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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

As Winter descends upon us, days become shorter and colder with rain often keeping us inside, we can become less patient and tolerant both as adults and parents. The same occurs for our children, especially when they have not had the opportunity to get outside and expend some energy.

During these difficult and challenging times it can help to remind ourselves that each day God gifts us with life. At the end of the day perhaps we could ask...



- ❖ Did I get it right?
- ❖ Did I matter to someone?
- ❖ Did I live my humanity?
- ❖ Did I turn to God in a moment of weakness?
- ❖ Did I feel compassion?
- ❖ Did I accept a challenge?
- ❖ Did I forgive?
- ❖ Would I have lived the day differently?
- ❖ What would Jesus have said or done in my place?
- ❖ Did I pray?

At the end of the day, there are two questions that matter to God:

***"Did I love with all my heart, with all my mind and with all my soul?"
Did I love others as I love myself?"***

For only then was the day lived well.

***God of all that was, that is and that will be:
We give you thanks for all opportunities to
Do your will with each new day.
Help us to always remember
Jesus' two commandments of love.
Amen***

This week as you pray I ask that you keep Miss Mikhael in your intentions. During the past three weeks Miss Mikhael's family have borne the great loss of both her beloved father and mother as well as their aunt. Our Parents and Friends Association have sent her flowers for which Miss Mikhael has sent her thanks.

Olimpia Pirovic
Principal



The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

UPCOMING DATES

Week 8

Thurs: 8:15am
Morning Workout
3pm-4pm Junior Band

Fri:

Week 9

Mon: QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Tue: 9am Assembly: 5G Prayer
No playgroup this week
Yr4-Yr6 Rock & Water Program

3pm-4pm Senior Band

Wed: Stg2 & Stg3 Police Cybersafety Talk

3pm-4pm Training Band

NOTES HOME

This Week

- Yr 2 Reward Day

Last Week

- Parent Teacher Interview Booking Information (**bookings open 12:30pm 14th June**)
- Kindergarten Fairy Tale Day

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY: MONDAY 14TH JUNE

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY: MONDAY 12TH JULY (WEEK 1 TERM 3)

MERIT AWARDS

KB	Charbel ▪ Rhiyana	4B	Alanna ▪ Malek
KG	Scarlett ▪ Ruhee	4G	Angelina ▪ Rohan
1B	John ▪ Tiana	5B	Annalise ▪ Amelia
1G	Kayana ▪ Alana	5G	Jose Justin ▪ Louis
2B	Michael ▪ Ithayan	6B	Osean ▪ Nicolas
2G	Sanoshan ▪ Anuj	6G	Roman ▪ Riona
3B	Arkyn ▪ Sana	PE	Amelia ▪ Savannah
3G	Olivia ▪ Benjamin	WAKAKIRRI - Saadhana ▪ Chiara	

STAR CARD REWARDS

Gold Awards: Elizabeth Elkor ▪ Reis Baykan ▪ Sanoshan Selvakumar ▪ Palash Patel ▪ Gabriel Boustany ▪ Aibel Koipurram ▪ Timmy ▪ Jerrick Jaimy ▪ Luca White ▪ Liya Abraham ▪ Eli Torbey ▪ Hayden Ritchie ▪ Anuj Desai ▪ James Bryant ▪ Elijah Makhoul ▪ Dominic Tigani ▪ William Aholahi ▪ Sophie Pickham ▪ Isabelle Torbey ▪ Gabriella Dib ▪ John Khadi ▪ Lachlan Pearn ▪ Anaishca Ankit ▪ Henry Rajendran ▪ Jasmine Sakr ▪ Tony Nader ▪ Keillan Kennedy ▪ Riona Lemos ▪ Roman Dore ▪ Royden Khanlu ▪ Zachary Sahyoun ▪



Opal Awards: Suzan ▪ Ojas ▪ Gabriel ▪ Sameet ▪ Makayla ▪ Hansikaa ▪ Alexander ▪ Katrina ▪ Pranav ▪ Krisha ▪ Cyril ▪ Karthik ▪ Joanna ▪ Isabelle ▪ Thea ▪ Jack ▪ Candace ▪ Aaraav ▪ Kimberly ▪ Sophia ▪ Osean ▪ Sarayu ▪ Sowjanya ▪ Abraham ▪ Siya ▪ Alessandra ▪ Charlotte ▪ Chelsea ▪ Ethan ▪ Saxon ▪ Gabriella ▪

Platinum Awards: Olivia ▪ Chanel ▪ Havishaa ▪ Irene ▪ Kruti ▪ Mishti ▪ Eva ▪

Principal's Awards: Bhakti ▪ Caitlyn ▪

STUDENT ILLNESS - COVID RESTRICTIONS STILL APPLY

Over the past two weeks we have seen the resurgence of COVID in Victoria. While many things could be argued about that situation, when you drill down to the centre, someone had cold symptoms and didn't get checked. During the past week we have had a number of children who have come to school and been sent home as they are unwell. We are still required to operate under the protocols that were advised during 2020. We understand that some children may suffer from seasonal hay fever or allergies and these symptoms can present as covid symptoms. If this is the case for your child, parents are asked to obtain a clearance letter from their doctor for their child to attend school.

Currently,

- No student is to attend school if they are unwell. This includes a runny nose or sore throat.
- Students who are absent from school with flu like symptoms, or, who have been sent home because they have flu-like symptoms **must have a COVID-19 test**
- Students are not able to return to school **until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free**
- **A negative COVID-19 test result must be provided to the school** before a student can come back to school. The test results can be a NSW Health or COVID-19 Testing Centre letter, SMS or email and/or a medical certificate
- These same protocols apply to school staff.

We also understand these processes may be frustrating, however in order to protect the health and safety of all we are required to follow them. Parents are also asked to be respectful to school staff who call to ask for a child to be collected. We are not doctors and take into consideration what a child is saying and what the class teacher has observed, however, in the end we must follow the procedures expected of us.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

The 'Tell Them From Me Survey' is now open and will continue to remain open for the next three weeks. We are inviting parents to provide feedback on their experience of our school using this survey. The information provided will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership, to further improve student learning and wellbeing. No usernames or passwords are needed as the survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. We are urging ALL FAMILIES to access <http://tellthemfromme.com/j3tq3> to complete this online survey.



CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the following students who completed the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, 6 June:
Chelsea ▪ Lachlan
Aleisha ▪ Royden
Ciano ▪ Winona ▪ Roman ▪ Caitlyn



THE GREAT OLMC BOOK FAIR- IT'S NEARLY HERE

Next Friday marks the first day of our annual Book Fair. For 5 days our Library will be transformed into a book shop with books provided by Ashton Scholastic. The Library will be open to our students very lunchtime to buy a book or a treat. Parents, grandparents and children are also welcome to visit the book fair after school for purchasing. A brochure will come home closer to the fair so that families can preview some of the titles. Proceeds from sales will go towards the purchase of new books for our school library.

COMPETITIONS: We have been running competitions during the past few weeks, with students winning \$10 book fair vouchers that they can use towards the purchasing of books or treats from our book fair.



Week 9 Competition: Construction Challenge. Students can construct an item or building related to their favourite book. Any materials can be used. Submissions are to be printed photos only, with the title of the book and student's name also included. Please hand pictures into the office before Friday 3:30pm. Only 1 entry per student with one winner being announced during next week's assembly. ***Congratulations to Paul M & Willow P, the recipients of Week 8's Bookfair MoPoke competition***

PRC

137 students have completed the PRC! Congratulations to Shanaya from Yr1 for completing the challenge this week. We have 85 students currently in the process of completing the challenge, however, we want all children to complete the PRC! So keep reading and log your reading via the [PRC link](#).



K	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
2	7	64	8	8	44	4
These students are completing the PRC in class						

GALA DAYS

Families are reminded that all dates for Gala Days can be found on the Parent Calendar. Students are not provided information or given notes until **TWO WEEKS PRIOR**. This is because, on some occasions, the dates may shift slightly to account for field bookings or other System events as the year progresses. We are also not given any information until two weeks prior. While we understand everyone's excitement, we would ask you to refrain from contacting the school as the information will be distributed when we receive it. **The Stg3 Boys Soccer Gala Day will be rescheduled and we will inform families as soon as we receive the information.**

ACARA - STUDENT BACKGROUND DATA

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) collects data from schools to determine the index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA). CEDP is currently working to provide relevant details to the Catholic Education Commission of NSW. Data collected is de-identified of personal information. Parents and caregivers must advise their school by Wednesday 14 July 2021 if they do not want their child's data included in this report.

P&F NEWS



Important dates:

*Book Fair
Opens on the
18th June
*Semester 1
reports will be
sent home.

WHAT READS AND
LIVES IN AN APPLE?
A BOOKWORM!



***14th June** is the Queen's birthday
(thanks for the public holiday).

This column is compiled by P&F Communications. If you have any queries or wish to contribute, please email olmcpandf@gmail.com and attention it to P&F Communications.

THANK YOU

Doesn't Mary always look beautiful! She is constantly surrounded by fresh flowers and sparkly, from her weekly clean. Well this doesn't happen on it's own. Every week, Mrs Roslyn Khattar wipes down Mary and her stone platform, replaces the water and provides fresh flowers. She does this very inconspicuously and without many people noticing. Well we do notice and want to thank her for continued service towards our community, especially since her children have all grown up and left OLMC.



Year 3 Aboriginal Experience Excursion at Carss Bush Park

On Thursday 27th of May Year 3 attended an excursion to gain an appreciation for the ancestral culture of Aboriginal Australians. We were greeted by the Gumaraa Rangers, Richard and Kevin, who took us through an engaging presentation. We learnt about connection to country, dreamtime stories, traditional lifestyles, and the impact of colonial settlers. We had the opportunity to ask lots of questions and observed a range of tools and artefacts that are used to live off the land. We even had a go at boomerang and spear throwing!



The part I found most interesting was that Aboriginal people used tree bark as a baby carrier. We got to throw spears into a wooden Kangaroo target. - Abigail

I liked that we put ochre on our faces as face paint. - Amalia

I loved the boomerang because I liked how we learnt to throw it. - Olivia S

We saw many different items, we also got to listen to musical instruments and dance. - Olivia P

I enjoyed throwing the boomerang and learning about the black duck tribe that Richard belongs to. - Lucas

It was interesting when I learnt about the smoking ceremony and how to throw the boomerang and spear. - Alexander A.

