



From the Heart



Newsletter No. 13

8th May, 2024

COMING UP AT OLSH...

MAY 2024

Wed 8th	Cluster Cross Country
Thu 9th	Combined Mothers Day activity
Sun 12th	Mothers Day
Wed 15th	OLSH Open Day
Thu 16th	Walk to School Day
Mon 20th	Pentecost Celebration
Tue 28th	Regional Cross Country—St Arnaud
Fri 31st	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Feast Day

JUNE 2024

Mon 10th	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Thu 27th	Last Day of Term 2 —Open classrooms and assembly
Fri 28th	Pupil Free Day —Staff First Aid Training

Cross Country Results

Congratulations to all our students on their participation in the Cluster Cross Country today. I know that long distance running is not everyone's idea of a great time, but it is great to see everyone out there having a go and giving it their best, even if that means walking around. Some students will now have the opportunity to compete in the next round of competition in St Arnaud. More information to follow.

Open Day Next Wednesday - *pass it on!!*

Next Wednesday from 9.00am - 11.00am we are having an open morning for prospective families for 2025. If you know of anyone who would like to have a look around please pass on this information as it would be wonderful to have a few people make the most of this opportunity. Additionally, if anyone cannot make it on Wednesday, they are most welcome to call the office and simply arrange another time to have a look around.

Walk to School Day - *Thursday May 16*

Next Thursday, May 16, is our official walk to school day, which involves OLSH, EPS and the Kindergarten. We will gather at the Railway Station at 8.30 and make our way back to school. Everyone is most welcome to join us for this walk, the more the merrier!!

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

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From the Principal...

May 8th,

Dear Families,

This Sunday is Mother's Day and a wonderful opportunity to give thanks to our mothers for the special role that they play in our lives. Our school plays special tribute to Mary, the mother of Jesus, and the critical role she played in the formation of our church and inadvertently, the formation of our school. The OLSH sisters are committed to honouring the spirit of Mary and keeping her spirit alive and vibrant in our schools and whilst their physical presence is no longer in our school, their values continue to shine through in everything we do.

So, happy mother's day to all our mothers out there and I sincerely hope that your children let you know just how special and important you really are.

Combined Mother's Day Activities

Don't forget that tomorrow, Thursday May 9th, we are having Mother's Day activities at the Memorial Hall beside the Kinder beginning at 2.00pm. We are combining forces with Elmore Primary and the Kindergarten to ensure that this is a special community celebration.

A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS



During this autumn season, we pray in a spirit of hope for all mothers that they will be life-givers and continue to reveal the female face of God to us.

We thank God for our mothers for giving us life, nourishing and enlarging that life, and for doing without that we might have. We pray for those mothers who must mother below the poverty line, who are too young to mother, and those who must watch their babies starve or grow up with hate and violence in their hearts.

Above all, we pray for mothers that they may continue to sing songs of hope to us in the chaos of our world.

AMEN

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Cluster Cross Country



Well done and congratulations to all those who participated in the cluster cross country today.



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Uniforms can be ordered at any time:

- Phone Hip Pocket on 5480 1027 or
- Visiting Hip Pocket at 173 Pakenham St, Echuca.

Families are also welcome to go through our stock of second hand items. Call the office to make a time.



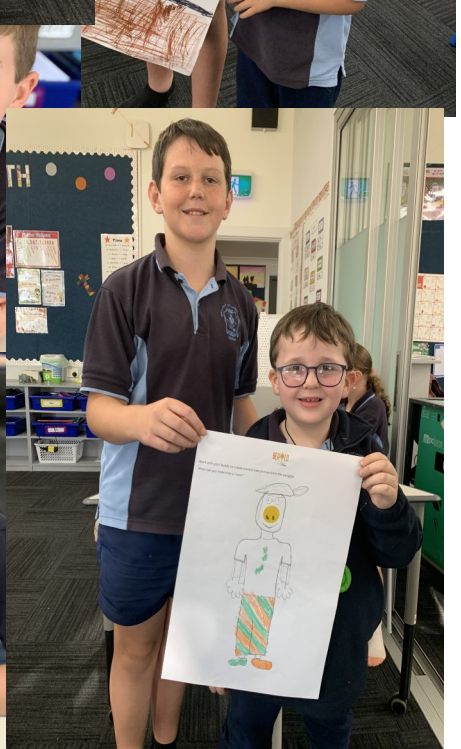
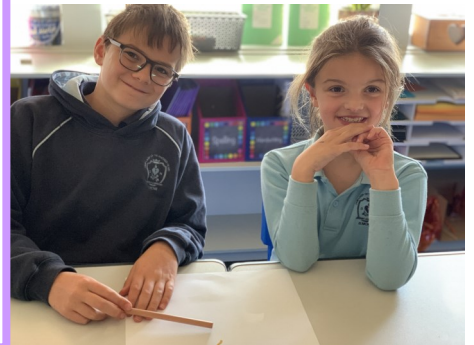
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Catholic Education Week buddy activity

To celebrate Catholic Education week last wee, all of our students partnered with their buddies to create artwork to acknowledge this years theme. "Behold, I make all things new". The students were asked to create a new picture from an already formulated squiggle, below are some of the examples of the incredible artwork created by the learners.



Behold
I am
making
all things
new.



Catholic Identity



Catholic Identity Scripture

Gospel Jn 15:9-17

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.'

Something to think about!



Pope Francis once said, expressing Christian love means going beyond 'words, words, words'.

'First and foremost,' the Pope points out, 'it is important to realise that Christ's love is not a superficial feeling.' In this Gospel passage, Jesus was not telling his disciples to be unflappably polite or overtly nice to each other. This was not a message about social conventions. Jesus is concerned with our attitude toward others, and those actions that flow from it. 'Love,' as the Pope points out, 'is fulfilled in everyday life, in attitudes, in deeds.'

As the Pope has repeatedly stressed, loving another person often requires us to challenge our own attitudes. We are called to love everyone, with openness to, as the Pope puts it, 'however they may be and whatever their situation.'

**Catholic Education
week.**



Please keep

Hudson, Amelia, Reece and Jimmy
in your prayers as they prepare
for the Sacrament of
Reconciliation



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Amen



happy
**Mother's
day**

**OUR LADY OF THE
SACRED HEART
FEAST DAY
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**WEEK SEVEN
3 PM
WEDNESDAY
29TH MAY**

ALL WELCOME



**MAY THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS BE
EVERYWHERE LOVED!**

Community News



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YEAR 7, 2025 ENROLMENTS CLOSE FRIDAY 10 MAY.

We welcome enrolment applications from all families in our region.

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This WEEKS PROGRAM Week 4 term 2's program was developed by using our children's meetings, observations, and children's requests.

DAY	ADVENTURE 1	ADVENTURE 2	ADVENTURE 3	ADVENTURE 4
MONDAY	Homework club: A fantastic way of giving your child extra support in a fun and creative environment	Playground tag: Are you able to use the playground to your advantage and not get tagged?	Garden prep for seedlings. We are going to start up our garden project again this term. Let's get our hands dirty and make some plant magic	Smart TV- digital drawing: In the new space, we have access to the digital TV and can do some amazing artwork and share the screen.
TUESDAY	Homework club: A fantastic way of giving your child extra support in a fun and creative environment	Children's meeting: This enables the children to have a say in the adventures we are running at Play and Stay and raise concerns.	Dodge ball: This seems to be a popular game now with both schools, can you stay in and save your friends.	Hot Wheels track: Elmore OSHClub has a Hot Wheels track that needs help to put together and use, are you able to help?
WEDNESDAY	Homework club: A fantastic way of giving your child extra support in a fun and creative environment	Art and craft – sustainability art: What can you make with all the recycled things we have at Elmore OSHClub?	Playground play Come have some free play on the playground and show off the skills you have to the staff.	Smart TV- digital drawing: In the new space, we have access to the digital TV and can do some amazing artwork and share the screen.
THURSDAY	Homework club: A fantastic way of giving your child extra support in a fun and creative environment	Soccer: Soccer on the new court?? See if you can score a goal against the educators	Draw to music: Relax and draw to music with the colouring sheets or your art.	Uno flip We have gotten this game from Strathfieldsaye it is a new interest for the children and involves a bit more skills. Try it
FRIDAY	Homework club: A fantastic way of giving your child extra support in a fun and creative environment	Basketball court: Come and try your basketball or netball skills on the new court.	Mindful moment: Let's end this week with a quiet moment and reflect on the week.	Board games: Come pick a game and play with your friends.

Library Agencies
Storytimes 2024

Nurture your child's listening and learning skills in fun-filled sessions of stories, songs and rhymes. FEB-JUN

MON 5 FEB
MON 19 FEB
MON 4 MAR
MON 18 MAR
MON 15 APR
MON 29 APR
MON 13 MAY
MON 27 MAY
MON 24 JUN



For more information please phone 5449 2790 or visit ncgrl.vic.gov.au/children




FOUNDATION OPEN MORNING 2024

WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 9:00AM - 11:00AM

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Foundation Open Morning

On Wednesday, May 15, from 9.00am - 11.00am, we are providing the opportunity for any parents who are looking to enrol their child in school in 2025, to come and see our school and ask any questions of myself and other members of our school community. This is a great chance to see our school in action and to support parents in their decision making about what school will best suit their child's needs for 2025 and beyond. Please encourage anyone you know who is unsure of where their child will be attending school in 2024 to come and have a look around.