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# From the Heart



Newsletter No. 11 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022

#### COMING UP AT OLSH...

<b>APRIL 2022</b>	
Fri 8	Last Day Term 1 – 2.25pm dismissal
Fri 15	Good Friday
Sun 17	Easter Sunday
Mon 18	Easter Monday
Mon 25	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Tue 26	First Day Term 2

<b>MAY 2022</b>	
Mon 2	Year 5/6 Leadership Day - TBC
Tue 3	CMC Information Session – 9.30am
Sun 8	Mother's Day
Wed 18	Advisory Council Meeting – 7nm

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



### From the Principal ...

Dear Families,

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for a wonderful school term. Your friendliness and support have been greatly appreciated and allowed me to so quickly feel comfortable and at ease in the school community. Also, whilst I appreciate that the next two weeks are not a break for everyone, I do hope that the school holidays provide a welcome change of routine and allow everyone to refresh and be ready to hit Term 2 with some gusto.

#### This Friday we have a few things on the agenda:

- 'Rivalry dress up day' I hear that it is custom that when Elmore and Mount Pleasant clash in the local football/netball competition that the children get to come in a more casual attire - either dressed in red for Elmore or blue for Mount Pleasant. Let's keep this tradition going this Friday, shall we!!
- At 1.15 pm we are going to gather as a school and Glenda Bancell is going to support the students in presenting their musical endeavours that they have been working on over Term 1. As this will be outside under our COLA, parents are most welcome to come along and see their children in action. Parents are most welcome to take their children home following this performance
- School officially finishes at 2.25 pm on Friday, but as I stated above, students are most welcome to go home with parents following the musical presentations at 1.15 pm

#### Thanks Glenda, Welcome Matt

I would just like to take this final opportunity to thank Glenda Bancell for being such a wonderful part of our school community over the past 2 years. Glenda has such a beautiful rapport with the children and will be greatly missed by all of us. As I had mentioned in a previous newsletter, Glenda is resigning so that she and Paul can travel and perform without the commitment of being in a permanent school-based position.

I am very happy to be able to say that Matthew Mann, former principal of St. Therese's Primary School in Kennington, is going to fill Glenda's shoes for Term 2, with the possibility that he will also continue into the second half of the year. Welcome Matt!!

#### **Communicating with Parents Via Seesaw**

Over the past few weeks, our teachers have worked very hard to ensure that you, as parents, are aware of the learning that has taken place this term and how your child is progressing with their learning, via our Seesaw platform. This information has included the following:

- information regarding their reading progress,
- a Maths retrieval grid with comments,
- Information related to their current Religious Education unit

It would be hugely appreciated if you could do two things in relation to this:

- 1) Talk to your child about the learning that has been shared. Get them to tell you what they have done and how they feel they have gone, and
- 2) Hit the 'like' button to acknowledge that you have seen the post, and if you are really feeling it, make a positive comment in the comment section to your children about what you see!

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

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#### Vaccination advice for children

Please see information inside this newsletter for the latest medical advice on vaccinations for children.

Remember school starts back on Tuesday, April 26th following ANZAC day on the Monday. Have a great two weeks ahead!

Craig Simpson Principal

### School News



#### RESILIENCE PROJECT PARENT SESSION RECORDING

A recording of last week's Resilience Project parent session, 'Discovering Resilience' with Hugh van Cuylenburg, can be accessed by following the link below. Please note, this link will expire at midnight on 21st April.

#### **Meeting Recording:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/5lwikcQC5ALf25WhMThy53onMS8uNCtG0\_wmrglL8 XHKiEKnOB7r3G-nszS1x8cT.CZ5o22Ukgb7qyOjK

#### **SENIOR STUDENTS COMMUNITY VISITS**

This week our Year 5/6 students have been busy out in the community with a visit to both Elmore FoodShare and Elmore Community Health.

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April, our student took our *40 Cans for 40 Days* donations to Elmore FoodShare. They also assisted the FoodShare team in sorting and preparing and displaying items that would then be distributed to members of our community who needed a helping hand.

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April, the students visited Elmore Primary Health to provide a delicious morning tea to say thankyou to the fantastic health care workers who have supported our community over the last 2 years during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our Grade 5/6 students and community would also like to say a special thank you also to Ellie Hayes for assisting our senior students to bake scones for their visit to Elmore Primary Health.









We have to combine mission with charity.

We are sent to spread His love and compassion.

Mother Teresa quoted in Heroes of the Faith, 233



#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT SWIMMING SURVEY**

The Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) are asking parents to complete a short survey to capture parents' attitudes, knowledge and needs around swimming and water safety education.

We encourage our parents to complete the *Catholic School Parents Victoria* survey by visiting <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CECVparentsurvey">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CECVparentsurvey</a>



### **LEARNERS OF THE WEEK**

Congratulations to Frankie, Regan, Scout & Zayde for being named our Learners of the Week!

A special Music Learner of the Week was also awarded to **ALL** our OLSH Learners! Thank you for a wonderful last week of Term and for your dedication in preparing for our showcase tomorrow!



#### **TENNIS SUPERSTAR**

A huge congratulations to Tarli for her amazing achievement in competing at the Regional Tennis Finals held in Swan Hill this week. Tarli was very close to making the finals and displayed outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day. Tarli represented OLSH with pride and should be so proud of her effort. Congratulations Tarli!



Congratulations to Tarli, Ayla, Ivy H and Mrs Colbert for picking 7 winners in Round 3!

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Student Lea	ader Board	Staff Leader Board	
Tarli	18	Mrs Price	16
Hayden	17	Mrs Murray	15
Ayla	17	Mr Simpson	15
Ivy H	17	Mrs Colbert	14
Brock	17		
Hudson	17		



#### **GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATION AROUND VACCINATING PRIMARY AGED STUDENTS**

Over 50 per cent of all children aged 5 to 11 have now received a first dose, with many now due for a second dose (eight weeks after the first). In particular as we approach school holidays and the weather cools down, it is important to take steps to minimise the impact of COVID-19. Vaccines are a safe and effective way to protect your child, and the community.

The Department of Health website provides a number of resources with further information about seeking COVID-19 vaccination. Further resources are also available at: <a href="www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/who-can-get-vaccinated/children">www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/who-can-get-vaccinated/children</a>

Vaccines are widely available across the country at general practices, state-run clinics and Aboriginal Health Services. You can find a participating clinic and make an appointment by visiting the Vaccine Clinic Finder at: <a href="https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/booking">https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/booking</a>

Thank you for your efforts to keep your child and the wider school community safe.

#### 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 <a href="https://www.oshclub.com.au/vic/elmore-primary-school/">https://www.oshclub.com.au/vic/elmore-primary-school/</a>

#### **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.



## Community News

