



OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Primary School Brunswick East

Exceptional Education

Newsletter 5 , Term 2, 2024

Friday 14th June



“The arts give expression to the beauty of the faith and proclaim the Gospel message of the grandeur of God’s creation.

When we admire a work of art or a marvel of nature, we discover how everything speaks to us of Him and of His love.”

Pope Francis

Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to all who braved the cold to attend our Art Show last night, what a great turn out! The event was a vibrant showcase of our students' creativity and talent, and it was truly a memorable occasion for our entire school community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our very creative students who displayed their unique artistic talents, each piece on display brought inspiration and joy. A special thanks to Ms Maegan Howden, our very passionate and energetic Art Leader who has worked tirelessly over the past six months to bring the Art Show to life and also to Ms Emilie Owen and Mr Brody Hill for leading our amazing choir who performed with great gusto! Last, but by no means not least, our good friends from Nelson Alexander who auctioned off our class collaborative pieces raising a total of **\$4,620** on the night. Congratulations to Evander O

in 3J and Charlie D in 6M who won the raffle door prize. Raffle funds raised **\$516**. All funds raised will go to help support the purchase of equipment and furnishing for our new STEM centre which is due to be completed in October.

End of Term Reminder

A reminder Term Two concludes on Friday 28/6/24 at 1.00 pm. **Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation for Year 6 Graduation celebration.**

Term Three commences on Monday 15/7/24 at 8.45am.



Casual Clothes Day (last day of term)

Students are free to wear casual clothes on Friday the 28/6/24, a gold coin donation is required, all funds raised will support the Year 6 Graduation celebration. A reminder Term 2 concludes at 1.00 p.m.



Pizza Special Lunch

Buongiorno! The PA is excited to bring delicious pizzas back to the students for Special Lunch Day on **Wednesday June 26th!** We have a great selection of toppings, ensuring all tastes are catered for: meat, vegetarian and gluten free options are all

available! Each serve is TWO slices of an XL pizza, delivered to the children in a small individual pizza box, for the great price of \$6! Orders can be placed from today via the My School Connect App or website. The App is free to download on iOS or Google. The website is www.myschoolconnect.com/olhc. Either option allows you to register your child/ren, add funds and place orders. For this Special Pizza Lunch, please go to the My Tuckshop icon. Orders MUST be

placed by 5pm on Friday June 21! **See flyer below for details.**

For this date, please note that the usual lunch orders, through Classroom Cuisine, will not be operational.

PA Triathlon Update



It's with such delight and gratitude that we announce the total fundraising total from the Feast Day triathlon! The students worked hard to raise their heart rate and the OLHC community met that energy to raise an impressive \$8689.45! This will help put furnishings and equipment into the brand new STEM centre, which the students will love and appreciate.

As you may know, to show our appreciation, the student who raised the most in each class was awarded a Rebel gift voucher. The winning students were:

6P - Elka A
6M - Alessandro F
5M - William S
5B - Sienna S
4H - Olivia B, Howie Mc, Sarah C (a 3-way tie for highest figure!)
4C - Remi L-M
3J - Sebastian C
3B - Elizabeth N
2D - Adeline H
2C - Clancy Sch
1K - Anthony B
1A - Eva L
Prep S - Lexie D
Prep O - Frederick L

The student who raised the most overall was Frederick L, from Prep O! Frederick received a

Coles Myer gift voucher - huge congratulations, Frederick!

And the class who raised the most, who will enjoy a delicious pizza lunch to celebrate was 2D! Congratulations!!

We want to acknowledge that this current economic climate is very challenging for many people, so we are more grateful than ever for the generosity and kindness of the OLHC community of family and friends. Thank you.

I would also like to thank all the wonderful volunteers who helped make the Feast Day triathlon a success. We had a wonderful turnout of parents and carers, both encouraging and marshalling the kids on the field, and cooking up a storm on the hotplates. The operation was a well oiled machine, and the kids really had a fantastic day. Thank you all! Last but not least, please join us in thanking the teachers who put in extra time and energy to ensure a great experience for all!

Chrystal Gilkes
PA President

Reminder Learning Conversations

Student semester one reports will be sent home on Monday 24th of June. Learning Conversations (Parents/Teacher Interviews) will be held on Thursday the 27th June 1.30 pm - 8.30 pm. **A reminder school concludes for all students at 1.00 p.m.** to allow conversations to begin at 1.30 p.m. Please note the interviews will be in person at Our Lady Help of Christians school. **Children will be attending these conversations and sharing their learning goals with you.**

Please see booking details in the flyer below.

Please note 3J Learning Conversations will be held on Thursday 20th June before Ms Julie Tran commences her Long Service Leave.

Semester One Reports

On Monday the 24th of June your child's semester one report will be sent home indicating their level of progression throughout the semester in relation to Religious Education and the Victorian Curriculum. Staff will be discussing these reports and

answering any questions you may have during Learning Conversations which will be held on Thursday the 27th June (3J on the Thursday 20th June). As communicated previously, your child will be required to attend this meeting as they will be sharing their learning goals.

INTERPRETING THE GRADES

Your child will be given an overall progression point which demonstrates your child's achievement in each of the curriculum areas assessed this semester:

Well Above Standard - your child is well above the standard at this time of year.

Above Standard - your child is above the standard at this time of year.

At Standard - your child is at the standard at this time of year.

Below Standard - your child is below the standard at this time of year.

Well Below Standard - your child is well below the standard at this time of year.

Each curriculum area reported on has been broken down into a number of specific learning outcomes that have been taught throughout the semester. Each skill has been assessed using the same five point scale as above.

A written comment will be provided for English and Mathematics if your child is performing above the expected standard, is at the lower end of the expected standard or is below the expected standard. No comment will be provided if your child is at the expected standard as learning outcomes indicate the level of achievement obtained.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

At Our Lady Help of Christians Primary School, we embrace the Catholic Social Teachings and we care deeply about all people. We believe that all people have a right to have enough food to eat, particularly during winter.

We know that there are many people in our local community who need a little help at this time so the Social Justice Leaders are coordinating support for the St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

The SJLs are asking families from each class to donate specific items that will be distributed to



needy people in the Brunswick and Fitzroy communities.

We thank all families who are able to make a donation to this worthy cause and **ask that items be brought to school on or before Monday 14th July.**

Please see the table below to find which items each class is being invited to donate:

Class	Item
Prep O	Tea or Coffee
Prep S	Tea or Coffee
Yr 1K	Pasta or Sauce
Yr 1A	Pasta or Sauce
Yr 2C	Rice
Yr 2D	Jam or Vegemite
Yr 3B	Biscuits
Yr 3J	Biscuits
Yr 4C	Peanut Butter or Honey
Yr 4H	Peanut Butter or Honey
Yr 5B	Canned Soup
Yr 5M	Toilet Paper
Yr 6M	Canned Vegetables
Yr 6P	Long life milk
Staff	Toiletries: toothpaste, shampoo or conditioner

School Attendance

In the spirit of nurturing our students' growth and development, we want to emphasise the importance of regular school attendance. Attending school regularly is crucial for academic success and social development. Research shows that students who attend school consistently are more likely to achieve higher grades, develop positive relationships with peers and teachers, and ultimately succeed in the future.

Here at OLHC, we aim for excellence in all aspects of education, and attendance plays a significant role in achieving this goal. As we experience the winter months we kindly remind parents to ensure that their children attend school regularly and punctually. Regular school attendance not only benefits individual students but also contributes to a positive learning environment for the entire school community. It allows teachers to plan and deliver effective lessons, fosters a sense of belonging among students, and promotes a culture of academic engagement and achievement.

We understand that occasional absences may be unavoidable due to illness or family emergencies. In such cases, we appreciate your cooperation in notifying the school and providing any necessary documentation. However, we urge parents to prioritise school attendance and minimise unnecessary absences to maximise their child's learning opportunities.

Thank you for your continued support in promoting a culture of attendance and academic excellence at OLHC. Together, we can ensure that every student thrives and reaches their full potential.

Staff News

This week we offer our sincere condolences to Mr Dave Witchell and his family as they mourn the passing of their much loved father and husband Jim. Please keep Dave, his mother Helen and brother Peter in your thoughts and prayers.

Year 3/4 Merribek Incursion

Jess came to our school and taught us about what goes in which bin in the Merri-Bek council. We learnt about four council bins:

- Red - general waste for landfill
- Yellow - mixed recycling
- Purple - glass
- Green - compost

We tested our knowledge about the Merri-Bek Council bins and sorted some odd rubbish and food scraps into mini versions of the four bins. We did not get it perfect, as Jess tricked us by giving us electronics, which we put into general waste. Oops!

Jess said there are special bins for batteries. You can't put batteries in landfill because when they get into the truck to get taken to the big pile of rubbish, they might spark and catch on fire. There might be

flammable items in there that could catch and cause a big explosion. You should take your batteries to places that have e-Waste bins, such as Officeworks and supermarkets.

We shouldn't put clothes in the red bin. We should give them a second life by giving them to the op-shop or putting them in a donation bin at a place such as your church.

It's really important for us to sort our waste correctly to reduce the creation of methane gases and bin juice. Methane gases dig holes in the ozone layer and contribute to global warming. We are going to think more about how we can put our rubbish into the right bins at OLHC and not leave litter.

By Noelle, Finn, Sarah S and Daniyal (4C)



Year Level Masses for Term Two

Father Tho has invited our classes to celebrate 10:00 am Friday Parish Masses at the OLHC Church. Masses for the Junior, Middle and Senior classes have been scheduled for the dates below. All families are welcome to attend!

- Friday 21st June - Year 3 & Year 4
- Friday 28th June - Year 5 & 6



Class Assemblies for Term Two

Please see term two's assembly roster below. These assemblies will be held in the OLHC Church Hall on a Wednesday from 2:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. Every class will have an opportunity to host an assembly throughout the year, if your child's class is not rostered on for this term they will be rostered on during terms three and four. All are welcome to attend. Please enter via the Nicholson St gate between 2.30 pm and 2.45 pm.

- Wednesday 19/6/24 6P Assembly at 2.45pm.
- Wednesday 26/6/24 5B Assembly at 2.45pm.

Student Birthdays



We wish the following students a wonderful birthday over the last week and current week:

Verity 4C, Jack 1A, Luciano 4C, Madalena 1K, Sharif 6M, India 3J, Ava 2D, Callum 2C, Sebastian 3J, Gabriel 1A, Daniel 5B, Alexander PO, Amelie 5B, Eve S 5B, Giovanni 1A

2024 Term 2 Dates

Friday 14/6/24 Interschool Sport Yr 5-6.

Wednesday 19/6/24 6P Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Friday 21/6/24 Year 3&4 Class Mass 10.00 am. Netball Round Robin. 2D Pizza Lunch triathlon prize.

Monday 24/6/24 Semester 1 Reports sent home.

Wednesday 26/6/24 Special Lunch.

Wednesday 26/6/24 5B Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Thursday 27/6/24 Learning Conversations 1.30 pm - 8.30 pm **school concludes at 1.00 pm for students.**

Friday 28/6/24 Year 5&6 Class Mass 10.00 am.

Friday 28/6/24 **Term 2 concludes at 1.00 pm. Casual Clothes day - gold coin donation.**

2024 Term 3 Dates

Monday 15/7/24 School resumes.

Wednesday 17/7/24 Prep O Assembly at 2.45 pm in the Church Hall.

Tuesday 23/7/24 PA Meeting at 7.30 pm.

Wednesday 24/7/24 4C Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Thursday 18/7/24 Yr 4 Eucharist Family Night.

Friday 26/7/24 Grandparent's Special Person's Day Mass (Feast of St Joachim and St Anne) at 10.00 am, Morning Tea at 11.00 am and classroom visits at 11.30 am.

Saturday 27/7/24 Sacrament of First Eucharist 5.00 pm at OLHC Church.

Monday 29/7/24 9.15 am Cybersafety Incursion Yr 3-4.

Monday 29/7/24 10.15 am Cybersafety Incursion Yr 1-2.

Wednesday 31/7/24 3B Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Monday 5/8/24 10.15 am Cybersafety Incursion Yr 5-6.

Tuesday 6/8/24 Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival, more information to follow. School Advisory Council Meeting at 7.00 pm.

Wednesday 7/8/24 2C Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Friday 9/8/24 Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass at 10.00 am.

Wednesday 14/8/24 1A Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Friday 16/8/24 Feast of the Assumption Mass at 10.00 am. OLHC acknowledges National Day against Bullying and Violence.

Saturday 17/8/24 - Friday 23/8/24 Book Week - Theme Reading is Magic.

Tuesday 20/8/24 PA Meeting at 7.30 pm.

Wednesday 21/8/24 6M Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Thursday 22/8/24 District Athletics.

Friday 23/8/24 Book Week Parade and celebrations.

Wednesday 28/8/24 5M Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Thursday 29/8/24 Father's Day Stall

Friday 30/8/24 Father's Day Breakfast at 8.00 am and Footy Colours Day Parade at 9.00 am
Father's Day Stall catch up.

Sunday 1/9/24 Father's Day.

Wednesday 4/9/24 4H Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Wednesday 11/9/24 Divisional Athletics.

Wednesday 11/9/24 3J Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

Friday 13/9/24 School Disco P-2 5.30 pm - 6. 30 pm
Yr 3-6 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm.

Wednesday 18/9/24 2D Assembly at 2.45pm in the Church Hall.

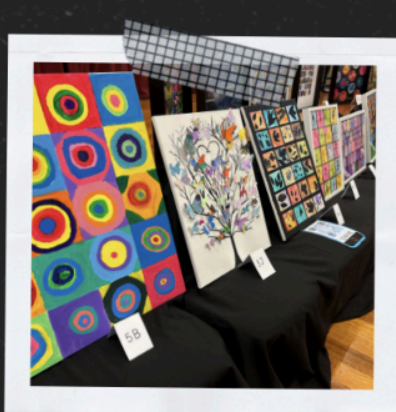
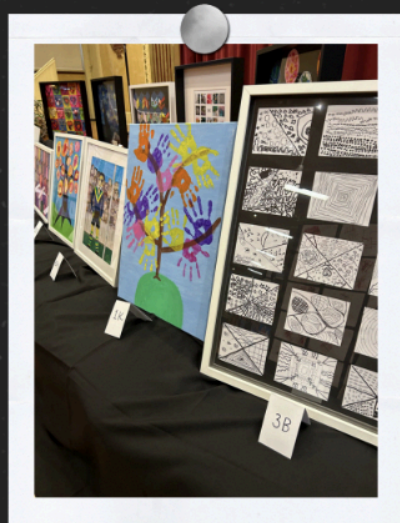
Friday 20/9/24 **Term 3 concludes at 1.00 pm.**

Finally, as always I would love to hear any feedback you have about our school, so please feel free to email me at mmcintosh@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au with any thoughts, concerns or suggestions that you may have to continue to make our school a wonderful place to be and to learn. I will get back to you as soon as I can and do appreciate any feedback that you have to share.

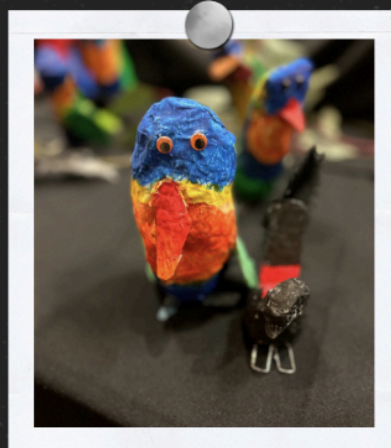
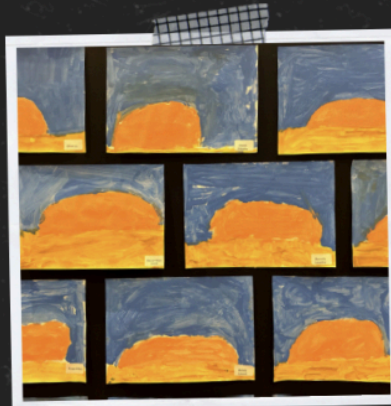
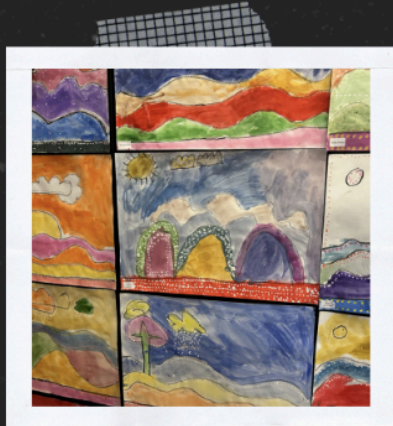
Kind regards,

Ms Maree McIntosh

PRINCIPAL







Student of the Week

Prep O

Mia T

Dafne C

Prep S

Dante A

Nolan D

1 A

Valentino H

Anaiah H

1 K

Bella M

Noah K

2 C

Callum A

Alana S

2 D

Isabella R

Ned Sch

3 B

Emilia G

Vivienne W

3 J

Nhan L

Oscar D

4 C

Christian L-T

Daniyal O

4 H

Piath M

George K

5 B

Isabella P

Eve S

5 M

Harvey B

Venice N

6 M

Vivienne K

Lauren C-B

6 P

Reuben G

Mia N



Learning Conversations will be held on Thursday 27th of June 1.30 pm - 8.30 pm to discuss your child/ren's semester one report. Please note your child/ren will be required to attend this meeting as they will be sharing their learning goals with you.

A reminder all child/ren will be dismissed at 1.00 pm so please ensure you collect your child/ren at this time.

Please note 3J Learning Conversations will be held earlier on Thursday the 20th of June 9.30 am - 5.30 pm due to Ms Julie Tran's absence.

Extend, our out of school hours provider will be open to accommodate students if supervision is required. If you require this service please book via the school website.

To book your Learning Conversation please go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code **ajjwe** - bookings must be finalised by 19th June at 4.00 pm.

3J parents please use this code k3ek7 - bookings must be finalised by 14th June at 4.00 pm.



Enter your details.



Select the teachers you wish to see.



Select the appointment times that suit your family best.



When you click FINISH your selected bookings will be emailed to you immediately. If you do not receive your email, please check your junk-mail, or enter the event code again and check your email address spelling. Update your details if the email address is incorrect. DO NOT DELETE the email you receive. Keep it somewhere safe. You may need to refer back to it at a later date.

REMEMBER TO ADD YOUR APPOINTMENTS TO YOUR CALENDAR - reminders will not be sent home.



Ready for a SLICE of the action?

It's PIZZA DAY on Wed June 26th!

Each serve is TWO slices of
XL large pizza.

LOADS of delicious toppings,
incl meat & vegetarian, plus
gluten free options!

**\$6 per
serve**

Order via the Tuckshop icon in My School Connect (via
free App or go to www.myschoolconnect.com.au/olhc).
Orders must be placed before 5pm on Fri June 21!





OUR SCHOOL TUCKSHOP IS NOW ONLINE FOR SPECIAL LUNCH DAYS

Download the free app or access www.myschoolconnect.com.au/olhc



Step 1: Register your account on any device, simply login to www.myschoolconnect.com.au/olhc and click on "Create Account", follow the prompts to add your email and password.



Step 2: Add your Child as a "Student", make sure you select your school and classroom details.



Step 3: Select "Top Up" to add money to your account via Credit Card or Paypal, you can choose Direct Deposit but allow 3-5 working days to process prior to ordering. You can also pay as you go, simply skip the pop up screen for adding funds and start ordering.
(Please note Merchant Fees applies to Credit Card or Paypal Transactions)



Step 4: To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!



Step 5: Once you have completed your order, view your order summary in the "cart" and proceed to "checkout". Select your preferred form of payment and submit, all orders are confirmed via email.
Note: only paid orders will be sent to your canteen, not those still sitting in your cart.

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9-12 each day, 8:30 drop off available
All ages and beginners to advanced
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Available 3rd Term

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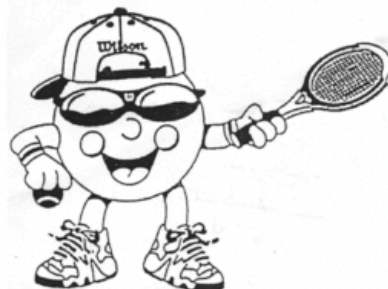
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Beginners & Intermediate classes.

All enquiries & bookings
call Dan 0408 991 700

Regards
Dan Donnelly,
Club Coach Royal Park T.C.



HAVE YOU GOT YOUR LIST READY FOR TERM 3?

Writing your list for the new term? We can help with that!

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Enrol and book with Extend today to get the Early Bird Rate to complete your checklist for Term 3!

TO DO FOR TERM 3:

- ☒ STOCK UP ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES
- ☒ PACK LUNCH BOX WITH HEALTHY SNACKS (FOR FUSSY EATERS)
- ☒ FIX MYSTERY STAINS ON SCHOOL JUMPER
- ☒ **GET THE EARLY BIRD RATE FOR TERM 3 WITH EXTEND!**



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TO SECURE THE **EARLY BIRD RATE** FOR TERM 3!

NORTHERN SUBURBS HOLIDAY CLINIC

10th - 11th of July - McDonald Reserve (Coburg)

These are open to all - ages 6-12

Clinics will run from 9:00am until 1:00pm each day!



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