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## NEWSLETTER NO. 7

14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Dear Parents,  
Congratulations to our new Student Representative Council (S.R.C) members who were announced to the school community last week. Father Michael blessed the children's S.R.C badges at last week's Ash Wednesday Mass. The S.R.C allows us to listen to student 'voice', gauging how things are trending within each of the classes and the playground. So much insightful feedback has come from the S.R.C over the past few years. Ms. Rinaldo and I are looking forward to working with this group of leaders within our school. One of the important roles that our S.R.C's carry out is that are an important part of social justice at our school and within the Brunswick community by being our 'Mini-Vinnies' representatives assisting the St. Vincent De Paul chapter of Brunswick.

Our 2019 S.R.C Leaders are:

**Foundation B:** Thomas Hall

**Foundation D:** Alexandra Mizzi

**1A:** Alessandro Febbrarino

**1M:** Emma Camon-Barresi **1S:** Lauren Camon-Barresi

**2R:** Claudia Ukovic **2S:** Nicholas Ryan

**3B:** Mila Ralph **3V:** Josephine Vergis

**4H:** Ansh Tanwar **4J:** Agatha Morris

**5A:** Talia Haig **5T:** Felix Sibel **6L:** Josef Hicks

**6M:** Leondra Michienzi

### **CONGRATULATIONS MS. JESS (and Shay)**

We are happy to announce that Ms. Jess, our English Intervention teacher Yr 1- 3, gave birth to her third child Max last Thursday. The whole McLeod family are doing well and looking forward to welcoming Max home this week. Pia & Lottie are already besotted by their new baby brother.



### **HEADLICE CHECK – FOUNDATION TO Year 6**

One of the very successful programs at our school is the Headlice Check Program we have run at our school over the past 10 years. Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March is our first headlice check day for the year. We have found that the process that has been used has all but eradicated this health issue at our school. Please take the time to check your child's hair before the school headlice check. If necessary apply the appropriate treatment from your local pharmacy. Children found to have live, untreated headlice will be sent to sick bay and parents will be asked to collect them from school to apply the necessary treatment. For further details regarding our school policy in this area please see:

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Thank you parents for your co-operation and support in this area. Your assistance has been crucial in the success of the program and keeping our school headlice free.

### **PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS**

The Annual General Meeting (A.G.M) for the Parents Association will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. Each year at this meeting all four positions on our Parents Association Executive become vacant, namely President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

We thank the current Parents Association Executive: Michelle Suche (*President*), Debra O'Brien (*Vice President*), Michael Carrick (*Secretary*) and Courtenay Moxon (*Treasurer*) for their tireless and dedicated work during the year. Our Parents Association Bank account has never looked so healthy!

**Both Michelle (President) and Debra (Vice President) have indicated that they wish to step back from their duties on the Executive and will not seek to re-nominate for the position.** Thus we are looking for some new blood from our junior school ranks to step up and take on these positions for the next couple of years.

The Parents Association Constitution can be found on the school website or at

[http://www.olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au/app/webroot/uploaded\\_files/media/20120912093359880.pdf](http://www.olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au/app/webroot/uploaded_files/media/20120912093359880.pdf) Nominations for any of the four Parents Association Executives can be emailed to [principal@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au)

### **SEESAW**

Seesaw is a digital way for schools to share student learning. In 2018 OLHC began using this app as a way of sharing some of the students' learning. At 'Meet the Teacher' in February, your class teacher gave you instructions on how to connect to Seesaw by either downloading to your smartphone or computer. This week teachers and students will once again share some work through this digital portfolio. If you are yet to connect, it is free and we strongly encourage you to download and create an account. Please email your classroom teacher for your child's individual QR code to scan if you have



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misplaced your instructions. Going forward, we will continue to share more of the students' learning through this digital portfolio.

### **PARENT CLASS REPS 2019**

Each year we invite a parent from each class to be a "Parent Rep". This important role centres around: *(taken from the PA Constitution)*

- Their role will be to act as 'liaison officers' for their individual classes and attend as many Parent Association meetings as possible so that the interests of the whole school community are reflected as accurately as possible.
- They will promote connectedness between the classroom families and the Parents' Association.

Some Parent Reps have also taken it upon themselves to organise class 'play dates' over the holidays, which is great (but not essential...especially for the older children who probably organise their own). Please email

[principal@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au) if you are interested in filling one of the vacant roles.

Foundation B- Lina Brohier Foundation D- Fiona McGrath

Yr 1A- Nicolette Cumbo Yr 1S- Susy Jones

Yr 1M- Janelle Boyd

Yr 2 R - Belinda Pagliaro Yr 2 S - Yasmin Ukovic

Yr 3 B - **Vacant** Yr 3 V - Clare Stone

Yr 4 J - **Vacant** Yr 4 H - **Vacant**

Yr 5 A- Tricia Paice Yr 5 T - Deb O' Brien

Yr 6 L- Lucy Moxon Yr 6 M- Sabrina Michienzi

### **URGENTLY SEEKING VINNIES VOLUNTEERS**

The Brunswick Vinnies Conference is urgently seeking additional adult volunteers to administer crisis care amongst our community. Volunteers will be part of a team who visit people on a weekly basis during the day to give material assistance according to need. They are also looking for people with administrative skill to take on a few duties of the president and treasurer. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer - please attend our morning assembly on 14<sup>th</sup> March where a member of the Brunswick conference will be available to answer your questions. The school is proud to have a strong associate with SVDP through our mini Vinnies programme. Your donations are distributed to those in need by the Brunswick conference members.

### **WEEKLY SPIRIT OF JESUS AWARDS TERM: 1 WEEK: 6**

**Foundation B:** Emma- Since starting school you have shown the T in WEST. You always say thank you and use your manners for teachers and peers. Thank you for being so polite and a helpful new member to Foundation B. Well done!

**Foundation D:** Nedal - You have been a superstar learner this week! Your positive attitude towards your learning has improved each day since starting school. I am so proud of your efforts. Congratulations!

**1A:** Salma - What a fantastic start you have made to OLHC! You bring so much happiness to our classroom. I love the way you are excited to learn and do everything with a smile. Keep it up!

**1M:** Emma - You have shown such grace and kindness to all of the members of our classroom community this term. We are so excited to have you as our SRC representative this year. Keep up the great work!

**1S:** Erik - you are so super helpful around the classroom and show me what a hard worker you are each and every day.

What a pleasure it is to have you as a part of the 1S team.

You bring such happiness into our classroom!

**2R:** Meredith- it has been such a pleasure watching you take on the responsibility of being a big sister. You have handled yourself so well with your kind and caring nature really shining through. Well done Meredith!

**2S:** Edie - for always offering to help make our classroom and school a better place. Especially yesterday when you asked if you could pick up papers around the school to help the environment. It was lovely being able to witness this God Moment.

**3B:** Sebastian- For the enthusiasm you bring to 3B each day. You are always smiling and you demonstrate TUP qualities on a daily basis. Keep up the excellent effort Sebastian!

**3V:** Hamilton - Not only have you come to school each day with a positive attitude towards your learning, you have also demonstrated the 'E' in W.E.S.T. Thank you for being so encouraging towards your classmates this week!

**4H:** Matteo - for being such a ray of sunshine. You are always so happy to be here and your enthusiasm for learning is contagious. You are a wonderful person to have in 4H.

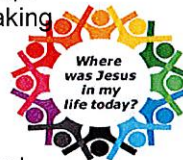
**4J:** Gabby - for being a walking WEST person, you are always polite and respectful to your classmates and staff, it is a pleasure to have you in our class!

**5A:** James- for applying yourself in all daily tasks. You show great determination and persistence and are therefore a wonderful role model to have in 5A. Keep up the fantastic work!

**5T:** MacKenzie for putting in a great effort into making others feel wanted and appreciated in class. Mackenzie you always treat others so respectfully and show us what it means to be like Jesus.

**6L:** Anthony- for being a friendly and responsible member of the class. You have worked really well on all your class tasks this term. Well done and keep the good work up.

**6M:** Leeroy- for demonstrating maturity and taking responsibility for your own learning. I'm really impressed with the way you have applied yourself to your learning throughout Term 1. I love the persistence and determination that you have shown. Keep it up!



### **SCHOOL CALENDAR - TERM 1 2019**

11<sup>th</sup> March - Labour Day Public Holiday - School closed

13<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4H & 4J Class Mass

19<sup>th</sup> March - Sister School visitors arrive at OLHC- Pak Okky, Ibu Erna, Ibulka

20<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 Confirmation Reflection Day

21<sup>st</sup> March - Sister School Thanksgiving Mass @ 9.15am

26<sup>th</sup> March- Sister School Visitors depart

27<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 B & 3 M Class Mass

27<sup>th</sup> March - Headlice Check - Term 1 - Foundation to Yr.6.

29<sup>th</sup> March - Principal Forum - Term 1. Venue: Staffroom

3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> April - Year 5/6 School Camp - Mt. Evelyn

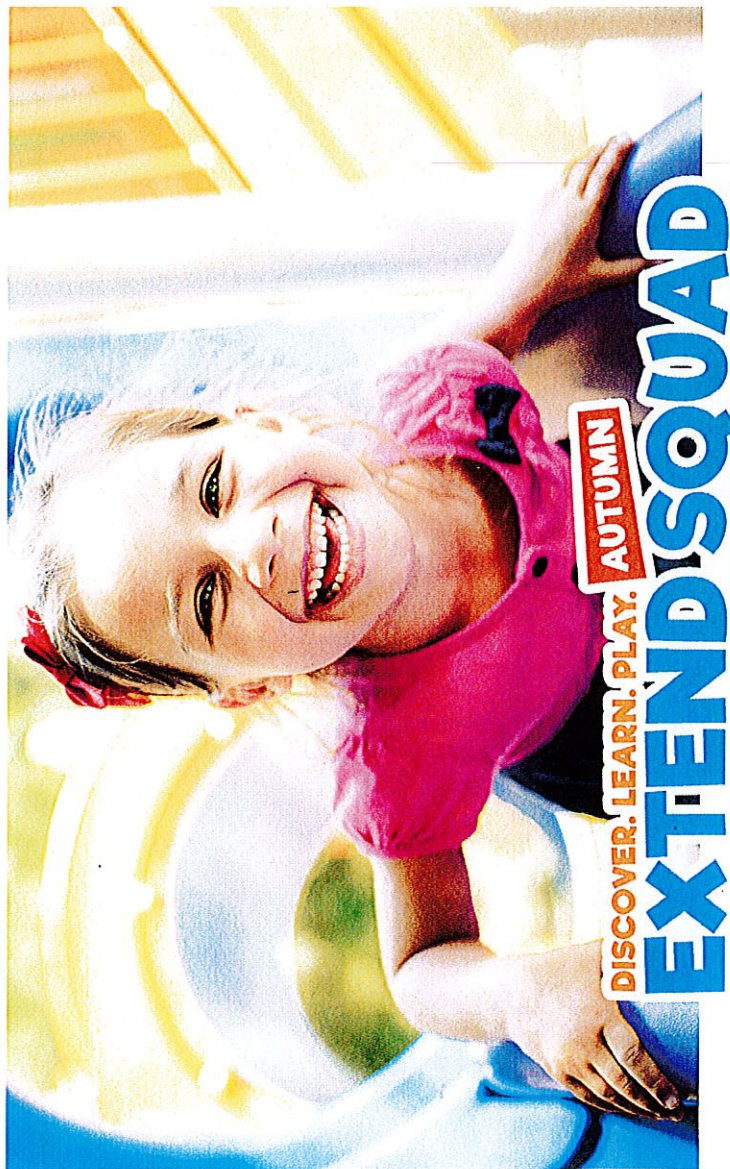
3<sup>rd</sup> April - Year 2 R & 2 S Class Mass

5<sup>th</sup> April - Term One concludes for Foundation to Yr 4 students at 1pm

6<sup>th</sup> April to 28<sup>th</sup> April - Term One School Holidays (inclusive of Easter Monday, School Closure Days, Anzac Day, Professional Practice Day)

Philip Cachia  
Principal





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### Weekly Recap



We hope you all had a wonderful long weekend! We had a fantastic time at Extend. We began our week by sharing our talents in a Talent Show! We also are preparing for an Extend Open Afternoon where we will be inviting the school community to check out Extend! Stay tuned for the date in next week's newsletter!

Next week we will be participating in Harmony Week! Harmony Day is celebrated annually on 21st March. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians. We are very excited to be involved in this experience!

Did you know that Extend's Autumn Holiday Program bookings are now open? Book in today for the Early Bird rate and also for a fantastic experience!

For enrolment and bookings visit  
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- Stephanie, Service Coordinator

**Our Extend Superstar is... John G** for always lending a helping hand and having a great attitude.

### What's On Next Week?

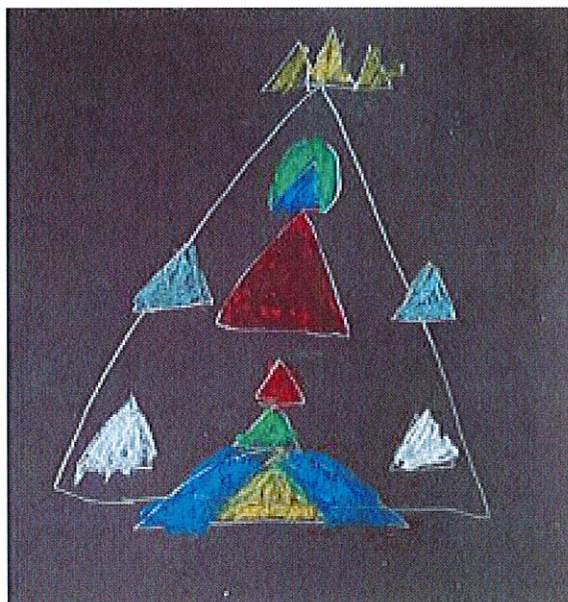
**Monday 18 March** - Cultural Handprints  
**Tuesday 19 March** - Around the World Greetings  
**Wednesday 20 March** - Indigenous Flags  
**Thursday 21 March** - Harmony Day!  
**Friday 22 March** - Games of the World



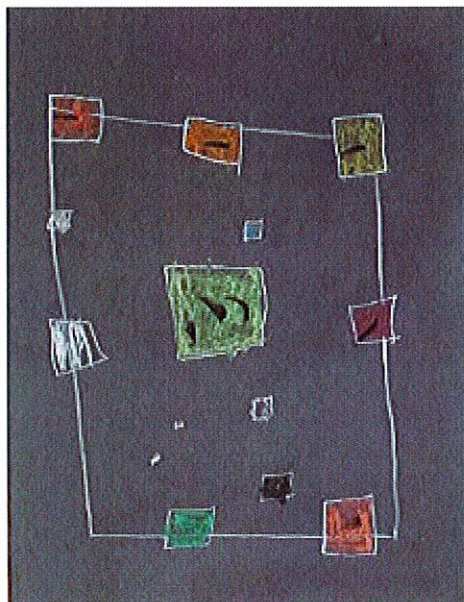
spotlight on...



Year One students have been introduced to the design element of SHAPE. They used a blending technique to create pastel drawings inspired by the works of Wassily Kandinsky...



Alex K (15)



Sofia (15)