



# From the Heart



Newsletter No. 07

16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## COMING UP AT OLSH...

### MARCH 2023

Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup>	Harmony Day
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup>	Harmony Day Prayer Service – 9am
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Elmore Foodshare Visit (Gr 5/6)
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	National Ride to School Day
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Sandhurst Switches Off
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup>	OLSH Outdoor Lenten Mass – 12pm
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	PSG Meetings
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	CMC Open Day – 4.30pm – 7pm
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	CMC Yr 7 Enrolments Open
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>	Werribee Zoo Excursion

### APRIL 2023

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Palm Sunday
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Cluster Cross Country
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Elmore Field Days AGM – 7.30pm
Thur 6 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Prayer Service – 2.00pm
Thur 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last Day Term 2 – 2.30pm dismissal</b>
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	First Day Term 2 (Staff)
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Pupil Free Day – Curriculum Day</b>
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>ANZAC Day Public Holiday</b>
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>First Day Term 2 (Students)</b>

### MAY 2023

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Catholic Education Week
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	Student Leadership Conference
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup>	CMC Additional Needs Parent Session
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Pupil Free Day – Staff PD</b>
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	CMC Year 7 Enrolments Close
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2024 Open Morning

GOD WATCHED OVER ME  
BEFORE I KNEW HIM,  
AND BEFORE I LEARNED SENSE  
OR EVEN DISTINGUISHED  
BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL,  
AND HE PROTECTED ME,  
AND CONSOLED ME  
AS A FATHER WOULD HIS SON.

St. Patrick

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## From the Principal ...

Dear Families

This week seems to have flown by coming off the long weekend! We have a few things coming up to finish off an eventful first term of the year, so please make sure the following are in your calendar:

- **Harmony Day – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March** is Harmony Day. This is a day when Australians recognise and celebrate the great diversity of cultures that exist in our magnificent country. In order to honour the heritage of all of us, we would like the students to find out a little bit about where our ancestors come from. We will start the day with a quick prayer service at 9.00am, to which you are all invited, and then at 12.45pm students will participate in two activities which will hopefully bring to life for them this whole concept of diversity and difference in people
- **Ride to School Day - Next Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March** is Ride to School Day. This is one way of encouraging our children to be active in our ever-increasing technological world where children are getting sucked into more and more screen time. So, it would be great to get as many people as possible to join us at the **water tower in Jeffrey Street at 8.30am next Friday** to enjoy a ride to school.

### LUNCH ORDERS

We have quite a reduction in the amount of lunch orders being placed each week. Due to this, we have agreed with the Elmore Bakery to reduce orders to once a week. Beginning next week, lunch orders will be available on **Thursday only**.

### ELMORE TRACTOR PULL

Thanks to those families who volunteered to help out at the Elmore Tractor Pull this weekend. It promises to be an exciting community event - I look forward to hearing all about it.

### GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

Just a further reminder that Rhonda from the local Lion's Club is looking for families to support them with the Good Friday Appeal, which as we all know is an incredible fundraiser for the Royal Children's Hospital. If you would like to help out, and get the kids involved, please give Rhonda a call or send her a message on 0419 322 932

### JUNIOR PLAYGROUND SHADE SAIL POLES

Do I have any takers on the shade sail poles in the junior playground? We are putting in a permanent shade structure over this area, so if someone wants to come and cut these poles down and keep them then you are most welcome to them.

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

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### WERRIBEE ZOO VISIT

As part of our science, and because it is apparently awesome, we have planned a whole school excursion to the Werribee Zoo on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March. We will be leaving from school, by bus at 8.00am and returning at 5.00pm. A permission slip will be sent out tomorrow for you to respond to, thanks.

### PUPIL FREE DAYS - TERM 2

Just some early notice about two pupil free days we have coming up next term. Please put these into your calendars.

- **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April** - The first day of Term 2 and the day before Anzac Day. Staff will be participating in a curriculum day
- **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** - Our staff will be participating in an Auslan Conference in Bendigo

### CRAIG ON LEAVE

Also, I will be taking some long service leave in the last week of this school term. Matt Mann is going to be onsite for the week in my absence.

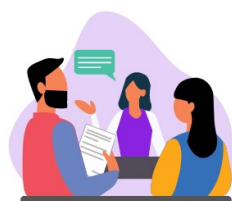
Have a great week everyone!

Craig Simpson (Principal)

## School News

### LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Reece, Frankie, Chevi & Regan for being named our Learners of the Week!



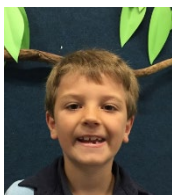
### TERM 1 PSG MEETINGS

Term 1 PSG Meetings will be held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March. All parents for children involved have been contacted to confirm their scheduled time. A note has also been sent home last week with this information. - Janette Colbert (Leader of Learning Diversity)

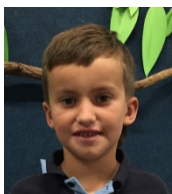


## PRAYER'S FOR LAXMI

In response to the Caritas' story about Laxmi in the First week of Lent, some of our Junior students took some time to write their own prayers for her.



Jesus,  
I pray for Laxmi to get better food because she only has rice.  
Amen (Jimmy)



Jesus,  
I pray for Laxmi to get more water and food and better houses.  
Amen (Roy)



Jesus,  
I pray for Laxmi to have a better house.  
Amen (Lola)



Jesus,  
I pray for Laxmi to get more food and more water and better houses  
and clean water.  
Amen (Lakota)



Jesus,  
I pray that Laxmi can have better food for family so they can grow a  
better life.  
Amen (Hunter)



Jesus,  
I pray for Laxmi for more supplies to make more taps.  
Amen (Reece)



## PRAYER PACKS

A reminder to parents to please set up their prayer packs (sent home in Week 4) at home and send through a photo or two via the Seesaw app.

# FOOD SHARE

**Pray**

**Fast**

**Give**

We are taking donations of all pantry staples:

- cereals
- canned goods
- packet items

Donation box in the office foyer  
Donations due by Tue 21<sup>st</sup> March

# ZOOPER DOOPER

**Pray**

**Fast**

**Give**

RAISING MONEY FOR  
50c each

Last Day TOMORROW

# FROG IN THE POND

**Pray**

**Fast**

**Give**

SERVED AT FIRST BREAK ON  
FRIDAY 24TH MARCH

Please return your order and money by  
Tuesday 20th March

RAISING MONEY FOR

\$2 each





### THIRD WEEK OF LENT

(Week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March)



We are now in the third week of Lent with the Project Compassion story of Priscilla, who lives in the Hwange district in Zimbabwe with her husband, Charles, and two of their grandchildren. Climate change continues to bring unprecedented challenges for people living in the most vulnerable and remote communities in Zimbabwe.

During times of intense drought and food shortages, Priscilla had to commute to the town centre and wait in long queues to collect food.

With the support of Caritas Hwange, Priscilla learnt conservation farming skills to grow drought-resistant crops and started poultry farming to support her family during the current food crisis. Priscilla was able to produce a bumper harvest in her first year of practising in conservation farming. Priscilla also used the funds from her harvest to start poultry farming, which enabled her to sell eggs to pay for her grandchildren's school fees, books and stationery. The poultry farming provides a safety net for Priscilla and her family during times of hardship, like the current drought.

While the situation in Zimbabwe and across eastern Africa remains dire, the work of Caritas Hwange means that Priscilla can learn the techniques, tools and resources she needs to build resilience and support her family during this current food crisis.

Watch a short film about Priscilla's story [here](#).

Please support Project Compassion: [www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion)



Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia

# HARMONY DAY

*'Everyone Belongs'*

21ST MARCH 2023

*Wear a touch of orange*

Join us for short prayer service @ 9am

**Buddy activities**

## Lenten Crosses



Breaktime fun!

## CROSS COUNTRY



APRIL 5, 2023

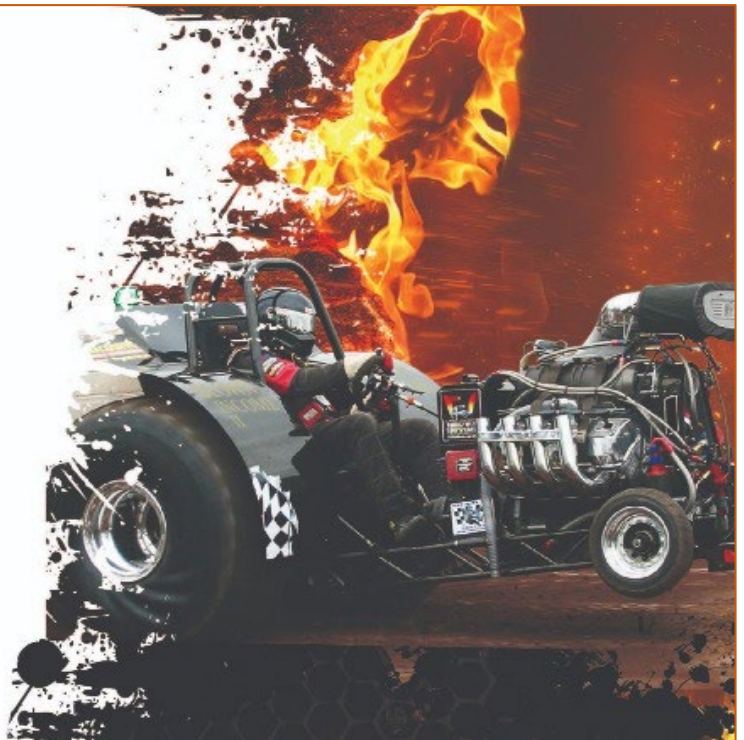
# Community News



**ELMORE**  
**TRACTOR PULL**  
**18TH MARCH 2023**



**McKEES**  
EST 1935  
Garage and Engineering Pty Ltd



**and Family Fun Day**

**Axedale Hall & Park from 2:00pm**  
**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**Fosterville Mine**

**Quick Shear**

Learner, Intermediate  
& Open Competitions  
Cash Prize

**Family Fun**

Market, Face Painting,  
Ninja warrior course,  
Stewart Bryant Whipcracking  
& MUCH MORE

**Art Show**

Local artwork  
competition on  
display.



Food, Drinks, Ice Cream, Alcohol & Merchandise available to purchase. NO BYO ALCOHOL  
All proceeds go directly to the Axedale Primary School, Axedale Preschool, Axedale and Mosquito Creek CFA & Axedale Public Hall

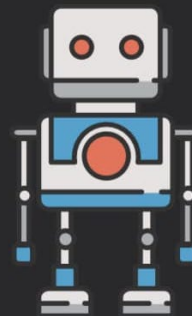
Discovery PRESENTS



## CURIOUS KIDS IN THE LIBRARY!

Storytime welcomes special guest Angela from the Discovery Science & Technology Centre. Angela will show how we are all scientists in our own way with stories, songs, experiments, and a take home activity.

Ages 3-5 years.



Elmore Library Agency

Monday 27 March  
11.30am-12pm

Supported by the City of Greater Bendigo.







**JOIN THE FUN!**

**Elmore Auskick Centre**

**Elmore Recreation Reserve**

**Thursday's 4:30pm starting April 27th**

**Scott O'Sullivan - 0409 147 189**  
scottos5@bigpond.com

Scan the QR Code to register!



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# Play in the Garden Day

CELEBRATING NATIONAL PLAYGROUP WEEK

**10AM - 1PM**  
**TUESDAY MARCH 21**  
**GARDEN FOR THE FUTURE**  
**BOSQUET STREET, WHITE HILLS**

**FREE EVENT**

**LOTS OF FUN, FREE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING:**

- ANIMAL FARM AND PONY RIDES
- FACE PAINTING
- MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT
- BUBBLE PLAY AND CIRCUS ACTIVITIES
- ART AND CRAFT ACTIVITIES
- STORY TIME SESSION
- WALKING TOURS OF LARNI GARINGILANG (MEANS HOME OF GROWTH IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE DJA DJA WURRUNG)
- CONNECT WITH LOCAL EARLY YEARS SERVICES

**FREE FRESH FRUIT • \$2 SAUSAGES and VEGGIE BURGERS • COFFEE AVAILABLE**  
Coliban Water refill unit available please remember to bring your drink bottle




**Year 7 2024**  
**Open Evening**

**Monday 27 March 2023**  
**5:30 - 7:00pm**



Year 5 and 6 students from across the region are invited to our Year 7 Open Evening. Meet key Secondary staff and explore our facilities. Parents and Students will have the opportunity to engage in mini sessions coordinated by our dedicated Teaching staff.



BOOK NOW

## Scholarships

Moama Anglican Grammar is delighted to offer a range of scholarships for current and new students for Years 7-11 in 2024. Scholarships may be awarded to students who strive for their personal best and contribute meaningfully to the School community.

**Academic Excellence**  
**General Excellence**  
**Music/Performing Arts**  
**Education Support**



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# DISCOVER MORE IN 2024

Expand your Horizon

## OPEN DAY

Register online now

**Wednesday 29 March, 4.30-7pm**  
**Coolock Campus, McIvor Hwy, Junortoun**

**CHECK OUT ALL THE EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES ON OFFER AT CATHERINE MCAULEY COLLEGE IN 2024.**

View the progress of the new state-of-the-art Mercy Junortoun Sporting Precinct, opening this year for the College and local community. Learn about reGEN for a sustainable future, our integrated curriculum and student-led initiatives. Explore STEAM, contemporary technology, hands-on learning and the instrumental music and agriculture programs. Join us for a BBQ, guided tours, live music, displays and a chat with students and staff about Year 7 at CMC.

<b>COLLEGE TOURS:</b> Coolock Campus during April & May. Book online now!	<b>ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR YEAR 7, 2024:</b> Wednesday 29 March 2023. Apply online!	<b>ENROLMENTS CLOSE FOR YEAR 7, 2024:</b> Friday 12 May 2023.
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**Treasure Hunt launches online Wednesday 15 March**  
Find your way around and complete the quiz for your chance to win AirPods, a College summer uniform pack or a family ticket to the 2023 Production, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*! Winners announced on 29 March.

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