

From the Heart



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COMING UP AT OLSH...

MAY 2023

Fri 26th Rivalry Dress Up Day
Fri 26th Sorry Day (Day of Healing)
Sat 27th – Sat 3rd Reconciliation Week
Sun 28th Pentecost Sunday

Tue 30th Advisory Council Meeting – 7pm

JUNE 2023

Fri 2nd Raising Resilient Children – 9.30am

Thu 8th Cluster Winter Sports Day

Mon 12th King's Birthday Public Holiday

Wed 21st PSG Meetings Fri 23rd Last Day Term 2



From the Principal ...

Dear Families

Today we celebrated the feast day of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. This was such a delightful experience for all of us, with the highlight being the presentation put together by Denise Nihill, which pulled together so much of what it means to be a Catholic school named in the honour of Mary and formed in the tradition of the OLSH sisters. We will endeavour to share this presentation more broadly for those who were unable to make it along today as it is captures the spirit of our school so beautifully! Thank you to those who were able to come along and join in this important day in our school.

GOOD LUCK DENISE

Next Friday, Denise Nihill departs to the USA for a 3-week incursion based at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. She will be accompanied by seven other educators in the Sandhurst Diocese with the aim of deepening their understanding of the mission of the Catholic Church and then imparting this wisdom back here at school. We wish Denise al the best on this exciting and fulfilling adventure, one which she richly deserves to participate in and one that should add a deepening of our Catholic faith at OLSH.

MASTER PLANNING AND ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

This Tuesday evening our Advisory Council is meeting with Colin Wellard from the Catholic Education Office to discuss and begin preparing our school's masterplan. A masterplan endeavours to capture the school's building priorities over the next 10 to 15 years. A school is unable to attract any potential funding sources without a professionally produced and well considered masterplan, which must also take into account the current state of the school buildings and the resources already available. If anyone in our local community is interested in coming along and joining the Advisory Council for this discussion please feel free to do so. The meeting will begin at 7.00pm in the planning room off the staffroom.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

National Reconciliation Week is from May 27 - June 3. This provides us with the opportunity to consider and be thankful for the contributions of all peoples who call Australia home, with special recognition and consideration given to the Aboriginal people, who are the original custodians of our land. The theme for this year is 'Be a voice for generations', which is a great theme for our students to embrace as we look to ensure that Australia is a wonderful place for all children to grow up in for generations to come. Each classroom will be giving this a specific focus over the coming week or so



RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN

Next Friday, June 2, Elmore Primary School are hosting a seminar titled 'Raising Resilient Children'. It runs from 9.30 - 11.00am. Everyone is invited to attend this interesting talk and learn more about how we can support our children to handle the adversities that life will inevitably throw at them. Please see details inside about how to register for this.

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

W: olshelmore.catholic.edu.au

RIVALRY DRESS UP

Tomorrow is 'Rivalry Dress Up Day' whereby children can wear the sporting colours of their choice to mark their allegiance to either Elmore, or 'The Mounts'!





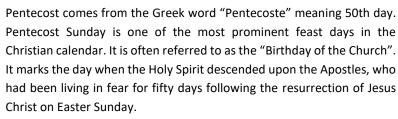


wear red or blue team colours

Craig Simpson Principal

School News

WHAT IS PENTECOST?



On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came down visibly on the Apostles. He gave them the power to speak in strange tongues to the crowds that came to Jerusalem for that Feast. He also transformed them, from selfish and timid men into giants of courage and faith.





FREE PARENTING SEMINAR @ ELMORE PS - RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN

Elmore Primary School will be hosting a FREE Triple P Parenting Seminar next Friday 2nd June at 9.30am.

We all want our children to be resilient and learn how to cope with and bounce back from set backs and disappointments. This Triple P – Positive Parenting Program seminar offers tips on how to develop your child's ability to cope with problems, now and in the future. The seminar is only 90 minutes, fun and friendly, and it's FREE! It'll help kids AND parents take the drama out of family life and find ways to deal with issues calmly and more confidently.

See the Flyer below for more information or **REGISTER NOW** by visiting https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/vic-en/contact/find-a-session/2023-06-02/seminar/raising-resilient-children/112285/



Can't make it next Friday? There are more sessions coming up in surrounding towns, including Kyabram, Lockington and Echuca. Visit www.triplep-parenting.net/VicResilientChildren for a full list.

OLSH Feast, Day

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART

MARY, OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart is a title of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The origin of this title goes back to Father Jules Chevalier, the founder of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart.

Mary did not receive the Son of God only into her body, but into her entire being as woman. By Jesus becoming human, God assures us that the unique condition of woman is an essential element in his extraordinary and wonderful plan of coming to live among us. Mary enters into a personal relationship with Christ, developing her gifts of tenderness, perceptivity, and listening. Mary makes her special gifts of intuition and sensitivity effective in the service of Christ's mission. As the closest to the heart of Jesus, Mary is a role model for each of us in our relationships with God, self and others.





JULES CHEVALIER: Father Jules Chevalier saw Mary the mother of Jesus as the first disciple and witness of the love of Jesus and was inspired to honour her under the title *Our Lady of the Sacred Heart*.

In 1854, Jules Chevalier, gathered a small group of like-minded priests and formed the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC) Congregation, under the protection of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. He later went on to found the Congregation of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in France in 1874.

Basic to Fr. Chevalier's charism, was the awareness that the whole of creation is the gift of God's love, and that everything exists is being sustained and cared for by God's tender compassionate care.

For Fr. Chevalier, the Heart of Christ was a true image of a God with a loving heart, who calls people to have 'heart' for one another.

Jules Chevalier reminds us that each individual is 'a special being... this particular someone... who has a place in the heart of Christ, and each of us is surrounded by God's love'.

Prayer to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Remember, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, the great things the Lord has done for you. He chose you for his Mother. He wanted you close to his Cross. He gives you a share in his glory. He listens to your prayer. Offer him our prayers of praise and thanksgiving; present our petitions to him. Let us live like you in the love of your Son that his Kingdom may come. Lead all people to the source of living water that flows from His Heart, spreading over the world hope and salvation, justice and peace. See our trust in you; answer our prayer. Show yourself always our Mother. Amen.

THANKYOU

A huge thank you goes out to Daisy, Ellie, and Ali for their invaluable assistance in helping the children decorate their biscuits for OLSH Feast Day. Embracing the profound sentiment of Jules Chevalier, 'May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved', we encouraged the children to take their decorated biscuits home and joyfully share them with their loved ones!







Community News



TRIPLE P'S RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN SEMINAR CAN HELP YOU:

- Raise happier, more confident, capable children
- Encourage healthy respectful relationships
- Get answers to common parenting questions and issues
- Be less stressed and enjoy parenting more!

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program has already worked for hundreds of thousands of Australian families. We're all about making parenting and family life more positive. And now Triple P is FREE in our community!

Raising Resilient Children Seminar

Date: Friday June 2nd, 2023

Time: 9:30am - 11:00am

Location: Elmore Primary School

Other: 36 Michie St, Elmore



BOOK YOUR FREE PLACE NOW AT

triplep-parenting.net/VicResilientChildren

Scan for info and quick access to registration page - or just come along!

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live and work, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

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