



### Our Vision

- As a Catholic community, called by God, we nurture relationships as we serve, learn and grow.

### Our Mission

- To lead pupils more fully into the mystery of Christ and the Living Tradition of the Church.
- Our School motto is "Love One Another"
- To foster and develop Christian Values.
- To work together to enable children to see themselves as worthwhile members of a wider Catholic Faith Community

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## BULLETIN

### WISDOM UPFRONT

*"No one needs a smile, as much as someone who does not have one to give."*

### **PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

*Mr. Armando Gagliardi*

### **CAPITAL WORKS**

It is with great excitement that I inform you that school improvements have continued during the past few months, continuing to provide for all members of our school community.

Improvements include:

- updating junior area of school (completed for the beginning of term 4)
- new synthetic turf
- installation of new playground
- upgrading of teepees and gardens
- additional parking bays
- new fencing for entry and perimeter of the car park



### School Administration

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### Website

A reminder that our website is accessible for all parents. A variety of information is available.

[www.spcdeerpark.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spcdeerpark.catholic.edu.au)

### PREP INTERVIEWS

Interviews conducted for the 2021 Year Prep have been completed. If you are aware of potential enrolments (*siblings*) for 2021 please notify the school immediately as the school is at student capacity.

### SCHOOL EVENTS & CELEBRATIONS

As we continue to work our way through restrictions and regulations, the following is an update of school events and celebrations scheduled for term 4.

<b>Sacrament of Communion</b>	rescheduled for 2021
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	rescheduled for 2021
<b>Swimming (Year Prep – 4)</b>	cancelled
<b>Life Saving Program (Year 5 &amp; 6)</b>	pending approval
<b>Camps</b>	cancelled

The school has booked an extended day, outdoor camp experience for Years 4, 5 & 6. This is subject to approval.

<b>End of Year Mass</b>	pending approval
<b>Graduation</b>	pending approval

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos for Years Prep, 1 & 2 are scheduled for Monday 19 October. A date for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 is to be advised.

### SCHOOL FEES & LEVIES

All parents received a letter outlining their school fees & levies account for 2020. Adjustments have been made to reflect programs that did not take place for students. Example, swimming, excursions, etc...If you have any queries do not hesitate to contact the school.

### STAYING SMART - ONLINE

Every year, we are reminded about the importance of *Staying Smart Online*. The importance of staying safe and secure online while using mobile devices – for social networking, banking, shopping and navigating the Internet is paramount.

A number of resources to promote the awareness are available from the Stay Smart Online website. Stay Smart Online is the Australian Government's online safety and security website, designed to help everyone understand the risks and the simple steps we can take to protect our personal and financial information online. The awareness is an opportunity to reinforce safe and responsible online behaviour with students and their families.

For more information, see the Stay Smart Online website -[www.staysmartonline.gov.au](http://www.staysmartonline.gov.au)



### RETURN TO SCHOOL

Subject to advice from the Chief Health Officer and as announced by the Victorian Government, Victorian Catholic Schools will commence a phased transition back to on site learning during Term 4.

The staged return will be as follows:

- Remote learning continues for all Year Prep to Year 6 students Term 4, week 1 beginning Monday 5 October
- There will be no remote learning for Years Prep, 1 & 2 students on Friday 9 October - Teachers will be planning and preparing for the following week
- Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students onsite from Monday 12 October, 2020
- Students in Years 3 to 6 continue remote and flexible learning program
- Students in Years 3 to 6 whose parents qualify as permitted workers will be supervised onsite with continued remote and flexible learning program

All students in the year levels returning to onsite learning in term 4 are expected to attend school. Schools are not expected to provide a home-based learning program for students in these year levels where parents elect to keep these students at home.

More information will be shared with families, once confirmed by the government and Catholic Education, Melbourne.

### END OF TERM 3

The school term for all students will conclude on Friday, 18 September at 1.00pm. The After School Care Program will be available from 1.00pm on the day. Parents of onsite students are encouraged to use this service as required. Additional information will be provided for families regarding the return to school for students.

As Term 3 draws to a close I would like to acknowledge the work done by so many of our students, staff and parents in our school community during these unusual times making it such a successful one in spite of all the challenges.

Our students have continued to learn and grow. They have found very creative and alternative ways to demonstrate their learning. Congratulations to all students!

I thank all parents & guardians for your ongoing commitment and support to *Remote Learning*. Your willingness and ability to partner with the school and educators in making it possible is greatly appreciated.

I thank all staff for their professionalism and commitment. Their willingness to support your child in all aspects of their wellbeing and learning continues to be of the highest order.

I wish you all a safe and restful break and look forward to seeing you all in term 4.

God Bless  
Armando Gagliardi

## *LEARNING DIVERSITY*

Carmel Bortolotto  
Learning Diversity Leader

### **Year 5 2020:**

A reminder for all Year 5 families that due to Covid 19 the deadline for year 7 enrolments at Catholic Secondary Schools for 2022 has been extended to Friday, 9 October 2020.

Contact the Catholic Secondary School of your choice to obtain enrolment information:

- Caroline Chisholm Catholic College: 9296 5311
- Marian College: 9363 1711
- Catholic Regional College St Albans: 9366 2544
- Catholic Regional College Caroline Springs: 9217 8000

## *STUDENT WELLBEING*

Jackie Rushen  
Student Wellbeing Leader/SEL Specialist/  
Outdoor Education Leader



During this challenging time, families are doing an amazing job supporting their children to continue their learning journey. The staff at SPC are in awe of the way you have taken on so many roles as caregiver, counsellor, provider and educator. As the first educators of your children, we value your collaboration in providing important learning opportunities and ongoing encouragement for them each day.

As educators, we work in partnership to build on our knowledge, understanding and skills of children's needs. We provide positive learning opportunities and environments that help children reach their full potential academically, physically, morally, emotionally and spiritually.

Below are some valuable and insightful articles and links that you might find helpful for your family in the coming weeks.

I hope that you find this learning helpful and inspiring.



### Special Report: Riding the Corona Coaster



- The coronavirus has turned our lives upside down with some students returning to remote learning and parents continuing to juggle the home environment
- In the coming weeks, it will be vital for adult carers to reduce the stress levels at home and make life seem more manageable.
- As an adult carer, it will also be essential to look after your own wellbeing during this time
- In this Special Report, families are encouraged to embrace the guidance offered to help minimise the impact of this corona coaster.

### The CYRA: Communicating Child and Youth Research for All



- Being stuck at home together all day every day is not always easy. Here are some tips for handling the challenges and making the most of this time.

### EDUTOPIA



#### **Social and Emotional Strategies for Parents to support their children**

There are many ways parents can encourage emotionally intelligent behavior in their children.

- Check out this guide to resources for learning more about character development.

### ROMPER



#### **8 Grounding Techniques for Kids with Anxiety That Parents May Benefit From, Too**

- Helpful hints to keep yourself and your child grounded.





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## A message from the Coordinator

Dear families of St. Peter Chanel,

We hope that you are all well and safe during these unprecedented times. We miss physically interacting with the families of OSHClub and the wider community dearly and it is certainly strange to not be doing so. Nevertheless, we are still available to interact and support you all virtually and would like to extend our well wishes and love.

Feel free to send us an email or text message, to let us know how you are doing and if you need any kind of support; or if you would simply like to know more about OSHClub and its services.

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## OSHClub News

**'The physical environment is never simply a backdrop to the curriculum; it is an integral part of the curriculum or leisure based program.'** - (Educators: My Time, Our Place)

Over the last few weeks, given the low number of attendances, we have taken the opportunity to make changes to the physical environment of our service. It is important to provide a sustainable learning environment that maximises and promotes children's learning. This is reflected in our National Quality Standard (NQS) under Quality Area 3 where we are required to provide an inclusive, organised, resourceful and environmentally responsible program. Click [here](#) to read more about the NQS and what elements we need to meet.

We are excited to have all the children come back and engage in the new environment we have setup. Our sole aim is to ensure we are fostering children to be the best learners possible through the play-based, organised, inclusive and environmentally responsible resources and activities we have planned and set out.

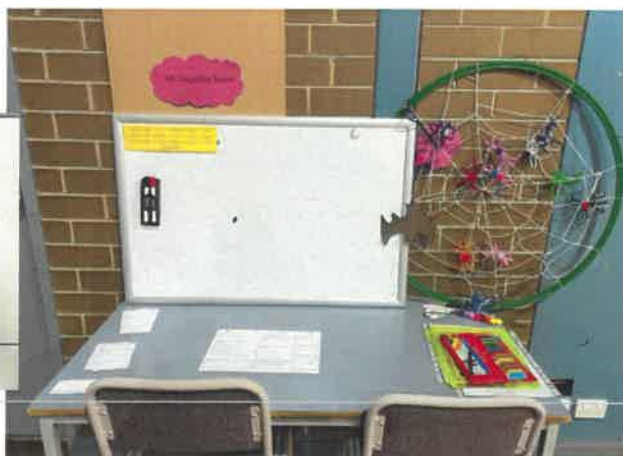
On the second page, are a few pictures of some the resources and areas we have set up within our physical environment – **check them out!**

Another recent focus point at OSHClub is on element 1.2.2 of the NQS under Quality Area 1. This is:

**'Educators respond to children's ideas & play and extend children's learning through open-ended questions, interactions and feedback.'** (Read more on this element [here](#))

OSHClub has recently changed the way we plan the program - we have developed a planning system that is now centred solely in response the children's ideas, suggestions and feedback. To foster this, we have set up a corner especially for the children where they can sit and write down their ideas, suggestions and feedback. Have a look!

Feedback Note			
Date			
Name			
Comment made by (circle one)			
Parent	Child	Family Member	Other





Tent & Campfire Play



Gymnastic Mats



Restaurant Play



Building corner



Music Corner



Art corner

### Nutrition and Vitality

Our menu at OSHClub aims to reflect both children's preferences as well as Nutrition Australia and our own Healthy Eating and Nutrition Provision Policy. We want to bring more of the children's favourite foods to our program so to the chefs of the house, if you have any special recipes that your children **LOVE**, share it with us and we can add it to our weekly menu!!!!



### Our Community



St Peter Chanel OSHClub is taking part in Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs! Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs is a campaign that collects bread tags in order to raise funds to buy wheelchairs for disadvantaged people in South Africa.

We will be placing a jar on the table in the foyer where you can bring in your bread tags from home and pop them in there – once we got a great amount of bread tags, we will drop it off to the collection points and they will be off to help out those in need!

So be sure to take part in this amazing and selfless campaign, click [here](#) to read more about it!