Dear Parents,

Welcome back parents and children.

On your behalf I’d also like welcome back our staff. I’m sure that feel fully refreshed and ready to continue their fantastic work with your children. I hope all families enjoyed the extra time together and congratulations to Hawthorn supporters in our community and commiserations to all (if any) who supported Fremantle!

It has been pleasing to see so many of our children commence the term in the correct uniforms. Our School Uniform Policy states that no dates are prescribed for wearing either Summer or Winter uniform, rather the weather conditions prevailing each day can be a guide for parents. Generally speaking Summer Uniforms should be worn in First and Fourth Terms and Winter Uniforms in Second and Third Terms.

As a part of our Sun Smart Policy we also ask that you ensure that the children wear their school hats to school every day. The children will be given a period of grace but from week 3 if the children do not wear the correct school hats they will need to play in designated shaded areas.

Your assistance in ensuring that your children wear the correct school uniform to school is greatly appreciated.

Looking forwards to a successful fourth term as we move into this most exciting time for our entire school community.

Regards,

Alan Sweeney
Principal
CHANGE MAKERS CHALLENGE

‘The Change Makers Challenge’ for the children at St Olivers School is to spend a day walking in the shoes of a school aged child in a developing country. It is hoped that the change and challenge for the children will be to internalize a sense of gratitude for the type of rich education that is available to all the children in our school.

As part of the social justice component of Religious Education, the senior students researched education in developing countries. One of the insights they gained was the lack of technology available to students in some poorer countries.

THE CHALLENGE  TERM 4 FUNDRAISER  WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER

Wednesday 16 October has been designated as a technology free day for the whole school. The children are also being challenged to extend the non-use of technology to the home for twenty four hours.

On that day the senior children agreed with the support of the teachers and principal to spend their school day in a similar fashion, as the children in the developing countries they researched. This week the sponsor sheets will be sent home for the children to find sponsors or donations for their efforts to ‘Walk In Someone Else’s Shoes’.

The money raised will then be donated to Bahay Tuluyan, a volunteer organisation that works to provide education for children in poverty in the Philippines. We look forward to your support.

Trish Segrave
Religious Education Coordinator

LEARNING AND TEACHING

Welcome back to term 4.

I hope that everyone had a relaxing term break.

This term each level will be exploring an element of Health Education through their Inquiry units. Across the school we will be looking at various aspects of personal and social Health and how we maintain a healthy lifestyle.

We will be sending home the curriculum overview in the next few weeks that will provide an outline of the term focus in all curriculum areas.

Home school links are a valued aspect of school life at St Oliver’s. We acknowledge that parents are the primary educators of our children and we anticipate that this ongoing communication will assist you in supporting your child on their journey through school.

Mary Kearney
Deputy Principal / Learning and Teaching Coordinator
Welcome back to Term 4!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Our Religion unit for the first part of the term is called ‘Mission Possible’. This week the students will discuss their understandings and experiences of justice and injustice. We will begin to prepare for next week’s ‘Change Makers Challenge’ by making posters and promoting the day across the school.

**WRITING:** We will be sharing and discussing our new goal sheet. Throughout the week the students will be working on their independent writing as well as participating in goal meetings and writing workshops.

**READING:** Each class will read The Age’s 2011 Ultimate Story called ‘The Dummy’s Gaze.’ We will continue with our independent reading routine and guided reading groups.

**MATHS:** The focus this week is fractions, decimal and percentages. The students discuss and compare the value of fractions and decimals and place them accurately on number lines. Later in the week the students will be introduced to a new activity grid.

**INQUIRY:** Students will finish sharing their ‘passion projects’ from last term’s inquiry units. We will begin our new health unit that focuses on growing up and becoming more responsible. The students will record their wonderings and share the positives and negatives of being their age.

**Just a reminder...**
- Senior H will be attending Dorothy Impey nursing home on Thursday morning. (Weather permitting)
- HOMEWORK: A new activity will be given out this week. This homework will be due on Thursday 31st of October.

Click **HERE** for a copy of the Senior’s homework tasks.

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**MIDDLES**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Our unit is called ‘Making Choices’. We will look at the difference between good and bad choices and what Free Will is.

**WRITING:** This week we will begin to look at Writing to Socialise. This will lead us to writing an email to Melbourne Zoo with our wonderings about our Inquiry Unit. We will send an email to another class and look at the format.

**READING:** We will introduce our new book ‘Judy Moody Saves the World’. We will also look at some readings for some animals we will see on our Melbourne Zoo excursion.

**MATHS:** Our focus for Maths is subtraction. Students will brainstorm everything they know about subtraction. We will begin to look at money word problems and connecting this with subtraction (giving change).

**INQUIRY:** We will begin our new unit SURVIVOR. This unit will be all about Life Cycles of animals and we will also look at the stages of human life. We are looking forward to our Melbourne Zoo excursion next week.

**JUST A LITTLE REMINDER...**

Students seem to be running out of stationary supplies. It is very important that they all have grey lead pencils, a red pen, a ruler, a glue stick and a rubber. Could you please check with your child and replace any equipment that they need.

We have also run out of tissue boxes in many of the rooms. If everyone could each bring in one more box it would be greatly appreciated!

Click **HERE** for a copy of the Middle’s homework tasks.
JUNIORS

Welcome back to Term 4, we hope you have had a restful break.

RELIGION: This week we will commence our new unit *The Stories of God’s People*. The children will look at the art of storytelling and specifically focus on their favourite story. They will then begin to explore the Holy Bible as a book of stories and identify the Bible as being written in two parts: the Old Testament and the New Testament. The children will brainstorm characters and stories they know from the Bible.

READING: In Reading we will engage the children in a variety of shared reading practices and look at examples of Big Books that focus on fairytales and other narratives.

WRITING: This week in Writing, we will be revising the structure and features of narrative texts by modelling how to sequence the events and begin with a focus on the orientation, complication and resolution.

SPELLING: We will be continuing to look at onset and rime patterns by building a class word list with the sound *ch* (chat, chop) 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 the topic of Division. We will begin to explore the concept of sharing through games and stories. With a partner the children will use concrete aids to demonstrate these stories.

INQUIRY: This week we will begin our new Inquiry unit ‘Food For Life’. We will brainstorm different stages of life and identify examples of food types that people might eat at each stage of life. The students will create a timeline including different stages of growth and draw what they think they will look like at each stage of life.

Click [HERE](#) for a copy of the current Junior Homework

PREPS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: the children will begin their new unit “Belonging to God’s people.” We will taking the children down to the church and looking at its features inside and outside.

WRITING: We are continuing to use our ‘Seeds’ to start our thinking.

READING: the children will beginning to read short texts and sequence the order of events.

MATHS: In Maths we are continuing to focus on the language of Chance, in particular the ‘definitely and impossible.’

INQUIRY: We will begin our new unit on called ‘Healthy me, Healthy you.’ We will be discussing what foods we like and don’t like and what the word Healthy means.
MICHAEL GROSE PARENTING INSIGHT

Please click HERE to access the parenting sheet. This week’s insight looks at ‘Parenting when you don’t see instant results’.

GATEWAYS
Anyone interested in programs for gifted and talented children please log on to www.gateways.edu.au.

Walking and Riding to school
Term 4 marks the beginning of some beautiful weather. Maybe it will encourage many of our families to walk and/or ride to school.
Look out for our Active Travel Monitors on the gates each morning and start getting your passports clicked.

Thankyou
A very big thank you to our community support team who have been cooking and helping other families throughout the year. Your support is amazing.
Anyone able to help out during term four please contact me. Any support is truly appreciated.

Libby Sheedy
Wellbeing Coordinator

SPORT NEWS

Regional Athletics Carnival

Tomorrow we have eleven students representing our school at the Regional Athletics Carnival in Epping.
We wish these students all the best for their track and field events.

Marita Mannix
Sports Coordinator
Giant Steps to Change the World

Another big thank you to all the staff, students and parents of St Olivers, for making our school production such a huge success last term. The DVD is on its way… due to the high demand for the DVD it is taking a little longer than first thought. Hopefully they will be sent home early week 3. Thank you for your patience. I know we are all dying to see it and I am sure it will be worth the wait.

Nadia Glann
School Community Coordinator

SUNSMART POLICY

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

CANTEEN

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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’
CLICK HERE FOR THE CURRENT PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL BANKING AT ST OLIVER PLUNKETT SCHOOL The Dollarmites Character Moneyboxes will not be available in 2014. If you would like to redeem your tokens for a moneybox please do so prior to the end of the year. Please note that due to this change you can order more than one moneybox this year if you have the required tokens. St Olivers School Banking days are Tuesdays. We are currently seeking volunteers to help run this program. If you can help out on Tuesdays from 9am till 10.30 am please contact Georgie 0405 435 770

PRELOVED UNIFORM PROGRAM
A donation basket is located in the school office foyer. All donations need to be clean and have no rips/tears.

BUSINESSES OF THE WEEK
Our featured businesses are Erneste Tile Concepts, Face FX and Elite Swimming. Please view their adverts on the school website or refer to the second edition of the St Olivers Business Directory.

ROTARY COMMUNITY RAFFLE …..DUE BACK NOW……
All sold /unsold tickets and money need to be returned to the school office now.

ST OLIVER S SPECTACULAR FETE....like us on facebook
Proudly sponsored by
“Centorrino Technologies”, “Jetts Fitness” & “Learning with Technologies”

FETE MEETING
There is a scheduled fete meeting this Wednesday night 7.30pm in the staffroom. All are welcome to attend.

FETE STALLS
A couple of stall places are available. Please email pa@sopascoevale.catholic.edu.au

RIDE WRISTBAND SALES
The ride wristband will go on sale this Thursday 3.15pm to 3.45pm in the hall foyer. 1 x wristband $30, 2 x $60, 3 x $85 & 4 x $110. Offer limited to 4 wristbands per purchase. Wristbands on the day will be $35 each. For further information please contact pa@sopascoevale.catholic.edu.au

OLLIES IDOL
An information and application form was sent out term 3. Auditions begin this week and continue the following week with the grand final being conducted on the day of the fete. The 3 judges on the day Father Paul, Katherine (office manager) & Dept Mayor Lita Gillies will decide the top 3 acts.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS
Our fete won’t work if we don’t have the volunteers to help. A roster system will be completed with time slots of 11am-1pm, 1-3pm and 3-5pm. Things we may need help with include selling goods/ show bags/ lollies etc at our stalls, monitoring rides or serving food.

Please fill out this slip below and hand into the school office by the end of this week

Name & Contact Number: ________________________________________________________________

Child’s Name & Class: ________________________________________________________________

Circle the appropriate time:

11am to 1pm  1pm to 3pm  3pm to 5pm  Any 2 hour slot
Registration day for MILO in2 CRICKET

The Pascoe Vale Cricket Club would like to invite all junior budding cricketers to register for the MILO in2 CRICKET program.

This program is designed to help kids learn how to play cricket in a fun and safe environment. All MILO in2 CRICKET coordinators are volunteers, who run various activities to help kids develop social skills, physical fitness, sportsmanship and basic cricket knowledge.

Parent participation is also a must to make this a success. You can never have too many volunteers, as many hands make light work and more fun for all.

**When:** Wednesday 16th October

**Where:** Raeburn Reserve Clubrooms

**Time:** from 4.30pm till 6pm

**Cost:** $75.00

**Duration:** 10 week program for children (both girls and boys) aged 5+, beginning Friday November 1st at 5pm Raeburn Reserve Landells Rd

**note:** there is no cricket program over the school holidays... recommencing when school goes back at the end of January

All participants receive an exclusive MILO in2 CRICKET kit pack that includes an Asics MILO in2 CRICKET hat, bat, ball and water bottle as well as awesome MILO giveaways. Plus everyone will receive a free membership to the Aussie Cricket Crew where they will be kept up to date with the latest cricket news, access to cool online games and exclusive members only competitions.

We look forward to welcoming you to our club

PVCC

For more information please email: pvcc@hotmail.com.au
OSHC NEWS

Welcome back OSHC children and families to term 4. All children should wear hats for outdoor play this term.

Thank you.
Gowri.

REMININDERS

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.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

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