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# FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents,

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our students and staff had their school photos taken last Thursday, it was lovely to see the children smiling enthusiastically in their very well-presented uniforms.

Each student was given an individual flyer to take home with a unique code to register for photos. Please see elsewhere in the newsletter for further information.

(Please note: if you have misplaced the flyer our office staff will be more than happy to help you with your unique code.)

### **OPEN EVENING & ENROLMENTS**

OLW is holding an Open Evening and Guided Tours for prospective and current families this Wednesday 19th March 19 from 4 pm – 6 pm. Our School Captains will be hosting the tours of the school whilst our staff will be available in their learning spaces.

Parents please note: We have a limit of 25 places, so if your child is in 3 or 4 year old Kinder please complete and return an Enrolment Form as soon as possible. If you have other children enrolled at the school you will still need to complete an enrolment form for any new siblings.

### PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

Our Parents and Friends Association is going to look a little different this year.

Rather than formal meetings we are going to ask our families for assistance when key events occur, for example, when it is time for our Mother's and Father's Day stalls, I will simply send an alert out asking if any parents are available to assist on the day. This way we can share the help required around and parents can assist in different ways.

I would like to thank Vicki and Sally for their assistance thus far, and to all P & F members who have been involved to date - we simply cannot do it without you! We have so many new parents who have already put their hand up to assist and I look forward to working with you all.

Our major activity for this term will be our Easter Raffle for which we are currently seeking donations from families and local businesses. Please see the attached flyer for details-Raffle books will be going home this week.

#### SUNSCREEN

As the warmer weather continues, I encourage parents to consider / continue applying sunscreen to children before leaving home in the morning. While teachers are not able to supply or apply sunscreen at school, children are most welcome to reapply before break times.



### NAPLAN - YEARS 3 & 5

NAPLAN is a national literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3 and 5 sit each year. NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through their regular school curriculum. Students sit assessments in Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

NAPLAN Testing commenced last Wednesday and continues over 2 weeks until Monday, 24th March. An information sheet was sent home to all Year 3 & 5 families.

### PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT INTERVIEWS - MONDAY, 31ST MARCH

Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews for all students in Years Prep - 6 are scheduled for Term 1, Monday, 31st March. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher and gain insights about the learning in each particular year level. We urge parents to come along with their child/ren to these sessions that will take place in your child's classroom and be hosted by your child's teacher.

Bookings are now open. Bookings can be made via www.schoolinterviews.com.au using the booking code **9wzyx**. Instructions are elsewhere in the Newsletter.

PLEASE NOTE: This will be a school closure day for all students. TheirCare will be operating on this day if parents wish to utilise this service.

### **CUTTING UP FRUIT - GRAPES**

Just a reminder to all parents to please cut grapes into halves or quarters. Grapes are a significant choking hazard (even to students in Primary School).

### NO FOOD SHARING / BIRTHDAY TREATS - REMINDER

In order to minimise risk in the school in relation to food and allergies, I ask that parents do not send along cakes, lolly bags or any other food treat on special celebration days. Thank you to our parents who have adhered to this request, it is great to see bubble wands, stickers etc. coming in in lieu of the tradional lolly bag! I suggest stickers, pencils, stamps or novelty items such as silly straws. Whilst this may seem unfortunate, I ask for your support with this. It is in the best interest of our children.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder that our students are required to be wearing the correct summer uniform each day.

**Girls:** Summer dress, white socks and black shoes/runners OR Blue school t-shirt polo, navy school shorts or navy skirt, white socks and black shoes/runners.

Boys: Blue school shirt polo, navy school shorts, navy socks and black shoes/runners.

All hair is to be tied up if hair touches shoulders and only simple earrings and watches are to be worn. Hair ribbons or small clip bows are to be in school colours (Navy, White or Light Blue).

Casual runners or sneakers are not acceptable school uniform attire and colourful or bright runners are only allowed when sports uniform is worn.



### DISTRICT ATHLETICS TEAM

Our team has now been selected from our Athletics Trials and training has now commenced. Mrs Van Ballegooy will continue training each Wednesday and Friday up until the event on 26th March.

### **BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

If your child is attending the Before and/or After School Care Program, please notify the school Office as soon as possible. We also keep a list of students who attend the Program, showing on what days of the week they attend. This reduces confusion and enables us to know where each child is after school.

### **RED DOOR CAFE LUNCH ORDERS**

Red Door Cafe will continue to run lunch orders for the OLW students on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. If you would like to order lunch for your child, please head to the cafe on any of these mornings to place your order. Please see attached flyer for menu items.

God Bless, Grace Lucic

### 2025 Sacramental Dates

Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 6) Thursday, 5th June at 5 pm

Sacrament of First Eucharist (Year 3) Sunday, 3rd August at 1 pm

First Reconciliation (Year 2)
Tuesday, 21st October at 2 pm

### Class Mass - Term 1

Year 3/4 Mass -Wednesday, 19th March at 10 am

## Phrase of the Fortnight

Congratulations to everyone who found out that

'good deeds are never lost'

means that good deeds always matter. Even if unnoticed, they bring kindness, rewards or happiness later in unexpected ways.



# Calendar Dates - Term 1, 2025

|                | March   |
|----------------|---|
| MONDAY 17/3    | CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK St Patrick's Day NAPLAN continues this week Assembly (3 pm) |
| WEDNESDAY 19/3 | Year 3/4 Class Mass (10 am)<br>Our Lady of the Way Open Evening (4 - 6 pm)          |
| FRIDAY 21/3    | Faith Leaders and School Captains to St Patrick's Cathedral                         |
| MONDAY 24/3    | NAPLAN Testing Period Concludes<br>Assembly (3 pm)                                  |
| TUESDAY 25/3   | Parent / Teacher Interviews for students in 5/6T                                    |
| WEDNESDAY 26/3 | District Athletics - Meadowglen Athletics Track (Epping)                            |
| FRIDAY 28/3    | Cross Country Tryouts   |
| MONDAY 31/3    | SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY<br>(PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS)                                   |
|                | April   |
| FRIDAY 4/4     | Final Day of Term 1 - 1 pm Finish   |



## MACS Creative Arts Exhibition 2025

A big congratulations to Justin L (3/4L) for his amazing art piece 'Sunflower'. Justin's piece has been selected for entry into the MACS Creative Arts Exhibition for 2025.



The exhibition of students' artwork will be open for public viewing at:

Celtic Hall, Catholic Leadership Centre, 576 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne
on the following days and times:

Mon, 17th March - Thurs 20th March (10 am - 4 pm) Fri, 21st March (12 - 7 pm) Sat, 22nd March (11 am - 4 pm)



## 3/4 Excursion to Polly Woodside

Two weeks ago the 34's went to Polly Woodside. The first thing we did was see the museum. A girl was talking to us that a family had owned Polly Woodside. After awhile the ship was breaking apart and she wanted to buy it, so they owner said you can have it for free, but the girl said no I have to pay some money I need a receipt just in case she wanted it back. She gave us all a chance to guess how much she bought it for and everyone was getting it wrong until she said it was 1 cent!

Everyone was in shock! After that went into a optical illusion and it was like if you were in a rocking ship it was really cool and we saw things that were on the Polly Woodside.

My favourite part was when our 1st mate showed us were they slept and ate. it was really fun and there was pictures of them in about 1890. - Sebastian S





The 3/4's went to Polly Woodside. I had a great time!

I saw the bell, the helm, the Captain's cabin, people enjoying themselves and many other things

I enjoyed scrubbing the deck and exploring the ship.

I want to learn more about why the ship was sold for 1 cent.- Angie H





At Polly Woodside we (the 3/4s) were split into three groups and we went into different places. I started in the boat where we first went underground to learn about their resources. Did you know if you rub coal together it catches fire then if you throw it in water it explodes! The polly woodside used to go around the world carrying coal and getting bird and bat dump from South America. Then we went to a pole that you had to pretend we were trying to put up sails. My friends and I were rubbish at it but, it also hurt my stomach resting my it on the pole. Next we went up to the first floor. We learnt they used a rope to use instead of toilet paper! We learnt the signals for different places with the bell. One ring is port (the left) two rings is starboard (the right), three is straight-ahead (forward) and last is four or more rings is emergency. Then we had to scrub the deck sadly. I have to admit, the other team did better than us. We also got to sail the wheel. It was a really fun excursion so far. Then we went to the museum, where we learnt about the history. Did you know the company bought the polly woodside for one cent because the family who had it were about to blow it up!- George X











# JUNIOR OLYMPICS & SENIORS TENNIS AT OLW!



Thank you to our Sports Captains and staff for organising these wonderful events!





## **Book School Interviews Online**

Dear Parents.

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held on Monday, 31st March from 9 am until 7 pm. This day will be a Closure Day for students however they are required to attend the interview with their parents. Bookings can be made via <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> using the School Event code shown below.

#### BOOKINGS CLOSE FRIDAY 28th MARCH at 5 pm

Parents of 5/6T (Mr Chris Tormey): please note that Mr Tormey will be absent on Monday, 31st March. 5/6T interviews will therefore be conducted on <u>Tuesday</u>, 25th <u>March from 9 am - 7 pm</u>. Students will come to school as normal on Tuesday, 25th March and will join when it is their interview time.



Go to <a href="http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au">http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a>
Or scan the QR Code:











When you click *finish*, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to <a href="www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

All interviews are onsite at OLW and they are **strictly 15 minutes**. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the <a href="www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking.

Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on 9460 6684.

Students are required to attend the Interview along with their parents



### **School Photos 2025**

Annual school photos have been taken by Arthur Reed Photos.

To view the images of your child and order photos, you will need to first register online.

Go to https://order.arphotos.com.au and enter the 2025 image code for your child (from their personalised flyer that was sent home.)

Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings.

Fill in your email and mobile details and then review all details before confirming your registration.

That's it! When 2025 photos are ready, you will be notified by email and SMS.

Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do it again each year using your child's new image code to link their photos for the current year with your contact details.

To ensure you are ordering school photos for the current year, please wait for notifications that 2025 images are online before placing orders.

In the webshop you can view photos and customize your photo package; Choose ANY layout, ANY image and purchase multiple digital image downloads.

All photo orders will be sent directly to the address you provide when ordering.

REGISTER ONLINE NOW to be notified when 2025 school photos can be viewed and ordered.















# RED DOOR CAFE LUNCH ORDERS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

PH: 9078 9725

## TOASTIES

WRAPS

Cheese: \$7.00

Cheese & Ham: \$7.50

Chicken Schnitzel: \$11.90

Cheese & Tomato : \$7.50 Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo \$11.90

Cheese, Ham & Tomato: \$8.50

Ham: \$8.90

### HOT FOOD

5 Nuggets & Chips: \$9.90

Pizza(Magarita): \$7.50

Lasagne: \$12.90

Penne Bolognese: \$10.90

1/2 Sausage Roll:\$ 6.00

Whole Sausage Roll: \$10.90

Chips:\$6.00





## KINGSBURY THEIRCARE

newsletter - week ?

### Week 7 - Jungle Jive Party

What an exciting week we have had so far!

We are looking forward to our incredible Jungle Jive Party this FRIDAY (14/3/25) to raise funds for the RSPCA foundation!

Take a look at what we got up to to prepare!







- Safari binoculars to delve into our jungle themed week, we thought of a fun idea to make our very own safari binoculars using recycled materials! So many children got involved with this incredible activity, threading string to make the straps, decorating the lenses and making unique binoculars to use at the jungle party!
- We had watercolours put out during our BSC session on Wednesday, and so many incredible paintings were created! It was great to see the children experiment with watercolour and problem solve when the paint was too diluted, and also to see their creativity shine!
- We had so much fun making Ooblek as well! This was a very messy but incredibly fun STEM activity that the children absolutely loved!

#### **Notices**

When possible, please ensure you are booking as early as you can! Booking in advance supports us to staff the program adequately in line with out 1:15 ratio.

Additionally, if your child is away from school or if plans change, a friendly reminder to give us the heads up via a text or call!



#### NO HAT NO PLAY

Now that it is Term 4, NO HAT NO PLAY, everyone must be wearing a hat at OSHC.

We provide sunscreen for all children, but please ensure a hat is brought along in their bags!

Email: kingsbury@theircare.com.au PH: 0417333851



## TheirCare School Holiday Program







## **Community News**



Do you have a daughter in Grade 5?

Year 7 2027 enrolment applications close Friday, 15 August 2025.

Apply today via our website clc.vic.edu.au/enrol

Limited tour spots available, register at clc.vic.edu.au/enrol/book-a-tour







# **Community News**



