OUR VISION
A welcoming community of Many Minds and One Heart in Christ

OUR MISSION
With Christ as its inspiration & guided by Gospel values, the school strives to promote the education & development of the whole child. Our Mission is to provide a high quality education that will inspire an ongoing love of God and embrace our core values:

INTEGRITY  RESPECT  JUSTICE  COMPASSION  COURAGE

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Week 7 Term 3 1st SEPTEMBER

Dear Parents and Community Members,

A Father’s Day Prayer

God our Father in heaven,  
Bless all the fathers in the world.  
We ask that you guide them  
to be good role models and loving to their children.  
We also ask that you help them to be a father like you are.  
Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.  
Amen

Book Week
Thank you to all parents and students for the outstanding effort to dress as book characters last Thursday. It was an entertaining morning, with such creativity shown and a range of books, old and new, showcased.

P&F Movie Night Fundraiser
Congratulations to our hard-working P&F organisers for a successful movie night, raising over $2300 to go towards school programs and projects. See further in this newsletter an outline of the contributions already made by the P&F to support our school this year.

NAPLAN Results
Individual Student Reports will be sent home today. NAPLAN is one of many assessments throughout the year to track student progress and I would encourage all parents to discuss the details of their child’s progress across a range of assessments with their classroom teachers. In the areas of Reading, Numeracy, Grammar & Punctuation, Spelling and Writing the OLOL School Mean scores in Year 3 and Year 5 assessments were above the All Australian Schools Mean in all areas. Parents, students and staff should be very proud of these results.

Excursion to the Duyfken
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 students visited the Duyfken replica last week. This was an opportunity to take learning out of the classroom for a ‘hands on’ experience.

Fun Run
The Fun Run will be held next Wednesday 7 September as a community event with all students participating in order to promote a healthy active lifestyle, fun and fitness. It will begin at 9.00am.

We Value:

Justice

Endeavouring to give each person what is rightfully due to them, and treat them with fairness, because of the inherent dignity of each person.

We show this by:
• Standing up for yourself and others
• Treating everyone fairly
• Owning up to your mistakes and accept the consequences
• Sharing fairly with others
Parents are encouraged to attend to support students. The P&F are kindly arranging morning tea for parents and hopefully parents will be able to warm up on a cold morning with assistance from a visiting coffee van. The P&F are providing a healthy fruit snack for all students at the conclusion of the event.

**MJR Date swap and Open Morning**
For your calendar, please note that the MJR Assembly scheduled for Thursday 15 September will now be held on Tuesday 20 September, which is our Open Morning. Parents and grandparents can visit classrooms when they drop children at school, until 9.45am when we will hold our MJR Assembly.

**P&F Meeting follow up**
The Bull and Barrel festival is coming up in October and the P&F are in need of helpers for parking and a sausage sizzle on the day.
As an optional part of the school uniform, we are investigating a sleeveless vest, with the same fabric and design as the school jumper.
You are invited to be part of a committee to plan for a Parents Disco to be held at the end of Term 1, 2017. Also a committee is working towards planning for a school fete to be held in 2018. Please let the office know if you are interested in helping out.

**School Board**
The School Board is continuing to investigate improved parking options and designs for a new school sign. The Board is reviewing the school Strategic Plan to ensure we are on-track to achieve the planned outcomes.

**Winter Uniform**
As stated in our School Handbook, sports shoes should be predominantly white, black or navy blue, and should not include fluoro colours or laces. Please keep this in mind when purchasing new sports shoes, thank you.

**WAIFs (Women Active in Faith) Morning Tea**
A group of ladies from our Parish, the WAIFs, would like to invite parents to share a cuppa in the Thomas Little Hall on Wednesday 14 September, 8.45-11.00am. This is to offer support to parents, to connect with others in our community and to have a chat! It is anticipated that this will be a monthly event on the second Wednesday of each month. All are welcome!

**Kindy/Pre-Primary Sand pit**
Calling parents to help keep our sand safe for our students by raking it each morning. The sand is becoming compacted particularly under the swings, slide and fireman’s pole. With your help to rake it each day, we can ensure a safe-fall zone for our students. Please see the Kindy or Pre-Primary teachers for a rake. Why not rake and chat with a friend?

**Playground before school**
For duty of care and safety reasons, students are not permitted to play in the Early Childhood playground before and after school. Please take your children directly to class once the doors are open at 8.30am.

**Classrooms before school**
Just a reminder that parents and students need to wait until a teacher is present before entering the classroom in the mornings. Thank you.

Wishing all our Dads, Grand-fathers and fathering figures in our community a wonderful Father’s Day.

May God bless you

Mrs Angela Hegney
Principal
Gospel Reading

Luke 14:25-33

Jesus teaches about the demands of discipleship. Provide your children with a list of things that they are responsible for interspersed with things that they like to do—for example, make their beds, take out the garbage, go to the park, do homework, watch television, have a snack, feed the cat. The list should reflect their responsibilities and favourite recreations. Tell them to pretend that company is coming and ask which of the things listed should be done first. Explain that this is called setting priorities. Paraphrase the Gospel story for the children. Ask them what Jesus says is the most important thing for them to do. Jesus tells us that the number-one priority is to follow him. But just as it is not always easy to do the things we are supposed to do before doing the fun things, it is not always easy to be a follower of Jesus. Yet when we put Jesus first, we will be truly happy.

Upcoming Events

8th September—PP/Year 1 Liturgy
9.10am

Altar Servers
3 September—T. Clifton & A. O’Brien
4 September—L. Carter & S. Tawhai
10 September—J. Pelusey & C. Barbetti
11 September—Volunteer

Making Jesus Real

Use the Big “T” Word—Thanks
(10 times a day)

The word “thanks” is a small word that seems to be forgotten in so many cases. We all like to be thanked for the small things we do for others.

Students: When was the last time I thanked mum or dad for cooking my meals? When did I last thank mum or dad for driving me to school, sport, dancing?

The small things in life are probably more important than the big things. How do you feel when people praise you, smile at you?

Reconciliation Information

31 August, 2.20pm Parent Meeting
19 October, 2.20pm Parent Meeting
23 October, 9.00am Enrolment Mass
2 November, Parent Child Workshop
4 November, 9.00am Reconciliation

Reflections on Confirmation

Some thoughts from the year 6’s

The experience was great; you get to feel a great and powerful connection with God.

I felt closer to God.

I felt special to share this with someone close—my sponsor.

I felt God in my heart as I walked up to be blessed with the oils.
In **Year 4**, we have been reading *Storm Boy* as a class. We all have our own copies. We are enjoying learning about The Coorong and about Pelicans.

In History, we are starting our unit on The First Fleet and Convicts - it is such a great unit!

It’s hard to believe we are in week 7 already - where has the time gone? I guess time really does fly when you are having fun!

### Pre-Primary

Pre-Primary have been busy designing a new house for the three little pigs. To begin with Mrs Clark told us that we had to build and design a house, but we were only allowed to use plasticine and match sticks as building materials. We then were asked to think about how our house would look and we drew our designs on a piece of paper. The next step was the building process. We learnt that we had to make some adjustments to our original plans, as some didn’t work out as we had planned. Most of the students made their houses flat to begin with but soon realised that they could join the plasticine and match sticks to make their house stand up. We were very proud of our end results, and Mrs Clark and Mrs Brady were very impressed with the patience and creative thinking that we displayed.

### Kindy

The Kindy class had so much fun celebrating Book Week! We have read some great books, including several classic fairy tales. We have discussed the role of the Author and Illustrator and even illustrated our own cover page. We made our own book marks and discussed our favourite books (*Frozen* received several mentions). Dress up day was fantastic!

### Year 2’s

In Maths, the Year 2’s used geo-reflectors to create really cool city-scapes, and then coloured them using warm and cool colours.

In Religion we are discussing differences amongst people, and we looked at paintings which were painted by people using only their mouth or feet. Then we had a go at using only our feet to draw with. It was a little bit difficult, but we all persevered to the end!

In Science, we also enjoyed investigating how the length of a paper helicopter’s wings can affect the speed at which it falls.

### Year 3

In the Year Three class, we have temporarily renamed our dorms after the different planets. We have been learning about the planets and their scientific names. We are currently working on a space project and researching amazing facts about the Solar System.

### Year 4

In Maths, the Year Four class has started Algebra. We are discovering the world of pronumerals and substitution! The first book about algebra was written by Al-Khwarizmi in about 830AD. He was a scholar at the House of Wisdom in Baghdad. We have temporarily renamed our class the House Of Wisdom!

We are getting excited about going on camp, and we plan to sort out our dorms very soon.

### Year 5

The Year Five gold rush has come to an end! Some of us struck it rich, whilst many found life on the goldfields difficult. The high cost of food and the risk of being double crossed saw many of us leaving with little money. We shared our experiences on the gold fields through a journal and all involved had lots of fun.

In Maths we have been learning about adding and subtracting fractions and have put our knowledge of mapping and coordinates to the test with a Treasure Map assessment task.

We were extremely lucky last week to visit the Duyfken replica and learn lots about their incredible voyage.

The class welcomes Mr Palmer, who will be completing a prac in the Year Five room for the remainder of Term Three.

### Year 6

This week Year Six have started Algebra. We are discovering the world of pronumerals and substitution! The first book about algebra was written by Al-Khwarizmi in about 830AD. He was a scholar at the House of Wisdom in Baghdad. We have temporarily renamed our class the House Of Wisdom!

We are getting excited about going on camp, and we plan to sort out our dorms very soon.

### Year 7

What a busy two weeks Year Seven have had! Our visit to the Duyfken was lots of fun and very interesting. We think we’d prefer to travel on a cruise ship if we have to go on a sea voyage!

We have been learning about fractions in maths – constructing a variety of items using blocks and then calculating the fraction of each colour block we used. We know lots about numerators and denominators!

We had lots of fun dressing up as book characters for the Book Week Assembly and created some awesome “pixelated” pictures of ourselves in our costumes.

We completed our Dreamtime Stories about how the Sun, Moon, Stars and Planets were formed, and we love researching amazing facts about the Solar System. We’ll send you some postcards from the planets as we continue our journey through the Milky Way.

### Year One’s

In Science, the Year One’s have been learning about Seasons. We learnt about the different types of clouds and their scientific name. We are looking forward to making our season diorama this week.

We enjoyed the Book Week parade last Thursday, and enjoyed watching the other classes and teachers at stage.

We are looking forward to performing our assembly on ‘Noah’s Ark’ in Week 10.

We wish all the Dad’s a Happy Father’s Day for Sunday.
SCHOOL FEES
Term 3 school fees were sent home in week two. Payment is due on Friday 9th September. If you are experiencing difficulties with payment, please do not hesitate to contact the office for a confidential meeting.

Canteen News
TOMORROW - WEEK 7 - 2nd September
Leaders: Jasmine & Clare
Helpers: Heidi Armstrong & Sonia Italiano

NEXT WEEK—WEEK 8 - 9th September
Leaders: Graham & Julie
Helpers: Danelle Allpike
Recess: $2.00 Apple Crumble
Lunch: $3.70 Hamburger
Chicken or Fish - Cheese
Extra: $1.00 Juice

Week 9 - 16th September
Leaders: Denise & Clare
Helpers: Sally MacDonald
Recess: $2.00 Brownie Slice
Lunch: $3.70 OLOL Subs
Beef, Salami, Chicken, Ham
Extra: $1.00 Milk

Please remember...
- To put Year group and names on all orders.
- Friday LATE orders need to be delivered STRAIGHT to the canteen, not left in classroom.

Wearable Ag Art Competition @ the Bull & Barrel Festival
WORKSHOP
Kerry will give you the skills to create a fun and quirky garment with an agricultural component that you can enter in the Wearable Ag Art Competition at the Festival.

The workshops will run with Kerry Gelmi on Saturday 10th September, 2pm – 4pm @ the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms, Ferguson Rd, Dardanup.

Attend just one workshop or both.
Afternoon tea provided. $5 per person which includes kit.

For bookings and enquiries to Jill Cross, jill.cross@bigpond.com, 0418 281 201. Limited numbers. All ages welcome.

With over $1000 in prizes to win!

MERIT CERTIFICATES - TERM 3 - WEEK 7
Congratulations to all our worthy winners who received Merit Certificates.

PRE-PRIMARY
Asha Gibbs

YEAR 1
Anouke Harris, Darci Peace

YEAR 2
Seb Johns, Jess Barbetti

YEAR 3
Raya Noonan, Cooper Reynolds

YEAR 4
Pippa Bouteloupe, Campbell Taylor

YEAR 5
Charlotte Davern, Kyle Dewar,
Rory Hobden

YEAR 6
Lauren Carter, Tom Harris
Year 4 Assembly
Confirmation 2016

Come Holy Spirit.
Thank you very much to our P&F for their contribution so far this year towards school activities and programs. Each year, classroom teachers choose resources to support the learning in their classroom to the value of $300. This is what the teachers chose this year:

**Kindy** - Pattern blocks, templates and puzzles

**Pre-primary** - A light box and accessories

**Year 1** - CD player

**Year 2** - Class set of small whiteboards, markers, small clocks and large teacher clock

**Year 3** - Oz Book reading resource cards

**Year 4** - Oz Book reading resource cards

**Year 5** - Contribution towards subscription to Reading Eggspress and Mathletics

**Year 6** - My Place resource kit with books, and DVDs.

In addition, the P&F contributed $3500 towards our new stage blocks and each year contribute $2000 towards the Year 6 camp and $1000 towards the Year 5 camp. A huge ‘thank you’ to all who give their time and expertise to support our wonderful school.