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28/4/25

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents,

ANZAC DAY

Thank you to our SRC (together with Ms H) who led our Anzac Service last Thursday to commemorate the Anzac spirit and tradition. It was a very moving service, reflecting on those who have given so much for our country.



POPE FRANCIS

It has been a sad beginning to the new term as the world learnt about the passing of Pope Francis in the early hours of Easter Monday.

Pope Francis has been a kind, inclusive and loving leader of our Catholic family for 12 years and has expressed Jesus' love by being an advocate for the poor and marginalised.

Pope Francis has been a strong and bright beacon of hope in dark times and we pray that his successor will continue to bring the light of Christ into our world with compassion and humility - Just as Pope Francis did.

PREP 2026 INFORMATION EVENING - TUESDAY, 29TH APRIL

We will be hosting an Information Evening for prospective parents for Prep 2026. The evening will commence at 7 pm and provide new families with an insight into a day in the life of a student at OLW. Please note: this is an information evening for new parents who are looking to enrol for Prep 2026; existing families are most welcome but not required to attend.

Please note: Enrolments for Prep 2026 close on Friday, 16th May.

WINTER UNIFORM

As we transition to cooler weather, the children are welcome to begin wearing their winter uniform now. We are mindful that there are often warmer days for the first few weeks of Term 2 and as such the children may continue to wear their summer uniform. Stockings under summer dresses are not considered part of our uniform.

We ask that all children are in their Winter unform by Monday 19th May (Week 5).

Although hats are not complusory in Term 2, children are welcome to wear them especially on warmer days or days when the UV index is higher.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PARENT INFORMATION EVENING (TUESDAY, 13TH MAY)

We invite parents and students in Year 6, who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, to an information evening on **Tuesday**, **13**th **May at 6 pm in the school hall**. Our Religious Education Leader, Mrs Micomonaco, will lead the evening. The intention of the evening is to deepen the children's understanding of the Sacrament of Confirmation and clarify information about how the celebration, on 5th June, will take place and how the children can be best prepared. A letter will be sent home to parents this week.

MOTHER'S DAY STALL - THURSDAY, 8TH MAY

Our Mother's Day Stall will be held for our children on Thursday, 8th May. A note and order form were sent home last week. Extra copies are available at the school office.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Our Instrumental Music Program commenced in Term 1 and has been growing steadily.

If you would like to enrol your child in either keyboard or guitar lessons, please email me and I will pass your details on to the Instrumental Music Teachers.

Prep Parents please note - your children will be able to enrol in the program in Term 3.

SCHOOL SWIMMING YEARS 3 - 6 (TERM 2)

As part of our Physical Education Program all children are expected to attend Swimming Lessons. Swimming costs are included in the Levy Payment.

Swimming lessons will be held at YMCA Leisure City in Epping for all students in Years 3 - 6 every Tuesday and Thursday, commencing Tuesday, 29th April for four weeks. Lessons will end on Thursday, 22nd May. Students will travel by bus to and from the venue.

If your child is unable to partake in the swimming lessons, a medical certificate must be produced. (Please notify the office with the medical certificate).

A note was sent home last term providing further details.

Parents are welcome to watch lessons in the viewing room however are not permitted in changerooms.

All dates are elsewhere in this newsletter and can also be found in the school calendar.

OUR LADY OF THE WAY FEAST DAY

We will be celebrating our Feast Day on Friday, 23rd May, with all students attending mass at 10 am. Parents and Grandparents are most welcome to join us.

We will continue to celebrate our Parish Community throughout the day. More details to follow.

EARLY NOTICE - TERM 2, SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Our staff will be attending a Professional Learning day on Monday, 26th May to further develop understandings in the areas of Literacy and Mathematics. This day will be a school closure day for all students. TheirCare will be operating on this day.



Interschool Sport Fixture for Senior students, 2025

All Football & Soccer games will be held at J.C. Donath Reserve, Reservoir.

All Netball & T-ball games will be held at the Home School.



WORD OF THE FORTNIGHT

Congratulations to everyone who found out that 'preparation' means the things that you do, or the time that you spend preparing for something.

Our new word for the fortnight is 'rejoice'

Find out its meaning and see if you can add this word to your vocabulary this week.



Mother's Day Breakfast Friday, 9th May

On Friday, 9th May we invite all our Mothers and Grandmothers to join us for a Mother's Day Breakfast from 8 am until 9 am in our school yard. Gates will open at 8 am on this special morning.

Staff will be serving up a delicious breakfast of bacon and eggs for all.

We look forward to celebrating our wonderful Mums and Grandmothers on this special day.





A message from our Religious Education Leader - Ms Micomonaco

Jubilee years happen every 25 years and are times of reconciliation and renewal.

They have been celebrated throughout the history of the Church, but their roots go back to the Old Testament, when the Israelites were commanded to celebrate a jubilee every 50 years. It was changed in 1470, when Pope Paul II changed it from every 50 years.

The theme of this Jubilee is Pilgrims of Hope. During Jubilee 2025, Pope Francis wants everyone to have 'an intense experience of the love of God that awakens in hearts the sure hope of salvation in Christ'.

This hope is a grace from God, a trust in the Lord's promises: that he is good, that he is merciful, and that we are journeying towards the one who says, 'Look, I am making everything new' (Rev 21:5).

The beginning of the Jubilee Year was marked by the opening of the Holy Door of St Peter's Basilica in the Vatican. It is only during a Jubilee Year that these doors are opened.

The Jubilee Year is an opportunity to respond to God's call to turn to him and to pursue justice, to renew our relationship with God, with our neighbours, and with the earth itself. Often people will go on pilgrimage during a Jubilee year, to Rome or another holy site.



2025 Sacramental Dates



Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 6) Thursday, 5th June at 5 pm

Sacrament of First Eucharist (Year 3) Sunday, 3rd August at 1 pm

First Reconciliation (Year 2) Tuesday, 21st October at 2 pm



Have a great fortnight!
Grace Lucic



Calendar Dates - Term 2, 2025

	April / May		
MONDAY 28/4	Assembly (3 pm)		
TUESDAY 29/4	Swimming (all Year 3 - 6 students) Prep Parent Teacher Interviews Prep 2026 Information Evening (7 pm) for new families		
THURSDAY 1/5	Swimming (all Year 3 - 6 students)		
FRIDAY 2/5	Parents & Friends Meeting (Mother's Day stall preparation) 9 am in the school hall. All welcome! Year 3 / 4 Class Mass (10 am) - Parents and Grandparents welcome. Interschool Sport- Home Game (Senior students)		
MONDAY 5/5	School Tours (9.15 am) Assembly (3 pm) - Uniform sale after Assembly		
TUESDAY 6/5	Swimming (all Year 3 - 6 students)		
WEDNESDAY 7/5	Year 4 students to Loyola College		
THURSDAY 8/5	Mother's Day Stall Swimming (all Year 3 - 6 students)		
FRIDAY 9/5	Mother's Day Breakfast (8 am - 9 am) Interschool Sport- Away Game (Senior Students)		
MONDAY 12/5	Assembly (3 pm)		
TUESDAY 13/5	Swimming (all year 3 - 6 students) Year 6 Sacramental evening (Confirmation) - 6 pm in the hall		
WEDNESDAY 14/5	School Tours (9.15 am) District Cross Country		
THURSDAY 15/5	Swimming (all Year 3- 6 students)		
FRIDAY 16/5	Prep 2026 Applications close, Prep & Year 5/6 Class Mass (10 am) Interschool Sport- BYE		





ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Day, observed on April 25th each year, marks the anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) troops at Gallipoli in 1915 during World War I. The courage, endurance, and mateship shown by the ANZACs became defining qualities of both nations.

Over time, ANZAC Day has grown to commemorate all Australians and New Zealanders who have served and died in wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. It is a time to reflect on the cost of war, to honour those who have served our countries, and to ensure that their sacrifices are never forgotten.

Last Thursday morning, Ms H and the Student Representitive Council (SRC) led us in a service where we reflected on the values of courage, mateship, and resilience. With readings, music, and a moment of silence, we paid tribute to those who have served and continue to serve our country.

Lest we forget.

DISCOVERY DOME INCURSION

Last Tuesday the whole school participated in an immersive experience covering Earth and Space Science with a portable planetarium. The student's were amazed with Nick's presentations focusing on (P-2) Day and Night & Seasons, (3/4) Earth, Moon & Sun & Earth's rotations and (5/6) Natural Disasters. Each presentation explored by the student, link to their Term 2 Inquiry focus of Earth and Space Sciences.









Our Lady of the Way





APRIL 29 at 7 PM

For further information, please contact the Principal

Mrs. Grace Lucic

Phone: 9460 6684

Or visit http://www.olwkingsbury.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information





Celebrate Mum with one of our lovingly curated hampers! Perfect for gifting a smile this Mother's Day.

<u> Hamper Sneak Peek</u>

Glow Getter: For the mum who radiates wellness, strength, and style.

Pour & Platter: For the mum who pairs good food with great memories.

Snuggle & Sip: For the mum who loves cozy moments and sweet treats.

Rise & Shine: For the mum who starts the day with energy and elegance.

Me-Time Magic: For the mum who deserves a little sparkle and relaxation.

Grandma's Treasures: For the heart of the family, filled with love & keepsakes.

All proceeds support our school—thank you for helping us spread love this Mother's Day!

Mother's Day stall will be held on Thursday, 8th of May 2025

Gifts cost \$10 each (1 gift per child)
We also have gifts to purchase for grandmothers - \$5 (limited stock)

Each gift will come in a special bag.

Please send the correct money in an envelope clearly labeled with your child's name & class (no change given).

Return to your child's teacher by 5th of May-not to the office.

Our Lady of the Way Parents and Friends Association

Mother's Day Stall

Child's Name		
Child's Grade		
Total Amount Enclosed \$	(Gifts are \$10 ed	ich – 1 gift per child
Grandparent Gift: Y/N (\$5 enclosed)		3,1

Return the slip by 5th of May along with the money in an labeled envelope to your child's teacher





RED DOOR CAFE LUNCH ORDERS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

PH: 9078 9725

TOASTIES

WRAPS

Cheese: \$7.00

Cheese & Ham: \$7.50

Chicken Schnitzel: \$11.90

Cheese & Tomato : \$7.50 Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo \$11.90

Cheese, Ham & Tomato: \$8.50 Ham: \$8.90

HOT FOOD

5 Nuggets & Chips: \$9.90

Pizza(Magarita): \$7.50

Lasagne: \$12.90

Penne Bolognese: \$10.90

1/2 Sausage Roll:\$ 6.00

Whole Sausage Roll: \$10.90

Chips:\$6.00





TheirCare Program

KINGSBURY THEIRCARE



Monday

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday

Origami Poppies were the main activity today in honour of the special Poppy symbol for ANZAC day. We listened carefully to the instructions and watched intently to copy the folds and create beautiful origami poppies!

Wednesday

Today we had an AMAZING cooking activity that had such deep meaning. We made ANZAC biscuits in celebration of ANZAC day, and while making these we had incredible conversations about why this day is so special and how important it is to remember those who fought in the war for us. Not only were the biscuits delicious, but the learnings were just as incredible.

Thursday

Today was an amazing day as we not only had sunrise painting on offer where we mixed beautiful colours and made a lovely landscape painting, but we also had tail tiggy outside which was a major hit given that the weather was amazing! The kids love playing this game, it keeps them active and engaged while practicing important skills like resilience, perseverance and good sportsmanship.

Reminders

We cannot stress enough the **extremely crucial need** to be booking as early as possible AND communicating with us if plans change.

We have a **strict 1:15** ratio that we must uphold, and if there are late bookings or non-communicated cancellations, **this** causes us to have inaccurate ratios.

If your child is away from school or if plans change, a friendly but CRUCIAL reminder to give us the heads up via a text or call - it goes a long way!

Reflections

SUCCESSES:

- · Getting back into term-time routines
- Listening deeply to friends about their holidays
- · Fun activities

CHALLENGES

Observations

Friday

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

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KINGSBURY THEIRCARE



PHOTOS





Community News



Open Day - Jiu-Jitsu & Judo <u>Monday 12th May</u>



Come along and try it out!

Judo will teach you how to fall correctly with minimum injury, how to throw a person, and grappling and ground skills. Extending the Judo training methods of falling, kata, and randori in Jiu-Jitsu we practice direct trained responses to common and realistic attacks. Classes include both Jiu-Jitsu & Judo.

We hope to provide self-discipline and individual initiative, mental alertness and physical training, body coordination, control and self-confidence. As well as a system of practical self defence and recreational activity. We use a range of training methods such as

- · Cooperative, paired practice
- · Randori: free practice, Shiai: contest
- · Games in kids classes

CLASS

How much?

When? Monday nights - starting Monday 12th May 2025

Age 6-13: 6:15-7:15PM:

Age 13+ & Adults: 7:15 - 8:45PM

Where? Heidelberg Presbyterian Church (Lower level), 110 Hawdon St, Heidelberg - *Access from side of church

FREE for the month of MAY 2025. Generally \$10 for kids and \$15 for

adults per class plus annual registration

How to sign up? email SenseiOwen@jiujitsu.org.au to express your interest

What to wear? For new students, wear loose fitting clothing (track pants and T-shirt) and

initially you can borrow a spare gi (jacket)

Who can learn? Males and Females from 6 through 70. No prior experience is required.

INSTRUCTOR

Sensei Owen has been an instructor for adults and kids classes for over 20 years in Macleod, Viewbank, Blackburn and Box Hill.

