



## OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

24 May 2018

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Parish Priest: Fr. Peter-Damien McKinley  
Principal: Ms. Patrizia Bertani  
Parish Mass Times: Saturday 6:00pm  
Sunday 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:30pm  
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School website: [www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](http://www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au)  
*Our Lady's is a Child Safe School*

*God has made us what we are, and in our union with Jesus Christ he has created us for a life of good deeds, which he has already prepared for us to do. Ephesians 2:10*

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### **Sun 27 May**

10.30 Mass Gr 4H Eucharist

#### **Tues 5 June**

World Environment Day

Italian Week

#### **Sun 3 June**

10.30 Mass Gr 4G Eucharist

#### **Fri 8 June**

Parish Movie

Sacred Heart Mass 11.00am

#### **Mon 11 June**

*Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. No school for the children*

#### **Fri 22 June**

9.00am Community Classrooms

#### **Wed 27 June**

3 Way Learning Conversations  
3.30-6.00pm

#### **Thur 28 June**

3 Way Learning Conversations  
8.00am-3.00pm **No school for the children**

#### **Fri 29 June**

Last day of term 2 at 3.15pm

#### **Mon 16 & Tues 17 July**

Staff Conference **No school for the children**

#### **Wed 18 July**

Term 3 begins for children

### SACRAMENTS

*Eucharist (Year 4)*

Sun 27 May 10.30am (4H)

Sun 3 June 10.30am (4G)

*Reconciliation (Year 3)*

Thurs 6 Sept 7.00pm

Confirmation (Year 6)

Fri 16 November 7.00pm

Dear Parent,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in the Our Lady's School Athletics Day. It was a real community event with staff, parents and children working together to make it the fun and successful event that it was. A special thank you to all our wonderful parent volunteers who helped to run the various events. You were fantastic and we could not have done it without you! In particular I would like to thank Ms. Joanne McManus, our dedicated PE Leader for preparing the children so well. Ms. McManus is an outstanding role model for our children. She always encourages them to do their best and provides both inspiration and motivation to all of our students. Thank you Ms. McManus and thank you to everyone!

It is a very exciting time for the children of 4H who this Sunday and 4G next Sunday, will be receiving their First Eucharist. I ask you to join me in praying for the children as they make their final preparations. May they always keep their hearts open and allow the love of Jesus into their lives.



*Eucharist Candidates 2018 Please pray for us*



### **Prayer for First Communion**

*It is a blessed day when we receive Jesus in the eucharist. We should thank God for this wonderful gift.*



Dear Father, we will soon celebrate a special day. We will receive your Son, Jesus Christ, in the eucharist for the very first time. Thank you for sharing Jesus with us in the bread and wine at Mass. Help us to be renewed each time we come to the table of the Lord. May we live as Jesus showed us, each and every day of our lives. Hear our prayers as we prepare for First Communion. Amen





# Gr 4 Eucharist Reflection Day







## Walk Safely to School Day Friday 18 May 2018

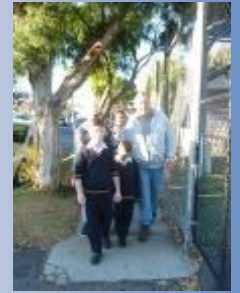
### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following students who won a prize in the Walk Safely To School Raffle!

<i><b>FI Scarlett P</b></i>	<i><b>FJ Will P</b></i>	<i><b>1K Mila K</b></i>	<i><b>1L Natania P</b></i>	<i><b>2M Harrison H</b></i>
<i><b>2N Digby M</b></i>	<i><b>3E Sophie T</b></i>	<i><b>3F Kayla T</b></i>	<i><b>4G Luca G</b></i>	<i><b>4H Matilda F</b></i>
<i><b>5C James F</b></i>	<i><b>5D Lilee F</b></i>	<i><b>6A Liam McC</b></i>	<i><b>6B Lucas H</b></i>	







Walk Safely to School Day  
Friday 18 May 2018





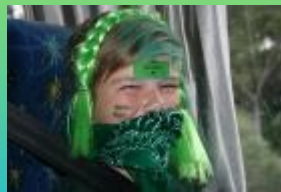
# Athletics Day 2018

**Congratulations to everyone especially Ms McManus on another wonderful Our Lady's Athletics Day!**

**Equal 1st  
3rd  
4th**

**Final results were:  
Chisholm and Mazenod  
MacKillop  
Woods**

**479 points  
423 points  
404 points**





# Athletics Day







# Athletics Day



**Book Now!**

Bookings are now open!  
Please note:  
Bookings must be made 7 days  
prior to the School Closure Day



**When:**  
**28<sup>th</sup> June**  
**16<sup>th</sup> July**  
**17<sup>th</sup> July**

## School Closure Day Programs!

**Please come and join us at our Camp Australia School Closure Day Program for non-stop fun with friends, including outdoor group games, sport, art & craft and much more!!!**

**Time:** 8:00am to 6.00pm

**Where:** The After School Care Room at Our Lady's School

**What to bring:** Morning Tea and Lunch.

Breakfast and Afternoon Tea will be provided!

**Fees:** \$59.00 per child minus CCB/CCR benefits

Please visit our website [www.campaustalia.com.au](http://www.campaustalia.com.au) or contact our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 to register your child for the School Closure Day program.

*Please Note: 18 Minimum bookings are required to operate the School Closure Day Program, so please book in as soon as you can. You will be notified 7 days prior to the School Closure Day if the session is no longer running.*

### The Feast of the Sacred Heart - Mass June 8 at 11.00am

The Feast of the Sacred Heart, celebrated in June, is a special day for our school. On this day we celebrate the love of God for us and in our response we are called to spread that love in our relationships and by our actions. *"God has no other hands but ours to show His love to the world."*

Each year at this time Our Lady's supports the work of St Vincent de Paul Society in the local community by collecting a **gold coin donation** for blankets for their Winter Appeal. Please help us spread the love and compassion with a donation that can be sent to the school via your child leading up to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June.

***Please join us for Mass on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June @ 11am where the students will lead us in prayer.***

#### Prayer

*Reveal Thy Sacred Heart to me, O Jesus, and show me its attractions.*

*Unite me to it for ever. Grant that all my aspirations and all the beats of my heart,*

*which cease not even while I sleep, may be a testimonial to Thee of my love for Thee*

*and may say to Thee: Yes, Lord, I am all Thine; the pledge of my allegiance to Thee rests*

*ever in my heart and will never cease to be there.*

*Do Thou accept the slight amount of good that I do and be graciously pleased to repair all my wrongdoing; so that I may be able to bless Thee in time and in eternity. Amen.*





### ART ROOM NEWS

The art room is needing any old white sheets that we can cut up to use for batik art. We are also after old taps, small castor wheels and handles. These will be used to embellish clay creatures.

We are always looking for used, washed foam meat trays that we use as paint palettes.

If you have any old calendars, the type with landscape photos we are also collecting these. Please drop off at the Art Room on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays.



*Miss Pina*

Pina McDonald Art Teacher

### PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

The Parents and Friends committee are looking at holding a school fete this year, to do so will need to form a fete sub-committee to help organise and run it!



If you are would be interested in joining this or helping out in anyway please email Michelle at [michelle83davis@hotmail.com](mailto:michelle83davis@hotmail.com)

Many hands make light work!

*Also a reminder about our P&F Meeting is on TOMORROW Friday May 25 at 8.45am in the Hall Kitchen. Please remember to sign in at the Office before you go into the Kitchen for the Meeting. All welcome!*

Thanks, *Michelle Hayes*  
P&F President



**We invite all parents to our Community Classroom morning.  
It will be a great opportunity to connect with some of your child's learning in  
the classroom.**

**When: Friday 22nd June**

**Time: 9:00am**

**Where: Classrooms**

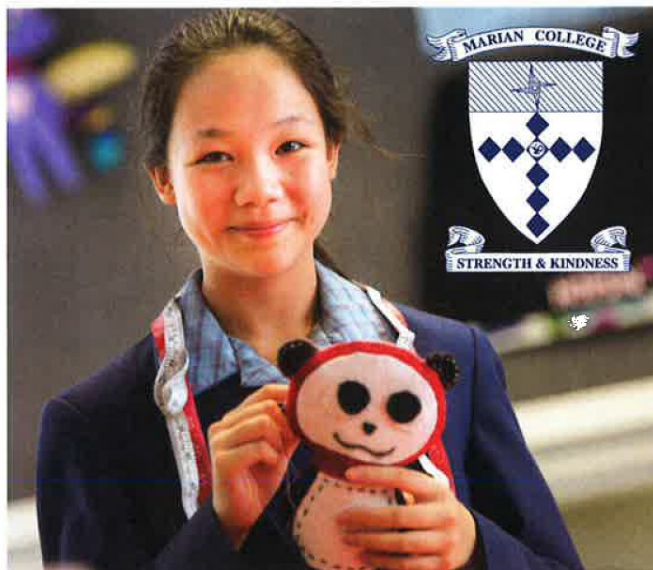
**More information will be sent home soon.**



# MARIAN COLLEGE

## ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING

YEAR 2020 ONWARDS  
Tuesday 19th June  
7pm



ENROLMENTS  
FOR  
YEAR 7 2020  
CLOSE  
17TH AUGUST 2018



## OPEN DAYS

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AT 9:00AM

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9/5/18

Our Lady's Primary School,  
92 Monash Street,  
Sunshine, 3021

Dear Everyone,

Thank you to everyone for the money raised by selling badges for the Sunshine RSL.  
We appreciate your ongoing support.  
You raised \$72.00.

Lesley Twidle  
Secretary  
Sunshine RSL.



# 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.

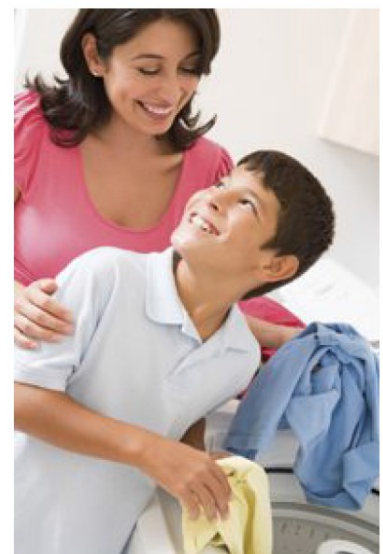
But some kids never bridge the gap from self-centredness to generosity. They become takers with an inflated sense of entitlement rather than givers who do all they can to accommodate the needs of others. While it can be argued that some children maybe self-centred by temperament I’m not convinced that 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*.





## Gospel

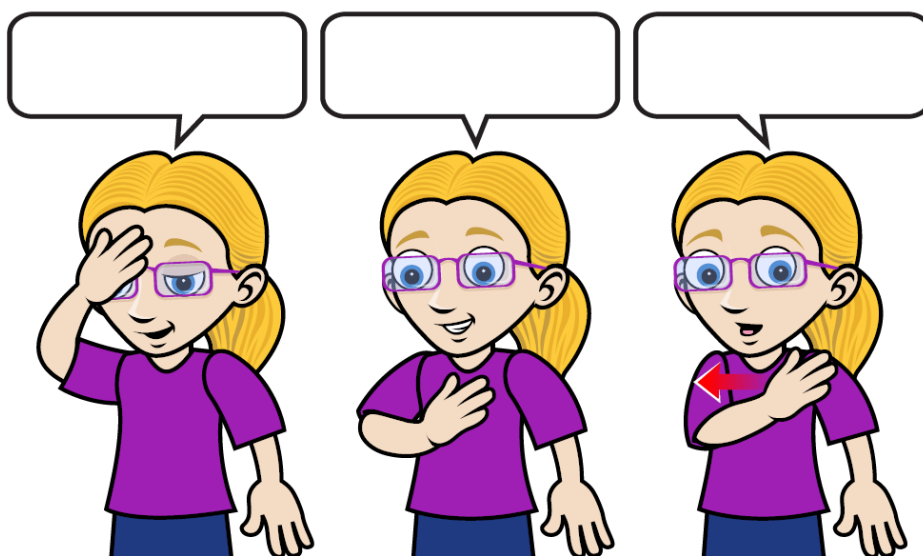
Mt 28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up to and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

There is a simple prayer that we say almost every day, which reminds us of the Trinity. That prayer is the Sign of the Cross.

### How do I make the Sign of the Cross?

1. Using your right hand, touch your forehead and say... (fill in the 1st speech balloon)
2. Touch your chest near your heart and say... (fill in the 2nd speech balloon)
3. Touch your left shoulder, then your right shoulder and say... (fill in the 3rd speech balloon)



Colour in the Trinity stained glass windows.