

From the Heart



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COMING UP AT OLSH...

JUNE 2023

Wed 21st Semester 1 Reports Released on PAM

Fri 23rd Sports Clothes Free Dress Day

Fri 23rd Last Day Term 2 – 2.25pm dismissal

JULY 2023

Mon 10th First Day Term 3 (Staff)

Mon 10th Pupil Free Day – Staff PD

Tue 11th First Day Term 3 (Students)

Tue 18th Learning Conversations

Wed 19th Division Netball Carnival

Fri 21st Pyjama Day

Wed 26th Division Football Carnival Fri 28th 100 Days Brighter Celebration

AUGUST 2023

Fri 4th Rivalry Round Day

Mon 14th Campaspe Cluster Athletics

Mon 21st – Fri 25th Book Week

Fri 25th Book Week Dress Up Day Thu 31st Father's Day Breakfast

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sun 3rd Father's Day

Tue 5th Festival of the Sacred – Echuca

Fri 15th Last Day Term 3



From the Principal ...

Dear Families

I don't know about everyone else but the long weekend really throws a spanner in the works as far as getting my days into alignment - but I won't complain though as it was lovely to enjoy an extra day on the weekend. I hope you all managed to enjoy it too!

LAST WEEK OF TERM

Next week is our last week of term - amazingly!! Just a couple of things to keep in mind:

- School finishes at 2.25pm on Friday
- We having a 'sports dress up day' on Friday
- School reports come out on Wednesday

SCHOOL REPORTS AND SEESAW POSTS

As mentioned above, we are sending reports out via PAM next Wednesday, which highlights children's growth and development over this half year. Please note that not all children grow six months of learning every six months - learning just really doesn't work like that. I know that all children will have grown both academically and personally, but this doesn't necessarily show up in their 'growth points' as they may not have satisfied <u>all</u> criteria necessary to move to the next growth point. This is not cause for alarm, but rather just the reality of how our reporting system works. If you have any questions in relation to the reports, these can be answered in full at our 'Learning Conversations' which will take place in week 2 of next term (the notice to book in for these will go out at the start of next term).

Additionally, our teachers are also sending out Seesaw posts as they are completed over this week and next, so please keep an eye out for these. This term, we have focussed our efforts on Maths in relation to our Seesaw posts.

ELMORE FIELD DAYS AND OSH CLUB - OCTOBER 3 - 5

Just a further follow up in relation to Elmore Field Days and the after-school care available at OSH Club. All children in Elmore can access OSH Club each week night at Elmore Primary School. The after-school bus picks children up from OLSH and takes them to EPS so parents don't have to organise a thing. During the Elmore Field Days, many parents require extra support in caring for their children as they take on one of the myriad tasks required to support this event.

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

In light of this, the OSH Club would like some early notice as to know how many families would be likely to access their after-school services throughout the week of the Field Days. *It is important to note that care is FREE to children who have parents doing voluntary work!*

To help OSH Club know what sort of numbers to expect during this time (Oct 3-5), could parents please take one minute to fill out the very brief survey that they will have received in their inbox last week - please just let us know if you require this link again.

DENISE UPDATE

Denise is absolutely loving Chicago and can't believe the incredibly high level of learning she is having access to. She has already completed a 2000-word assignment with ease as she explained that the high level of knowledge they have access to via their lecturers is simply amazing and makes assignment writing so much easier. I'm sure that Denise is also getting to enjoy some of the cultural opportunities that present themselves in this part of the world also!

PUPIL FREE DAY- FIRST DAY OF TERM 3

Please note that the first day of Term 3, **Monday July 10th**, is a **Pupil Free Day**. Our staff will be focusing on how to ensure ALL learners are growing and having their learning needs met, especially those who are experiencing difficulty in accessing the curriculum. Students first day of school will be Tuesday. July 11.

Craig Simpson Principal

School News



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations Bess, Hudson, Lola, Arlia & Roy (absent) for being named our Learners of the Week! Last week, we also congratulated Jack (pictured with this week's Learners), Hunter, Frankie, Ruby & Amelia.





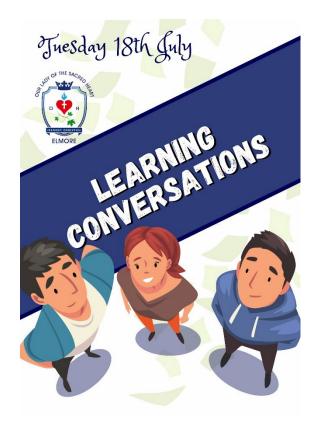
SBMS UPDATE

We have been asked to share the following information on behalf of the Department of Education's School Bus Program team. Important update for students who are approved for travel on the School Bus Program: Thank you for your patience while the School Bus Management System (SBMS) has been under maintenance. The School Bus Management System has now been upgraded, and the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be available from early Term 3.

It is important to note that the School Bus Program Policy has not changed, and navigating the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be very similar to the previous SBMS.

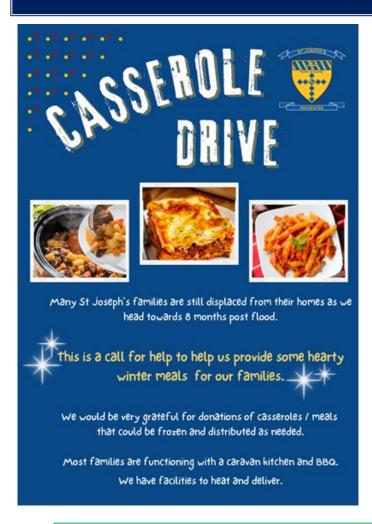
The Student Travel Assistance Portal requires new log in details. All existing users will be sent their new username and a link to create a new password via the email address attached to your SBMS account, to allow you to access the system.

In relation to term 3 travel; All eligible and conditional travellers (those approved for travel at no cost) will continue to be approved for travel in term 3. All ineligible travellers will be communicated with shortly. They will be provided with a term 3 travel offer and payment advice. As per previous terms, families will need to make the applicable bus fare payment of \$125 to be approved for travel in term 3. To check your current e-mail address is on file, or to update your contact details, please contact the School Bus Program team on schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au or call us on 1800 338 663.





Community News



The Immune Deficiencies Foundation proudly presents...



Relaxed Performances for children and young adults who might require a more flexible environment when going to the theatre. Enjoy the "live performance" experience with a casual attitude to audience noise and movement in an inclusive, accessible, safe environment where you feel welcomed and free to be yourself without restriction or judgement.

A one-hour show, suitable for all ages.

All tickets are COMPLIMENTARY and generously sponsored by businesses from the Greater Bendigo Region..

Ideal for school and community group excursions and families.

THURSDAY, 3 AUGUST 2023 @ 11.00 AM RED ENERGY ARENA / BENDIGO STADIUM







Jonas Jost: Show Host & Magician

Luke Forrester: Mouth Balancer

James Bustar: Comedy Juggle

TO BOOK, PLEASE EMAIL OR TEXT YOUR TICKET ORDER AND CONTACT DETAILS TO...

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-Bulk and individual ticket orders from schools, organisations, families and carers are welcome, including tentative bookings.

-All tickets are complimentary - One ticket per person is required when booking tickets.

- Bookings for multiple dates and showtimes are welcome.
- Tickets distributed on a first-come first-served basis.



Out School Hours Care Support Elmore Field Days Volunteers

OSHClub operates a daily afterschool care service for all school aged children in Elmore from 3.20pm - 6pm. The venue for this is Elmore Primary School. Students attending Our Lady of Sacred Heart PS can be transported to the venue by Dysons bus service (at no cost) at the end of their school day.

This service is not open to kindergarten aged students.

We are currently seeking an Expression of Interest (EOI) for families to use this service for the for the 3 days of the Elmore Field Days, October 3 -5th.

This service will be gap free - meaning there will be no out of pocket expense for families.

However, parents must complete the Commonwealth Child Care Subsidy applications and online enrolment. Assistance with this process can be reached by contacting Casey on 0497372444.

This is designed to make it easier for parents to volunteer for your schools fundraising rosters.

Please use the following link to complete the online survey:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V8HXQNT

This link was also sent to families via PAM on the afternoon of June 8th.