Dear Parents,

Last Friday I attended a Principals’ Network meeting in Epping. Travelling past a number of schools for our early start it reminded me that traffic movement around schools is a huge problem.

All who are involved in dropping off or picking up children in and around our school know that the vast majority of parents slow down, take great care and ensure the safety of all. The arrangements around our school work well when all follow the traffic and parking signs.

PLEASE

- Park in the safe areas like the parish car park and enjoy the short walk to and from school
- Use the School Crossing!

The ‘two minute parking area’ at the front of the school is not for long term parking! I’ve checked with the Council and as per the sign you are entitled to leave your vehicle for a period of two minutes only. If you leave your vehicle for more than two minutes you are parking illegally. The yard is supervised from 8.40 in the morning so you can be confident that the children who are dropped at school following this time arrive safely.

On occasions the Council Parking Officers have issued parking infringement notices to cars illegally using this and other areas around the school. The concern should be the safety of the children at St Oliver’s not the threat of receiving a fine from the Council. So I ask all parents to take more care both at the front of the school and in the surrounding areas both before and after school.

Regards

Alan Sweeney
This week Prep H will be attending the Thursday class Mass at 10:00am. Please come and join the children in prayer.

MISSION MASS
On Friday October 17 the members of The Student Representative Council attended the Mission Mass at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in East Melbourne. They joined children from many other schools praying for those in need, particularly those who have left their homeland and families.

Trish Segrave
Religious Education Coordinator

MISSION MASS REFLECTION
On Friday all the S.R.C. children went on an excursion to St. Patrick’s Cathedral for the children's Mission Mass. We walked down to the train station and got off at Parliament Station where there were two very long escalators. At the Mass there were many children from other schools. At the beginning of the Mass the children walked down the front of the church with their school banners. When it was time to go back to school Mrs. Segrave bought us an icy-pole and we had a fun day.

By Lara Unger JR

ICT NEWS

St Oliver’s is pleased to announce the release of our smart phone app. It is free and can be downloaded from the app store.

These are just a few of the options you can make use of...

In ‘Notifications’ you will receive:
  ➢ the weekly newsletter – this will just be the current week, not an archive of newsletters (for this you will need to log onto the webpage)
  ➢ school messages (such as the safe arrival of campers, or the dreaded late arrival of children from inter-school sports!)

In ‘News’ you will be able to see the latest events happening at school, e.g. photos of Father’s day Breakfast, Book Week etc...

In ‘Calendar’ you will see all the upcoming events such as sports days and this will replace ‘diary dates’ on the website. If you want to access diary dates on the website you will need to go through the ‘news and events’ section and click on ‘events’.

Photos of school events will be uploaded into the ‘Galleries’ section for your perusal.

At this stage we are still working on the ‘Publications’ section. We will look to uploading policies such as the uniform policy and the canteen menu.

There is also a ‘Social’ section in which we intend to upload the current parent association newsletter and fundraising events.

If you would like to provide any feedback on this app, or suggest other publications that may be uploaded please send us an email via the newsletter email with your suggestions.

Sue Leighton
ICT Coordinator

Mary Kearney
Deputy Principal
**What’s happening around the levels..**

**SENIORS**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Students will reflect on their prayer experiences from last week’s prayer stations. We will discuss different styles of prayer and what personal preferences we have when praying. Students will explore and compare times when Jesus was praying through various scripture texts.

**WRITING:** We will be continuing our focus on writing to describe. We will discuss ways to effectively use search engines and how to test the validity of a website by cross-referencing. We will explore the purpose of a bibliography and learn how to cite websites and texts. Writing workshops commence this week and students will continue personal writing.

**READING:** We will continue discussing the themes presenting in our serial novel, ‘Holes’ by Louis Sachar. Reading routine will continue where students read and respond to their chosen books. We will be focussing on the comprehension strategy of finding the main idea in non-fiction texts.

**SPELLING:** Homophones, words that sound alike but have different meanings, are the focus of our spelling investigations this week.

**MATHS:** Students will discuss what makes a good survey question for gathering data and together we will collect and collate data after surveying the class. We will discuss various graphs to represent different sets of data. Students will then create their own graphs from given data.

**INQUIRY:** Students will be doing some introductory activities to tune in to our topic. Over the term we will be looking at nutrition, fitness and setting goals to improve personal health and wellbeing.

**Just a reminder...**

- Homework Club begins on Tuesday this week. It will be held in Senior S and will go from 3.30-4.15pm. Please note this is an optional club. Students will be dismissed from the classroom at 4.15pm.
- Senior S will be visiting Dorothy Impey Nursing Home this Thursday - weather permitting. Please confirm with your child whether you are able to assist with their class.
- This week our interschool sports game is an away game against Coburg North Primary.
- We are desperate for tissues! If you could please send your child in with a box of tissues that would be greatly appreciated.
- Homework was handed out last week and is due in week 5. Please refer to the note on the back of the homework sheet regarding changes to homework for grade 6’s.

**Grade 6 Graduation**

With one term remaining, organisation for the Grade 6 Graduation is about to start which includes organising the Grade 6 Year Book, Graduation Dinner etc. If anyone is able to help out, please contact Carmela on 0400317548. All help will be appreciated.

Click **HERE** for a copy of the current Grade 5 homework task sheet

Click **HERE** for a copy of the current Grade 6 homework task sheet

**MIDDLES**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** This week students will continue without our unit, ‘Mary Faithful Disciple’. We will read and discuss the story ‘The Wedding Feast of Cana’.

**WRITING:** This week the students will look at the script writing and the features of this text type.

**READING:** This week we will begin looking at our visual literacy ‘Lazy Town’. Students will make predictions about the series and discuss the implications if all healthy food and exercise were to be banned in our town.

**MATHS:** This week the students will continue learning about fractions and decimals in their Maths groups. They will be using concrete materials and thinking about fractions in everyday life.

**INQUIRY:** This week in our unit ‘Energise Me’ we will continue taking part in ‘Huff and Puff’ each morning. We will begin looking at energy and vitamins in various foods and how they affect us.

Click **HERE** for a copy of the current Middle’s homework task sheet
What's happening around the levels..

JUNIORS

RELIGION: During Religion this week, we will be reading and discussing the main themes and messages from the parable of ‘The Good Samaritan’. The children will also identify the main features of the story (setting, characters, actions, resolution) and record their findings through the use of a picture story map. Using mime, students will re-enact the story of The Good Samaritan in small groups.

READING: This week during shared reading sessions, we will be continuing to read narratives and identify the structure and features of each text. We will also be focusing on how direct speech is used in many narratives to show the flow of conversation between characters and list the various punctuation conventions that accompany direct speech.

WRITING: This week during Writing, we will revise the structure and features of narrative texts. We will continue to explore how to use direct speech and have the children work with a partner to write a short conversation between two characters. We will model the use of a story map planner in order to plan and compose a narrative.

SPELLING: We will be continuing to look at spelling patterns and words through literacy learning centres, as well as reading and writing activities.

MATHS: During Maths this week, we will completing our unit on division. The children will have the opportunity to revise the various division concepts covered in this topic, including the use of concrete materials and drawings to represent equal sharing of objects and recording matching equations.

INQUIRY: This week during Inquiry, we will continue with our unit ‘Let’s Get Physical’. We are taking part in our second Rugby clinic. We will also discuss some of the routine activities we perform each day and decide whether these activities are considered physical activities. The information gathered from this discussion will be displayed on a class data chart.

PREPS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: We will be discussing Baptism in preparation for our Prayer and Pyjama night.

READING: We are learning Nursery rhymes. We will be identifying rhyming words and creating our lists of words that rhyme.

WRITING: We will be using the seed and Mystery Box in writing. The children will begin to independently write on the dotted thirds.

MATHS: In Maths we are revising ordinal numbers, in particular 5th-10th. We will also be comparing the mass of different objects using scales and identifying ‘heavy’ and ‘light’ objects.

INQUIRY: Will be learning about what is means to have a ‘balanced diet’. We will be looking at the food wheel and breaking down each part of it. We will be focusing on fruits, vegetables, breads and cereals.

REMINDER: . . .
- Tomorrow we have Melbourne Storm coming in so children are to please wear their sports uniform.
- M100W testing is on Friday
**Parenting Seminar Reminder**

‘5 Secrets to develop resilience and confidence in your child’

Tonight 7pm in the upstairs multi purpose room.

We have had a fantastic response and have room for more parents if you haven’t returned your form please come along anyway. I look forward to seeing many of you tonight.

Libby Sheedy
Wellbeing Coordinator

**SPORTS NEWS**

We have some very talented sportsmen and women at our school. Last week Maggie Styles and Julius Guzzardi went to the Championships for athletics. They both came home with amazing results. Congratulations to Julius for coming 4th in the long jump!! We are so proud of you!! A BIG congratulations to Maggie Styles for coming 1st in the high jump event. She will be going off to State Athletics next Monday. We wish her all the best of luck!!

**SPORTS DAY**
A reminder that next Friday 31st October is School Sports Day. The day will start at 9:15(ish) and conclude by 1:00pm – at which time you can sign your children out as per the details on the note sent home.

The children can come to school wearing their house colours. There is to be NO zinc or coloured hairspray to be worn on the day. A reminder that there will be NO canteen on the day either. If you haven’t sent back your parent helper note can you please do so ASAP.

**INTERSCHOOL SPORTS**
This week the seniors will be playing an AWAY game. It will be at Coburg North Primary.

Mrs Giulia Mazzarella
Sport Coordinator
FAMILY DETAILS UPDATES
It is important that we have accurate student & family information, particularly home, work and mobile numbers of both parents and emergency contacts. Please inform the office if there are any changes to any of these details.

SUNSMART POLICY
A reminder that all children as part of the school summer uniform children are required to wear their SCHOOL broad rimmed HAT during recess and lunch times, as well as during physical education/sport lessons, during terms one and four. NO HAT, NO PLAY!

SCHOOL FEE REMINDER
The School Fee reminders were sent home today with your children. Payment was due last Friday 17 October, 2014. Thankyou to those who have already made payment.

JUNIOR WRITERS OF THE WEEK
Over the year we have seen very creative and talented writers emerge in the Junior grades. Each week we will be acknowledging some children who have followed the writing process to develop a piece of work. Congratulations to these children. This work will be displayed outside each of the Junior Grades.

Congratulations to the following children

STUDENT AWARDS

ITALIAN POETRY COMPETITION MEDALS
Italian Poetry Competition medals will be handed out at assembly next Wednesday 29 October. Claudia Pironi, Amelia Pannunzio, Alexandra Hatzievangelou and Alannah Citino will be awarded for their very commendable renditions of various Italian poems. The girls worked very hard to rehearse their selected poems in recess and lunch breaks during Term One and part of Term Two. They have scored extremely well for their performances, two achieving a perfect score of 20 out of 20. Congratulations girls!

CANTEEN

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Please click HERE for a copy of the Canteen Menu

Please direct enquiries to Di Tabone dtabone@ozemail.com.au  or 0423 596 221
SCHOOL BANKING
St Oliver’s School Banking days are Tuesdays. We are currently seeking volunteers to help run this program. It is a roster system and works out to be a couple of times a term. If you can help out on Tuesdays from 9am till 10.30 am please contact Georgie 0405 435 770 Please note: the penguin key ring & whale pencil case reward items are no longer available.

PRELOVED UNIFORM PROGRAM
A donation basket is located in the school office foyer. All donations must be clean and have no rips. The second hand uniforms will be available for purchase at the last assembly for term 4. If you require this service beforehand please contact Georgie 0405 435 770 to arrange an appointment.

BUSINESSES OF THE WEEK
The featured businesses in the “Business of the Week” section of the school website are Designer Eyes and Elite Swimming. For more information regarding the St Olivers Business Directory please email bd@sopascoevale.catholic.edu.au

ROTARY RAFFLE
The Rotary Raffle books were sent home last term. Each family has been allocated 10 tickets to sell and each ticket sold benefits both the Pascoe Vale Rotary Club and St Oliver's. For more information please see the attached flier or contact Michael Said 0418 994 711

BUNNINGS BBQ
Our annual Bunnings BBQ is this coming Saturday (25th Oct). Thank you to all of the parents who have volunteered their time to help on the day and we hope to see a lot of St Oliver Families coming along to grab a sausage or two for lunch.

2015 CALENDARS
The children are now starting to prepare their artwork for the 2015 calendars. An order form is attached. Please have your order and correct money returned to the school office by November 5th to ensure that calendars are ready for collection by the end of term. Remember each child needs to have their own order form.
For more information please contact Lisa Said 0425 820 325

UP AND COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4
#Bunnings BBQ…October 25th
#Rotary Raffle… drawn Melb Cup day
#2015 Calendars….November
#Xmas Raffle…December
Dear Parents,

Your children at St Olivers have been busy designing a picture on their own calendar for 2015. The children have been working very hard on their artwork to make it just right. These excellent pieces of work have been collected from many budding young artists and are ready to mount.

If you wish to have these beautiful pieces mounted on to a calendar to be viewed and treasured all year round, you need to fill out the attached form.

The cost of the calendar is $13.00.
Each child must have a separate order form.
You may also order multiple copies.

What a great Christmas present from your child to grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends!

Please have your order and money back to the school by:
**WEDNESDAY 5th NOVEMBER**

Please make cheques out to “St Olivers Parents Association” and please label the envelope “Calendar Money”

(Please contact Lisa Said 0425820325 for any further details)

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St Oliver’s Parent Association
in conjunction with the
Pascoe Vale Rotary Club present the
“2014 Community Raffle”

The 2014 Raffle prizes are:

1st Prize  6x4 trailer filled with goodies plus $2000 cash valued at $5950
2nd Prize  Bunnings voucher value $500
3rd Prize  Bunnings voucher value $250

Tickets are $2 each, which the school receives $1 for every ticket sold. The raffle will be drawn on Melbourne Cup Day, 4th November 2014 at 2pm at Coburg Bunnings, with the winners being notified.

Each family has been given a book of 10 tickets ($20 value). All sold and unsold tickets along with the correct money is due back to the school office by Monday 20th October. Remember both the school and the much valued Rotary Club benefit from this raffle, so get busy selling these onto friends, family and neighbours.

For any further information or to grab extra books please contact Michael Said 0418994711

Trailer can be viewed every weekend at Bunnings Coburg.
St Oliver Plunkett

Last week some children made pop stick house, crane used their imagination. Most of the OSHC children played with play dough, made pizza, bread rolls and different shapes. Some children drew designs with face paint on children’s hands.

**Up Coming Activities:** Paper mache, play dough activities, cellophane sea creature craft, gardening, cooking science experiments are planned activities

**Junior Globe Citizenship Program activity is a customized program by** Camp Australia. They are working in partnership with Oxfam Australia provide care and support based in Nelson Mandela Bay in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Camp Australia will encourage children to care about the planet and to develop empathy with, and active concern for, people in other countries. The activities provided will help children to see themselves as global citizens who can make a difference to the world. Children will also learn about South African culture and as Camp Australia’s 2014 Christmas collection will create handmade gifts for the children attending Sophakama’s after school care program.

**OSHC Staff**

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**JOIN THE FUN**

Don’t forget about the Camp Australia Holiday Clubs these school holidays. Use the Holiday Club Finder on the website to find the nearest program: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

**How to get started**


**Once registered**

You can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day.

**Save on Care**

Save 50% or more on Before and After School Care with the Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343

**Healthy Snacks**

Afternoon tea is served daily. Menus are tailored to children’s tastes, developmental and nutritional needs. Afternoon tea includes a selection of yummy sandwiches and fruit. Children may also engage in fun cooking activities.

**we make kids smile**

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