



# OLW NEWS 2018

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Dear Parents & Families,

Our Beginning of Year Mass will be held this Wednesday, February 14, in conjunction with the Parish Ash Wednesday Mass at 10.00am. Everyone is most welcome to join us! Specialists Program will continue this Wednesday and work around the Mass time so that all Years 1 – 6 can attend.

## **ATHLETICS TRIALS DAY**

As part of our selection process for our District Athletics Team we are holding an Athletics Trials day for Years 3 – 6 this Friday, February 16. Students will need to wear their sports uniform this Friday.

## **SCHOOL APP**

Details for downloading the school app were included in last week's newsletter. Once downloaded, you will have access to all newsletters, notifications, the school calendar, notifying absences, making bookings for OSH care and parent – teacher interviews. Information on downloading the app is included again in today's newsletter.

## **EDUCATION BOARD**

Our Education Board is an important body who support the work of the school and provide advice to the Principal and Parish Priest on school matters. At the end of 2017 one member concluded their time on the Board. Therefore, we are seeking 1 new member for the Board for a period of tenure of up to 3 years.

If there is more than 1 nomination then this will need to go to a vote of the school community.

To give you some idea of the work and responsibilities of the Board, I have included some information in today's newsletter. Some of the main purposes and responsibilities of the Board are:

- to act as a forum for discussion on matters concerning education;
- to provide a link between the parish priest, principal, teachers and

parishioners in relation to the provision of Catholic education in the parish community;

- to promote community development;
- to promote the Catholic ethos of the school and to support the Religious Education programs;
- to provide advice on school policies when required, to plan for the future of the parish primary school and its ability to accommodate future enrolments.

Some of the key qualities and skills for members of boards are:

- Commitment to Catholic education in the parish and school
- Commitment to the vision and mission of the parish and school
- An understanding of the role of parish priest, principal and board members
- Willingness to ask questions and seek clarification
- Ability to think strategically
- Willingness to support the contributions of other board members
- Capacity to listen in an active and meaningful way
- Willingness to work co-operatively with others
- Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times.

Our Meeting dates for 2018 are: March 14, May 9, June 20, August 1, September 5, and November 14.

If you are interested in becoming a Board member, please send in a letter of interest stating that you wish to apply for a position on the Ed Board to the school office by Friday March 2.

## **STAFF LEAVE**

Just a reminder that I will be on leave this week as I recover from some minor ear and nose surgery. Please see Anna or Tony if you require any help during my absence and they will be able to assist you.

Have a great week!

*Kevin Burke*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

### SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2018

The dates for the Sacraments for students who have been baptised in the Catholic Church have been set for 2018. They are as follows:

**Sacrament of Penance** (Reconciliation) for Year 2 students will take place on Tuesday 30th October at 7:00pm. A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday 14th October at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

**Sacrament of First Eucharist** (First Communion) for Year 3 students will take place on Sunday 27th May at 11:30am. A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday 6th May at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** for Year 6 students will take place on Thursday 30th August at 7:00pm with Bishop Terry Curtin as the celebrant. A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday 5th August at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

### LATE ARRIVALS / EARLY LEAVERS SIGN – INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

We ask all parents to sign this book if your child has arrived late at school, leaving during school hours for appointments or leaving school early. This book is kept at the front office.

### PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### FEBRUARY SILVER COIN CHALLENGE

To start the year off we will be running our Silver Coin Classroom fundraising challenge in the month of February. Bring to school all the 5, 10 and 20 cent pieces you have been saving or collecting.

The class who raises the most money will receive the perpetual trophy and a free hot chip lunch. Who will be the winning classroom this year?

#### ICY POLES

Icy poles will be sold during lunchtime each TUESDAY AND THURSDAY for Term 1. The cost of an icy pole is 50 cents.

### OLW CONTAINER SYSTEM (INFORMATION SENT / RECEIVED FROM / FOR ALL PARENTS)

At OLW, every classroom has OLW container. The container system is used for transferring all money, messages, notes to the office or teachers, etc, that your child brings to school on specific days. At the beginning of the day the classroom container is sent to the office for the correspondence, messages, money, etc to be dealt with. Before the final school bell the containers are collected from the office and all receipts, replies, newsletters, etc are taken back to the classrooms. We feel this is a great starting point for children to learn about responsibilities, and less interruption at the office.

Please encourage children to place all messages, etc into OLW classroom containers.

### SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM

The Extra-Curricular Sporting Schools Program commences tomorrow from 3.45 to 4.45 pm for students in Years 1- 6. Our sport this Term is Netball. Fruit will also be provided.

### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

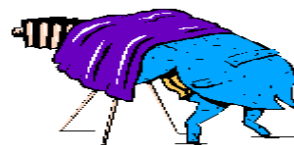
#### ENROLMENT:

The enrolment process is now available through the OLW school website at: <http://www.olwkingsbury.catholic.edu.au/location-and-contacts/20/p/before-after-school-care/>

Families can download the My Family Lounge app from the itunes store or google play store and book their children in using the MyLounge app.

The link for the website is: <https://www.qkenhanced.com.au/webui/Account/Embeddable/?databaseld=708>

### SCHOOL PHOTOS



Our Lady of the Way school photo day will be on Tuesday, March 6, 2018  
More details will follow.  
**2018 FAMILY SCHOOL FEES**



# What's on at school?

Find out with FlexiBuzz

Download the app!

GET IT ON Google Play

Download on the App Store

[www.flexibuzz.com](http://www.flexibuzz.com)

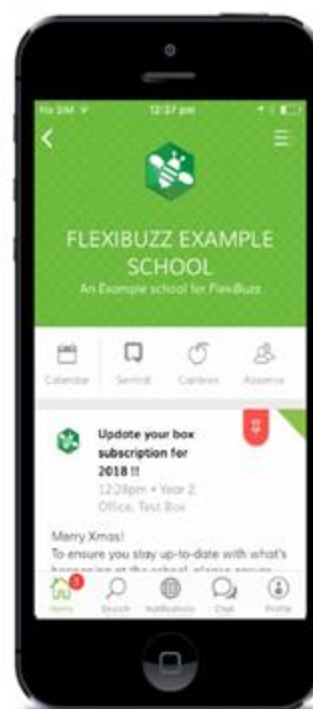
Our Lady of the Way is using the FlexiBuzz app to communicate with you on everything that is happening at school.

**Download the app, subscribe to your class group and get alerted on news, events and more....**

## Stay in touch with FlexiBuzz

- STEP 01** Sign up for FlexiBuzz and then login  
 Search "FlexiBuzz" in your app store. Go to [web.flexibuzz.com](http://web.flexibuzz.com) and click "Sign Up".
- STEP 02** Connect to us  
 Select the "Search" icon and type in our name. Select us from the results.
- STEP 03** Select your communication groups  
 Click the "Add" icon beside the communication groups that apply to you.
- STEP 04** Get started  
 Click the "Home" icon to view our recent posts.

For further information or assistance please visit our website [www.flexibuzz.com](http://www.flexibuzz.com) or email us via [support@flexibuzz.com](mailto:support@flexibuzz.com)

**Now with the app installed on your smart phone you will receive all the latest news and events from us...**



## PAYING SCHOOL FEES ELECTRONICALLY

### How does it work?

Direct Debiting allows the Catholic Development Fund (CDF), on behalf of your School, to deduct periodically from your account an agreed amount to cover your School Fees and Levies.

### Benefits to You

CDF believes that this will assist families with the difficult task of budgeting for annual school fees and charges. One less major bill to worry about and it is free. It can save you time, money and hassles. No more problems with cheques left in school bags or the worry of sending cash.

### Benefits to School

Transmission occurs automatically and is secure as no cash changes hands. The process of counting and banking funds will be greatly reduced, assisting school administration. CDF guarantees complete confidentiality on behalf of your School.

### How to Apply

- Complete the attached **Authorisation form (Part "A")** and **Direct Debit Request form**.
- Sign both forms and return to the School office.
- The School will complete **Part "B"** and forward all completed forms to CDF (allow 14 days for CDF processing).

### Variations

If you wish to alter the amount being transferred or cancel the authority, just advise your school.

Normal bank charges may apply, eg. dishonour fees if you have insufficient funds in your bank account.

(You will need to contact your bank or financial institution to establish if your account is suitable for direct debiting to occur. Credit card accounts and Passbook accounts are not suitable for direct debiting with CDF.)

December 2002

## AUTHORISATION FORM

☐ New Authority ☐ Amendment (please ✓ appropriate box)

### Part "A" (Parent to complete)

Date      /      /     

I/We authorise the Catholic Development Fund to arrange for debiting the account, as described in the **Direct Debit Request** form with the sum of \$                      (*minimum transaction amount \$20.00*).

☐ weekly ☐ fortnightly ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly  
(please ✓ preferred option.)

commencing      /      /      (allow 14 days)

until      /      /     

Sign here

Sign here

(For joint accounts, two signatures are required)

### Part "B" (School to complete)

Date      /      /     

The above amount to be credited to:

School CDF Account No.                     

School CDF Account Name                     

SF No.                      (Debtor Number)

Parent's Name                     

## DIRECT DEBIT REQUEST

Request and Authority to debit the account named below to pay the Catholic Development Fund

Request and Authority to debit	Surname or Company name Given names or AKA/BA/NA (You)
Insert name and address of financial institution at which account is held	request and authorize the Catholic Development Fund (Lic ID 11 9950) to arrange for any amount the Catholic Development Fund may debit or charge you to be debited through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System from an account held at the financial institution identified below subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement (and any further instructions provided below)
Insert details of account to be debited	Financial Institution Name Address Name of Account BSB Number Account Number
Acknowledgment	By signing this Direct Debit Request you acknowledge having read and understood the terms and conditions governing the debit arrangement between you and the Catholic Development Fund as set out in this Request and in your Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.
Insert your signature(s) and address	Signature First Name Signature First Name Signature First Name (Sign and print full names. For joint accounts, both names are required. If signing for a company include your capacity for signing, eg. Director) Address Date <u>    </u> / <u>    </u> / <u>    </u>



## CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

### Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible\* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

\* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2018) or term two (16 April 2018).

## PAYMENT AMOUNTS

### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

### NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.  
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.  
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2018 closes on 29 June, 2018.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



## CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

### Parent/legal guardian details

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-  -  -  **OR**

☐ Foster parent\* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

### Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

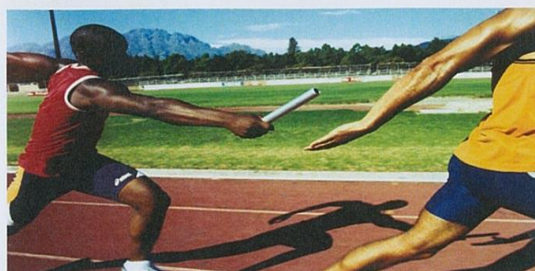
- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and for State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

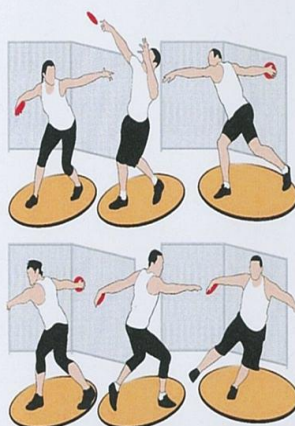
Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_



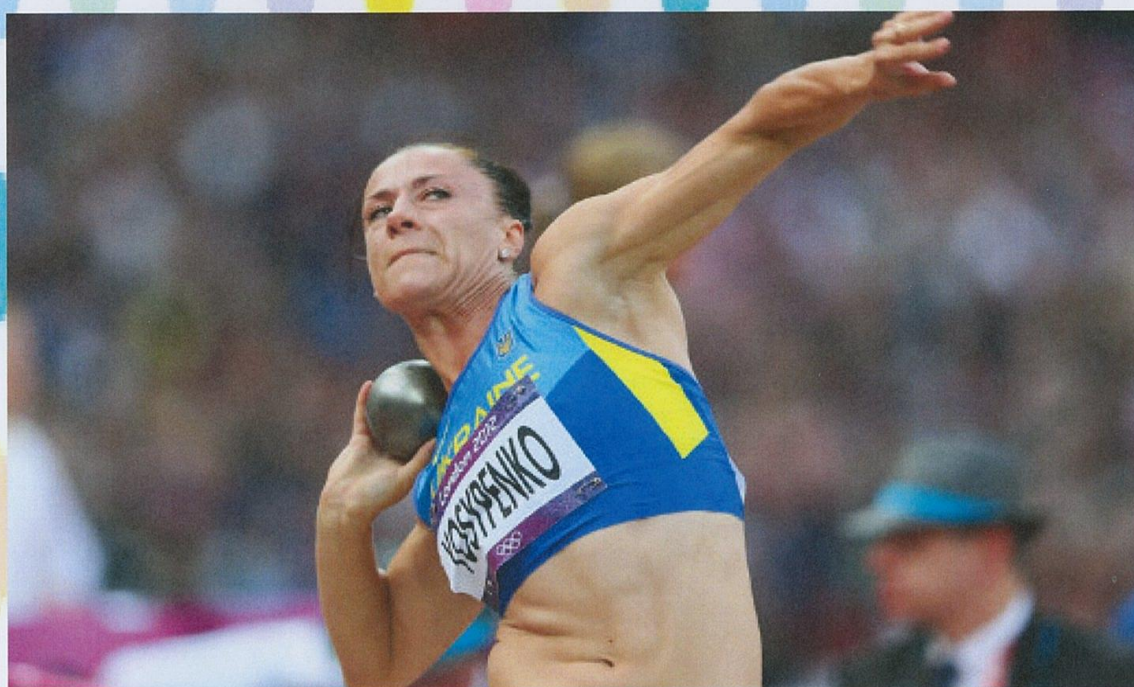
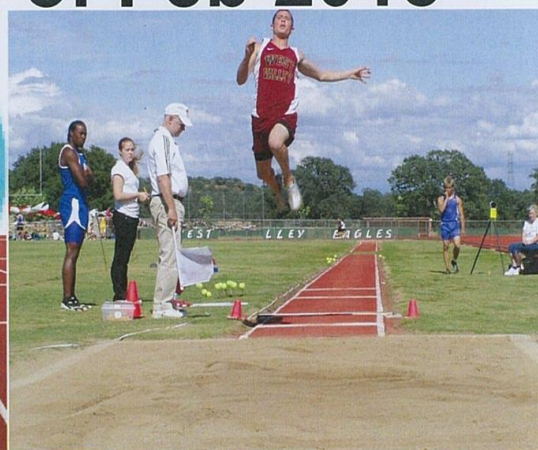


# Our Lady of the Way Year 3,4,5 & 6 Athletics Trials! Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of Feb 2018



Remember to bring your hat, a water bottle and please wear your sports uniform!

Parents welcome! Good luck!





# ***Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury***

*Presbytery: 13 Green Ave, Kingsbury, 3083*



**Parish Priest:** Fr Terry Bergin  
**Email:** [terrybergin1@bigpond.com](mailto:terrybergin1@bigpond.com)

**Tel:** 9462 1221

**School Tel:** 9460 6684

**Parish Website:** OLW Kingsbury

## **Mass Timetable**

Saturday – Vigil Mass:	6.00PM
Sunday:	8.00AM and 10.00AM
Weekdays:	10.00AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Saturday from 5.15 to 5.45PM
Rosary Monday to Saturday:	9.30AM
Divine Mercy Chaplet	After Mass Daily
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:	Friday from 9.00 to 9.30AM

**Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 9462 1221**

***Entrance Antiphon:*** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

***Communion Antiphon:*** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

## ***Readers for Sunday Mass***

11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6pm M Smyth	8am P Hearity	10am B Hayes
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6pm J Wild	8am E McGoon	10am A Fernandez

## ***Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion***

11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6pm K Zanini	10am I Lowe
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6pm L Gangi	10am B Hayes

## ***OLW Church Cleaning Roster***

17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Professional Cleaners
3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	B Bowlen    M Magnacca    P Matthews

## ***OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster***

11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Phil Tobey
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Margaret Sullivan

<b>7<sup>th</sup> Feb:</b>	Church Account	\$1025.10
	Presbytery Account	\$844.00

**11<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Sunday 10am mass. Today we remember the 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Giuseppe D'Agostino and the anniversary of Maria D'Agostino.

**Ash Wednesday this Wednesday.** Masses will be at 10am and 7pm. All Welcome!

**15<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Pastoral Leadership Team meeting on Thursday 7pm in the Presbytery.

**28<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Parish lunch, last Wednesday of Feb, 12pm at Coopers, Plenty Rd Bundoora.



**Loyola College Classic car show:** on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 6pm onwards, 325 Grimshaw St Watsonia. For more information please contact Monica on 9433 0767 or email [lexsa@loyola.vic.gov.au](mailto:lexsa@loyola.vic.gov.au)

**Lenten meeting:** There will be a Lenten meeting @ 10.45am on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb on Catholic Social Teaching, with a follow up session one month later (date to be decided). It would be great if people attending could commit to both sessions, which will be 90 minutes in duration and held in the church foyer. A parishioner Jeff Wilde from Catholic Care will be our moderator for both sessions. All welcome.

**St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham: Pancakes Plus:** to support the people of Bangladesh following floods caused by severe monsoonal rains.

At St Margaret's Anglican Church Pitt St Eltham on Shrove Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb @7.30pm. Minimum donation \$15.00, all donations tax deductible. RSVP preferred but not essential to parish office ph 9439 9238 or [parishoffice@stmargaretseltham.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@stmargaretseltham.org.au)

All proceeds to Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. An initiative of the Do Justice Group of St Margaret's.

**CatholicCare Contact Person: Key responsibilities of the Contact Person.**

- To be the first contact for CatholicCare emails and resources.
- To update us of changes.
- To promote key CatholicCare events, such as Family Week, the annual Sunday Appeal, and the Mass of Appreciation.
- To ensure publication of CatholicCare news items in the parish newsletters.
- To send stories or feedback to CatholicCare – for example, the parish's contribution to Migrant communities.

**Child safety:** We, at Our Lady of the Way, Kingsbury, are committed to ensuring that our children are safe at all times. In accordance with our Church teachings and the requirements of the Victorian State Government, we have in place a number of guidelines to safeguard our children. For further information, please refer to our church website: [www.olwkingsbury.org.au](http://www.olwkingsbury.org.au) and click on *Protect Our Children* tab.

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