From the Heart



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12th May, 2022

From the Principal ...

Hello everyone,

As I write this newsletter It feels like winter has kicked in early, with colder temperatures and drizzling rain forcing us to rug up and stay indoors. I hope that it hasn't been to great a hindrance for those of you putting in crops.

This week our Year 3 and 5 students participated in the Reading and Writing components of the national Naplan testing. I must say that they appeared to equip themselves really well and keep everything in perspective. Next Monday, they will complete the Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Mathematics assessments, which will signal the end of Naplan for 2022. Being online this year, this should mean that we get a significantly quicker turnaround in the student's results. It is important to remember that this gives us just one source of information as to how each student is faring in their academic world. The best source of information that is available to parents in relation their child's progress continues to be the classroom teacher, so please remember to always be in touch with your child's teacher if you have any questions as to how they are progressing at school.

Covid 19 cases

We seem to be getting a little spike in Covid 19 cases in the school, which was always going to happen. Thank you to all parents for you quick communication and response to this. Just a reminder around current regulations in regard to this:

- Students who show any symptoms of Covid should not come to school
- Students who test positive need to isolate for 7 days and return to school when they are symptom free
- Close contacts can come to school but need to wear a mask and test 5 times in 7 days

FEDERAL ELECTION DAY FUNDRAISER - SATURDAY 21 MAY

As I stated last week, 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.

Today I am also sending home a form which provides some specific details and also asks people to ensure that they are clear on clearly indicating which ingredients are in the cakes and slices provided.

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?

Good Luck Ivy

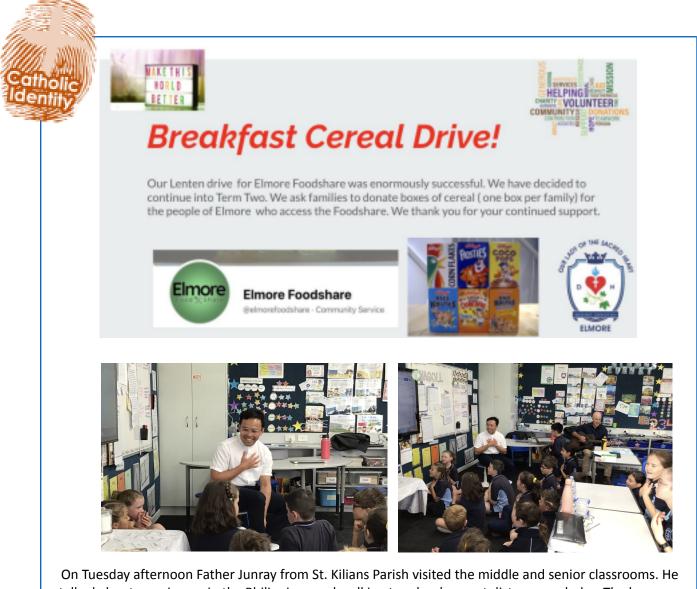
This week was say farewell to one of Year 1 learners, Ivy Taylor. Ivy and her mum, Kylie, are moving to Bendigo and Ivy will begin her new school life at St. Peter's. We wish Ivy and Kylie all the best in this next part of their lives and thank them both so much for their wonderful, warm presence in our school over the past two years.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children. W: <u>olshelmore.catholic.edu.au</u> PH: 54326254 E: principal@olshelmore.catholic.edu.au

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 https://fundraise.kidswithcancer.org.au/s/2241/2267/e

Craig Simpson Principal



On Tuesday afternoon Father Junray from St. Kilians Parish visited the middle and senior classrooms. He talked about growing up in the Philippines and walking to school a great distance each day. The learners were amazed to hear school finishes at 5 pm. He chatted about becoming a priest and the challenges and the joy of his ministry.

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. Pay by cash or EFT (call the office to arrange).



ELMORE KINDERGARTEN OPEN DAY

All Shine Bright EYM Kindergartens will be hosting their open days on Thursday 26thMay 2022 from 9.30am to 11.30am.

Pop in for a visit and discuss 3 or 4-year-old kindergarten with the staff.



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.



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

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

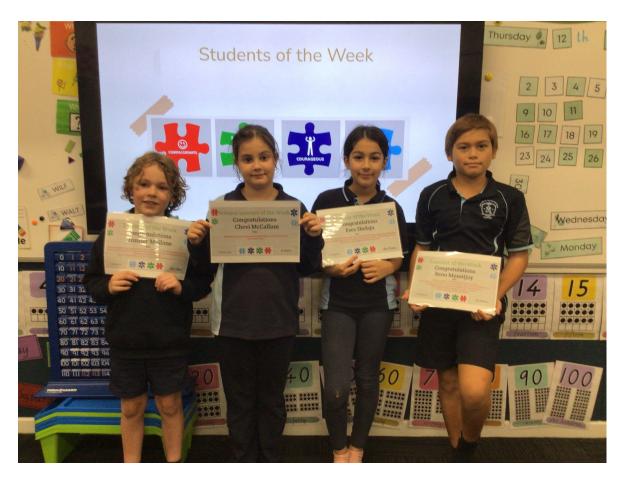
- Calling Hip Pocket on 5480 1027 or
- Visiting Hip Pocket at 173 Pakenham St, Echuca.

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



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Hunter, Chevi, Esra and Reno for being named our Learners of the Week!



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What's been happening...

Term 2, Week 3.

It's a short week at OSH club this week with us being closed on Monday due to a pupil free day. We hope you all had a wonderful day off and have come back to school and OSHClub all refreshed and ready to go for the upcoming weeks activities.

This week at OSHClub we will be doing activities based around culture.

Tuesday will be sushi making. This has been an ongoing suggestion by students in our children's meetings. These meetings are where children get to have a say on their learning, happiness and wellbeing and they also provide ideas on inclusion and participation.

On Wednesday we are making an inclusive hand painting artwork, where students of OSHClub come together with their common culture of being at OSHClub.

On Thursday we will try our hand at some aboriginal artwork and talk about some of the things we know about aboriginal culture.

To finish up this program, on Friday we will have a look at strange things other cultures might do, and the reasons behind why they do these things.

To all parents, we would like to thank you for your support and enrolling your children into OSHClub. Please don't hesitate to talk to staff if you have any queries of comments. We are here to help. For any new families who are looking at enrolments and have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or text, a staff member will be at the service from 2.30 Mon- Fri to answer any questions.







PHOTOS OF LAST WEEKS PROGRAM

Mon-Fri 3.20pm to 6.00 pm O497 372 444 Elmore@oshclub.com.au



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Coordination Corner:

We are still looking for a coordinator. If you, or anyone you know, is looking for a career in childcare, please have a look at the link below and see if this position is right for you.

https://junioradventuresgroup.avature.net/ca reers/JobDetail/After-School-Care-Coordinator-Elmore/18618

Upcoming Birthdays:

May Birthdays:

Laura

June Birthdays Thomas Luke Bess



We would like to wish you all a Happy Birthday.

Next week's program:

Monday	Moon faces activity
Tuesday	Model solar system
Wednesday	Ultra violet light experiment
Thursday	Moon rock making
Friday	If I was an alien, what would I look like?

This week's theme is space.

The aim of this program is to build knowledge of planets and space using fun activities.

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