

I am so proud to be the Community Liaison Officer at OCJFC. I have been at OCJFC since 2005 and have watched the club grow from 5 teams and about 66 kids to 30 teams and 470 children under the leadership of John (Kokki) Kostopoulos and his fabulous Junior Committee. The success of OCJFC is not in the number of wins per week but in the development of a community-driven club that provides a safe and fun environment for our children to be inspired by and immersed in the world's greatest game - soccer.

As we embark on the start of the 2011 season, it is time to reflect on and embrace our Team Support System (TSS), that sets us apart from any other sporting club in Victoria. Every person involved in TSS is providing service to the community - our community at OCJFC. This means that our TSS parents are working with us to ensure all our children have a great experience at OCJFC.

TSS parents are a highly valued part of OCJFC community. One of the most valued roles is the TSS first aid role. Helen Kraloglou, our First Aid Officer, manages 30 first aiders, one per team, and ensures the first aid kits are well stocked and that professional development is provided to first aiders on a yearly basis. As a result of her valued experience at OCJFC in the area of first aid, over the last 5 years, Helen was successful in applying for a First Aid attendant position at Hughesdale Primary School, despite not having formal nursing qualifications (which other applicants had). Congratulations Helen!!

Have a happy and enjoyable start to the 2011 season. Go Cannons!