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"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart?"

DATES TO REMEMBER

TONIGHT	6.00PM	YEAR 4 FIRST EUCHARIST
FRIDAY, 26TH		<i>DRESS AS A SPORTS STAR DAY FUNDRAISER</i>
SUNDAY, 28TH		YEAR 6 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
MONDAY, 29TH		PREP2022 PARENT TRANSITION EVENING #3
TUESDAY, 30TH	7.30PM	OHR SAC MEETING
THURSDAY, 2ND		PREP2022 TRANSITION SESSION #2
		KIDS' DISCO
TUESDAY, 7TH	9.15AM	MORNING TEA FOR 2022 PREP PARENTS
		SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO FAREWELL DEPARTING TEACHING STAFF
WEDNESDAY, 8TH	5.00PM	SPECIAL WORKING BEE
THURSDAY, 9TH		YEARS 3-6 SWIMMING CARNIVAL
		YEAR 6 GRADUATION MASS
		GRADUATION DINNER
FRIDAY, 10TH		WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT
MONDAY, 13TH		YEAR 3/4 CAMP TO CYC THE ISLAND
TUESDAY, 14TH		CAMPERS RETURN
WEDNESDAY, 15TH	3.15PM	END OF TERM 4, 2021

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Parishioners,

The Feast of Christ the King marks the last feast of the Church's liturgical year, which was celebrated on Sunday. The season of Advent starts this Sunday.

The Feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to remind us that Jesus Christ is the Lord of the Universe, both as God and Man.

This feast day is about looking at Christ the King as our ultimate leader. The most important part of leadership lies in love. Christ the king shows us that the ultimate power is the power of love. Regardless of what happened to him, Jesus Christ always loved. No one could stop him. His love continued to flow from the cross and reveal the mercy and power of God.

The Feast of Christ the King serves to remind us of this love. We are urged not to lose our perspective. Through the power of love, we can effect change in our world and continue to create a life filled with forgiveness and mercy in a bid to build justice and peace.



A New Liturgical Year

The liturgical season of Advent commences on **28 November**. This first Sunday marks the beginning of a four-week period of preparation for Christmas that Pope Francis has called 'a continuous call to hope' (2020).

Advent, a word that means 'coming', was initially a season of preparation for the Feast of the Epiphany (6 January) baptism of new Christians who were 'coming' into a new understanding of the world. They would spend 40 days in penance, prayer and fasting to prepare for this celebration.

Tied to this examination of our baptismal promise, it then became a focus of the coming of Christ, not in the manger in Bethlehem, but his second coming as the judge of the world. It was not until the Middle Ages that the Advent season was explicitly linked to the anticipation of Christ's first coming at Christmas.



Celebration of First Eucharist

Many of our Year 4 students have been preparing and eagerly anticipating their celebration of the First Eucharist. This sacramental celebration has been postponed on a number of occasions due to this year's series of lockdowns. Finally, the students will be able to receive the Eucharist for the first time this evening at 6.00pm.

We ask that you pray for the following students and their families:

Otto C, Julian C, Hunter F, William G, Luke H, Harriet J, Eleanor J, Emma L, Eamon O, Oliver R, Rory S and Thomas W.

They have been proudly supported by their peers:

Oliver F, Felix G, Ari K, Harrison K, Saige M and Ammiel HK.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Following many months of patience and internal preparation, our Year 6 students are finally preparing to receive the Holy Spirit during the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday afternoon at 1.00pm.

We pray that the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are conferred upon and enacted in our candidates as they confirm their commitment to the Church.

Congratulations to:

Phoenix B, Zac C, Daniel C, Emily D, Matilda D, Brady H, Elizabeth H, Elizabeth H, Dean L, Isabelle M, Bridget N, Matilda P, Iliia P, Nicholas R, Madeleine S, William W and Max W.

They have been proudly supported by their peer: *Eddy O.*



Ms Dunne

I would like to share the news that Ms Nicky Dunne has been offered the positions of Learning & Teaching Leader and classroom teacher at St John's, Heidelberg, commencing at the start of 2022. This news may come as a surprise to many of you, but for Nicky her new appointment will mean that she is closer to home and is able to further develop her leadership capacity. As you would realise, Nicky loves OHR and all that comes with working here, but these new roles will provide her with further opportunities to extend her skills in both education and educational leadership.

Nicky has been an invaluable staff member who has been adored by students and parents, alike. She has developed her leadership capacity enormously since first arriving at OHR and is now in the position to develop this further in a new capacity.

I am sure that you will join me in congratulating Nicky.

2022 Staffing

During recent months, I have been meeting with staff to plan for the 2022 school year. As always, careful consideration is given to the most suitable teaching combinations that will benefit the children's learning and development.

At this stage I can announce that the following staff will be educating and nurturing the growth of our children in 2022:

Prep	<i>Michelle Hollow</i>
Year 1/2	<i>Tina Hautot (4 days) / Aria Karagiannis (1 day)</i>
Year 1/2	<i>Mary Dening</i>
Year 3/4	<i>Lisa Canty (3 days) / Danielle Busuttill (2 days)</i>
Year 3/4	<i>Carmel Pettinato (3 days) / Meaghan King (2 days)</i>
Year 5/6	<i>Esther Jackson (4 days) / Jo Golds (1 day)</i>
Year 5/6	<i>Cara Mitchell (3 days) / Nick Byrne (2 days)</i>

Staff holding leadership positions in the school include:

Principal:	<i>Frank Dame</i>
Deputy Principal:	<i>Nick Byrne</i>
REL / Learning & Teaching Leader:	<i>Nick Byrne</i>
Mathematics Leader:	<i>Cara Mitchell</i>
Literacy Leader:	<i>Lisa Canty</i>
Student Wellbeing Leader:	<i>Danielle Busuttill</i>

**Learning Diversity /
Pastoral Care Worker:** *Carmel Pettinato*

Digital Technologies Manager: *Josephine Harrison*

Reading Recovery & LLI: *Karen Arnett*

Specialist Teachers:

<i>Science:</i>	<i>Stephanie Axon</i>
<i>Phys Ed:</i>	<i>Jo Golds</i>
<i>Performing Arts:</i>	<i>TBA (nearly confirmed)</i>
<i>Languages (Mandarin):</i>	<i>Chao-Ying Li</i>

Business Manager: *Trish Fisher*

Library Technician: *Leone Gole*

Learning Support Officer: *Deidre Campbell*

Learning Support Officer: *Rosha Vincitorio*

Learning Support Officer: *Lana Nikolic*

Special Assembly to Farewell our Departing Teachers

A special Assembly to acknowledge Ms Dunne, Mrs Harrison and Mrs Hart is planned for the afternoon of Tuesday 7 December. Due to current restrictions in schools, the assembly will be held outside on the basketball court. Parents are welcome to attend and are required to be fully vaccinated.

Twilight Working Bee

On **Wednesday 8 December** there will be a special Twilight Working Bee between **5.00 and 6.00pm**. The purpose of this event is to relocate classroom tables, chairs and storage units. For OH&S reasons I do not want students, nor teachers, moving the items of furniture up and down stairs. It would be great to have as many hands-on deck for the one hour period to enable the furniture from four classrooms to be efficiently relocated.

If you are able to help out for the full hour or part thereof, please indicate your attendance by emailing either of our two Working Bee Coordinators:

Luke Torpy:

luke.torpy@jrtpartnership.com.au

Justin Bolger:

jb_trees@bigpond.com

Whole School Christmas Carols Evening

Save the date of **Friday, 10 December** when we will host our whole school Christmas Concert. On that day, Drew Lane, religious singer, songwriter and performing arts specialist will be visiting our school to be part of the Christmas celebrations. Drew will be working throughout the day with our students to present a Christmas concert for the school community. He brings a wealth of experience to share with the students and it will be a great evening of singing, movement and drama.

This year's format will be quite similar to what we ran two years ago, however, it will differ in that the concert will be held outside, as density limits will not enable such an event to proceed inside the Hall. So, we're praying for a beautiful evening.

This special evening is a wonderful way for our school community to gather together to reflect on and celebrate the Seasons of parents who have children in the same levels of the school.



Parent Gatherings Term 1 2022

During Term 1 each year, a number of families open up their homes to host a parent gathering on a Friday evening. These are always great events, in that they enable connections to form amongst parents who have children in the same levels of the school.

The dates for the Term 1 gatherings are listed below:

Prep – Year 2: 18 February

Years 3 & 4: 4 March at the Gardiner's home

Years 5 & 6: 25 March at the Brownless home

Thank you to the two families who have already offered to host next year's gatherings. We are seeking one family from the Prep – Year 2 levels to host the Junior school evening on 18 February. If interested, please contact Trish.

Advent and Christmas

Mrs Hollow and the classroom teachers will shortly commence working with the students to teach them the carols in preparation for this special night.

Prep 2022 Transition Program

The third, and final, Parent Information Session will be held this Monday evening, 29 November. The second transition morning for students will be held next Thursday 2 December.

Commencement of the 2022 School Year: Repeated

The following dates will assist families in planning for the commencement of the new school year:

- School Staff Resume – Friday 28 January 2022
- Students in Years 1 to 6 resume – 8.40am on Monday 31 January 2022
- Students in Foundation (Prep) attend Individual Testing Interviews – Monday 31 January and Tuesday 1 February 2022
- All Foundation students commence school – 8.40am on Wednesday 2 February 2022.

Wishing everyone a great weekend,
Frank

RE NEWS

Sacraments

This week our Year 4 will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time on Thursday 25th November at a 6.00pm Mass in the OHR Church. While our Year 6 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 28th November at a 1.00pm Mass in the OHR Church. These OHR students will be joined by a number of children who do not attend OHR but are from the parish. We ask that you pray for the following students and their families.

First Eucharist

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They have been proudly supported by their peers: Oliver F, Felix G, Ari K, Harrison K, Saige M and Ammiel HK.

Confirmation

Brady H, Dean L, Elizabeth Hen., Elizabeth Hea, Emily D, Ilia P, Isabelle M, Madeleine S, Matilda D, Matilda P, Max W, Nicholas R, Phoenix B, William W and Zac C.

They have been proudly supported by their peer: Eddy O.

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 Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'



The Gospel of the Lord

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are some things that you look forward to?
2. How do you prepare for them?
3. How much do you look forward to Christmas?
4. Over the next four weeks how can we prepare for Christmas?
5. Jesus asks us to watch out in Advent so that we can prepare for his coming. How can we 'watch out'?

RE LEARNING IN 3/4CB

Discipleship MAD

God loves us so much and has given us the freedom to make our own decisions. When we choose to help and love others we are growing into the person that God wants us to be. We are learning about the people in the Church who said, "Yes" to being a Jesus person. We too can MAD in our lives as disciples of Jesus. We have made MAD posters to remind us of how we can MAD. We can MAD (Make a Difference) by...

- I can MAD by helping others by giving something to them before I help myself. (Ava)
- I can MAD by inviting people to play in our games. (Emma)
- I can MAD by complimenting people instead of centering on their problems. (Felix)
- I can MAD by assisting people if they are hurt. (Betty)
- I can MAD by listening to other people's ideas. (Rory)
- I can MAD by giving nice compliments to others. (James G)
- I can MAD by caring for others' ideas whether they are big or small. (Luke)
- I can MAD by raising my hand instead of shouting out. (Julian)
- I can MAD by respecting others the way I would like to be treated. (Ammiel)
- I can MAD by thinking about other people before myself. (Ted)
- I can MAD by including everyone in our games. (Annabelle)
- I can MAD by helping my mum unpack the groceries. (Eleanor)
- I can MAD by helping my brother with his chores. (Tom)
- I can MAD by unpacking the dishwasher for my family. (Alicia)
- I can MAD by picking up rubbish from the footpath. (James N)
- I can MAD by never littering and being responsible for my rubbish. (Lars)
- I can MAD by using the car less and walking places. (Sophie)
- I can MAD by helping other people if they are stuck with their schoolwork. (Patrick)
- I can MAD by cheering someone up if they are sad. (Luca).
- I can MAD by not littering in the environment. (Oliver)
- I can MAD by helping people pick up trash. (Charlie).



AWARDS FOR WEEK 8

SOCIAL SKILLS AWARD

Prep HH	Keilah B
Prep HT	Otis H
1/2DE	Ned K
1/2MJ	William C
3/4CB	Alicia W
3/4PK	Kaia P
5/6DU	Pia M
5/6HN	Matilda D

MERIT AWARD

Maxwell L
Daniel C
James W
Chloe S and Jack T
James N
Nicholas D
Phoenix B
Stella B

SCHOOL PARLIAMENT NEWS



One issue School Parliament has been discussing is the lunchtime sports equipment and how we are running low. Several years ago, School Parliament organised a special event and were able to top up our supplies.

However, that was a few years ago and we are now really in need of some extra equipment - especially balls and sandpit toys. Therefore, on this Friday 26th November, we are inviting all students at OHR to come to school dressed as your favourite sports star. You could also just wear some clothing worn by somebody playing your favourite sport or even your own sporting uniform. This could be footy, soccer, netball, cricket, basketball, gymnastics, lawn bowls or karate to name just a few.

In exchange for this we are asking each family to donate a piece of sports equipment - especially balls to add to our lunchtime sports equipment bins. These don't have to be new, just without any holes would be good!! We already have hundreds of tennis balls so we don't need any more of these though. Instead of sports equipment, you could also bring in a toy for the sandpit. The final option is to make a gold coin donation. We will then use this money to purchase some new equipment and balls. Finally, if you have PE on a Friday, make sure you can still run in what you are wearing.

To thank everybody for supporting this day we have a special treat for everybody that is also healthy. The [No Nasties Project](#) is on a crusade to remove 500 tons of sugar from Australian diets per year without the artificial nasties! Thanks to this No Nasties Project everybody will receive a free Sugar Free-zie icy pole tube this Friday. The No Nasties Project are donating over 1 Million Icy Stix to schools around Australia. For every ton of sugar the *No Nasties Project* removes, they will donate \$100 to further the health message and provide yummy better-for-you options! Last year, they removed over 180 tons of sugar from Australian diets (the same weight as a Jumbo Jet!)

So, to summarise our message, this Friday please come to school dressed as your favourite sports star. We're asking you to bring in a piece of sports equipment or a sandpit toy. The other option is to bring in a gold coin. To thank you all for supporting this day, all students will receive a *Sugar Free-zie icy pole tube* thanks to the *No-Nasties Project*. Thank you and we can't wait to see everybody dressed up on Friday.

ADMIN NEWS

VACCINATION PASSPORTS

I am now required to collect the vaccination status of all members of our community. In order to facilitate this with the least amount of stress, would you please show me your "Green Tick" when you are next in the office – thank you for your understanding with this one.

2021 SCHOOL FEES

We currently have TEN families whose combined balances exceed \$50,000, with less than a month before the end of the term. Not sure whether this is you – please give me a call – thank you.

Trish

2021 YEAR 6 GRADUATION

FLOWERS

If anyone in our school community has the following leaves or flowers in their garden, we would love if you could spare a few for us to use at the Grade 6 Graduation Dinner on December 9th :

- Monstera leaves
- Fern leaves
- Banana Leaves
- Birds of Paradise flowers
- Or any similar flower or leaf.

If you could please contact Chelsea (0433101961, or chelseamoore@live.com.au) we would be eternally grateful!!

Thanks in advance, Year 5/6 Reps

PARISH NEWS

Welcome back!

Our churches are open and we look forward to seeing you and welcoming you back into our Churches as we begin the new Liturgical Year with the Season of Advent.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume this Sunday during the 9.00 am Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church. Children from Prep to Year 3 are most welcome to join us in listening to the Gospel of the Day adapted for children, followed by a reflection activity to deepen their understanding of the scripture reading and what it is revealing to them about God.

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PLAYBALL BASKETBALL TRAINING @ AQUALINK / CAMBERWELL HIGH FRIDAY TERM 1 2022

BASKETBALL TRAINING

Playball is now taking registrations from current PREP to Year 2 Boys & Girls to commence training in Term 1 at Aqualink Box Hill. 40 minute weekly Training by Playball Coaches prepares children for Friday competition in Terms 2,3,4.



REGISTER FOR TERM 1 2022

Register a training team at www.playballbasketball.com under 'Registration' Tab. Teams guaranteed commencement. *Individual children can register [online](#).*

TERM 1 TIMES & DATES

YEARS 1-4 FRIDAY 4:00 - 7:00PM. *Rings lowered to 8.5ft -YR1's*
4 Feb - 1 April (9-weeks)

TERM 1 COST

Aprox \$110 per child *Based on team of 8. (Team Invoice \$880)*

COACHES WORKSHOP

In assoc with Melb. Jnr Tigers *Sundays in Term 2.*

CONTACT

PH: 9555 7448 info@playballbasketball.com

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2ND
DECEMBER
2021

PREP - GR 2
5 - 6:30PM

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GR 3 - 6
7 - 8:30PM



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