Dear Parents,

A reminder that this Friday 31st October is our School Sports Day. All of our children from Prep to Year six will compete in a variety of sprint and tabloid events with the main objective of the day being fun for all! The Sports commence a little after 9.00am and run until around 1.10pm.

If you are taking your children home at the conclusion of the Sports please sign your child out with their classroom teacher following the trophy presentation. Students being picked up by someone other than their own parents will need to provide the teacher with written permission from the other child’s parent. Students who are walking home at the conclusion of the sports will also need to provide their class teacher with a signed note from their parents giving permission to do so. The children who remain at school on Friday afternoon will be supervised as per normal arrangements.

School Board Nominations
A reminder that parent nominations for our vacant School Board positions need to be lodged at the school office by 3.30pm on Friday 31st October 2014.

Bunnings Barbecue

Thanks to all of the parents who assisted at Saturday’s Bunnings Barbecue. Many thanks to Vinnie Citino and Lina Pitruzello who coordinated and organised this wonderful fundraiser.

Regards

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

PREP PRAYER AND PYJAMA EVENING

This Wednesday 29 October at 7:00pm is the Prep Prayer and Pyjama Evening for the children and their parents. The evening will take place in your child’s class room and be facilitated by members of the Presentation family Project. It is a great opportunity to link Religion and Literacy. We look forward to seeing you there.

Trish Segrave
Religious Education Coordinator

ICT NEWS

ST OLIVER’S SCHOOL APP...

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
**SENIORS**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Students will continue to explore and compare times when Jesus is praying in scripture. We will talk about the Lord’s Prayer and what each part means to us today.

**WRITING:** This week we will practise how to write information in our own words by paraphrasing, and will use a data chart to organise information found through research. Students will attend writing workshops and will continue individual writing pieces that work towards achieving their goal.

**READING:** All students are involved in small guided reading groups which focus on a variety of comprehension strategies. The nature of changing relationships for the characters in our novel Holes is our focus for discussion this week.

**SPELLING:** The oo sound- will be investigated, including the different patterns that make the oo sound; e.g. oo (moon), o (do), u (truth), ui (fruit), ew (stew), ou (soup), u_e (flute), ough (through).

**MATHS:** Students will work together to read and interpret a variety of graphs. They will then use our walk to school data to formulate a survey question, tally data, create a graph and write observations based on their data representation.

**INQUIRY:** This week we have Josie, a naturopath, coming to speak to students about nutrition, diet and how to have balanced lifestyle.

**Just a reminder...**

- Homework Club is 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 G 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 Friday is our School Sports Day! We would love as many parents to come and spectate as possible- hope to see you there!!!
- Homework due in next week. A reminder for grade 6’s that your individual homework task is due on Wednesday this week.

**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

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**MIDDLES**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** This week students will continue with our unit, ‘Mary Faithful Disciple’. Students will create a comic strip about a scripture text about Mary.

**WRITING:** This week the students will continue looking at script writing and will plan their own script for an episode of Lazy Town.

**READING:** We will revise what a Double Entry Journal activity is. We will use a text about food labels and additives to complete a Double Entry Journal. We will think about facts from the text and how we feel about them.

**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 sugar in our favourite drinks and how it affects 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 discuss times in the children’s lives when they have been hurt by others and times when they have been helped by others. We will also look at the relationship between choices and consequences and how these choices and consequences affect the environment or other people in their lives.

**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 continuing to focus on how the author uses direct speech in narratives and uses supportive language to detail the conversation between characters.

**WRITING**: This week during Writing, we will continue to revise the structure and features of narrative texts. We will also focus on how to construct a narrative and look at the need to include details such as the characters, setting, problem and solution.

**SPELLING**: We will be continuing to look at onset and rime patterns by building a class word list with the sound ‘ight’ (light, flight) and involving the children in a variety of activities to help reinforce the spelling and meaning of the words generated by the class.

**MATHS**: During Maths this week, we will begin our unit on fractions. The children will be working on tasks applicable to their understandings about this concept. Activities may include recognising, making and drawing equal shares of fractions using a variety of shapes and concrete materials. The fractions being studied during this unit include halves, quarters and eighths.

**INQUIRY**: This week during Inquiry, we will continue with our unit ‘Let’s Get Physical’. We are taking part in our third and final Rugby clinic. The children will also participate in a dance workshop taken by Nadia Glann. We will then discuss the children’s physical responses to this activity and complete the relevant section on their data charts.

REMINDER: Special event on Friday – Sports Day. Remember to wear your sunscreen and bring a water bottle and play lunch in a labelled bag.

Click [HERE](#) for a copy of the current Junior’s homework task sheet

**PREPS**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**: We will be listening to the story of the Last Supper through Godly play and relating this to the meal we share at Mass.

**READING**: We will be reading narratives that have rhyming words. We will also be creating lists of rhyming words as a class.

**WRITING**: We will be introducing the children to ‘sentence starters’. This is another way to start their thinking and to give them the chance to be creative.

**MATHS**: In Maths we are learning to count by 2’s. We will also be introducing the children to money, in particular gold and silver coins to prepare them for our excursion to the Preston market.

**INQUIRY**: We will be continuing to look at the food wheel and the foods we need to eat for a balanced diet. We will also be discussing the different food stalls we will see at Preston market and what we will be buying for our shared lunch on the Friday.

REMINDER. . . .
- Tomorrow we have Melbourne Storm coming in so children are to please wear their sports uniform.
What a great response we had to our Parenting seminar last Tuesday night, ‘5 Secrets to developing confidence and resilience’.

Georgie Manning from Wellbeing for kids.com shared many prevention strategies and talked about real experiences that she faces day to day with school families. We practiced reflective listening with a partner and hopefully this strategy is now being used in many homes around Pascoe Vale.

Thank you to our amazing Parent Association for covering the cost of this seminar which was well attended by many of our school families.

**Walktober**
The end of this week marks our last day of October. It has been wonderful to see so many families making the effort to walk or ride to school. Each class has kept a record of how they have gone this month. Next week we will announce the winning class. Keep up the great work.

**Libby Sheedy**
Wellbeing Coordinator

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**SPORTS NEWS**

Sports Day is only a few days away!! Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help on Friday. A note will go home today about what each parent will be doing on the day and the time they are required.

The weather is looking to be great for Friday. Please be sure to pack some sunscreen, lots of water and a healthy snack and lunch. We ask that NO ZINC be worn.

We look forward to seeing everyone in their house colours on Friday. It will be a great day!!

**Mrs Giulia Mazzarella**
Sport Coordinator
GENERAL NEWS

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!

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
JC – Michael Pagnin  JD - Sienna Fragapane  JL – Gianluca Sozzi  JR – Savio Sada

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 Face FX, Faraci & Co and Yoga Bugs. For more information regarding the St Olivers Business Directory please email bd@sopascoevale.catholic.edu.au

ROTARY RAFFLE….DUE BACK THIS WEEK!!!!!!!! DRAWN ON MELB CUP DAY
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 was last Saturday (25th Oct). The weather was fantastic and we had a great day selling loads of sausages. Thank you to the two organizers of this event Lina Pitruzzello and Vinnie Citino. Thank you to all of the parents who have volunteered their time to help on the day and special thanks go to the various companies that helped us with donations/services Mario & Josie Meats, O’Heas Bakery, Noto Family, Pascoe Vale Rotary Club and Coles.

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
#Rotary Raffle… drawn Melb Cup day
#2015 Calendars….November
#Xmas Raffle…December
PARISH THANKSGIVING PROGRAM 2014

GOING to Mass

Growing through service

Giving with love

OUR THANKSGIVING PROGRAM starts next weekend

Going to Mass

• Through our Baptism we are called to serve
• At the centre of our lives is the Eucharist
• The Word of God and the Body of Christ
• Our coming together as a parish family
• Our source of strength and nourishment
• A place of healing and solace, of forgiveness and renewal
• The launching pad for our lives of witness, service and sharing

Growing through service

• Nourished and strengthened we serve God and our neighbour
• Primarily by our own personal witness and example
• Also by our good works, caring and sharing
• By serving our parish, school and local community
• By ‘being there’ for people in their hour of need
• Growing personally by serving others
• Bringing God’s love to all those who most need it

Giving with love

• To be a Christian is to be a giver
• Everything that we have and are is a gift from God
• He gave us his only Son who died on the cross for us
• He asks us to be givers too
• Givers of Time, Talent and Treasure
• To spread his word and to serve his people

A way of living at St Oliver’s

• We recognise that all we have and all we are is a gift from God
• Our family and friends, health, talents and ability to earn an income
• These gifts are held in trust by us rather than owned by us
• Our responsibility is to nurture and grow them using these gifts as God wants
• By doing so we give genuine thanks for our many blessings
PARISH THANKSGIVING PROGRAM 2014

The Program

- Starts next weekend and is a time of personal and parish renewal
- We can use this time to reflect on the importance of our faith and how we live that faith in our daily lives
- We can reflect on the importance of our parish and what it means to us
- We will consider three central themes:
  - Going to Mass - the importance of gathering together to celebrate our faith
  - Growing through Service - how we grow through involvement in parish life
  - Giving with Love - how we can financially support our parish - with love
- One major parish gathering on **Tues 11 Nov** - to discuss our future plans

Over the next few weeks we will look at a simple blueprint for living the Thanksgiving way of life. We will start with the Eucharist, the centre of our lives and the “source and summit of the Christian life” (Vatican II). The Eucharist is an inexhaustible mystery: to be loved and lived every day. It is a sacrifice - the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross; it is a sacrament - the real presence of Jesus in Holy Communion; it is a meal - the same memorial meal that Jesus shared with His disciples at the Last Supper and it is a liturgical celebration - the public proclamation of our faith in sign and symbol.

The Eucharist nourishes us and gives us strength.

With that nourishment and strength we go on our way to serve the Lord and to serve others. In doing so we grow personally and we help others grow. Through our Baptism we are called to be witnesses and to proclaim God’s grace in word and deed. At the heart of our ministry is our own personal testimony and our own personal example, but we also serve others in practical ways by reaching out to all who need us - “see how they love one another”.

**Each and every one of us is called to serve.**

Finally, as chosen followers we have a responsibility to be givers. At many times in our lives we are takers - when we are young we are nurtured by parents and family; when we are sick we are ministered to by family, friends and medical professionals; when we strike difficulties in life we seek out help and support. At other times, though, we are called to be givers - givers of support, givers of solace, givers of food, givers of money.

**Are you going, growing and giving?**

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**Thanksgiving Program Prayer**

Lord, we thank you for calling us to be your Church
Through our Baptism we are called to service and to witness.
In the Eucharist we sustain and strengthen that call.
By serving others we follow your example and proclaim your beliefs.
By our Christian generosity we demonstrate our love and caring.
Lord, help us to always worship you as you deserve, to grow in faith and service and to give without counting the cost.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

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**A WAY OF LIVING AT ST OLIVER’S**
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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Please return by Wednesday 5th November TOTAL enclosed $_______
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.
Due to the Sports day early finish, Camp Australia will be running the program from 1pm to 6pm on Friday the 31st of October.

Last week most of the boys enjoyed making forte with boxes, blankets and cushions. They ran shop with play money. Last week also most of the children played with play dough. Some boys experimented simple electric circuit. Most of the girls were interested in running the body art shop and enjoyed the face painting.

Upcoming Activities: Cooking – Cup cakes and chocolate truffle, Making cards – 3 things I can do to help change the world, Paper mache, Halloween dress ups, Felt creation and planting egg plant and capsicum plants are planned activities.

Junior Globe Citizenship Program activity is a customised program by Camp Australia. Camp Australia is working in partnership with Oxfam Australia to provide care and support based in Nelson Mandela Bay in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Camp Australia encourages 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 difference to the world. Children will also learn about South African culture and Camp Australia’s 2014 Christmas collection will create handmade gifts for the children attending Sophakama’s after school care program.

OSHC Staff