



## OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

24 June 2016

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*Luke 10:25-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan "Who is my neighbour?"*

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### **Fri 24 June**

End of Term 2 at 3.15pm

#### **Mon 11 July**

Start of Term 3

#### **Wed 13 July**

P&F Meeting

#### **Fri 15 July**

Parish Movie

**REMINDER: Assembly now starts at 2.30pm each Friday**

#### **Thurs 28 July**

Community Classrooms

#### **Fri 29 July**

AOM Assembly

#### **Wed 10 Aug**

Whole School Disco 6.00-7.00pm

Parent Google Session 6.00-7.00pm

#### **Wed 17 Aug**

Parent and Student Health sessions (grades 3-6) 7.00-8.00pm in Auditorium

#### **Wed 14 Sept**

Parent and Student Health sessions (grades 5-6 only) 7.00-8.15pm in Auditorium

### Sacraments

#### **Sun 24 July**

10.30am Eucharist 4H

#### **Sun 31 July**

10.30am Eucharist 4G

#### **Wed 3 Aug**

Parent Reconciliation Meeting 7-8pm

#### **Wed 31 Aug**

Parent Confirmation Meeting 7-8pm

#### **Thurs 8 Sept**

7.00pm First Reconciliation

#### **Fri 11 Nov**

7.00pm Confirmation



Dear Parent,

It is difficult to believe that this is my last newsletter for Term 2. I am so proud of all that we have achieved, particularly as this term we were involved in a school review. Our school community is going from strength to strength and this has been confirmed by our two school reviewers Christine Wakeling and Mary Lovelock. They commented on what an exciting and vibrant school community we have created here at Our Lady's. In Term 3 we will receive a report from the reviewers which will detail their findings and suggested directions for the next four years. I will be sharing these with you in Term 3.

I would like to particularly thank Father Peter for his spiritual and pastoral guidance of the staff, students and families of Our Lady's school community throughout this term. We were delighted to have Father Peter participate in the school review, sharing his valuable insights and collaborating with us to set future directions for the school. It is a privilege to work together to innovate and improve our beautiful school. Thank you Father Peter!

### **Staff News**

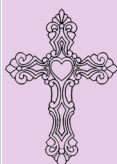
As you know today we say our final farewell to Mrs. Christina Trypis and Miss Lynda Ferrara. We thank them for their contribution to Our Lady's school and wish them the very best of luck as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

Mr John Buttigieg, classroom teacher of 2N will be taking Long Service Leave during the first two weeks of Term 3. We wish Mr. Buttigieg all the very best as he takes this very well deserved rest. He will be away from the 11th of July to the 22nd of July. The Year 2N students will have Miss Katarina Barisic as their teacher for the two weeks that Mr Buttigieg is away. Miss Katarina Barisic is an experienced teacher who has worked as at Our Lady's school for many years and is delighted to be teaching Year 2N while Mr Buttigieg is away.



### *Holidays*

Hooray for holidays!



Thank you, God, for holidays, and all the good things they bring. After you had created the world you rested, so you know how good holidays are. They are such a fun time!

Help us to make them a happy time for our parents, too, and for all the people we share the holidays with. Please keep us safe. Thank you, God, for holidays!

## More Staff News

I will also be taking Long Service leave during the first two weeks of the holidays from the 11th of July to the 22nd of July. I hope to do some travelling during this time. I will be leaving the school in Mrs. Christine Carabott's very capable hands. Mrs. Carabott is an experienced leader and will be Acting Principal during the time that I am away. If you need to contact Mrs. Carabott you can either ring the school or email her on: [carabott@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](mailto:carabott@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au) and she will be happy to address any issues or concerns.



## Reports 2016

There are many ways that we report to families about the learning that occurs in our learning community. This week on both Wednesday and Thursday we held our 3 way Learning Conversations which are one way that this occurs. Our written reports identify some of the achievements, areas for improvement and future learning. These formal reports are to be read alongside the Learning Journals which show evidence of your child's growth over the Semester. Learning documentation is annotated in the Learning Journals to assist readers to gain insights to the learning tasks and are best read with your child who will be able to share their understandings with you. Please take the time to go through the Learning Journals with your child as it is something that they are all very proud of.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN OF OUR LADY'S SCHOOL!

**The parents and teachers were all very proud of the way you were able to discuss your learning at the 3 way Learning Conversations. Children in all classes from Foundation to Year 6 talked to their parents and teachers about their achievements and their areas for improvement. I spoke to many parents who were very positive about having their child present at these meetings. Thank you parents for your cooperation and the effort you put into arriving on time. This was much appreciated and made the whole process a lot smoother for everyone involved.**

### OUR VERY FIRST WHOLE-DAY CARE AT SCHOOL

We had our very first Whole Day School Care run by the YMCA this week on Thursday. Sixteen children attended and had a great time playing with each other in the comfort of the Hall. It was a great success and we will be providing this service on a regular basis for those families who do not have any other alternative child care they can tap into. I popped into the Hall throughout the day and it seemed that the children were having a great time.

We have also asked for parents to express their interest in Before School Care. At this stage we do not have enough people expressing their interest to be able to offer it here at Our Lady's. If you have not let us know and are interested in before school care please come to the office and let us know.



*Wishing you all a very happy, safe and relaxing holiday!*

Yours sincerely,

*Patrizia Bertani*

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**YMCA Healthy Kids OSHC**  
**Our Lady's Primary**  
**PROGRAM AT A GLANCE**



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DAY	ACTIVITY	AFTERNOON TEA
MONDAY	Kids choice free painting	Cruskits, custard
TUESDAY	Plate art and craft	Rice cake with spread
WEDNESDAY	Paper Mache	Noodles
THURSDAY	LEARNING CONVERSATIONS	LEARNING CONVERSATIONS
FRIDAY	Kids in kitchen cooking	Bread sandwich with jam/spread

Dear Families,

**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 & differences. Outside play is encouraged when the weather is fine. Children have a choice to participate in inside or outside activities. 2016 enrolments are open now and you can fill the enrolment forms online from our website, [www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au](http://www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au) before your child attends the session. For more information please contact our staff at Our Lady's School from 2:45 p.m-6:00 p.m. For all accounts queries please contact our office. Our office email address is [Childrensservices.vic@ymca.org.au](mailto:Childrensservices.vic@ymca.org.au) ,PH- 8371 0500. Our school email address is [ourlady-sosshc@ymca.org.au](mailto:ourlady-sosshc@ymca.org.au) , PH-0401 700 401 If you or someone else is picking up your child (children) early on your behalf and if you child/ren are not attending the after school care, please let OSHC coordinator know.



Forms and more information available at the Office!

**GET INTO**



**PARENT NIGHT!**

**SAVE THIS DATE: WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10TH 2016**

*Week 5 term 3 (while the disco is on: 6-7pm)*

Find out all about **GAfE** (Google Apps for Education).

- Have a lesson using the Apps your child/ren are using at school.
- Join the Google world and learn more about the benefits of 'cloud computing'.

**Please put this date in your calendar NOW and lock it in!**  
**This parent night will be lots of fun: highly interactive and "hands on".**

For more information, please contact Carmel Menzies (ICT Leader) via email:  
[cmenzies@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cmenzies@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au)

## Parent and Child Information sessions - Save the Dates for Term 3 2016



As part of our commitment to ongoing education in Health, we will be offering two sessions in Term 3 for parents and children to attend together to be guided in conversation around important health related topics. Facilitated by expert facilitators from Open Doors, these nights will be a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to be together to talk about health. More information will be sent home in Term 3.

### **Session 1 For children in Years 3-6 and their parent/s**

**Wednesday 17th August 2016 at 7.00 - 8.00 p.m. in the Fr. John Maher Auditorium**

Guided conversations between parent/s and child about:

- How we are special to each other.
- Memories of when the child was born.
- Parent's own early memories.
- How parents and other support people can help us when we have a problem or need to know something.
- Development and birth of a baby, told as a family story (the explanation of how a baby begins is not given).

### **Session 2 For children in Years 5 - 6 and their parent/s ONLY**

**Wednesday 14th September 2016 at 7.00 - 8.15 p.m. in the Fr. John Maher Auditorium**

Guided conversations between parent/s and child about:

- Where babies come from and how a baby begins.
- Puberty: a time of physical and emotional change for boys and girls.
- How we are special to each other.
- How parents and other support people can help us when we have a problem or need to know something.
- How can we handle ups and downs?



## ART NEWS



It's the end of term and that means it's time for your child's Art Smock to come home and get a wash!

Please give the Art Smock a wash over the holidays and put them back into your school bag, ready for Term 3!





# I will follow you wherever you go



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

## Gospel

Lk 9:51-62

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

On the road draw some people you know who follow Jesus.

