

Important Dates

**Transition Morning
New Students**
Wednesday 8 June

**Pupil Free Day (No
School)**
Friday 10 June

**Public Holiday June
Long Weekend -
No School**
Monday 13 June

**Transition Morning
New Students**
Wednesday 15 June

**Transition Morning
New Students**
Wednesday 22 June

School Photo Day
Thursday 30 June

**School Photo Catch
Up Day**
Tuesday 5 July

**Term 2 2022 School
Ends**
Friday 8 July

**Term 3 2022 School
Begins**
Monday 25 July

From the Leadership Team

Dear Families,

Over the past two weeks our Year 3 and Year 5 children have been undertaking the annual NAPLAN tests. While most children were able to sit the tests a number did miss out due to the ongoing Covid situation. I would like to thank and congratulate our children for giving it their best effort, even with all the uncertainty of Covid. Thank you to Michelle Menadue, our Leader of Learning, for her coordination of the tests each day and the following catch up tests.

You would be aware that I have spoken over the past four newsletters about the school's Mercy Values and today I wish to focus on the Justice value. We often interchange the word Justice with the word Fair, especially when working with children. At all times we are encouraged to be fair and just but we don't always do it or live up to what is the 'normal' standard in society. Sadly, the word justice always has a legal meaning and, at the 'serious' level is tied in with people who commit a crime, go to court and, if guilty, are served 'justice'. This might be gaol time, a fine, or some other reprimand.

For me, the important part of justice is not seeking justice from others but more discerning whether I have been just towards all other people in my life. All of us are tasked with teaching children (and adults) about being fair and just. We need to be inclusive of other people, including people who are different from ourselves. We need to let people join in with our games or activities. At a basic level we need to ensure that everyone has enough to eat, a home to live in, money to live on and access to health services. I invite you to think about your life this week. Have you judged others? Have you been fair and just at all times? Have you welcomed someone into your group? Have you tried to repair a broken friendship?

On Monday we had a visit from Mr Glenn Docherty, Mayor of the City of Playford. This is the first time that Glenn has been able to visit St Mary Magdalene's for a number of years. He handed out leadership badges to our school captains, our sport captains and vice captains and our student leaders from each class at a special assembly. He then had a tour of the school and met with the Year 5/6 students to talk about the topic of Leadership. It was great to have him visit our school.

Yesterday five of our senior students went to St Thomas More School to meet with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan. As a part of the Church Synod (meeting to discuss the future of the church), Archbishop Pat is travelling to Rome to meet with Pope Francis. He

visited us to find out what it is that our children would like to ask or tell the Pope. It could be about our school, our community, the environment, or any other topic that they wanted to share. This was a good opportunity for the Archbishop to hear what is important for our young people in preparation for his trip to Rome.

School Fee Reminder

If you have not setup a payment plan to pay the Resource Fee for 2022, please consider doing it now. It will certainly make things easier for you and for the school. Thank you to all those who have made payments already. Please see John Matthew in the front office if you have any questions.

Federal Election 2022

Education is an important topic at every election. As we head towards the Federal Election this Saturday May 21, Catholics are being asked to consider how their vote will benefit the whole community. It is essential that everybody who cares about Catholic schools understands the key issues. A number of resources are available at www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/federal-election to help you with your discernment.

As a part of this newsletter you will find a graph titled: "Cath Ed 2022 Federal Election Report Card" for your information.

Thank You

To our teachers for the Parent Teacher Learning Conversations that they held via telephone last week. This is a great deal of extra work at the end of each day for the teachers. It certainly is a draining process and then they front up again the next day! So thank you and well done to our teachers. If you missed your learning conversation, please contact your child's teacher for another time.

Working in Partnership

Peter Mercer

Head of Campus

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who hunger for thirst and righteousness".

Recent News

FEDERAL ELECTION 2022

Major Parties Report Card




CATHOLIC EDUCATION PRIORITIES

<p>Supporting school choice Catholic school parents on average contribute 26% to the cost of their child's education.</p> <p>Genuine school choice relies on governments to provide fair funding, maintain the current level of indexation, bring forward the review of parent contributions, and continue the Non-Government Reform Support Fund for priorities like supporting students with disability.</p>	<p>Early Childhood Education Every child needs affordable access to high quality early childhood education in the first two years of school to give the best start to learning.</p> <p>Catholic schools need capital funding and support to provide onsite quality early childhood centres.</p>
<p>Enabling faith-based education Protect the right of parents to choose a faith-based education for their children.</p> <p>Genuine school choice relies on governments to protect religious freedom.</p>	<p>Mental Health & Wellbeing More young people are experiencing mental health and wellbeing challenges than ever before.</p> <p>Catholic schools are an important partner in identifying, supporting and monitoring student wellbeing, and need better access to mental health and wellbeing programs and services to support students and families.</p>
<p>Capital Funding Catholic schools pay 90% of the cost of building and maintaining their schools – governments pay 10%.</p> <p>Genuine school choice relies on governments to improve capital support for Catholic schools.</p>	<p>Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Students Catholic schools are focused on Closing the Gap targets, cultural, learning and wellbeing initiatives to respond to the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.</p> <p>To support these initiatives Catholic schools need better access to national initiatives.</p>

Note: Ratings are determined by responses to policy questions and public statements.

Make education a priority this federal

www.ncec.catholic.edu.au
www.cspa.catholic.edu.au

From the APRIM

Catholic Education Week

Last week in Catholic Education Week we said thank you to the many people who make our school such a wonderful place to belong. Students spent time across the week thinking of those people they would like to thank and wrote letters to give to those people. A thank you sign created by students across the school will be displayed along our fence line this week as we continue to give thanks for all those who assist in our school.

Visit by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan

Towards the end of Term 4 2021, our staff, were invited to reflect on questions as part of the Plenary Council gathering.

They were asked to consider: **What is God asking of us at this time in Australia?**

1. What are the challenges and opportunities in our community?
2. How can we as a church best fulfil our mission to be the People of God in this place?

Important to this process is gathering input from students in our schools. This week, some year 5/6 students from St. Mary Magdalene's gathered with year 5/6 students from St. Thomas More School, to meet with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and Sarah Moffatt from the Archdiocese of Adelaide. Archbishop Patrick asked them what they thought he should tell the Pope when he meets with him in Rome next year. Students shared some of the challenges and opportunities that they faced as young people living today.

Sacrament Program 2022

A revised outline of the program will be sent to interested families in the next few weeks. Please see Melissa Musolino if you have any questions.

St Vincent de Paul Society invites you to the second Regional Forum, to share and reflect on stories and experiences of poverty and to explore possibilities for action and advocacy.

Sunday 22 May, 2.30pm-4pm

St Thomas More Parish Hall, 19 Laverstock Rd, Elizabeth North

All welcome – bring a friend, too!

Enquiries/RSVPs to

Geraldine Hawkes, Central District Regional President ghawkes@svdpsa.org.au

Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians.

The National Reconciliation Week theme, “Be Brave. Make Change”, is a challenge to all Australians – individuals, families, communities, organisations and government- to Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can Make Change for the benefit of all Australians.

Next week we will have the opportunity to reflect on this theme with a Christian lens as we gather for prayer. In the scriptures we are called to follow God’s way of justice in both word and action. In his footsteps, then, we bring our whole lives and efforts today to the work of healing and reconciling action.

Mayor's Visit

Visit from Mayor Docherty

This week Mayor Docherty visited us from the Playford Council. He spoke with us about what leadership is and the qualities of good leaders, as well as what happens in a council meeting and the things that the local government are responsible for.

We found out that Mayor Docherty has been serving the Playford community since he was 19 years of age. He is a registered nurse and works at the Lyell McEwen Hospital when he is not being a Mayor.

Mayor Docherty also helped install our School Captains, Sports Leaders and Classroom Leaders for 2022.

It was great to hear and speak with him about leadership and the council.



Book Fair Continues!

Book Fair continues this week! See our opening times below. Last day is Monday afternoon! Don't be late. All proceeds from the book fair will go towards buying new books for our school library. The book fair will be held in the Yarning Place and is open before and after school for purchases. Parents/carers will be able to attend the bookfair during the following times.

Thurs May 19 3:00 – 3:20pm

Fri May 20 8:30 - 8:45am / 3:00 – 3:20pm

Mon May 23 8:30 - 8:45am / 3:00 - 3:20pm

I look forward to seeing you there.

Ged Hughes

**Book Fair—Open each morning and
afternoon—last day Monday 23rd of
May 2022**

DIVE INTO: READING!



Community Hub New Timetable for Term 2 2022

***Please note that some start times have changed



Community Hub Term 2, 2022 Timetable



St Mary Magdalene's School
82 Fairfield Road
Elizabeth Grove, SA 5112

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>COMPUTER CLASS for Adults *FREE Child Minding *Booking Required</p>  <p>*** LIMITED SPACES 1pm - 3pm</p> <p>Learn how to use a Computer! Typing, Resume, Online Forms</p> <p>PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH KERRY N TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPPORT SERVICES FINANCIAL COUNSELLING VOLUNTEERING ONE BOX WAITING LIST 	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p><i>Cuppa & Chat</i> Craft Group</p> <p>11am - 12:30pm</p> <p><i>Connect - Share - Learn</i> <i>Create - Inspire</i></p>  <p>MyTime <i>supporting parents of children with disabilities</i></p> <p>Find out more at www.mytime.net.au</p> <p>1pm - 3pm</p> <p>Contact Keryn B 0414 912 816</p> <p>*Free Child Minding WEEKS 2 - 9</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>EASY ENGLISH for Adults *FREE Child Minding *Booking Required</p>  <p>*** LIMITED SPACES 9am - 11am</p> <p>Speaking, Reading and Writing</p> <p>You are welcome to stay between these two sessions ↓</p> <p>FREE WORKSHOP *Free Child Minding Creche for young children</p> <p>WEDNESDAY 11:30pm - 1:30pm</p> <p>WEEKS 2 - 3 11/05/22 & 18/05/22 Driving in Australia</p> <p>WEEKS 4 - 6 25/05/22, 1/06/22 & 8/06/22 Job Ready Workshop</p> <p>CALL OR MESSAGE TO BOOK KERRY N - 0437 609 976</p>	<p>THURSDAY</p>  <p><i>Little Maggies</i> Playgroup</p>  <p>9am - 10:30am</p> <p>PLEASE BOOK - 0437 609 976 WEEKS 2 - 9</p>  <p>facebook follow us on</p> <p>Keep up to date with news and events! www.facebook.com/CommunityHubSMM</p> <p>Hub Leader - Kerry n 0437 609 976</p>	<p>COVID - 19 RESTRICTIONS</p> <p>*PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL</p> <p>*YOU MUST WEAR A FACE MASK AND SOCIAL DISTANCE FROM OTHERS</p> <p>THANK YOU!</p>  <p>PICK UP 3pm Wednesday 8:45am Thursday</p>
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FREE ENGLISH CLASSES

*Free Child Minding / Crèche for young children

TEXT OR CALL TO BOOK - 0437 609 976

TIMETABLE IS AVAILABLE ON FACEBOOK - @COMMUNITYHUBSMM

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Located at: 82 Fairfield Road Elizabeth Grove 5112

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RECONCILIATION WEEK 2022



ABORIGINAL CULTURAL TOUR

**MONDAY
MAY 30**

WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE & LEARN WITH US
AS WE TOUR WITH AN ABORIGINAL GUIDE,
THE SA MUSEUM ABORIGINAL CULTURES GALLERY
MEET AT ELIZABETH RISE COMMUNITY CENTRE 9AM
OUR BUS WILL RETURN AT APPROX 1.30PM.
LIGHT LUNCH INCLUDED.



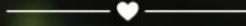
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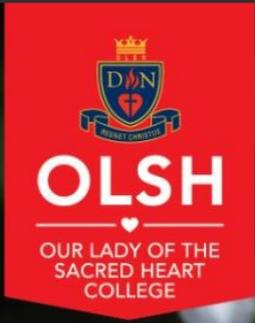


College Tours

Join us on a College Tour to discover how your daughter will find her place with us. Book now for Tuesday 31 May and 28 June!



Various scholarships are available to help girls reach their full potential. Applications for 2023 are now open, visit: olsh.catholic.edu.au



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