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"It's never over until we're shaking hands at the net. Then you've either won or you've lost, and – either way – you look them in the eye and say, 'Well played mate'."

Ash Barty

DATES TO REMEMBER

SATURDAY, 24 TH	3.00PM	YEAR 4 FIRST EUCHARIST
TUESDAY, 27 TH		INTERSCHOOL CHESS TOURNAMENT AT OHR
WEDNESDAY, 28 TH	7.30PM	PFA MEETING
MONDAY, 2 ND AUGUST		SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY
MONDAY, 9 TH		YEAR 3/4 CAMP AT CYC THE ISLAND
TUESDAY, 10 TH		CAMPERS RETURN
SATURDAY, 14 TH		WORKING BEE #3
MONDAY, 16 TH		GATEWAYS AT OHR
TUESDAY, 17 TH	7.30PM	OHR SAC MEETING
MONDAY, 23 RD		GATEWAYS AT OHR
		BOOK WEEK: <i>OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS, OTHER WORLDS</i>
WEDNESDAY, 25 TH	7.30PM	PFA MEETING
THURSDAY, 26 TH		GRANDPARENTS' AND SPECIAL FRIENDS' DAY-TBC

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Parishioners,

NAIDOC Week concluded on Sunday. What a memorable way to conclude such a significant week with Ash Barty's incredible triumph in winning the women's singles final at Wimbledon. Barty played the match of her life to become the first Aussie woman since Goolagong-Cawley in 1980 to take the crown.



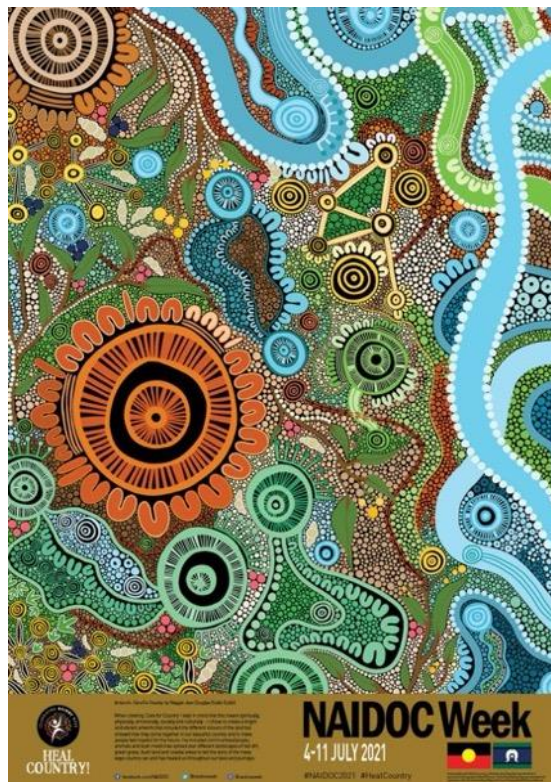
So, what is NAIDOC Week all about? NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920's which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

This year's theme – **Heal Country!** – calls for stronger measures to recognise, protect and maintain all aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage.

The 2021 National NAIDOC Poster, 'Care for Country' was designed by Gubbi Gubbi artist Maggie-Jean Douglas.

Using the 2021 NAIDOC Week theme, Heal Country!, as inspiration; 'Care for Country' is a bright and vibrant artwork which explores how Country has cared for and healed First Nations people spiritually, physically, emotionally, socially and culturally.

The artwork includes communities, people, animals and bush medicines spread over different landscapes of red dirt, green grass, bush land and coastal areas to tell the story of the many ways Country can and has healed us throughout our lives and journeys.



Welcome Back Brenda

After having been away from school since the beginning of Lockdown 2 in 2020, Brenda S has made a welcome return to both school and her classmates this week. Brenda did make some small visits towards the end of Term 2.

For those of you that are unaware, Brenda was diagnosed with Osteosarcoma last September. Since then, she has undergone treatment including a number of rounds of chemotherapy and a radical operation on her knee to remove the cancerous bone. Her journey is not over yet, but we are so grateful that she is now back with us. She has such a sense of determination and optimism of which we are so proud.

I hope you all managed to read Brenda's letter of thanks that I sent out yesterday in an email.

Welcome to Anna

This week we welcome Justine and John H and their daughter Anna (1/2MJ) to the OHR school community. Anna will be with us until the end of August and return, along with her brother Frederick (Prep 2022), at the beginning of Term 2 next year. The family will be in Washington DC until their return to Australia in 2022.

Farewell Darcy

Towards the end of next week we sadly farewell Darcy M K (PrepHH) and his parents Eilis and Peter. The family will be moving back to their home in Ireland. We thank Eilis for the contribution she has made as a class rep during her brief time at OHR.

We wish the family all the very best for the future.



Holiday Maintenance

During the recent holiday break, a number maintenance matters were addressed, including:

- Painting of some internal walls and doors in the Administration Building and Staff Preparation Area;
- Repair of floorboards in Year 1/2MJ;
- High pressure cleaning of entry pathway to school and stairs leading to reception;
- Six-monthly maintenance of artificial playing turf; and
- Pruning of hedges along Barton Street



New Classroom Furniture

New flexible and contemporary classroom furniture will arrive on Monday to replace the old and heavy furniture in both the Year 5/6 classrooms. This will mean that the furniture in every classroom will have been updated over the past 12 months. Last year, the PFA made a significant donation to get this process underway.

The old furniture will be collected by Pacific Assist in the coming months. Pacific Assist is an Australian-based not-for-profit charity serving the nations of the South Pacific. Our furniture will eventually make its way to an island nation that desperately requires classroom furniture.

First Eucharist: Group 2

The students in First Eucharist Group 2, comprising students in Year 4 who have been preparing for the Sacrament, will receive Eucharist for the first time next Saturday 24 July at 3.00pm. All those families should have received notification of this new date.

'All Aboard Travel Through Time' student art project installation

Throughout Term 2, more than 400 grade 2 students from seven Boroondara schools, including OHR, participated in creative workshops inspired by the theme of the evolution of transport. Selected student works have been transformed into a 40metre-long collage artwork. The temporary mural is located in the laneway at 143 Maling Road, Canterbury for the community to enjoy from today until the end of August 2021. In addition, all student artwork will be featured on a special page of the City of Boroondara website in the coming weeks.

This weekend, the mural will be specially illuminated on three evenings as part of the Maling Road Winter Art and Light Walk. You are warmly invited to come along and view the artwork.

Details:

'Maling Road Winter Art and Light Walk'

Friday 16 July - Sunday 18 July

Opening night celebration Friday 16 July from 5-9pm

This is a free family-friendly event, offering live music, vibrant neon light installations, and the 'All Aboard Travel Through Time' artwork to discover along the Maling Road shopping strip.



School Closure Day

The next school closure day for staff professional learning will occur on **Monday 2 August**. All the staff will engage in First Aid Level 2 training.

Every Day Counts

The Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) updated Attendance Policy articulates the following under its Purpose:

In accordance with the [Education Training and Reform Act 2006 \(Vic.\)](#) (the Act) and the [Education and Training Reform Regulations 2017 \(Vic.\)](#), school attendance is compulsory for children and young people aged from 6 to 17 years unless an exemption from attendance has been granted.

Whilst ensuring student attendance at school is a legal obligation of parents/guardians, supporting students to attend school each day is the shared responsibility of all parents, students, the school and the wider community.

School attendance is important as it maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks. Positive engagement with schooling enhances academic and wellbeing outcomes for children and young people ([eXcel: Wellbeing for learning in Catholic school communities](#)). Attending school every school day for the whole day enables students to participate in the school's educational program as well as develop their social skills. Regular attendance enables the school to:

- *plan an organised educational program that is delivered in a consistent way and has continuity*
- *facilitate shared student learning experiences that support the educational program*
- *monitor student progress and adjust the educational program to meet student needs. All schools must maintain attendance records, identify and follow up unexplained absences and develop procedures to support and maintain student attendance.*

Further in today's Newsletter is the poster, *Every Minute Counts*, produced by the DET and CECV. It's worth a look.

School Advisory Council: Repeated

As you know our school, like all the Catholic parish and diocesan schools in the Melbourne Archdiocese, is now under the guidance of Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS). Every school has been asked to establish a School Advisory Council as a way of giving parents and guardians a chance to be involved in the school.

Our current Parish School Education Board will continue as a School Advisory Council under a new Terms of Reference. At our most recent meeting, the Parish School Education Board, spent time tailoring the Terms of Reference to reflect the culture and mission of OHR.

The purpose of the School Advisory Council is to advise the Principal on important matters and be a support to the Principal and Leadership of the school in their decision-making process.

In many ways we have emphasised the importance of parents and guardians being involved in partnering with the school and the way this helps your children in their education.

The School Advisory Council includes:

Father Brendan Reed, Frank Dame, David McIntosh (Chairperson), Narelle Egan (Secretary), Karen Wilkie-Smith (Co-Secretary), Belinda Magee, Lucy Percy, Sinead Howard, Mandy Dominello, Kellie Jordan and Peter Mannfolk.

As Principal of OHR I greatly value the support and advice offered by the members of the Council on such matters as:

- The Religious Education program
- Curriculum
- Enrolments and enrolment policy
- School resources
- Improvements in the school
- Annual Report to the school community
- Family partnerships

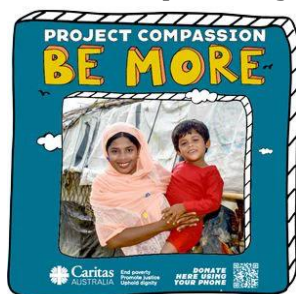
These are just some of the ways a School Advisory Council can give advice to the Principal and Leadership in the school – there are many other areas as well.

Further information about this will be coming soon.

Wishing everyone a great weekend,
Frank Dame

RE NEWS

Assembly - Project Compassion



At this coming Monday's (19/7) Assembly, Romina Martiniello the Social and Ecological Justice Animator for Caritas in Vic/Tas will be our special guest. Our RE Student Leaders will be presenting Romina with a cheque made out to Caritas Australia for over \$1,800. This amazing total is a result of the money raised by families completing the Caritas K's Challenge over the holidays combined with the profits from selling *Zooper Doopers* in Term 1 as well as the money in the Project Compassion Boxes around the school.

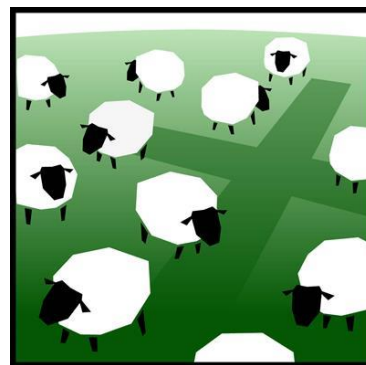
Sunday Gospel

The liturgy of the Catholic Church provides a framework for reflection which is used by Catholics throughout the world. Each week in the Newsletter, you will find the Sunday Gospel as well as some questions for discussion with your child/ren.

Nick Byrne, RE Leader

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.



The Gospel of the Lord

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who are the people who care for you?
2. How do they show they care for you?
3. How do you show you care for all people, not just your friends?
4. In today's Gospel Jesus changes his plans because he felt sorry for the people who wanted to see him. How can we put other people before our own needs?

We pray that Jesus, the Good Shepherd, will guide us so that we can show care for others.

ADMIN NEWS

LOST

Chloe Sage (Yr1MJ) has lost her sports jacket –named - so too has Lars Rogstad (Yr3CB) – also named – and Daniel Crawshay (PrepHT) has lost his woollen jumper – also named. Would you please check your children’s clothing and if found, either leave it with me in the Office or return to the classroom – thank you.

Trish

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PREP - GR 2
5 - 6:30PM

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GR 3 - 6
7 - 8:30PM



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TICKETS \$10 PER CHILD

DJ JESSIE J

FOOD, DRINKS AND PRIZES

OHR SCHOOL HALL

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/She is only missing just.....	That equals....	Which is....	over 13 years of schooling that's....
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly HALF A YEAR
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	Nearly 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 YEAR
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 AND A HALF YEARS
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2 AND A HALF YEARS



Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

That's when every minute counts the most!




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This 6 week creative class is for little ones from 2 years old through to preschool age, plus a parent / grandparent / carer. Through creative activities, the workshops encourage play-based learning, early literacy and social skills.

Classes are presented by the team at Squiggle Kids - Debbie Isaac (occupational therapist) and Lauren Gardiner (locally based children's author).

The workshop includes a material pack to use and take home.

FRIDAY 10AM - 10.45AM

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PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST 2021

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