



Issue No. 5 – 2 May 2023

Upcoming Events



Thursday 4 May

Interschool sport training (for selected students)

Friday 5 May

Round 2 of interschool sports
LEPS v Thomastown Meadows (Home)
Soccer: Sycamore Reserve
Personal + Social Learning Task goes live to families

Tuesday 9 May

School Photos - all year levels

Facilities + Finance Sub Committee - 5:30pm
School Council Meeting - 6:30pm

Thursday 11 May

Mothers' Day Stall
Fire Ed Visit for year 5/ 6 students
Interschool sport training for selected students

Friday 12 May

Mothers' Day Stall
Round 3 of interschool sports
LEPS v Thomastown East (Away)
Soccer: Cook Reserve

Sunday 14 May

Mothers' Day

Wednesday 17 May

Lalor Division Cross Country Event (selected students)

Term Dates 2023

Term 1: Mon 30 Jan - Thur 6 April

Term 2: Wed 26 April - Fri 23 June

Term 3: Mon 10 Jul - Fri 13 Sept

Term 4: Mon 2 Oct - Wed 20 Dec

Welcome Back for Term 2

Welcome back to Term 2 for all our students and families. We hope you have had a wonderful restful break with your family and friends and enjoyed some time at home or at a holiday destination. Hopefully you didn't eat too much chocolate for Easter or food for those of you celebrating Eid. It has been terrific to see everyone's smiling faces, ready for a new term at school.

It was full steam ahead on Monday 24 April for school staff who participated in a Professional Learning refresher session with Ann Angelopoulos on our 'Writing Model'. Staff and students have used this model for many years and we have seen great success with students writing over this time. (Ask your child to explain to you a 'power of 3' or 'onomatopoeia'!)

Staffing news

Congratulations to Brad Jones and his partner Lydia on the safe arrival of baby Arthur Jones in the early hours of Sunday morning. We look forward to meeting Arthur and welcoming him into our bigger 'LEPS Family'. We welcome Prudence Galofaro who will be co-teaching with Stephanie Chan in the Prep learning space whilst Brad is on leave.

We said goodbye to Julie Gatt, but she has returned for some time this term to provide additional administration support to the leadership team. Welcome back Julie!

Mobile Phones

You may have seen media coverage over the school holidays relating to the use of mobile phones in schools. A reminder that under legislation from the Victorian Department of Education, the use of mobile phones by students in schools is not permitted.

Should students need to bring a mobile phone to school for use outside school hours, it must be lodged and collected from the school office each day.

Mac is Back!

Mac and the team from Semper Dental have been on site this week and are conducting dental checks for families who returned forms last term.

School Photos

A reminder that School Photos are scheduled for **Tuesday 9 May**. Forms for families to order photo packages were sent home last term.

Please ensure your child arrives at school on time, in full school uniform and avoid scheduling external appointments for this day as we are unable to hold class photos for students running late.

Bikes, Scooters & Skateboards

Whilst it's great to see so many students riding their bikes, scooters and other wheeled items to school as a way of staying fit and active, it's also very important that we stay safe whilst riding.

A reminder that it is law to wear a helmet when you are riding your bike. Please ensure that your child has an adequate helmet to protect their head in the event of an accident.

We also ask students to please walk their bike, scooters, skateboards etc.. whilst in the school grounds. Our yard is a busy place during pick up and drop off and with many younger children around we want to ensure the safety of everyone.

Mothers' Day Stall

We are excited to announce that we will hold our annual Mothers Day Stall on **Thursday 11 May** and **Friday 12 May**.....BUT - we need your help!

If you hold a valid Working With Children's Check and are able to volunteer some of your time on these days, we'd love to have you help run the stall. It's really fun to see the children 'shop' at the stall, and the students love seeing their family members help at school. If you are able to assist, please complete the form that was sent out on Compass last Friday or register at the office.

Enrolments for 2024

Our calendar is fast filling with bookings for families seeking tours and enquiries for Prep in 2024. If you or someone you know is considering enrolling for Prep with us in 2024, please get in touch as this assists us with forward planning for the next school year.

Year 7 Secondary School Transition Forms

Our Year 6 students were provided with forms and the placement information pack to support their enrolment at secondary school for 2024. If you need further details or a copy of the form, these can be accessed from Compass. A reminder that forms need to be returned to Hannah at school by **Friday 12 May** so we can facilitate student's school requests.

Book Club

BookClub Catalogues (Issue 3) were sent home with students last week. The closing date for BookClub orders is **Friday 12 May**.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded certificates . . .



1 May

OPA - Hannah P	34B - Shams I
P1A - Ivie I	45A - Evan N
12A - Michael M	56A - Kurt N
12B - Winson C	56B - Jeremy P
34A - Hassan K	

Breakfast Club



Breakfast Club is now open at **8:20am** and students are able to enter the school grounds through the small gate next to OHSC but only if they are eating at Breakfast Club. If students are not visiting the Breakfast Club they are to enter the school grounds at 8:45am.

Students can receive a **free** breakfast of toast, cereal, milk and fruit before beginning their busy day of learning. Breakfast Club wishes to acknowledge the kind support from Bakers Delight-Mernda Village, Christina Bakery and Foodbank Victoria.



Office News

(Office hours: 8:30am - 4:00pm)

Change of Details

Please let the office know promptly if you have changed your address, phone numbers, work details or emergency contact numbers.

Spare Uniform

Please consider putting extra clothes in your child's bag in case of any accidents that might occur during the day as we do not supply a change of clothes.

Student Asthma Medication

It is a directive from the Department of Education that students must supply their own medication and equipment if they suffer from Asthma. Students who require Asthma Medication during school hours need to supply their own individual Ventolin or Becotide puffers. Individual Spacers must also be provided for administering the medication. The items ALL need to be named and will be stored in the sick bay. If you require an asthma action plan please see the office staff.

For Sale - Fridge

Due to a recent Government grant we have upgraded the fridge in our Breakfast Club and are seeking a new home for our old industrial fridge. It operates well but is quite noisy and would ideally suit a garage or shop environment. Our asking price is \$200 ONO. If you are interested please make contact with Amanda in Breakfast Club or the office. You will need to arrange for pickup and transportation as we are unable to facilitate this.



Wellbeing Space



Rights, Resilience & Respectful Relationships (RRRR) lessons for Term 2

During term 2, students will be focusing on the unit **Help Seeking**. Learning activities in this topic area are designed to help students discuss the importance of seeking help and providing peer support when dealing with problems that are too big to solve alone.

If you wish to view these lessons please use the link below:

<https://fuse.education.vic.gov.au/ResourcePackage/ByPin?pin=2JZX4R>

Wellbeing Wednesday Clubs

Wellbeing Wednesday Clubs will be starting back in week 3. This term we have a few new clubs on offer to students and we can't wait to see how they go.

Double points week

This term double points week will be returning twice for our students. Each time a student earns a focus on the good card it will be worth 10 points. Students will also have the opportunity to spend their points this term if they wish to do so.

Pay It Forward Day - Friday 28 April

On Friday 28 April our students celebrated **Pay It Forward Day**. On this day we focused on our value of Caring and how we demonstrate kindness in the school. Students also completed a short activity designing a love heart demonstrating how they would show kindness.

Pay It Forward Day is a global initiative that exists to make a difference by creating a huge ripple of kindness felt across the world. Of course, our hope is that people pay kindness forward every day and make each day that little bit brighter.

Mother's
Day Stall

Thursday 11 May All Grades and
Friday 12 May
for anyone that missed out

Bring small notes/coins



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Magic Harry Potter Week.

You're a wizard, Harry! Expecto Patronum! Expelliarmus! This week at OSHC is all about the magical world of Harry Potter. The children absolutely love this series of books/movies (I do too). We will be turning into witches and wizards making/writing spells, using our herb garden to make delightful potions, dressing up in our favourite costumes and making magical wands using branches outside.

We will also be hosting our favourite annual OSHC magic show, performing a magical play and designing creepy but delightful monster bookmarks. ARGH!

Of course all our favourite activities will be available, especially Lego and our playground adventures. After our disastrous ANZAC biscuits last week (Natalie did not read the recipe correctly), we will be attempting to cook them again. Luckily the children absolutely loved the ANZAC slice we made last week and want to try it again. The children have a very positive attitude towards my cooking hehe! Pity there is no spell I could use to cook or wash the dishes.

Parents/Carers: Please remember our numbers have tripled this year. Please try your best to book your child/children as early as possible to avoid disappointment.





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Pupil Free Day	7:00am – 6:00pm	\$65.46	\$9.82 - \$65.46	\$9.82
Late Booking	Within 48 hours	\$5.00	\$5.00	
Cancellation Fee				
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Service Phone Number: 0477 177 646 Your service coordinator will be available during session times. TheirCare support is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410

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*Standard fees excluding incursion / excursion costs

^Based on ABS published average family income for the suburb the school is located

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Since 1930, State Schools' Relief has been providing anonymous support so that students receiving our assistance can do so with dignity. It's our belief that every student deserves the opportunity to participate in their education without barriers.

Who are we?

State Schools' Relief is a Victorian not-for-profit organisation that supports the needs of disadvantaged government school students by providing new school uniforms, school shoes and a host of other essential educational resources, including learning devices.

Our simple and practical service ensures that all students can attend school in warmth and comfort with a greater sense of belonging and improved self-esteem, which in turn assists students to engage in their learning and strengthen their educational outcomes.



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Do you need assistance?

State Schools' Relief provides support to any Victorian student attending a government school, on the advice of the school.

If you are a parent or carer and you need financial assistance with your child's government education, please make an appointment with the school principal, assistant principal, or welfare/wellbeing coordinator to discuss your situation.

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