022

COMING UP AT OLSH...

MARCH 2022

Tue 29 Join the Ride Parent Session – 7.30pm

APRIL 2022

Wed 6 Cluster Cross Country
 Wed 6 Resilience Project Parent Night
Fri 8 Last Day Term 1
 Fri 15 Good Friday
 Sun 17 Easter Sunday
 Mon 18 Easter Monday
 Mon 25 ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Tue 26 First Day Term 2

MAY 2022

Mon 2 – Fri 6 Catholic Education Week
 Mon 2 Year 5/6 Leadership Day - TBC
 Tue 3 CMC Information Session
 Sun 8 Mother's Day
 Wed 18 Advisory Council Meeting – 7pm
 Thur 19 Campaspe Cross Country – TBC

JUNE 2022

Mon 13 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
 Wed 15 Advisory Council Meeting – 7pm
Fri 24 Last Day Term 2



Have you thought? The Prodigal

Because the only context in which most people ever hear the word prodigal is in relation to this parable, there is a common misunderstanding of the word. Because the parable is also referred to as the parable of the lost son, many people think prodigal means lost. However, to be prodigal means to be wastefully extravagant. When the son took his father's money he adopted a prodigal lifestyle. However, the irony of the story that is often lost is that the father too was prodigal in the extravagant welcome he gave. The father's extravagance echoes God's extravagant and abundant grace and love.

From the Principal ...

Dear Families,

Firstly, I just want to say a very warm thank you to everyone who has enquired and sent such thoughtful messages in regard to the situation with my parents. As I mentioned, my mum and dad were involved in a car accident last week. Mum has been released from hospital and is back home in St. Arnaud, whilst dad is still in the Alfred in Melbourne and has a bit of a longer road to full recovery. Thank you so much for keeping them in your prayers, it means a great deal. Also, another massive thank you to the staff here at OLSH who have stepped in so wonderfully in my absences - our school is in such good hands.

As previously mentioned our school is currently involved in **the Join the Ride** initiative, which promotes the goodness of the physical activity involved in riding and walking to school, where possible. The culmination of this learning is an **online parent session next Tuesday, March 29th, beginning at 7.00 pm**. Please see details to join this meeting inside the newsletter.

Also, I would just like to give you the heads up on a couple of things that are happening the following week, which is the last week of the school term (where did that go?). These being:

- **Cluster Cross Country for the whole school on Wednesday, March 6th at the Elmore Field Days site**
- **The Resilience Project parent session on Wednesday, March 6th.** This is an online session with TRP founder Hugh van Cuylenburg which runs from **6.30pm to 8.00pm**. I witnessed Hugh first hand at the Ulumbarra Theatre in Bendigo last week, and I promise you that this session has the potential to have a huge impact on how you view the world. Details will appear in next week's newsletter, but please pencil in this date.

Have a wonderful weekend and week ahead.

Craig Simpson
 Principal

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

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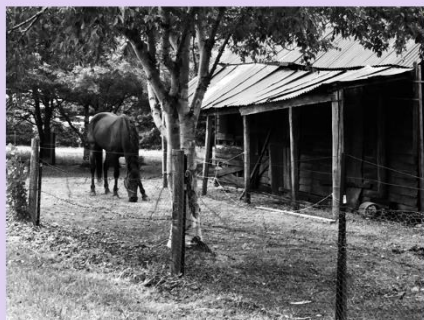
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School News



Contemplating God Through Art



Leader:

Spend some time looking at this image and ask yourself:

What do you notice about this image?

How does this image symbolize something about your life today?

Have a discussion with someone about your contemplation.



40 Cans for 40 Days!

Please donate a can for **LENT**!

We are asking each family to donate a can such as soup, spaghetti, baked beans etc. Each can can be placed in the box provided in the school foyer. All cans will be given to Elmore Foodshare at the conclusion of Lent.



Sacraments 2022

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If any family is interested in receiving the Sacraments this year please let the school know. Denise Nihill (Religious Education Leader)

Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist/Confirmation

- Denise Nihill (Catholic Identity Leader)

FOOTY TIPPING – ROUND 1

It's hard to believe we are back into our footy tipping for another year.

Congratulations to Brock for picking 7 winners! Our students certainly outdid our staff this week!

Student Leader Board

Brock	7	Hamzah	6	Isabella	6
Regan	7	Hudson	6	Blake	6
Zyrah	6	Ayla	6	Cassidy	6
Lakota	6	Frankie	6	Hunter	6
Charlie	6	Hayden	6	Cooper	6

Staff Leader Board

Mrs Price	5
Mrs Murray	5
Kira	3
Mr Simpson	3



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Blake (absent), Cooper, Zyrh (absent), Chevi & Sunny for being named our Learners of the Week!



JOIN THE RIDE PARENT SESSION DETAILS

Nicola from Bendigo Bike visited students on Thursday to chat about active travel options. She will be joining us again next Tuesday for our online Join the Ride Parent Session. The objective of the session will be to workshop how we can make it easier and safer for children to walk and ride to school in Elmore.

Parents and school staff will be encouraged to share any concerns or barriers around their children walking and riding to school in Elmore and participate in discussion to workshop potential solutions.

Session details:

Title: Join the Ride - Elmore Active Travel Workshop

Time: Tuesday, 29 March 2022 7:00:00 pm AEDT

Meeting Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

To join in the session:

1. Simply click on the meeting link above on device you wish to use
2. You have three choices:
 - **Download the Windows app:** Download the Teams desktop app.
 - **Continue on this browser:** Join a Teams meeting on the web. – **easiest option**
 - **Open your Teams app:** If you already have the Teams app, go right to your meeting.
3. Enter your name & choose your audio and video settings (you may have to 'Allow' the website to access your audio)
4. Select **Join now**.
5. Depending on meeting settings, you'll get in right away, or go to a lobby where someone in the meeting will admit you.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM – NOW AVAILABLE!



OSHClub is our new provider of After School Care at Elmore Primary School! The program at Elmore Primary School is open for the children of Our Lady of Sacred Heart Primary School with students travelling by bus to Elmore Primary at no additional cost.

Parents who are interested in using afterschool care with OSHClub at the Elmore Primary School can now enrol online at <https://www.oshclub.com.au/vic/elmore-primary-school/>

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

As we start to get some chillier mornings, a reminder that school uniforms can be ordered at any time by:

- Calling 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.



RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY 25th MARCH

We had a good turn out for Ride to School Day. Thank you to everyone who joined in!





Community News



DISCOVER CMC IN 2023
WE'RE WITH YOU ALL THE WAY!

ENROL NOW
Visit for a College Tour or find out more at Virtual Open House:
OPENHOUSE.CMC.VIC.EDU.AU

COLLEGE TOURS: Tue & Thu: 29 & 31 March; 5 & 7 April; 3 & 5 May. Book online now!
ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR YEAR 7, 2023: Now open. Apply online! bit.ly/cmcEnrol22
'DISCOVER CMC' DAYS: Mon 2 – Fri 6 May. For Grade 6 students at Coolock Campus.
ENROLMENTS CLOSE FOR YEAR 7, 2023: Tue 10 May 2022.

ENROLMENT ENQUIRIES **Audra Petri** College Registrar ☎ 5445 9100 ✉ enrolment@cmc.vic.edu.au 🌐 www.cmc.vic.edu.au
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ROCHESTER SECONDARY COLLEGE

Year 7 2023
Information Night

WEDNESDAY 30TH MARCH
Session Times - 5:30pm and 6:30pm
PLEASE BOOK A TIME AT THE OFFICE ON 0354841844

Join the journey as every child GROWS at Rochester Secondary College



MFP
Mountain Girls Football Club
125 Years

JUNIOR NETBALLERS WANTED

We are in the need of a few more Mountain Girls to complete our 13U team.

For further details please contact
Netball Operations Manager
Michelle Mannes
0457 242 597



**HEADING TO HIGH SCHOOL?
ON YOUR BIKE!**

Time
10am – 2pm

Program Dates
22 – 23 April

Cost
\$25 for two sessions
(\$20 early bird until 1 April)

Booking Essential
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School holiday program for teens & tweens

- Brush up on your riding skills
- Understand the road rules
- Learn strategies for safe on-road riding
- Prepare for independent travel

BIKE BENDIGO

About the instructors
Nicola Dunncliff-Wells is an accredited Bike Ed Instructor and AustCycle Skills Coach. President of Bike Bendigo and mother of three, she is passionate about supporting active travel to school.

Nait Cassamento is a Bike Ed instructor. An Outdoor Education student, he formerly studied urban planning and loves active transport. He currently works across Melbourne for Cycling Unlimited, and has experience in various school roles.

This program is funded through the VicRoads Community Road Safety Grants program

Community Road Safety Grants

