



COMING UP AT OLSH...

APRIL 2023

Fri 7 th	Good Friday
Sun 9 th	Easter Sunday
Mon 24 th	First Day Term 2 (Staff)
Mon 24th	Pupil Free Day – Curriculum Day
Tue 25th	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Wed 26th	First Day Term 2 (Students)

MAY 2023

Mon 1 st – Fri 5 th	Catholic Education Week
Mon 1 st	Student Leadership Conference
Thur 6 th	Pie Drive Collection – 1pm - 4pm
Fri 12th	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
Fri 12 th	CMC Year 7 Enrolments Close
Sun 14 th	Mother’s Day
Wed 17 th	Foundation 2024 Open Morning

JUNE 2023

Thu 8 th	Winter Sports Day - TBC
Mon 12th	King’s Birthday Public Holiday
Wed 21 st	PSG Meetings
Fri 23rd	Last Day Term 2



From the Principal ...

Dear Families

I am extremely grateful to the staff for soldiering on in my absence this week and thanks to Matt for covering for me - it really does make a big difference.

Today is obviously the last day of term, which means the children now have a lovely break for two and a bit weeks. Please note that the **students first day of Term 2 is Wednesday 26th April**, therefore the beginning of the term looks like this:

- Monday 24th April - Pupil Free Day, staff participating in a professional learning day
- Tuesday 25th April - ANZAC Day public holiday
- Wednesday 26th April – Student’s first day of Term 2

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week began last Sunday. At school we try to ensure that the children are aware of the significance of this time and understand the major milestones of the week. These being:

- **Palm Sunday** - The day that Jesus entered Jerusalem to great fanfare and admiration
- **Holy Thursday** - The day of the last supper, where Jesus shared bread and wine with his disciples as recognition of his ongoing presence in his life and his followers moving forward.
- **Good Friday** - The day that Jesus was crucified on the cross
- **Easter Sunday** - The day that Jesus rose from the dead and was truly acknowledged as the son of God

VOLUNTEERS

I mentioned last week about our need to really tighten up our processes around volunteers and child safe standards. To reiterate, as part of our commitment and obligations to being a Child Safe School, we need to ensure that school volunteers have followed the correct processes and procedures before they can come in and do any type of activity in the school. Next term, we will send out information that we need everyone to complete who intends to help out in the school in any way imaginable. Part of this is ensuring that you have an up to date Working with Children’s Check, which is a process you can begin immediately by going to <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>.

NERIDA AND SANDRA ON LEAVE

From the beginning of next term, Sandra Price will be on leave for a number of weeks as she cares for her husband, Richard, who will have undergone a double knee replacement. I know you will join me in wishing Richard and Sandra all the best in this process and recovery.

Also, from the start of next term, Nerida will be accessing her long service leave for two weeks.

Have a fantastic holiday break!

Craig Simpson (Principal)

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School News



LENT 2023

As the Religious Education leader, it has been an absolute joy observing OLSH learners grow in their understanding of Lent and social justice this term. From eating rice in solidarity with the poor, raising funds for Caritas by baking items, creating a prayer space at home and taking part in our Mass by the Campaspe River every child has shone in their commitment to our Lenten promises to "Pray, Fast and Give".

A big thank you to the parents and staff for their support. I wish each of you and your loved ones all the blessings of this year's Easter celebrations.

Ms Nihill



CARITAS FUNDRAISING

Thank you to our fantastic community for supporting our various Caritas fundraisers over the term. We are very proud to say that we have raised over \$320 (and counting). Such an amazing effort for our small school community!

If you still have your Caritas donation box at home, please return it to the office on the first day back in Term 2.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Today our senior learners prayerfully re-enacted the 'Stations of The Cross'. They followed the same way that Jesus had walked as he went to the cross.

It is a very old tradition dating back to the 14th century when some Franciscan monks decided to recreate this 'way of the passion' inside churches, for all the people who couldn't go to Jerusalem.

That's why, today, there is usually a Way of the Cross in every church.

The Way of the Cross has fourteen stages called 'stations'. Each one is represented by a picture, a statue or a simple wooden cross.





HIP POCKET PRICE LIST UPDATE

Hip Pocket have shared an updated price list with us. They have added a few items back in that they had previously dropped. It can be found in last week's newsletter or in the Knowledge Bank on PAM or on our website at <https://www.olshelmore.catholic.edu.au/parents/uniforms>

School Uniforms can be ordered at any time by calling Hip Pocket on 5480 1027 or visiting Hip Pocket at 173 Pakenham St, Echuca.

Please Note: Any item of uniform that does not have the school emblem, like shorts or track pants, can be purchased via Hip Pocket or may be sourced elsewhere, as long as they are dark navy and does not have a brand name or advertising on it.



ELMORE BAKERY PIE DRIVE

Thank you to all our families who have supported our Elmore Bakery Pie Drive.

Orders will be ready for pick up from **Elmore Bakery (Elmore Site)** on **Thursday 4th May 2023** between **1.00pm - 4.00pm**

Holiday Activities

Autumn Fun! Goldfields Libraries

Library Agencies

School Holiday Program



Solar Buggies!

Learn all about solar energy. Build and race your own solar-powered toy buggy.

Ages 6-12 years.

Book online or call 5449 2790.



FRI 14 APR, 11AM-12PM
Elmore Library Agency

To book & for more information on our school holiday programs at other Goldfields Libraries please visit <https://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au/holidayprogram>

School Holiday Program

Campaspe Library
11 to 21 April 2023

ROCHESTER LIBRARY

TODDLER RHYME TIME –

11th & 18th April at 10.30am (no bookings needed)

FOAM MOSAICS – 11th April @ 2.00pm

CROWNS – 12th April @ 2pm

ROCKET LAUNCHERS – 18th April @ 2pm

FINGER PUPPETS – 19th April @ 2pm

[Click Here](#) or visit the Campaspe Shire Council (What's On>Latest News) website to book.

Don't forget to check out what's on at our other locations while you're there!