



From the Heart



Newsletter No. 10

4th April, 2025

COMING UP AT OLSH...

APRIL 2025

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| Mon 21st | EASTER MONDAY—PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Tues 22nd to Thurs 24th | PUPIL FREE DAYS — Staff Professional Development |
| Friday 25th | ANZAC DAY—PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Mon 28th | School returns—first day back for Students Anzac Day Service @2:50pm |
| Tues 29th | Meet and Greet Mrs Hitchcock @2:30 |

May 2025

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| Fri 9th | Learning showcase & open classrooms |
| Mon 12th | Catholic Education Week |
| Wed 14th | Cluster Winter Sports |
| Thurs 15th | School Open Day |
| Fri 16th | Division Cross Country |
| Wed 21st | Simultaneous Story Telling |

From the Principal...

Dear Parents,

My term 1 position as principal of OLSH has come to an end. Although I will be continuing as the music teacher on Thursdays. While I wont miss the 5 days a week working, I have thoroughly enjoyed being at the helm of the OLSH school community. The culture at OLSH is extraordinary—in fact it is the most connected and most caring school I have experienced in my 43 years of education. The students, the staff and you, the parents, truly live the values of our Christian faith. On that note, Easter and the Tridium celebrations that mark Holy Week, will take place at the end of the school holidays. I would encourage families to at least

participate in one mass or liturgy . (Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil Mass (Saturday night) and Easter Sunday Mass).

The last 2 in particular where we celebrate the risen Lord and his conquering of death, all because of God’s love for us, means that we have a life beyond our Earthly one.

Lastly a reminder that the students will not have school in the first week of Term 2. While the Monday (Easter Monday) and Friday (ANZAC Day) are public holidays, the staff will be engaged in professional learning on the days in between.

God Bless and enjoy the Easter Festivities.

Have a safe and happy break, see you all back on Monday the 28th of April.

Thanks,
Matt.



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

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School News

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Term 1, Week 9: Congratulations to Dawn, Amelia, Bess, Willow, Cooper and Roy for being named our Learners of the Week!



**HOT CROSS BUN
AFTERNOON TEA**



MEET & GREET

WELCOME MRS HITCHCOCK

**TUESDAY 29TH APRIL
2:30PM**



*Molly and Max Van Onsite!
Help us celebrate the Easter season
with an egg hunt for the students!*



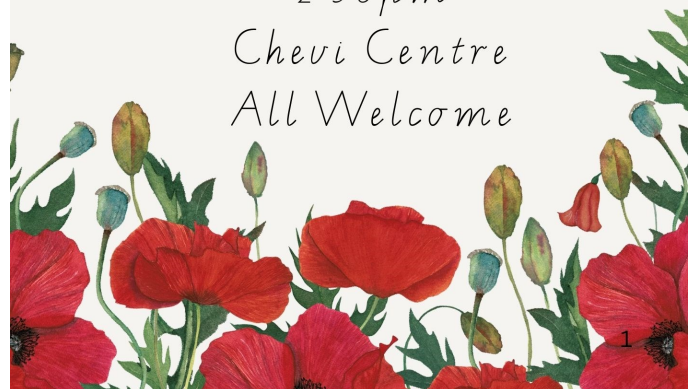
**Happy
EASTER**



ANZAC DAY SERVICE

*Term Two
Monday 28th
April
2:50pm*

*Chevi Centre
All Welcome*



School News



Thank You Mr. Mann

Pilgrims of Hope

Today's Pilgrims of Hope task asked our learners to immerse themselves in an activity that signified what it means to live in an impoverished environment. The students were split into 'families' and asked to construct makeshift shelters/hut/homes to foster empathy by offering insight into the challenges faced by refugees throughout the world. Thank you to all those volunteers that contributed to a successful day. A massive thank you for the hard work put into the day by Ms. Nihill, and for all the generous contributions made to Project Compassion to unite against poverty.



Catholic Identity



OLSH School is walking in solidarity to fundraise for Caritas.



I'm taking part in Caritas Australia's Project Compassion by taking part in The Big Water Walk.

In 2025, I'm joining Caritas Australia's Project Compassion, an initiative that empowers vulnerable communities to lift themselves out of poverty. Through this project, we come together as a community to turn our collective goodwill into lasting change.

Individually, we can make a difference, but when we unite through Project Compassion, our kindness is amplified. Your donation today can help provide essential resources and opportunities to people in need, empowering them to build better futures.

Let's work together to create BIG, lasting change—for today and for generations to come. Donate now and make this Lent a season of transformation.



Donate by scanning the QR code

BENDIGO PALM SUNDAY WALK for Justice, Freedom and Peace. Bendigo Churches and community groups ask you to stand up for justice, decency and compassion on **13th April at Lake Weeroona from 12.00 – 1.00 pm**. Thousands of refugees and people seeking asylum are still in limbo waiting for justice and certainty about their future. Join at the north end of the Lake; register, sign our letter of support, and walk around Weeroona as a gesture of solidarity with these forgotten people. Palm Sunday is when we remember how Jesus rode determinedly into Jerusalem to challenge authority with the demands of love. For us, it is an opportunity to demonstrate our discipleship in doing the same.



BE A GOOD EGG THIS EASTER and make sure your Easter chocolate is slavery-free. A significant portion of chocolate comes from cocoa beans harvested by child labourers enduring enslavement and exploitative working conditions. As Pope Francis says: **“Every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act”**. Scan the QR code to check out how your favourite brand rates? (Note Cadbury is owned by Mondelez.) Use these logos to identify slavery-free chocolate.

Community News

ELMORE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB PRESENTS

SEASON LAUNCH FAMILY DAY \$1000 DRAW

EXTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY 5TH APRIL 12PM

AT ELMORE REC RESERVE

TICKETS \$30 ADULTS KIDS FREE*

TICKET INCLUDES:
 LUNCH & NIBBLES
 TICKET INTO \$1000 DRAW
 LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Join us to celebrate the start of the 2025 season

\$1000 cash draw

Come mingle with new and current members

Meet the coaches

Our Family Fun Day is packed with activities for all ages, including:

- FACE PAINTING
- KIDS ENTERTAINMENT
- LAWN GAMES
- FAIRY FLOSS

TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH WEBSITE AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

NOTE: THERE WILL BE FOOTBALL & NETBALL TRAINING ON FROM 10:30AM, SPECTATORS WELCOME

OPEN DAY 2025

CATHERINE MCAULEY COLLEGE BENDIGO
 celebrating 150 years 1876-2026

LEARNING FOR LIFE

Do you want to learn how to think independently and be adaptable?
 Join our welcoming community in 2026 to learn the skills you need to thrive and serve.

Attend our Open Day to see our innovative educational facilities and spacious grounds, including the new Mercy Junortoun Sporting Precinct. Learn about the College's academic, creative and sporting programs.

- Learning activities
- Guided tours
- Information stalls
- Live music
- BBQ

Open Day
 When: 4.30-7pm, Wednesday 26 March
 Where: Coolock Campus, Junortoun

Enrolments for Year 7, 2026
 Open: Wednesday 26 March 2025
 Close: Friday 9 May 2025

Discover more!
 Visit our website - cmc.vic.edu.au

Enrolment enquiries:
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Register online - cmc.vic.edu.au

ROCHESTER BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

WINTER SEASON BASKETBALL

Registrations Now Open

Mini Hoops, Junior, Intermediate & Senior

Starting week beginning May 12th

Junior and Intermediate Girls play Mondays
 Junior and Intermediate Boys play Tuesdays
 Seniors play Wednesday
 Mini Hoops & Under 10 mixed play Thursdays

More information can be found on Stack Team App including costs, how to register for juniors, how seniors can nominate a team, what is involved, dates of season and more.
 All questions can be sent via email to: rochesterbasketballassociation@gmail.com

Come and be part of the fun!

HOLIDAY FOOTY FRENZY

MONDAY 7TH & TUESDAY 8TH APRIL
8.30AM - 5PM
ATKINS ST, NORTH BENDIGO

AGES: 5 - 14
SNACKS AND LUNCH PROVIDED

MORE INFO AND SIGN UP HERE

1 DAY - \$80
2 DAYS - \$150

Who will win the Fitzpatrick Cup?

HAPPY easter