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Thursday, 22 August 2013

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

This Friday we say farewell to Christine Wallace who will be officially retiring following her long service leave. As stated in previous newsletters, we will be saying good bye at an assembly tomorrow starting at 2.45pm. You are invited to join us at the assembly which will be followed by afternoon tea in the multi-purpose room.

Scouts Victoria Raffle Books

Some weeks ago each family received a set of raffle tickets with the main prize being a car. It is now time to return the tickets and or money. As stated when the tickets were given out we have to account for every ticket. Could you please send back any tickets sold or unsold by Friday 30th August. Those parents who have not returned tickets will be contacted after this.

Trivia Night

This Saturday night we will have a trivia night at the Parish Centre. You can arrive at 7.00pm for a 7.30 start. We have good numbers but if you have not booked a table and would like to come along you are most welcome. For \$10 per head it is a great cheap night out. We have some great prizes available thanks to the hard work of Bridgit Price as well as the generosity of local and family businesses.

Book Week Activities

On Tuesday we had our Book Week Parade followed by a day of activities . It was great to see the way that all the children as well as the teachers and admin staff got in to the spirit of the day. I am sure that any visitors to the school would have got a shock when they were greeted by Thing 1 and Thing 2 in the office.

Review

Next week we have our reviewer Jan Hayes spending 2 days with us as all aspect of the school and reviewed and evaluated. As I have said in previous newsletters Jan would like to meet with a group of between 8 to 10 parents from 9:00-9:45 am. If you are free at this time I would love to hear from you. If I do not hear from anyone please be prepared to be tapped on the shoulder. It will be a very non-threatening meeting but will be an opportunity for you to provide some feedback on how you think the school is travelling at the moment.

Padua Walkathon

Last Friday, in icy conditions, our students participated in a walkathon organised by Padua House to raise funds for Caritas. Not all the money has come in yet but as of yesterday we had counted in excess of \$2,300 which is a fantastic effort. I am constantly amazed at the generosity of our school community. One thought we had, was to see if the money could be used to install a well in a needy community.

An evening with Tom Hafey.

As mentioned in last weeks newsletter we have Tom Hafey coming to school on Friday 13th September. Payment information is included at the end of the newsletter.

Take Care Paul Hogan

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2013 Term Dates

Term 1 Mon 4 Feb-Thurs 28 Mar Term 2 15 April-28June Term 3 15 July-20 Sept Term 4 7 Oct-20 Dec

School Banking Commonwealth Bank EVERY TUESDAY

School Closure

Days 2013

Tues 3rd Sept Fri 13th Sept

NEXT PTFA MEETING 26 Aug, at

7.30pm

ALL WELCOME

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Terrífic Kíd				
PC	Joshua Kníght	For being an enthusiastic learner !		
PR	Ethan de Veth	For always doing his best work		
1/2 A	Laura Balíca	For focusing on her school work and listening attentively in class		
1/2M	Demí Sheedy	For being fabulous at everything she does !		
1/2R	Míchael Sauríní	For a great improvement in his reading		
3/4H	Lachie Caplin	For always showing a positive attitude towards reading		
3/4 M	Adam Mísítí	For a creative Book Parade costume		
3/4WB	Abbey Xerrí	Staying cool under pressure		
5/6D	Pasquale Albano	For being a great role model		
5/6 E	Matthew Portellí	Making an effort to be organised and ready		
5/6S	Caleb Hatton	For working towards making right choices		

Recycling Mobile Phones

Help to save the Gorillas, send your old mobile phones to the school office for recycling.



Families with a Year 7 student attending Salesian College in 2014 are encouraged to phone Dobsons uniform shop over the next few weeks on 97404831 during regular trading hours (Mon 8-11am, Wed 8.30-11.30am, Thur 10.45-1.45pm) to book a fitting appointment in October, to take advantage of early bird specials that have been on offer in past years. Please take note the uniform shop is not open during the school/public holidays.

Year 5/6 Wonder Of Living Family Night September 9 & 12 at the Parish Centre Please return reply slips to the office

Reminder: Have you completed our Environmental Survey? Being a Green School is very important to us and we'd like your input. Please take 5 minutes to fill out the survey, which was emailed to each family and return it to the school for your chance to win a prize.



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CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 3 2013

Contact Sally 0400 384 403 if you are unable to attend

23rd Aug	Karen Woodvine Darren Xerri Tamara Moir	6th Sept	Dean Caplin Lisa Renda Tamara Moir
30th Aug	Alicia Weir Lesley Spiteri Raquel Handley	13th Sept	School Closure

OSHCLUB NEWS

Hello OSHCLUB families

We have been very busy this week with the RSPCA awareness week. Monday's cupcake day was a huge success and children had a ball making and decorating their own cupcakes to raise money for the RSPCA. We have also made animal finger puppets, craft animals and push pin animals. We also have some new plants to plant in our gardens this week so big thanks to all those who are assisting us in making our gardens beautiful.

Just a reminder that there are 2 curriculum days approaching in September so if you need care please book as early as possible. If you would like to book your child into our program please go to www.oshclub.com to enrol and book. thanks

OSHCLUB team

FATHERS NIGHT 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2013—An Evening with Tom Hafey—REPLY SLIP

Parent Nam	ie:	Mobile Number:			
Eldest Child	:	Class:			
	Yes, I will be attending the Fathers	s Night, and enclose \$40.00 for dinner,			
refreshments and presentation.					
	Yes, I will be attending the Tom Hafey Presentation only and enclose \$10.00.				
	No, I am unable to attend.				
Amount Enclosed: \$					
	Cash only please				

RE NEWS

Our Gospel challenge: Hebrews 12:1-4

A huge cloud of witnesses is all around us. So let us throw off everything that stands in our way. Let us throw off any sin that holds on to us so tightly. Let us keep on running the race marked out for us.

Let us keep looking to Jesus. He is the author of faith. He also makes it perfect. He paid no attention to the shame of the cross. He suffered there because of the joy he was looking forward to. Then he sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

He put up with attacks from sinners. So think about him. Then you won't get tired. You won't lose hope.

Our challenge: The line here about 'running the race marked out for us' is a relevant one. Our race, started in Baptism, is to live as Christians. Like Christ's race our own can become tiresome, arduous and the road rocky. With the power of the spirit and our faith celebrated through experiencing the sacraments we can all be winners. As an old but good song said " They will know we are Christians by our love".

Confirmation: Welcome, Welcome and Welcome.

There are some people directly sent from above to help us get the big jobs done.

There is an old saying "God will provide". In reflection this is very true of our facilitator for our recent Parent /Child Faith evenings, centred around the sacrament of Confirmation.

Mr. Paul Spence, ex principal of Clairvaux School in Geelong and Religious Education leader, lead our parents and children to the essence and importance of the sacrament of Confirmation. As all good teachers do, Paul used story and his own experience of the power of the Holy Spirit to enable the children to see the relevance of the sacrament. The Holy Spirit has enabled Paul to work, fundraise and organise for the people of his adopted village through the building of schools, hospitals and other infrastructure to improve the quality of life for the Ugandan people.

The children were able to make personal connections with the work Paul was doing in Uganda and their mission as confirmed Christians. Teachers, parents and children were empowered by Paul's words and his ability to make the work of the spirit and the gifts of that spirit real and alive.

Coupled with the classroom curriculum dedicated to the Confirmation unit, I feel confident that our 2013 candidates will be ready to renew their baptismal vows in Confirmation and live out their Christian mission. As Paul says in quoting Ghandi " Being the change you wish to see in the world".

The Sacrament Confirmation in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish will be celebrated on Sunday the 13th of October at 2pm and 4pm.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr. Paul Spence for his leadership and nurturing approach as we learned and experienced first hand the power of the spirit alive in our world today.

Colin Healy REL

Water walkathon for the Caritas Organisation.

Last week all Mount Carmel children raised money by walking many kilometres of our running track and green area. Children were asked to carry water for as many laps as they could, to raise much-needed funds for people in the third world.

It was a real win/win as the children gained an appreciation for water and the access in their own homes plus the fitness derived from the exercise.

Thanks to the people and teachers of Padua for leading this event and the creative and good spirit in which this was achieved.

Colin Healy (Padua teacher)

<u>Confirmation Reminder</u>: Presentation of Stoles and Creed - 7th-8th September 2013 –Weekend Masses.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD PUBLIC FORUM ON DRUG AWARENESS

Police Community Consultative Committee (PCCC)

Date: Thursday 29th August, 7.00pm ,Venue: Sunbury Bowling Club, 49 Riddell Road, Sunbury.

Format: We have arranged for a number of speakers to address us regarding drug and alcohol abuse in our own and the wider community. Speakers will include law enforcement and support professionals and concerned parent representatives drawn from our local community. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of speakers.

RUPERTSWOOD CRICKET CLUB "Birthplace of The Ashes" REGISTRATION DAY

Saturday 24th AUGUST 2013 9am – 12noon .New Players and Females welcome. Registration Forms Available on Club Website http://rupertswoodcc.org.au Or Email Request rupocc@optusnet.com.au . Enquires 0459 098 664 or 0421 991 519

BUNNING FATHERS DAY NIGHT

Next Thursday 29th August is our annual Fathers Family Night from 6pm - 8pm.

See attached flyer and colour in competition sheet. It should be a fun filled night for the whole family including: Face Painting, Kids Crafts, Football Handball Comp with prize, Sausage Sizzle Dinner, Mini Golf Balloonist. Winners of colouring in comp announced Please RSVP by 27th August either by phone or email for catering purposes. Maree Albano Activities Organiser Bunnings Sunbury Ph 9744 0200 85 Vineyard Road, Sunbury Vic 3429 Phone : (03) 9744 0200 E-Mail : sunburyao@bunnings.com.au

BOOKCLUB NEWS

Dear Parents

the latest sets of Bookclub catalogues have been sent home today. The closing date for returning orders to school for this issue is Thursday 29th of August. (This will allow for delivery of the items before the school holidays).

Different catalogues are distributed to the various grade levels within the school. If anyone would like a full set of all of the catalogues please let me know and I will organise this.

As you are all aware, our school benefits from all purchases that are made and we have earned \$805.50 worth of free resources so far this year.

Thankyou

Trish Cairns

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The finishing date for the challenge is SEPTEMBER 12th, not August as previously stated. Apologies for the confusion.

So, for the next 3 weeks, keep reading and recording! Our school library now has a sticker on all of the books on the challenge reading list to make borrowing extra easy. See, email or call Mrs Hurn with any concerns.



FATHER'S DAY STALL

The Father's Day Stall will be held on Thursday the 29th of August. Gifts will be priced from \$2 - \$7. Please BYO bag to carry your gift home safely.

2014 PREP UNIFORM FITTINGS AND SALES

Go to School Interviews Online to book appointments for

Prep 2014 uniform fittings

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Event code: SKGC7

Prep 2014 – OLMC Uniform Fittings will be held at OLMC School

9.30am – 11.10am on Tuesday 10th September, 2013

6.00pm – 7.40pm on Tuesday 10th September, 2013

Head Lice - They're back

Numerous cases of head lice have been reported to the school office, please check your child's hair for nits and lice and commence treatment if necessary.

We urge families to check their children's hair weekly to help in the fight against head lice

BOOK YOUR TABLE NOW!

OLMC TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 24 August, 2013 at Parish Centre, Riddell Rd, Sunbury

To book a table please complete the below form and return to the school office

Tables are a maximum of 10 people – if you don't have ten that's ok – just put down names of those attending and we will fill the table. A great way to meet new people!

Tickets are \$10 per person.

Please attach payment for all listed together with your form – cash, cheque or you can direct credit to PTFA account – NAB 083347 823860423

Use table organiser's name as reference on deposit please!

Table Organiser – Name _

Ph No _

Names