Dear Parent,

This week we began our swimming program and in spite of the weather it has been running very smoothly. The children really enjoy the experience of learning to swim with their classmates and their buddies. I have asked many children across year levels if they enjoy going swimming and it is a resounding yes. Hopefully next week the weather will improve and we can resume walking to the Sunshine Leisure Centre. Thank you to the many parent helpers who are giving up their time to support the staff in making sure that the program runs smoothly. We cannot run this program without your support.

A Great Initiative Makes the Local News!

This week we had the Star newspaper and the Lost Dogs Home visit Year 3F. As you will recall earlier this term Matilda, Kitty, Eliza and Olivia from 3F had organised many fundraising activities to raise money for a cause close to their hearts; The Lost Dogs Home.

The girls raised $278 as well as collecting many donations such as blankets for the Lost Dogs Home. This week the Star newspaper and the Lost Dogs Home came to visit them at school in recognition of their wonderful achievement. Look out for a picture and an article which will be featured in the Star newspaper on the 10th of November!

Please help us to improve your child’s learning opportunities.

I have noticed that there has been an increase in children arriving late for school. It is important that your child arrives to school on time and that they have a few minutes to organise themselves before school begins. It is not fair to the children when they walk into school and their class has already begun. It is also unfair for late parents to speak to the teacher when school has already begun as this interrupts valuable learning time for the whole class.

We need you to help us to maximise your child’s learning.

Prayer for the Lonely

We must pray for all people. Those who are lonely need our prayers too. God of all, we pray today for those who are lonely and who feel that no one cares about them. Help lonely people to know that you are always with them and that you love them with an unending love. May we reach out a hand of friendship to another person in your name today so they will know that someone cares. Amen
Congratulations to ALL the students of Our Lady’s who through our Missions Fundraising Week last week put so much time and effort into organising, advertising and running various stalls and activities.

As a school we managed to raise an amazing amount of money for the Catholic Missions.

We raised:

$27733.80!!

Our Lady’s certainly DOES know how to ‘Sock It To Poverty’!

Many thanks to all the students, teachers, staff, parents and families who supported us throughout our Missions Fundraising Week.
Our Lady’s School staff providing our students with a rich and varied selection of EXTRA-CURRICULA ACTIVITIES.

In this week’s newsletter I would like to acknowledge the work of the Our Lady’s staff who regularly have given up their lunchtimes and after school time this year to provide our children with a wide range of extra-curricula activities to participate in. As a parent you might not have been aware of these clubs and activities that are operating in the school for your child to participate in.

The Movie Making Club - Mr Buttigeig and Mr Galea
Year 1/2 Camp Night - Our Lady’s Staff
Year 3/4 Camp Night - Our Lady’s Staff
Foundation Barbeque – Our Lady’s Staff
Year 5 one night camp - Our Lady’s Staff
Year 6 two night camp - Our lady’s Staff
The MacKillop Village Lunchtime Creative Play Activities - Ms Ryan and Year 6 helpers
Glee Club - Miss Carmel, Miss Ferrara and Miss Severino
Our Lady’s Choir (years 3-6) - Ms Lipski and Mrs Cuni
Chess and Connect 4 in our school yard - Year 5 helpers
Sporting Schools After School Activity Program (different Sports each term) - Mrs Hill and Miss MacManus
Tech Club - Miss Carmel
Calligraphy Club for Year 6 - Mrs Kalc-Smyth
Library @ Lunch - Mrs Carrabott and Mrs Trypis
Community Wellbeing Week - Mrs Trypis
Italian Cultural Week activities - Miss Federica
Book Week Theatre Incursion - Our Lady’s Staff
Excursions and Incursions in each term - Our Lady’s Staff
Dinner in the Yard - Our Lady’s Staff
Art Exhibition at the Granary Cafe (in conjunction with Victoria University Art Project) - Mrs Carabott and Miss Pina
Michael Mangan Concert - Ms Lipski

Our School Vision states that we want to provide an excellent education for all students. Our extra-curricula activities are just one of the many ways that we try to achieve this.

Yours sincerely,
Patrizia Bertani
Ms Patrizia Bertani
Principal
principal@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au
Dear Families,

From Wednesday 4 November, we will be using a new online booking system, making it even easier for you to make bookings and update your details. This new parent portal is called My Family Lounge.

We are very pleased to be able to provide you with an easier and more efficient way of managing your child’s bookings at our service. This improvement will also meet the needs of many families, who have told us that they want immediate confirmation of their casual bookings.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your OSHC Coordinator or email childrensservices.vic@ymca.org.au.

Sun smart policy

After School SunSmart policy is implemented from beginning of Term 4 until end of Term 1 to ensure all the students and staff attending the school are protected from harmful rays of sun.

For afternoon tea, a large fruit platter is served in addition to the items listed above. Afternoon Tea and the Daily Activities may change due to circumstances on any given day. Our program is designed for children of different ages and differences. Outside play is encouraged when the weather is fine. Children have a choice to participate in inside or outside activities.

If someone else is picking up your child (children) early on your behalf or your child/ren are not attending After School Care, please let OSHC coordinator know (phone number: 0401 700 401 from 2.45-6.00pm).

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P&F FUNDRAISER EXTENDED!!

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Support Our Lady’s Parents and Friends by purchasing your own Trolley Key.
Available on our QKR App or via the paper order form.
Limited time - only available until NEXT FRIDAY NOVEMBER 13!!

SPORT DURING THE SWIMMING PROGRAM

Grades will have Sport during our Swimming Program on the following days:

Week 6

Mon 9 Nov 2N, 5D, 6B, FJ  Tues 10 Nov 5C, 1K, 6A, 4H  Wed 11 Nov 2M, 5D, 3E, 3F
Thur 12 Nov 4G, 1L, 6B, Fl
Jesus praised the widow for her generosity because she gave everything she had even though she was poor. What are some ways we can be generous like the poor widow?

**Gospel**

_Mk 12:41-44_

In his teaching Jesus said, ‘Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.’

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, ‘I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.’

**Spot the difference**

Can you spot the seven differences between these two pictures?