



Our Lady of the Pines Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

We are called to:
Act justly
Love tenderly
Walk humbly with our
God
(Micah)

We Are Community

Week 6 - Term 2
28 May 2019

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY 31 May
Whole School
Confirmation Mass

Wednesday 05 June
PARENTS AND
FRIENDS MEETING
7:00pm



OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH

Parish Priest
Fr Jerald

MASS TIMES

- **Saturday Vigil**
Mass 5:00 pm
- **Sunday morning**
9:30 am

All welcome



**SCHOOL
BANKING**

Each **Wednesday**

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Students

Principal's Reflection

John Lennon's 1956 headmaster wrote that, '*He has too many wrong ambitions and his energy is too often misplaced*'; Richard Branson left school at 16; Steven Spielberg was rejected from film school; Michael Jordan did not make his high school basketball team. A significant number of people who have had a noteworthy influence on their world do not look back fondly on school years that would be described as positive, golden years for them, their families or teachers. However, they achieved quite remarkable things in their chosen adult 'vocations'.

Martin Seligman, at the University of Pennsylvania, has studied this phenomenon, and he has found that success in life is driven by one critical distinction - whether you believe that your failures are produced by personal deficits beyond your control, or that they are mistakes you can fix with effort. Success isn't the only thing determined by your mindset. Seligman has found much higher rates of depression in people who attribute their failures to personal deficits. Optimists fare better; they treat failure as learning experiences and believe they can do better in the future.

According to Seligman, successful people appear to believe in several simple notions:

- they believe that they are the average of the five people with whom they spend the most time
- they focus their attention on all the things for which they are grateful
- they look for the good that is happening in the world
- they focus their effort on doing what they can every single day to improve their own lives and the world around them, because these small steps are all it takes to make the world a better place

Research suggests that when planning a future with students the number of students who failed to reach age appropriate grades dropped by more than one half if they were asked what kind of future they would like to have, what hurdles they anticipated, how they might deal with them, and which of their friends would be most helpful along the way. An important aspect of our daily conversations involve teachers expecting the student to identify goals for progress, and endeavouring to support and consolidate the possibility of the achievement of goals. Healthy and open discussions about performance and outcomes are key features for all involved in education.

Henry David Thoreau, the American philosopher, stated that, *'The only way to tell the truth is to speak with kindness. Only the words of a loving person can be heard'*. I always take heart that the education we endeavour to provide at Our Lady of the Pines reflects not only academic rigour, but also a recognition of the value of character. A child's academic performance is important, however, it is only one measure of his or her learning. I thank all in our school community who supports our Vision (**Act Justly, Love Tenderly, Walk Humbly**), which results in a home-school relationship that values a holistic education.

Art Competition - the Pines

To celebrate Education Week, Stockland – The Pines, is running an art competition for local primary schools. OLOP has entered this competition and our art piece is on display. We would appreciate families visiting the shopping centre and voting for our entry. Anyone aged over 13 years of age can vote. Voting forms were sent home with your child last week and if we have more in the office if you require them. These can be lodged at the Pines or you may return them to the office and we will lodge them for you. More forms are available on request or there is a copy attached to this newsletter. The artwork from all participating schools will be displayed from 19 to 26 May, and voting closes 5 June.

District Cross Country

Last week we had a representative team compete in the district Cross Country carnival. I would like to congratulate all students who participated and tried their hardest in competing in each event. I would like to congratulate the following students who finished in the top 10 of their age group and move onto the division cross country at Yarra Glen on 4 June.

Chelsea Mazzone

Gabriel Fabbris

Zara Oxnam

Isabella Richardson

Aurelia Hills

Teagan Murtic

Elizabeth Fyfe

Archer Condie

Sienna Dimitriou (Emergency)

Madeleine Fitz (Emergency)

Thank you to Danielle Cuthbertson for organising the team as well as Ina Cheng and Trish Gurney who supported and supervised the students on the day.

SCHOOL CLOSURE – PUPIL FREE DAYS

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday –

Monday 10 June

Please note the next public holiday is the Queen's birthday. There will be no school on this day.

Pupil Free Day - Friday 21 June

We will be holding our first pupil free day this year on Friday, 21 June, where the staff will be looking at pedagogy (the art of teaching), planning in professional levels, NCCD and work around analysis of data.

Whole School Confirmation Mass –

Friday 31 May

The whole school will celebrate with the confirmation candidates at a Mass at 9:00am this Friday. An invitation is extended to our school community to attend.

Board Meeting -

Tuesday 4 June

Our next board meeting will be held next Tuesday evening at 7.00pm in the staffroom

OLOP Observer

The remainder of our OLOP Observer editions are as follows:

Week 7 **Thursday 6 June**

4 levels

Week 8 **Thursday 13 June**

Specialist levels snapshot

Week 9 **Thursday 20 June**

Religion and Digital Technologies

P&F Meeting -

Wednesday 5 June

I would like to take this opportunity to invite all our parents to a Parents and Friends meeting on Wednesday, 5 June, at 7.00pm in the staffroom. This meeting will discuss the future direction of our Parents and Friends Association, the level of support and help in the key areas of fundraising and parent involvement at OLOP. I look forward to seeing as many parents there as possible.

Senior Science - Gallery Viewing -

Friday 7 June

During Term 1, the senior students investigated some of the structural features and adaptations of desert plants and animals. They produced an electronic poster and a built a model showing the features and adaptations that help living things survive in their natural environment. Parents, grandparents and friends are encouraged to come along and see the wonderful research work the students have completed. Viewing time is on Friday, 7 June, from 2.20pm onwards.

Enrolment 2020

If you have a child who will be entering Foundation (Prep) in 2020 & 2021, or know of anyone in the community who may be thinking of sending their child to Our Lady of the Pines Catholic Primary School, we are currently taking enrolments for 2020 & 2021.

Parents of new students can organise with Noreen Forsyth in Administration, for myself to take them on a tour and discuss all aspects of the school. Parents can obtain an enrolment application form from Noreen. If these could be filled in and returned to school as soon as possible, it would be greatly appreciated.

I wish everyone an enjoyable week and God Bless.

Go the Blues.

Brendan Keeling - Principal

"We are Community"

STOCKLAND 'THE PINES SHOPPING CENTRE' ART COMPETITION EDUCATION WEEK



Our Lady of the Pines school is participating in an art competition at The Pines Stockland shopping centre to celebrate Education Week. The theme for the artwork is

'Celebrating Careers'

Please vote for OLOP when visiting the Pines

STUDENT ABSENCES

Please note that it is very important, and a legal requirement, that all student absences are to be reported on our Flexibuzz app, before 9:30am on the day of absence



Techology Team -

Parent Tech Learning Session 2019
Our TechOLOPy team of students invite all interested parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles etc. to come along to a learning session of technology. Please see the full page flyer further in the newsletter (on page 8).

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Thank you to all the students who have been bringing in completed sheets of stickers

**Sticker count to date is:
6000 approx.**

CONGRATULATIONS ! Andrew Fleming



Andrew Fleming, was recently nominated for the Young Citizen of the Year Award at Manningham Civic Awards last week.

This is a very wonderful achievement. Congratulations Andrew.

The picture shows Andrew receiving his award from the Manningham City Council Mayor, Paula Piccinini.

Term 2 – 2019 – CALENDAR

Please check regularly for amendments

Friday	May 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Whole School Confirmation Mass •Fitness Friday
Monday	June 03	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •School Assembly .. 2:20pm
Tuesday	June 04	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Excursion – Years 1 & 2 – Scienceworks •OLOP School Board Meeting (pm)
Wednesday	June 05	•P&F Meeting – All welcome
Friday	June 07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Senior Science – Gallery viewing
MONDAY	June 10	•QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY – No School
Friday	June 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Fitness Friday
Monday	June 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •School Assembly – 2:20pm
Thursday	June 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Reports go home
Friday	June 21	•STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – No school for students
Monday	June 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews
Friday	June 28	•TERM 2 ENDS - Students Dismissed at 1:00pm

Term 3 – 2019 – CALENDAR

Monday	July 15	•Beginning Term 3
Friday	July 26	•Grandparent's Whole School Mass
SATURDAY	AUG 03	•Eucharist Commitment Mass
Wednesday	Aug 07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Eucharist Parent/Child
Thursday	Aug 08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Premier's Reading Challenge ends
Sunday	Aug 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •SCIENCE WEEK begins •PARISH SOCIAL AFTERNOON – all welcome
THURSDAY	AUG 15	•FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION – School Feast Day
Sunday	Aug 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BOOK WEEK BEGINS ' Reading Is My Secret Power'
SUNDAY	AUG 18	•FIRST EUCHARIST MASS 9:30 AM
Monday	Aug 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BOOK WEEK PARADE
Thursday	Aug 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ATHLETICS DAY
SATURDAY	AUG 24	•FIRST EUCHARIST MASS 5:00PM
SUNDAY	AUG 25	•FIRST EUCHARIST MASS 11:30AM
Friday	Aug 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Father's Day Celebration
Sunday	Sept 01	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •FATHER'S DAY
FRIDAY	SEPT 06	•FIRST EUCHARIST WHOLE SCHOOL MASS
Monday	Sept 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ITALIAN DAY
Friday	Sept 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •FOOTY DAY
FRIDAY	Sept 20	•END OF TERM 2 – Students dismissed at 1:00pm
Monday	Oct 7	•Beginning Term 4

LIBRARY NEWS

Australian Library and Information Association | SCHOLASTIC | LIANZA

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Alpacas with Maracas

Wednesday 22 May 2019 www.alia.org.au/nss #NSS2019 #1millionkidsreading



Last Wednesday morning, all students participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime. Simultaneous Storytime is held annually to promote the value of reading and literacy as well as promoting the value and fun of books.

Each year, a picture book is read simultaneously in libraries and schools around the country. This year we enjoyed *Alpacas with Maracas* written and illustrated by Matt Cosgrove.

Nadia Vovos - Library Manager



Happy
Birthday



MAY
BIRTHDAYS

God **ble**ss you **al**ways.



Happy birthday to:

Front Row: Aisha, Zack, Eamon, Oscar, Zarli, Nicola,
Eve, Maya, Deanna

Rear: Mark, Annika, Misha, Isabella, Ella, Zoravar,
Zachary, Chelsea



TECHNOLOGY TEAM PRESENTS

COMMUNITY & PARENT TECH LEARNING SESSION 2019



Presented by Zahli, Maddison, Jacob,
Misha, Bobby and Katia

MEET AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.
THERE WILL BE 2 SESSIONS
ON TUESDAY 11TH JUNE:

- 9AM - 9:45AM
- 2:30PM - 3:15PM

At our learning session we will be
teaching you how to use Google Drive .

If you can attend please fill
complete the form.

<https://bit.ly/2HLoReJ>

GENERAL NOTICES – SCHOOL

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Weekly Newsletter

Our school newsletter is sent to parents via email and Flexibuzz on Tuesday of each week. Our newsletter is also available via email to any other interested person or group. Please email newsletter@olopdonvale.catholic.edu.au to request a weekly copy or to UNSUBSCRIBE. **Deadline for newsletter articles is 1:00pm Monday.**

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

– (New uniform items) Our school uniform shop is opened twice each week:
TUESDAY MORNINGS: 8:30 to 9:30am and
THURSDAY AFTERNOONS: 3:00 to 4:00pm
Contact: Vera Scala 0400 896 390

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The second-hand uniform shop is located in the Grade 1 community area.

Opening hours:

Tuesdays 8.45 am – 9.30 am
(Natasha)

Thursdays 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm
(Ina & Marita)

Cash or cheques only. Cheques are payable to Our Lady of the Pines P&F.

Donations of second hand items in good condition are always needed, however if they could be laundered before being sent to school, it would be very much appreciated.

For further information please call.

NATASHA LIMNEOS on 0423 158 068

Parking

Neighbour
respect
community

STUDENT ABSENCES

All families are reminded that student absences are to be reported on our Flexibuzz app, before 9:30am on the day of absence please.

FOR SALE - GIRLS' CLARK SCHOOL

SHOES - SIZE 4½ D

–worn for 1 week only.

If interested please call

Monica 0411221794



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

(fundraising for OLOP)

The new 2019/2020 Entertainment Memberships are available from the school. C. They have extended the Woolworths + Cellarmasters Bonus offers.



Available as a digital or a hardcopy.

Order from:
copy

www.entbook.com.au/109v24

WOOLWORTHS LEARN & LEARN STICKERS



We are registered in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. We have boxes as collection points at both the Pines Shopping Centre and Jackson's Court. Earn and Learn stickers can also be sent to the school office. The more stickers we collect, the more new equipment receive FREE !

So please, tell all your family and friends to help us receive as much as we can for our school



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2019 – 2020

The 2018-2019 Entertainment books are quickly expiring. If you would like to update your previous edition and obtain a new book, either digital or hard copy, please do it through OLOP as this is part of our fundraising. There are some bonus offers with your first purchase (see below).



Order on the following link

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1809v24>

Buy a new Membership and get a BONUS \$10 Priceline eGift Card!

Right now until Midnight June 1st, when you buy an Entertainment Membership you will also receive a bonus \$10 Priceline eGift Card!

A promotional banner with a dark blue background. On the left, there is an image of a smartphone displaying the Entertainment Books app and a hardcover book. In the center, the text reads "Bonus Gift limited time!" and "Buy before 11.59pm, June 1 2019." On the right, there is a pink Priceline Pharmacy logo and a "\$10* eGift Card" graphic.

There are only five days until the expiry of the 2018 | 2019 Memberships, purchase your new 2019 | 2020 Membership TODAY, and support Our Lady of the Pines

Purchase your 2019 | 2020 Entertainment membership!

A promotional banner with a green background. On the left, there is an image of a family (a man, a woman, and two children) sitting around a table with a basket of fruit. In the center, the text reads "Buy the 19|20 Membership and you could win Woolworths WISH eGift Cards to the value of \$1,000" and "Competition ends 11:59pm AEST June 1". On the right, there is the Woolworths logo. At the bottom right, there is the Entertainment Books logo. A small asterisk and "Terms and conditions apply" are at the bottom left.

Dear God

As I lay me down to sleep,

Relax the tension of my body;

Calm the restlessness of my mind;

Still the thoughts which worry and perplex me.

Help me to rest myself and all my problems
in your strong and loving arms

Let your Spirit speak to my mind and heart while I am
asleep,

so that , when I wake up in the morning,
I may find that I have received during the night,

Light for my way;

Strength for my tasks;

Peace for my worries;

Forgiveness form my wrongs,

Grant me sleep tonight,
and tomorrow power to live,

Amen