

From the Heart



Newsletter No. 20 13th July 2023

COMING UP AT OLSH...

JULY 2023

Tue 18th Learning Conversations & PSGs

Wed 19th PSG:

Wed 19th Division Netball Carnival

Fri 21st Pyjama Day

Tue 25th Division Football Carnival
Fri 28th 100 Days Brighter Celebration

AUGUST 2023

Fri 4th Rivalry Round Day

Sat 5th Elmore Field Day Anniversary Dinner

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 Tue 12th Campaspe Cluster Science Day

Fri 15th OLSH Athletics Day
Fri 15th Last Day Term 3

From the Principal ...

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone! I hope you managed to stay warm over the previous two weeks and also enjoyed the change of routine for yourselves and the children.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS - TUESDAY JULY 18

I encourage all families to please book a Learning Conversation with your child's teacher. This provides all of us with a great opportunity to share information about the children so that we all come to know more about each other and can support each other in the most meaningful way possible. These will take place next Tuesday, July 18 between 2.00pm - 6.00pm. Please access the booking sheet via SIMON.

WELCOME BACK TO DENISE AND KIM

It is lovely to welcome Denise back from her trip to Chicago. She could not be more glowing about the whole experience and I am really looking forward to our school community reaping the benefits of this life changing event for Denise.

Also, it is great to have Kim back on board after her little (ish) surgical procedure at the end of last term. She is not quite back to her old self but it is wonderful that she could begin the school term

with us this week.

CONGRATULATIONS FRANKIE

Today Frankie travelled all the way to Melbourne to represent OLSH in the State Cross Country Championships. We are all so proud of her efforts. To have the chance to compete against some of the top long-distance runners in the state is an honour and a great achievement! Well Done Frankie!





ELMORE FIELD DAYS - *A MESSAGE FROM THE CATERING COMMITTEE*



Without the BnS Ball this year, the Elmore Field Days event is OLSH's main fundraiser for 2023.

We're seeking families to volunteer their time with the catering committee in order to fundraise money for our school.

With just 21 volunteer shifts to fill - that is only <u>one shift per OLSH family!</u> If you're not available, perhaps you have a friend or extended family who may be free to help out.

Anyone who can make a sandwich, butter bread, sell food and drinks, make coffee or even do dishes - please consider volunteering this year.

OSH Club based at Elmore Primary School is even offering free after-school care program during the Field Days week to assist with families volunteering.

To claim your preferred shift, please click on the following link and fill out the online form: https://tinyurl.com/EFDCCVolunteer

SHADE STRUCTURE

During the holidays we finally had our permanent shade structure assembled over our junior playground and the adjoining gathering space. This was possible due to the federal government initiative during the pandemic, to create more outdoor learning spaces in schools. We were lucky enough to receive a \$25k grant at this time, which has contributed significantly to this new addition to the school.





NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS SPORTS TOP DONATION

Jack, Zyrah and Ruby recently visited Greg Twoomey at Nutrien Ag Solutions to present him with a certificate of appreciation to for his extremely generous donation of sports tops for soccer, netball and football (as well as helmets) for our Campaspe Clusters Sports Days. This donation was greatly appreciated by all of our students who will reap the benefits of this when they compete in the local division sports days this term. See inside for some photos!

ELMORE FIELD DAYS 60TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

On August 5th, the Elmore Field Days committee are hosting a 60-year anniversary celebration. OLSH has been invited to send along two representatives to this dinner, which will be hosted at the George Holmberg Pavilion at the Elmore Events Centre. If anyone is keen to be the school's representatives at this event could you please let me know.

Craig Simpson Principal

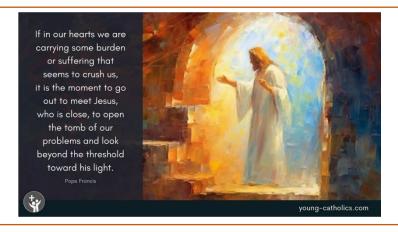
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LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Ruby, Sunny, Nathan & Lakota for being named our Learners of the Week!







CREATION WORD ART

Ivy Hayes has created an amazing word out around the topic of Creation.





CHICAGO REFLECTION

I am incredibly grateful for the experience I had during my three weeks in Chicago. It was a time filled with immense learning, not only through the lectures at Catholic Theological Union but also through the valuable discussions around the table with ten other staff members from different schools across the Diocese. We started as strangers but departed as a close-knit group, blessed in numerous ways.

Each morning, we walked together to the university, to attend our summer school classes. It was an enriching experience to see people from around the world joining us via Zoom, as well as those attending in person, all seeking to earn credits for their Masters in Divinity or Masters in Theology. Every week brought a new unit of study, and as a requirement of the Diocese, we will be submitting a paper that will be available in 2024.

One of the highlights of our time in Chicago was attending Mass at St. Sabina Church, led by Father Michael Pfleger, an American Catholic priest and social activist. The church's location, in a predominantly black neighbourhood, added a unique and powerful dimension to the experience. Unfortunately, we missed a baseball game due to rain, however the boat tour on Lake Michigan allowed us to appreciate the city's skyline. The Van Gogh exhibition at the Chicago Art Gallery was very busy but worth the long wait in queues and visiting various art galleries and museums provided a valuable connection between the exhibits and the lectures we had attended. It was a positive experience that I will forever cherish and be grateful for.

Overall, my time in Chicago was a transformative journey of learning, exploration, and personal growth. I am thankful for the friendships formed, the knowledge gained, and the memories created. Chicago, with its vibrant culture and diverse experiences, has left an indelible mark on my heart.















