From the Heart



5th May 2022

Newsletter No. 13

COMING UP AT OLSH...

MAY 2022	
Fri 7	Discover CMC Session – 9.30am
Sun 8	Mother's Day
Tue 10	CMC Year 7 Enrolments Close
Fri 13	Government Secondary School
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Tue 17	Advisory Council Meeting – 7pm
Thu 19	Campaspe Cross Country
Sat 21	Federal Election Day Fundraiser
Wed 25	OLSH Open Day
Thu 26	National Sorry Day
Thu 26	OLSH Feast Day Assembly
Thu 26	Elmore Kinder Open Day
Fri 27 – Fri 3	National Reconciliation Week
Sun 29	OLSH Feast Day

JUNE 2022

Wed 8	Campaspe Winter Sports
Mon 13	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tue 14	Advisory Council Meeting – 7pm
Fri 24	Last Day Term 2

Mother's Day Prayer

Lord, thank you for all mothers.

For the new ones, who endure sleepless nights with infants in arms.

For the busy ones, who juggle the pressures of home and family life.

For the steadfast ones, who nurture and care for our special vulnerable children.

For the patient ones, who always seek to forgive and engage with their pre-teens.

For the persistent ones, who cleverly find new ways to connect with their mini-adults.

For the mother aunts, who step in to cradle and care for nieces and nephews.

For all grandmas, who love and support their precious grandchildren.

For the foster mums that are called to gather and cover the fragile ones.

For the Sunday mums who care for our children and lead them in faith.

For the mums who give far beyond their own resources, who overcome disability to cherish and love.

From the Principal ...

Dear Families,

This week we have acknowledged what makes us unique as a local primary Catholic School. Catholic Education Week provided us with the opportunity to really home in on what makes us special and a little bit different from other education providers. I asked our students to reflect on what makes OLSH special and here are some of their responses:

Ruby O'Sullivan - The best thing about OLSH is the people. Everyone at OLSH is kind, caring and always there to lend a hand when you need it. **Charlie Holmberg** - The best thing about OLSH is the learning we do because it's really fun and helps me learn new things. I like learning Science the best.

Ruby Dankers - The best thing about OLSH is the teachers and playgrounds. I really like to come here because we can have fun and also learn something new all the time.

Reece Cowan - The best thing about OLSH is I get smart.

Hunter Mullane - The best thing about OLSH is that we can learn about God and Jesus

Lakota MacCallum - The best thing about OLSH is that we care about each other and help others when they get hurt

At the core of what makes OLSH special is our motto, "we are heart people, who touch the heart of others". So, whilst we all want to improve ourselves individually, it is so important that we continue to look outwards and ensure that we are also helping other people to become their best as well, which is really at the heart of what Jesus calls us all to be.

On a practical side, we are going to cook our learners a sausage BBQ tomorrow as a way of acknowledging what great young people they are and how lucky we are to have them in our school.

MOTHER'S DAY

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our mothers a very happy Mother's Day on Sunday. I have no doubt that you will be given the very special treatment that you all deserve.

NAPLAN TESTING

Next week will see our Year 3 and 5 learners begin NAPLAN testing, which is a National testing regime that all schools in the country undertake. This year, for the first time, all students will complete the testing online. Here is a lowdown of the schedule of these tests:

Tuesday 10 May – Writing

Wednesday 11 May – Reading

Monday 16 May - Language Conventions & Mathematics

FEDERAL ELECTION DAY FUNDRAISER - SATURDAY 21 MAY

Elmore Primary School and OLSH are combining resources to host a fundraising initiative to coincide with the Federal Election voting on Saturday 21 May at the Elmore Community Hub. We are looking to hold a cake stall and to raffle a load of wood.

For this fundraiser to run successfully, we will need volunteers to make cakes, slices or other produce to sell, as well as to man the stall on the day.

We will be working with Elmore Primary School to work out a volunteer roster. Each shift will be for 1 hour, starting from 7.30am and wrapping up at 12.30pm (5 shifts total). I would love it if we could have at least one OLSH community member for each shift! If you are able to lend a hand for any shifts please let us know.

Also, is there anyone out there who has the capacity to donate a load of wood, or has some wood on their property that we could access to cut up and transport ourselves?

HELP REQUIRED

Is there anyone who could spare 20 minutes or so during the week to clear out the guttering on the shade structure over the senior playground? A ladder license would be useful to complete this task for us - whilst we have a good ladder that can be used!!

ZYRAH FUNDRAISER

Our very own Zyrah Weeks is taking part in the Kids with Cancer Foundation Australia's 'Wigs 4 Kids' campaign by having her hair chopped off and donated on 28th May. If you have seen Zyrah's hair you will know that this is a very big deal. You can find out more about Zyrah' fundraising efforts or donate by visiting <u>https://fundraise.kidswithcancer.org.au/s/2241/2267/e</u>

Have a great week everyone!

Craig Simpson Principal



School News





Our Lenten drive for Elmore Foodshare was enormously successful. We have decided to continue into Term Two. We ask families to donate boxes of cereal (one box per family) for the people of Elmore who access the Foodshare. We thank you for your continued support.

Elmore Foodshare @elmorefoodshare - Community Service



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VOLUNTEER

OLSH BEANIES

We currently have a large stock of OLSH Beanies for sale! These Beanies are fantastic as we get into the colder weather. They are available in 2 sizes (M or L) and can be purchased from the office for \$20 each (cash only).



GET YOUR SLIPPERS ON!

In an attempt to keep our kids warmer, and our carpets cleaner, we are inviting all our students to bring along a pair of slippers to wear while inside.





ELMORE KINDERGARTEN OPEN DAY

All Shine Bright EYM Kindergartens will be hosting their open days on Thursday 26th May 2022 from 9.30am to 11.30am. Pop in for a visit and discuss 3 or 4-year-old kindergarten with the staff.

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Ruby, Arlia, Lakota & Hunter for being named our Learners of the Week!





LISMORE - BOOKS URGENTLY NEEDED

Schools across the Diocese of Lismore have been devastated by recent floods. School libraries have been damaged and most books destroyed.

How can you help? A container from Catholic Education Sandhurst will head north in late May. Any books no longer required in your school or your home can be added to our gift to Lismore schools.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ISSUE 3 – ORDERS DUE 9TH MAY

Issue 3 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. Book Club offers students a wide range of titles in each issue, from popular and award-winning fiction series and charming new picture books, to fascinating nonfiction titles and hands-on activities that stimulate creativity and encourage problem-solving.

Book Club orders must be placed online via <u>https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/parent/login.aspx</u>. *No cash orders will be accepted at the school office.*



FOOTY TIPPING - ROUND 7

Congratulations to our top tipper for round 7; Dawn with 8 winners!



Student Leader Board

Tarli43Reno41Lucy37Ayla36Hamzah34Bessy34

Staff Leader Board

Mrs Price	42
Mr Simpson	40
Mrs Carty	39
Mrs Murray	31
Kira	31





Grade 5/6 Leadership Conference

On Monday, Grade 5 and 6 students went to St Mary's Echuca to participate in the HUB Leadership day, with lots of other local Catholic Schools. The day included Father Rob Galea sharing his story, an 'Obstacool' course, an earthquake activity with Twisted Science, a dance off with Degago from DANCEMOB, and an aboriginal art experience and story with local indigenous man, Troy Firebrace. - *Ruby O'Sullivan*



Community News



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