



OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16 July 2021

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Parish Priest: Fr. Peter-Damien McKinley

Principal: Ms. Patrizia Bertani

Parish Mass Times:

English: Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 9:00am, 10:45am & 5:30pm

Vietnamese: Saturday 7.30pm, Sunday 12.30pm

Chin: Sunday 2.30pm

School Phone: 9312 2230

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Our Lady's is a Child Safe School

Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. Romans 12:4-5

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Every Friday Assembly is online at 2.30pm

Mon 19 July

Second Hand Uniform Sale

3.10pm in the Hall POSTPONED

Wed 21 July

7.00pm PAB Meeting

Sat 24 July

P&F BBQ at Sunshine Bunnings

Mon 26 & Tues 27 July

Whole School Closure - Staff Conference RE

Sun 8 August

Feast of St Mary of the Cross

Wed 11 August

School Disco:

5.30 Hot Dog Dinner

6.00-7.30 Disco

Sun 15 Aug

Feast of the Assumption of Mary

Mon 23-Fri 27 Aug

Book Week

Wed 25-Fri 27 Aug

Grade 5 Camp (Narmbool)

Sun 5 Sept

Father's Day

Fri 17 Sept

End of Term 3 at 3.15pm

Mon 4 Oct

Start of Term 4 at 8.45am

Mon 1 Nov

School Closure - Report Writing

Tues 2 Nov

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Fri 12 Nov

Yr 6 Confirmation

Mon 15-Fri 26 Nov

10 Day Swimming Program

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE 2021 SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

Mon & Tues 26-27 July Staff RE Conference

Mon 1 Nov Report Writing

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Term 3! As I find myself writing Term 3, it is such a surreal feeling to be commencing Semester Two together. Semester One seemed to past by very quickly! I hope you were all able to have a restful break and enjoy some time together over the two week school break doing things you enjoy together. In last term's week 10 newsletter, Ms Bertani mentioned that she would be on long service leave for the first week of Term 3, hence why I am writing this week's edition!

The above paragraph I actually wrote early on Thursday morning when I had a small window to start the newsletter. A lot certainly changed throughout the afternoon regarding the Victorian announcements of a 5 day snap lockdown. All communication was sent via Seesaw as well as our Skoolbag app, as we usually do. Just in case you missed the essential correspondence that was communicated on Thursday evening, I have copied parts of it below:

Due to the lockdown, our school will move into Remote Online Learning using the Seesaw platform from Friday 16th July and at this stage through to Tuesday 20th July. As with all the prior COVID lockdowns, it is an evolving situation and we will keep you up to date throughout this period. We will be operating as we have been during previous lockdowns. You will receive further information regarding learning from your child's teacher via Seesaw.

If you need to pick up a device for your child to use throughout this period, some devices were given out on Friday morning at parent's requests. In addition, more Chromebooks will be available from Monday. Chromebooks can be collected from 9:00 to 11:00am. Children of essential workers will be able to be onsite for supervision, as in previous lockdowns. If you are an essential worker, please email me (as Ms Bertani is on leave) ccarabott@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au as soon as possible to communicate the days your child will be attending onsite supervision.

It is always so difficult when a lockdown is announced. Being Victoria's 5th lockdown, we all know what to do. As we have done previously, we will get through this together if we all do the right thing and follow the government's instructions. If you need any support at all do not hesitate to email me, Ms Bertani, your child's teacher or any other staff member that you feel confident to speak to. I pray that our community remains safe and that we will all be back onsite at Our Lady's school when lockdown ends.

TOGETHER



WILL GET THROUGH THIS

Prayer of Hope

We are called to be people of hope. Sharing hope with others is so important.



God of hope, we hear all the time about people who cause trouble. Help us to remember that there are many people in our world who reach out to others. There are people who go out of their way for others each day.

Help us to know that our world has hope because of Jesus Christ who brings us new life.

May we learn to be people who bring hope to others.

We ask this through your Spirit of love. Amen

At the end of last term, you may recall that the Events Committee organised a raffle for our school.

Thank-you to you, our community, for supporting this event, as we raised a total of **\$524.00**, being a profit.



The events committee, Georgia, Myumi and Lily worked with Ms Bertani to organise the raffle, tubes and bookmarks for our school community, demonstrating superb leadership and organisational skills.

Congratulations to the prize winners who were able to take home a winning package organised by the members in the Year 6 Events committee. The winners were:

Emily K FJ
Lucas G 1K
Sylvee V 1L
Stephanie D 2M
Madeline F 3E
Tracey L 3F
Chhazakhai C 3F
Mila K 4G
Harrison M 5C
Zoe N 5D
Aiden C 6B
Lily W 6B



Parents and Friends: Our wonderful P&F committee met online on Wednesday evening to discuss upcoming events that have been planned. Thank-you to all the committee members for your wonderful ideas, collaboration and work for our school community.

Ms Bertani will be back from her long service leave on Monday. We will continue to keep you informed of any updates regarding our State's lockdown situation and remote learning arrangements. Thank-you to all our staff who were able to adapt learning plans to remote learning arrangements so quickly and of course our families who are supporting the Remote Learning Plans.

We have some events advertised in this week's newsletters for upcoming weeks. Obviously these events will all be dependant on the current Victorian restrictions at that time and the regulations around the easing of restrictions. As we know, event planning is very much 'play it by ear', which is extremely difficult. As always we will keep you updated.

Even though we are in lockdown with hard restrictions, wishing all our families a safe and lovely weekend together. Please stay safe and we look forward to seeing you back at school once lockdown ends.

Yours sincerely,

Christine Carabott

Mrs Christine Carabott
Acting Principal



Bidao K 4G	Olive M 1K	Ryan N 6B
Nubia	Isaiah M FI	Kayla M 3F
Chum C 6A	Ari I 4H	Jonah H 3F
Matilda L 3F	Joseph C 6B	Michael C 6A
Peter L 5D	An D 6B	Olivia B 5D
Kobie H 6B	Jasmine N 5C	Snowbery T FJ
Ms Howe	Khy P 3E	Bei Ra Pa Tha 1L
Mr Josh	Eden H 5C	

P & F NEWS

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY...

Please come along and support the Our Lady's Bunnings sausage sizzle from 9.00am-4.00pm at Sunshine Bunnings on Saturday 24th of July.



The Parents and Friends are fundraising for Our Lady's school and would love to see lots of Our Lady's families come and buy a sausage and lend support!

BUNNINGS BBQ DONATIONS

The P & F are seeking help with gathering ingredients/items for the Bunnings BBQ.

Set out below is a list of some of the items. Donations of any of these items will offset some of the costs for the P&F which means more profit! A great option if people are not available to help with the BBQ.

If you are able to donate anything on the above list, please contact Kerri Harris on 0412 8666 42 (text message is best) so she can co-ordinate and ensure there is no double-up.

Non-perishable items can be delivered to the Office by 3.00pm July 23 2021 at the latest.

We still have a few spots of two hour long shifts on 24 July for the BBQ that we need volunteers for. Please let Kerri know if you are available. "

ITEMS NEEDED FOR BUNNINGS BBQ

Sausages	35kg (350+)
Bread	22 Loaves
Onions	12kg (precut)
Tomato Sauce	2.5 litre
Mustard Sauce	1 litre
BBQ Sauce	1.5 litre
Napkins	
Garbage bags	
Detergent	
Food gloves	

Many thanks,

The P&F Committee

MARIAN COLLEGE SUNSHINE WEST



Onsite Tours

9am Wednesday 14 July, 2021

9am Friday 16 July, 2021

3.30pm Thursday 22 July, 2021

Register here: <http://www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au/1913>

Year 7, 2023 Information Night

7pm Tuesday 3 August, 2021

Appreciate your time and continued support.

Many thanks,

Rose Cassar

Marketing & Community Officer Marian College

PARENTS ADVISORY BOARD NEWS

The Parents Advisory Board (PAB) have their next meeting on **Wednesday 21st of July**.

If there are topics any parent wishes to raise for the PAB to discuss with the school, please contact one of the board prior to next Wednesday, or email the group on parents@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au

Many thanks,

The Parents Advisory Board (PAB)



PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

Get your best dancing clothes and shoes ready for our upcoming Our Lady's Disco!

When: Wednesday 11 August

5.30pm for a hot dog dinner

6.00pm-7.30pm for dancing!

More information coming home soon, including how to order your hotdogs through QKR for the night.

Start practising your best dance moves now!





Congratulations to our Aussie of the Month Award winners for June - Joseph C 6B and Kobe P 3F!



CANTEEN NEWS

The Canteen needs helpers for EVERY FRIDAY and every second Wednesday and Thursday.

If you spare even just an hour on any day, please see Geraldine or Nubia in the Canteen or email Geraldine on gwilliams@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au



SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE MONDAY 19 JULY POSTPONED



The second hand uniform stall scheduled for Monday has to be postponed due to the Lockdown.

As soon as another date is confirmed we will let you know.

insights

How to raise a child to be a giver

by Michael Grose



Michael Grose highlights why it is so important to teach your child to be a giver not a taker, and gives five practical ways to develop a sense of generosity in kids.

Young children are egocentric by nature. As any three-year old knows only too well the world revolves around them. “I want ” “Give me ” “It’s mine” and other variations are the mantras for this age group. This self-centredness is developmental, which means it’s something they grow out of or they’re supposed to.

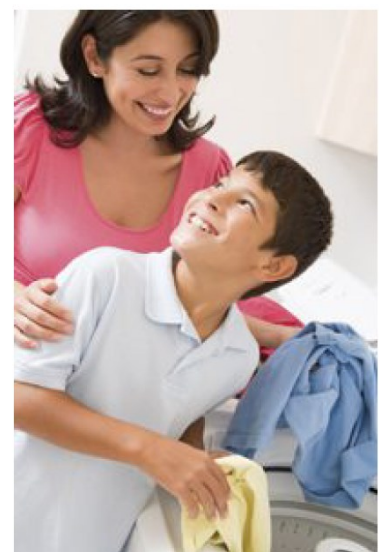
But some kids never bridge the gap from self-centredness to generosity. They become takers with an inflated sense of entitlement rather than givers who do all they can to accommodate the needs of others. While it can be argued that some children maybe self-centred by temperament I’m not convinced that we can blame Mother Nature entirely. There is no doubt that parenting impacts enormously on a child’s propensity to give rather than take.

In the eagerness to get kids off to a good start in life, a spirit of generosity is one quality that parents can easily overlook. Developing children’s personal competencies tend to be higher on most parents’ wish lists for their kids than developing a generous spirit.

But developing a sense of sharing in kids has plenty of positives. Children who are able to share their time, their space and themselves generally have more friends and experience more success than those who are self-centred and mean- spirited. Quite simply, they are leadership material!

Like most facets of child rearing developing a community ethos in kids’ can be a frustrating task but perseverance, modeling and expectations are parents’ greatest allies when it comes to things that really matter.

Here are five practical ways to develop a sense of generosity in kids:



1. Expect kids to help

With families shrinking, kids get fewer opportunities to help at home than before. With this in mind expect your kids to help without being paid. Regular chores and activities that benefit others such as setting the meal table or helping a younger sibling get dressed teaches them that their contribution is valuable and very much required.

2. Think 'gang'

It's a quirk of modern life that parenting is an individual endeavour. *"What's in the best interest of my child?"* has replaced *"What's in the best interest of the family?"* as a key parenting principle. Encourage children to make allowances for each other which may mean everyone watches a sibling's special concert rather than some children missing it because 'it's boring!' 'We put ourselves out for each other' is a wonderful family strength that often needs to be reinforced by parents.

3. Don't let them get away with meanness

Children wear L-Plates when it comes to behaving generously. They don't always get it right, which means that parents as the wise adults need to remind children when their words and actions are intolerant or mean-spirited, or when they need to put their own needs behind the needs of others.

4. Develop a sense of other

Children and teenagers don't live in a bubble. The socialisation process demands that kids be accountable for their poor behaviours. *"What does this social situation reasonably require of my child at his or her age and stage of development?"* is a great question to ask yourself to develop a sense of other, rather than entitlement in kids.

5. Encourage giving

During the Victorian bushfires a few years ago I heard the story of a nine-year old whose mum went into his bedroom to growl at him for being up too late. She found him busy emptying his moneybox into little plastic bags, ready to donate at the school bushfire appeal next day. There were plenty of stories like this showing the generosity of Australian kids, we just need to encourage them in everyday life, rather than wait for a tragedy, to give their generosity a kick start. You can begin by encouraging them to give toys, books and clothes away when they have finished with them, or doing a good deed by a neighbor or friend.

The skills that kids need for future success are changing as technology, greater flexibility and mobility, and new economic forces are transforming workplaces at an astonishingly rapid rate. But the basic attitudes and character traits needed to succeed such as teamwork, initiative and generosity haven't changed too much over time. Ask any employer and I'm sure they'd say they'd hire a giver over a taker any day as they are just so valuable to have on a team. Hopefully they are not becoming a rarity as well!



Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's the author of 10 books for parents including *Thriving!* and the best-selling *Why First Borns Rule the World* and *Last Borns Want to Change It*, and his latest release *Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent children*.

Jesus taught the sheep of his flock

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B



Gospel

Mk 6:30-34

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

Jesus taught them many things

What did Jesus teach people?
Answer True or False to the following

"Love your neighbour" _____

"Punish those who dislike you" _____

"I am the wine of life" _____

"Blessed are the meek, they shall inherit the earth" _____

"I am the light of the world" _____

"A rolling stone gathers no moss" _____



Jesus was a shepherd, a leader, a teacher and a helper to his followers. In the footprints, write the names of people you know who care about others the way Jesus did.

