Dear Parents,

**REPORTS and PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

On Friday this week your child’s semester one report, along with their profile book, will be sent home. The profile book is designed to present information about individual student progress by providing authentic evidence of individual students’ learning, development and achievements throughout a semester. Please take the time to allow your child to share with you their work in the profile book and discuss the report with him/her. To ensure ongoing communication please ensure that you attend the mid-year parent teacher interview. Interviews will be held on **Tuesday June 25 from 1:50pm - 7:30pm**. A note will come home today detailing how to book a time online for your interview. Please let the office know if you did not receive the note or if you do not have access to the internet in-order to make a booking. If for some reason you are unable to make an appointment on this day please arrange a suitable time to meet with your child’s teacher.

The interviews are a wonderful opportunity for you to meet with the teachers to discuss your child’s progress this year and to set achievable goals for the coming terms.

Click [HERE](#) for the link to parent teacher online bookings form.

Kind Regards,

Mary Kearney    Deputy Principal

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU**

We are pleased to announce that with Parent Association donations and your support for their fund raising activities we have purchased 20 Windows 8 ACER tablets that will be used by our Middle and Senior children across all areas of the curriculum. These add to the iPads that we purchased last year that are being that are currently being used by our Junior classes.

Many thanks to one of our wonderful dads, Sam Capuana and Andrew Doherty’s grandfather Paul Doherty. Through their work involvements with the companies Star 21 and Learning with Technologies they were able to assist us with these purchases at wonderful savings for the school.

Regards,

Alan Sweeney    Principal
Thank you to all the parents who generously donated food and clothing to St. Vincent de Paul Society. The response for our school fundraiser **HELPING HANDS MAKES A DIFFERENCE** was wonderful. We raised $400 that will be used to purchase blankets by the members of the Student Representative Council from the Tontine factory in Campbellfield. Many of the hands decorated with messages of hope are displayed around the school.

Trish Segrave  
Religious Education Coordinator

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**NEW DIMENSIONS IN MATHEMATICS**

In previous year you will have noticed that for most levels five areas were reported on in Mathematics, these were,

- Number
- Measurement chance and data
- Space
- Working Mathematically and
- Structure

These were the dimensions under in VELS (Victorian Essential Learning Standards) curriculum.  
This year as a school we have made the shift to AusVels as part of the National Curriculum initiatives. Mathematics in AusVels is organises into three content strands.

- Number and Algebra
- Measurement and Geometry
- Statistics and probability

In most cases we teach the same content it is simply organised under different heading.  
This semester in Mathematics across the school we have assessed on only two of these three areas, Number and Algebra and Measurement and Geometry. The second semester reports will show results for all three areas of Mathematics.

Helen Sims  
Mathematics Coordinator
SENIORS

RELIGION: We will continue our Religion unit, People of God in Australia this week. The students will find out about People of Faith who have made a difference in our world. Trish Segrave will speak to the students about how the church has changed over time.

WRITING: We will explore alternatives for commonly used words in our writing.
All students will continue to focus on their personal writing goals, attend workshops relevant to their goal and continue with their personal writing.

READING: This week we will continue reading our new serial novel, ‘The One and Only Ivan,” by Katherine Applegate. We will continue to model responses to the text, using quotes to support our thinking.

INQUIRY: The students will begin their personal inquiry this week, choosing a natural disaster to investigate. They will research the disaster and choose how they would like to present their inquiry.

MATHS: This week the students will work on a grid of multiplication activities to practise applying the process multiplication. They will participate in focus groups based on their needs in multiplication.

Just a reminder...
- Senior H and ½ Senior S will be visiting Dorothy Impey this Thursday morning (weather permitting.)
- Keep on top of homework, daily reading and diary use.

Click HERE for a copy of the current Seniors Homework

MIDDLES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: We will continue with our unit, ‘Prayer – Building a Friendship With God’. We will look at examples of prayer in scriptures and how Jesus prayed and to who.

WRITING: We will look at writing to entertain more broadly this week. How or what text types could we write to entertain our audience. We will look at different types of poetry and experiment at writing some.

READING: We will continue our new serial novel The Magician’s Elephant by Kate Di Camillo. We will look at our reading responses from the term and find good examples of connections, and where we have used quotes to discuss qualities and emotions of characters.

SPELLING: The students will be using the sound strategy to examine ‘ough’ and ‘ould’ words and put them into sentences.

MATHS: This week we will continue looking at length and perimeter. We will find out the difference of perimeter and area and look at a real life example of building a backyard and how perimeter can help in our design.

INQUIRY: Our Inquiry Unit is ‘To the Moon and Back’. This week we will begin our actions of sharing our knowledge by starting a poster, video, model or script to share to our buddies.
JUNIORS

RELIGION: This week we will continue with our unit ‘Love One Another.’ The children will listen to the story of The Rainbow Fish. They will reflect on the actions and resolution of the story and then relate this to a time in their own lives. They will also create a ‘thank you’ card for someone as we consolidate our understandings about the story of The 10 Lepers.

READING: Our new rotation of shared books begins this week in Reading. The focus for the next 4 weeks is on narratives. One of the features we will look at this week is the use of different font styles and sizes to help add interest and emphasis to the text.

SPELLING: We will be continuing to look at onset and rime patterns by building a class word list with the sound est (best, guest). We will also involve the children in a variety of activities to help reinforce the spelling and meaning of the words generated by the class.

WRITING: In our writing block, the children will continue to use seed boxes, mystery boxes, story starter cards and the writer’s notebook to help generate ideas for their writing. They will also continue to set their writing goals in consultation with their teacher and work on those goals in workshops.

MATHS: During Maths we will continue our unit on ‘multiplication’. This week we will focus on showing multiplication problems as arrays. We will also complete some multiplication thinkboards - these give us the opportunity to represent our knowledge about multiplication in a variety of ways.

INQUIRY: This week we will identify quick and slow changes in the sky and landscape as we continue with our unit ‘Earth and Sky’. We will categorise the changes that take place around us under 3 headings: changes in a day, changes over a year and no change at all e.g. school building – no change, sun – sun’s position changes in a day, the seasons – change over a year.

Click HERE for a copy of the current Junior Homework

PREPS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: The children will be finishing of their unit ‘Our wonderful world’. We will be having a paraliturgy as a prep level and sharing our prayers about nature.

WRITING: We have been discussing new words to use instead of ‘fun’ when writing our experiences. The children will be encouraged to use these words in their writing.

READING: The children will be continuing to work in small groups completing various reading activities. We will be focusing on the letter ‘P’ and we will also be looking at the ‘oi’ sound in Jolly Phonics.

MATHS: In Maths we will be talking about the importance of ‘ten’ in ‘teen’ numbers.

INQUIRY: We will be creating a poster to demonstrate all that we have learnt in our unit ‘Weather in our world’ and sharing these will others classes.
MICHAEL GROSE....... 
Anxiety in children is something we see a lot more in school these days. Michael Grose makes a few suggestions read his article ‘Get a grip on worry warts’.

Please click HERE to access the parenting sheet.

Libby Sheedy  
Wellbeing Coordinator

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SCHOOL COMMUNITY

School Community Footy Tipping

Bird Family hold their lead after Round 12 by 2 points! 10 teams had a great round of 6 points though so they are all catching up…

Nadia Glann  
School Community Coordinator

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SPORTS NEWS

Division Cross Country

What an amazing effort by all our cross country competitors last Wednesday. In freezing, wet and extremely muddy conditions they battled through, achieving excellent results! Congratulations Alexandra -12th, Jack – 22nd, Aiden – 26th, Breanna – 7th and William – 6th. Breanna and William are now through to the next stage tomorrow at Bundoora.

Marita Mannix  Sports Coordinator
GENERAL NEWS

FAMILY DETAILS UPDATES
For the safety of your children, it is important that we have accurate student & family information, particularly home, work and mobile numbers of both parents and emergency contacts. If there are any changes to any of these phone numbers, please let the office staff know as soon as possible or alternatively return the slip that was sent home.

SUNSMART POLICY
All children are encouraged to wear their SCHOOL HAT during recess and lunch times, as well as during physical education/sport lessons.

LOST PROPERTY
The lost property is located in a cupboard outside the Sick Bay. If your child is missing any items of clothing we would encourage you to check this area. To ensure there is not such a collection of lost property in the future, please ensure your child’s clothing is clearly labeled.

WOOLIES EARN’N’LEARN
As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thank you to everyone who supported our school. We’re now at the important stage of the program where Points Sheets are collected and lodged. Please send in your points sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers. The wonderful Middle G, Miss Kerrie, Miss Sylvia, Miss Tash, Mrs Ryan and Mrs Darmanan are ready to finish sticking them on. Every point helps. Thanks again for all your support
Sue Leighton ICT Co Ordinator

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.
JC – Oscar Hubbard  JD – Matilda Rose  JL – Eva Brazzani  JR – Angelina Mantarakis

STUDENT AWARDS
Alessia Frattasio, Adam Carbonaro, Georgia Featherstone, Gianluca Sozzi, Eva Brazzani, Alex Egger, Phillip Pannunzio, Jack Burch, Oscar Hubbard, Tianna Romeo, Talia Hoblos, Luca Sebastiano, Jack O’Sullivan, Claudia Pironi, Damian Maccarone, Alanah Russo, Aaron Frattasio, Issa Mikhail, Kishen Parekh, Daniel Bird, Mia Colangeli, Anastasia Melissis, Jorge Sepulveda-Alessi, David Graser, Anthony Polidori

CLEANER FOR ELDERLY
Can you help? An elderly couple in the Pascoe Vale area are looking for someone to clean their house on a weekly basis. If you are interested please give Trish a call at the Parish Office on 9354 3015.

CANTEEN Diane Tabone 0423 596 221

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Please click [HERE](#) to see the current canteen price list/Menu.

This is also located on the Webpage in ‘Our School’ – ‘Canteen’
School Banking at St Oliver Plunkett School
St Oliver’s School Banking days are Tuesdays.

Businesses of the week
Businesses on our website this week are PD Hammer, Krafty Kats, Pascoe Vale Garden Supplies, World Shotokan Karate, Xpression Hair and Trivia Buffs. For information on the businesses please check out the school website or refer to the St Oliver’s Business Directory.

Preloved Uniform Program
A donation basket is located in the school office foyer. All donations need to be clean and have no rips/tears. Preloved uniform will be available for purchase on the last Wednesday of term 1 alternatively if you need something earlier please contact Georgie 0405435770.

Cadbury Chocolates
All unsold chocolates and money were due back last term. It is very important to finalise this fundraiser. For further queries please contact Diana Capuana on 0419 331 966.

Cookbook
More Recipes Needed!!
Thank you to all those families who have sent through their recipes for the St Oliver’s Family Cookbook but we need more from all our families!!! Feel free to include more than one recipe and please feel free to include photos of not just the dish but also your beautiful family. Please submit your recipes and photos/drawings as soon as possible - deadline has been extended to June 28, 2013. This book will be treasured for many years so don’t miss out! Templates can be downloaded from school website, follow this link http://www sopascoevale catholic edu au/news-and-events/63/p/parents-association-news/ or contact Franca on 0413909964. Please note: We have had a problem with the email address with the cookbook applications, the correct email is pa@sopascoevale.catholic.edu.au.

Up & coming Events
~ School Disco – St Oliver’s school disco will be on Thursday June 27th. Please see attached permission slip for further details. Remember bring your slip and money on the night, along with your dancing shoes!!!!
~ St Oliver’s Business Directory The 2nd Edition of the St Oliver’s Business Directory is not too far away now. We hope that everyone finds this booklet to be a helpful resource and that we support the businesses that support us.

Click HERE for a copy of the application form in PDF format or if you require a word document for emailing purposes please click on the following link www sopascoevale catholic edu au that will take you to the school website, then navigate to the Parent Association News section in News and Events.

Click HERE for a copy of the Cookbook information flyer

FETE NEWS
“St Oliver’s Spectacular Fete.” Sunday 27th October. We are currently seeking companies to be sponsors of our fete. If you or someone you know is interested please contact Georgie 0405435770 or email at pa@sopascoevale.catholic.edu.au

Click HERE to find out how to be a sponsor and advertise at our ‘Funtastic’ school fete.
It’s **DISCO TIME!** All students are invited to come along on **Thursday 27th June 2013** in the school hall and show off their groovy dance moves to music presented by **D.J. Dupuy**. Children are encouraged to wear something “white” eg. T-shirt, cap, headband, accessories etc as we have illuminating lights.

Cordial, water and lollies will be provided. **No other food will be provided.**

**TIMES:**

- **The Juniors (Prep – Grade 2) 4:30pm to 5:30pm ~ $3.00**
- **The Middle/Seniors (Grades 3–6) 6:00pm to 7:30pm ~$4.00**

Children will be required to have a contact form filled in. It is very important that you do not send these forms to the school office but send it with your child on the night together with their entry fee. **Please note:** We require one permission slip per child (additional slips will be available from the office or in the school newsletter).

We also request that children avoid bringing any valuables (ipads/ipods) to the disco.

Thank you

The Parent Association

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I give permission for my child ................................................................. of class ........................to attend the:

- [ ] **JUNIOR SCHOOL DISCO AT 4:30pm** on Thursday 27th June 2013.
- [ ] **MIDDLE/SENIOR SCHOOL DISCO AT 6:00pm** on Thursday 27th June 2013.

Parent’s Signature: ........................................................................................................

Parent’s emergency contact number on the night: ..................................................
OSHC NEWS

Camp Australia has opened a before care program which will run daily from 7:00-8:45am. The program includes breakfast, games, active sports and crafts feel free to ask me about it. OSHC has a new Mob. Number. Please call 0431 722 459. thanks

REMINDERS

How to get started before using our programs register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Visit our website to begin www.campaustralia.com.au

Once registered you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day online.

Save on Care You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the non-means tested Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 Monday to Friday.