Dear Parents,

Reports
As I have mentioned in previous newsletters we are currently on the journey of implementing AusVELS, the new Australian Curriculum that is replacing the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS). In 2013 we are implementing the AusVELS phase 1 subjects of English, Mathematics, Science and History (Science and History will be reported on in grades 3-6 in the second semester).

This has had some impact on the reports now being completed by teachers as we are required to report using AusVELS in the four above mentioned domains, and still use VELS for subjects such as Civics and Citizenship (which will be reported on in grades 3-6 in the first semester). There have also been changes made to the dimensions of Mathematics to which we report. These will be unpacked in the learning and teaching section of next weeks newsletter.

Previously on the report a 12 month progression is indicated, however with the move to AusVELS there will be no preceding dots this year. This is because our teaching and learning programs, and assessment and reporting procedures have been developed around new content and achievement standards, making comparisons to prior achievements incompatible.

It is important that families are aware that all Catholic schools in Victoria are mandated by the Catholic Education Office, and the Federal Government, to implement this reporting format. The report will identify what your child knows, areas to be further developed and how you can assist in your child’s progress.

Pre-Service Teachers
I would like to welcome our second year pre-service teachers (student teachers) from Australian Catholic University, who have joined our staff this week.

Dale Melican – working in Junior L
Gabrielle Hakala – working in Junior R

The teachers will be working in the above grades until the end of the term. We look forward to the valuable contributions they will bring to St Olivers.

Kind Regards

Mary Kearney
Deputy Principal / Learning and Teaching Coordinator
Thank you to all the parents who generously donated food and clothing to St. Vincent de Paul Society. Wednesday 12 June is the last day for all donations. John Canon from the local branch of Pascoe Vale will collect the food to be distributed to those in need.

The whole school fundraiser for term two will be on Wednesday 12 June. The members of the Student Representative Council decided that the theme for our fundraiser is HELPING HANDS MAKE A DIFFERENCE. The students are encouraged to bring a gold coin donation that will be used to purchase blankets for the poor people to help keep them a little warmer this winter. The children will be given a card board hand to illustrate or write a message of hope on, that will be displayed around the school. Could all donations of food and blankets be returned by 12 June. For many of the classes they will be doing this activity with their buddies and sharing their messages of hope.

Trish Segrave
Religious Education Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

Division Cross Country

We would like to wish the following students all the best for their cross country events tomorrow. This event will be held at Bundoora Park from 1pm. Good Luck to Alexandra Hatzievangelou, Jack Pelosi, Breanna Farley, Aidan Dramis and William Conlon.

Marita Mannix
Sports Coordinator
SENIORS

RELIGION: We will continue our Religion unit, People of God in Australia, this week. Students will explore how the Australian Catholic Church has changed and developed over the past 200 years, and how people have brought their faith, traditions and practices with them through migration.

WRITING: This week we will be modelling how to edit our writing from an authorial and secretarial point of view. 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. We will also view a video on Cyber Crime, following on from the ‘Power of One’ Incursion last Thursday.

INQUIRY: We will introduce the second part of our Inquiry unit on Natural Disasters and how they impact on Earth. Students will view a slide show on the different types of disasters.

MATHS: This week we begin a unit of Multiplication. The students will complete a pre-assessment on Tuesday and Wednesday and begin looking at multiples and factors later in the week.

Just a reminder...
- Students will receive a new Homework Grid this Wednesday, which is due Wednesday 26th June.
- Senior H will be visiting Dorothy Impey this Thursday morning.
- Grade 5 girls will be visiting Mercy College this Thursday.

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 begin writing our own prayers to share in a class prayer book.

WRITING: We will continue looking at writing Narratives this week. We will focus on descriptive writing using adjectives to make our writing more interesting.

READING: We will continue our new serial novel The Magician’s Elephant by Kate Di Camillo. We will look at a Just Like on Peters qualities and discuss the difference between other characters in the book.

SPELLING: The students will be using the visual strategy to examine ‘ll’ and ‘oo’ words and put them into sentences.

MATHS: This week we will begin looking at length and perimeter. We will measure objects in the classroom to find their perimeter.

INQUIRY: Our Inquiry Unit is ‘To the Moon and Back’. This week we will begin bringing the unit together and planning how to share our knowledge on the topic.

Click here for a copy of the current Middles Homework
JUNIORS

RELIGION: This week we will be continuing with our unit ‘Love One Another’ and looking at the story of The Ten Lepers. The students will retell the story in groups and discuss how to relate to people who are different to them.

READING: This week during reading sessions, we will continue to engage the children in shared reading practices with a focus on text terminology such as title, cover, author and illustrator.

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

WRITING: During Writing, we will add further examples to our Writer’s Notebooks. We will also continue to use seed boxes, mystery boxes, story starter cards and teacher groups to encourage the children to generate ideas and revise different genres.

MATHS: During Maths we will continue our unit on ‘multiplication’. The children will continue to create oral number stories and then record these by matching illustrations and number sentences. They will also use calculators to investigate and record multiplication number facts.

INQUIRY: This week we will continue our Inquiry unit ‘Earth and Sky’. In groups, the children will complete their season posters by identifying clothing, activities and changes in nature brought about by the changes in the seasons.

Click here for a copy of the current Junior Homework

PREPS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: On Wednesday we will participate in a Social Justice Fundraiser for St. Vincent de Paul Society. The theme is ‘Lending a Helping Hand’ and the children will bring in a gold coin donation for a hand to decorate and draw a message of hope on to be displayed around the school.

WRITING: This week we will be continuing to encourage the children to write two sentences in our writing block and focusing on remembering spacing between words and the appropriate punctuation.

READING: The children will be continuing to work in small groups completing various reading activities. We will be focusing on the letters ‘d’ and ‘b.’ We will also be looking at the ‘ou’ sound in Jolly Phonics.

MATHS: In Maths we will be looking at ordinal number from first to tenth and completing various small group and whole class activities.

INQUIRY: We will be continuing to read some of the Dreamtime stories and the children will have a go at writing/illustrating their own Dreamtime story.
STUDENT WELLBEING

Last Thursday ‘The Power of One’ antibullying performance visited the whole school. The message was strong, the children were fantastic and ‘The Power of One’ oath has been signed. Bullying is not tolerated at St Olivers and all students have pledged their support.

MICHAEL GROSE……..
Make the most of teachable moments to promote resilience. Please click HERE to access the parenting sheet.

Libby Sheedy
Wellbeing Coordinator

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

School Community Footy Tipping

Half way through round 11 the Bird Family have jumped ahead to lead the tipping by 2 points! Let’s see if they can maintain their lead… The Cartwrights need a few good weeks of tipping, as they currently hold the wooden spoon, don’t worry though there is still time 😊

Nadia Glann
School Community 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.

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 – Ruby Blaney  JD – Olivia Mirenda  JL – Carla Rizzo  JR – Ava Keane

MORELAND CITY Council PRIMARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
The Holiday Program will operate from Monday 1 July – Friday 12 July 2013. There are 4 venues 8am to 6pm available. For further information contact 9240 2427 or visit the web site at schoolholidayprogram@moreland.vic.gov.au

Enrolments are now open. Applications are available at the school office and must be in at the council no later than TOMORROW 5pm on Wednesday 12 June 2013.

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’
PARENT ASSOCIATION

CLICK HERE FOR THE CURRENT PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

School Banking at St Oliver Plunkett School!
St Oliver’s School Banking days are Tuesdays.
Term 2 Competition …….Win a share of the Dollarmites’ treasure by saving in Term 2 of School Banking.

Businesses of the week
Businesses on our website this week are Vogue Studios, Wheeler Insurance, WHK Lending & Finance, Strathmore Tennis and Windy Hill Swim. 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
A flyer has been sent home. We are asking families to tell us their favourite family recipes so we can collate them into a lovely cookbook. The application form is available via this link.

Subway Lunch
Lunch is booked for tomorrow.

Ladies Movie Night
Last Thursday night we had a ladies movie night and we went to see “The Great Gatsby”. It was a fantastic movie enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you to Franca James for organizing this event and we look forward to our next screening

Up & coming Events
~ School Disco – St Oliver’s school disco will be on Thursday June 27th. An information flyer will be sent home closer to the date.
~ 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.
Meeting We have a scheduled meeting for this Wednesday 12th June in the staffroom at 7.30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

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.
**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](http://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.

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