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25/8/25

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,



### *FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST*

We invite all of our Dads and Grandfathers to a special bbq breakfast of bacon and egg rolls and coffee on **Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September from 8am - 9am.** We look forward to celebrating with you!

### FATHER'S DAY STALL

Our Parents & Friends will be hosting our Father's Day stall on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September between 9-11am. If you would like to purchase a gift please return order form with money by this Friday, 29th August. Order forms are still available from the school office.

### PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS - MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

Parent teacher Interviews will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September from 9am- 7pm. Booking forms were sent home last week. I have also attached a copy in this newsletter. **Bookings will open tonight at 7pm.** This is a wonderful opportunity for families and teachers to celebrate learning achievements across Term 3 and discuss what areas students are continuing to consolidate and build upon. Families who have their child/ren on a Personalised Learning Plan will have time to discuss their child's achievements, adjustments and goals in this meeting.

### THE RESILIENCE PROJECT - INFORMATION EVENING

Over the last 2 years, OLW has implemented an evidence-based wellbeing program called The Resilience Project. Student's participate in and complete a variety of activities that are guided by the key principles of Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness and Emotional Literacy. The activities give students a chance to practise these concepts, individually and in groups and are encouraged to develop positive wellbeing habits. While we have been embedding this practise into our school culture, we are inviting parents to an information session on **Tuesday, 2nd September at 6pm** in the Hall to further deepen their understanding and assist in supporting their child/ren's wellbeing. Parents play a big role in supporting the development of positive wellbeing habits at home and futher information and resources will be provided at this session, including access to the TRP's Parent Hub.

### SCHOOL DISCO - FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST

Our annual school Disco will be held this Friday 29th September hosted by MoveDanceCo. The Prep-2 session is from 5-6:30pm and 3-6 Session is from 7-8:30pm. Thank you to all parents who are coming along to support this event. RSVP forms are required back to the office as soon as possible. **All student's attending will need to be signed in and sign out at the Hall at the beginning and completion of their session.** 



### COMPASS PLATFORM

In Term 4, the OLW School Community will transition across to a new digital platform called Compass. Compass is set to replace Operoo, Audiri and Nforma. I will be providing families with further information about Compass before the end of Term. It will be a wonderful opportunity to streamline all of our current digital platforms into one.

### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS: FUTURE DATES

There will be 2 further school closures day this Term, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of September (Staff First Aid Training) and Monday 15<sup>th</sup> of September (Parent Teacher Interviews). TheirCare will operate on these days.

### **BOOK WEEK**

Thank you to everyone for their support, attendance and effort in celebrating Book Week and our Parade. There were so many fantastic costumes seen throughout the parade. I would especially like to thank Ms Lisa Hrisikos for her incredible Book Week displays around the school and for providing the students with wonderful opportunities to explore different authors and texts through library lessons.



### **PHONES**

As part of our commitment to uphold Child Safety Policies, I have asked any students who have a mobile phone at school to hand them into their classroom teacher or the office at the beginning of the day and collect them at the end of school day. This ensures that phones are kept safe, protected from loss or damage, and are not a distraction during school time. It also helps children to develop healthy habits by focusing on their friendships, outside play and classroom activities without the interruptions. I thank parents for supporting this practice as it helps us prioritise learning, wellbeing and safety for every student.

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If children are being dropped off at and picked up from school each day, there shouldn't be a need for a phone at school.

#### SMART WATCHES

It has come to my attention that a number of students are wearing smart watches. While I do not have a problem with students wearing them, I have asked the teachers to monitor the students to ensure they are not distracted by them. There is a School Mode function which I encourage parents to turn on. If children are caught using them inappropriately; texting, calling, taking photos or playing games, students will be asked to hand them up to their teacher and the watch will need to be collected by a parent after school. The watch will then need to stay at home.

#### **KINECT2DANCE PROGRAM & ASSEMBLY**

Students are over half way through their Dance Sessions. There will be an Assembly to present what they have learnt on Monday 1st of September at 2:30 pm.

#### **FUTURESCAPES TERM 4**

As we prepare for Ms Hannah Walsh to begin her Maternity leave (finishing at the end of Term 3), Mrs Jessica Belvedere will be taking over the specialist class for Term 4. We thank Hannah for her wonderful sessions in the area of STEM and welcome Jessica into the role.



### **DIVISION ATHLETICS**

28 of our students will be travelling to Meadowglen Track on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> September to participate in Division Athletics. These students qualified either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in their event at the District Athletics earlier in the year.

### YEAR 6 2026 UNIFORM SIZING DAY

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of August, current Year 5 students and parents will have the opportunity to come and try on their Year 6 Hoodie and Polo T-Shirt (new) and complete an order form if they would like to purchase any items. As per tradition, a Year 6 Hoodie will be purchased by the school for each Year 6 student. Try on's will be from 8:30am-4pm in Mrs Lucic's office.

### 5/6 DRUG EDUCATION INCURSION

As part of the Year 5/6 Inquiry unit for Term 3 on Health Science, there will be an incursion focusing on Drug Education. This session is school-age appropriate and focuses on educating students about the implications of drugs and alcohol and also addresses peer pressure. An Opt-Out form and information sheet was sent home to Year 5/6 Parents last week. If you do not wish for your child to participate in this session please return the form or email me by this Wednesday, 27th August.

### SAFETY SQUAD INCURSION

On Monday 1st September, Year P-2 Students will be participating in the RACV Safety Squad Incursion linking to their health and safety Inquiry unit. The sessions will focus on how to be safe around roads near homes and school.

### PREP FIRE FIGHTER SESSIONS

Our Preps will be participating in 2 Fire Fighter sessions linking to their Safety Units. They are scheduled for Thursday 4th and 11th of September. Of course, if there is an emergency where they are required, the sessions will be rescheduled.

#### BISHOP THINH VISIT TO OLW PARISH

Bishop Thinh (originally from the OLW Parish) joined the OLW Parish Community to say Mass yesterday. It was a beautiful celebration and Bishop Thinh was very moved by it. I would like to thank Lucas, Ava, Eddie and Toby for their beautiful reading and I would also like to thank Leopold and Arlo for presenting the gifts. It was lovely to have our children involved in the mass. Thank you to their parents also for helping to prepare the children.

#### SAC MEETING

Our next School Advisory Council Meeting has been set for Wednesday, 10th September at 6pm. An agenda will be sent shortly.





#### SACRAMENTAL DATES 2025

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



### PHRASE OF THE FORTNIGHT

Congratulations to all of those who learnt that a '100 days brighter' is an idiom used to describe the growth in learning and academics, especially for our Preps.

Our word for this fortnight is: 'perspective'

Find out its meaning and see if you can add this to your vocabulary over the next fortnight.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

We congratulate Mrs Belvedere who is expecting her second child early next year. We wish her all the very best over the coming months.

Have a great fortnight!
Grace Lucic



### **GEM+EL Chats**

GEM Chats are questions and prompts designed to start a conversation or encourage students and families to reflect on their GEM+EL habits. They provide a great opportunity to build connections between members of the school community or home and can be facilitated by any staff member or parent.

**TRP Parent Info Session:** Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 6pm in Hall.

### This week's GEM chat focus is on





### **Guiding Principles**

The four focus areas of The Resilience Project are: Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness & Emotional Literacy. These evidence-based principles are proven to cultivate positive emotions.

These principles are explored through lessons, occuring weekly at OLW which will equip students with lifelong wellbeing habits, builds resilience and with family support- to foster and embed wellbeing at home.

### **Gratitude**



Gratitude involves recognising and expressing appreciation for the people, places and things in our lives. Practising gratitude allows us to pay attention to what we have, increasing feelings of happiness and leading to a more positive outlook on life.

### **Emotional Literacy**

**Empathy** 

Empathy involves understanding

others' feelings and perspectives and is

practised through kindness, compassion

and curiosity. Developing empathy

fosters deeper connections, increases

our likelihood of acting kindly, and helps

us experience positive emotions.



Emotional Literacy involves learning to identify and label our emotions, as well as developing emotional regulation skills. When we can accurately name our feelings and emotions, it reduces the impact of uncomfortable emotions and enhances the effect of positive ones.

### Mindfulness



The practice of mindfulness is about an awareness of life as we are living it.

It allows us to be responsive to our experiences rather than being reactive, and to live with greater balance, presence and connection.



### SCHOOL CAPTAINS YEAR LEVEL NEWS



Imogen
What's happening in Prep

The preps are really excited during Reading because they have started learning about stamina reading. They have been able to read for 5 minutes without distractions!

In spelling they looked at the | sh | digraph and learnt all about it.



Zara H
What's happening in 1/2

The 1/2s in Maths are focusing on division. They are making great progress and are revising some of the division facts.

Their enthusiasm for learning has made a huge difference.



Benji PM What's happening in 3/4

The 3/4s have been working hard in Maths, focusing on recognising and naming angles. They have been building their speed when recalling 3 timestables. In Literacy, they have been loving their novel-The One and Only Ivan.

Benji PM
What's happening in 5/6

In 5/6 we have been working on calculating angles with protractors. In Inquiry, we are learning about different the body systems:

- nervous
- muscular
- skeletal
- respiratory
- circulatory

and using our new knowledge to create a pamplet.

### FAITH LEADERS UPATE



### **Feast of the Assumption**

On Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> August the whole school joined with the parish to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption, when Mary went to heaven, Body and Soul.



### SPORT CAPTAINS UPDATE







5/6 Reservoir Cup Basketball
Tournament

The 5/6 teams played 5 - 6 games that were intense and very competitive. Many players were able to contribute to the score.

Overall we were very happy with our games and both the boys and girls finished with only 1 loss, which landed us in 2<sup>nd</sup> place!



# 3/4 Reservoir Cup Indoor Soccer Tournament

The 3/4 Soccer teams had a great tournament on Friday. Mr Tormey and Mrs Mithen were wonderful coaches.

Both teams had very tough games, but were able to win many. The girls finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and the boys finished 2<sup>nd</sup>.



### Reservoir Cup Dates:





Year 3/4 Soccer Tournment: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August

Year 5/6 Soccer Tournment: Friday 29th August

Reservoir High Sports Stadium (855 Plenty Rd, Reservoir VIC 3073).









## Calendar Dates - Term 3, 2025

	August/September
	Week 6
MONDAY 25/8	Assembly (3 pm)
TUESDAY 26/8	Kinect2Dance session 5 After School Sports - Soccer (Session 3): Prep - Year 6
WEDNESDAY 27/8	Year 6, 2026 Hoodie & Polo Uniform Fitting (8.30 am - 4 pm)
THURSDAY 28/8	Year 5/6 Drug Education program
FRIDAY 29/8	5/6 Soccer Reservoir Cup School Disco Yr P - 2 (5 - 6:30 pm), Yr 3 - 6 (7- 8:30 pm)
	Week 7
MONDAY 1/9	P-2 RACV Safety Squad Incursion (9-12:30pm) Extended Assembly with Kinect2Dance (2:30 pm)
TUESDAY 2/9	Afters school Sports (Session 4- Final) Prep-Year 6 The Resilience Project Family Evening - 6 pm in the hall
THURSDAY 4/9	Father's Day Stall (9-11am) Prep Fire Fighter Visit 1 (Morning session)
FRIDAY 5/9	Father's Day Breakfast (8am) 3/4 Healthy Living Incursion (2pm)
	Week 8
MONDAY 8/9	Division Athletics Carnival- Meadowglen Track
WEDNESDAY 10/9	5/6 Class Mass (10am) SAC Meeting (6pm)
THURSDAY 11/9	Prep Fire Fighter Visit 2 (Morning Session)
FRIDAY 12/9	School Closure Day - Staff First Aid Training (TheirCare Available)





# RED DOOR CAFE LUNCH ORDERS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

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### 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







### **Book School Interviews Online**

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held on Monday, 15th September from 9am until 7pm. This day will be a Closure Day for students however they are required to attend the interview with their parents. Bookings can be made via <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> using the School Event code shown below.

Bookings will open on Monday, 25th August at 7 pm.

Bookings will close on Friday, 12th September at 5 pm.



Go to <a href="http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au">http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a>
Or scan the QR Code:











When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to <a href="www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

All interviews are onsite at OLW and they are strictly 15 minutes.

If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the <a href="www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking.

Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on 9460 6684.

Students are required to attend the Interview along with their parents



### Their Care Program





#### IMPORTANT REMINDER

WE CANNOT STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF BOOKING EARLY,

#### AND COMMUNICATING WITH OUR STAFF.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU ARE **BOOKING AS EARLY AS YOU CAN**, AS BOOKING IN ADVANCE SUPPORTS US TO STAFF THE PROGRAM ADEQUATELY IN LINE WITH OUR **LEGAL 1:15** 

### Monday

Pupil Free Day - Today we had both Kingsbury and OLW in for PFD. We did lots of fun activities throughout the day. We did a cooking activitiy which was so fun and got everyone involved, we did hama beads which is always a favourite and then in the afternoon we memory tag and made some origami cranes!

WE UNDERSTAND THAT PLANS
CHANGE, AND IT CAN HAPPEN LAST
MINUTE, BUT COMMUNICATION IS KEY
SO PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIVE US A
CALL TO ALERT US OF ANY LAST
MINUTE CHANGES, SO THAT WE CAN
STAFF APPROPRIATELY AND SUPPORT
YOU AS BEST WE CAN.

### Tuesday

Humanitarian Posters - Today we spoke about what Humanitarian week/day is all about and what it represents, we the went off and made some awesome posters to represent humanitarian week. They got creative and they looked awesome and will be put up in the room!

### Wednesday

Poison Ball - This is always a favourite at OSHC and we haven't done it in a while so it was great to bring it back. They had so much fun and were all so engaged playing it was great to see! They showed great turn-taking, sharing and played in respect to one another.

#### **Thursday**

Badminton - This was a really fun acitivity, we haven't done this in a few weeks so was good to bring it back as they love it! They practiced both their fine and gross motor skills which was great to see! They were all so engaged and showing great turn-taking, sharing and teamwork.

#### Friday

Kinetic Sand - This is always a nice way to end the week, we did some sensory play with the kinetic sand which was fun and great way to wind down from the school week! They always love doing this and get creative using dinosuars and making volcanos!

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### KINGSBURY THEIRCARE



#### Reflections

#### SUCCESSES:

- Staff engaging with children and leading to overall enagement in all activities.
- Pupil Free Day was busy and students were engaged all day!
- Spending the afternoons outside in the sun!

#### CHALLENGES

- Observations
- Had some challenging art activities, but guided by staff they completed them successfully!
- Noise levels

#### **PHOTOS**

















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'FATHERING FROM THE FRONT LINE'

WEDNESDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 7.00PM - 8.30PM

LOYOLA COLLEGE - 325 GRIMSHAW STREET, WATSONIA

### REGISTER FOR FREE:





BE INSPIRED, BE CHALLENGED, BE THE FATHER YOUR CHILDREN NEED.

### WHY IT MATTERS

A father who is present, loving and intentional shapes the destiny of his children and echoes that impact through generations. This evening could change your approach to fathering. And in doing so, it could change your child's future.