



## OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

27 April 2017

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Parish Priest: Fr. Peter-Damien McKinley  
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Sunday 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:30pm  
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*"You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe." John 20:19-31*

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Fri 28 April**  
AOM Assembly 2.30pm  
**Mon 1 May**  
Foundation 2018 Enrolments  
for Siblings start  
**Thurs 4-Fri 5 May**  
Grade 5 Camp  
**Tues 9th May**  
Community Classrooms from  
3:00pm  
**Tues 9 - Thurs 11 May**  
NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5  
**Thurs 11 May**  
Mother's Day Stall  
**Fri 12 May**  
Parish Movie  
**Sun 14 May**  
Mother's Day  
**Mon 15 May**  
Athletics day at Aberfeldie  
Athletics Track  
**Tues 16 May**  
Foundation 2018 enrolments  
for new families start  
**Fri 19 May**  
**Walk Safely to School Day**  
2.30pm St Eugene de Ma-  
zenod Assembly  
**Wed 24 May**  
Eucharist Parent Night 7.00pm  
**Mon 12 June**  
Queen's Birthday Public Holi-  
day **No school for the children**  
**Tues 13 June**  
Professional Learning for Staff  
(Victorian Curriculum and  
Reporting 2017) **No school for  
the children**  
**SACRAMENTS 2017**  
*Eucharist*  
Sun 11 June 4G  
Sun 18 June 4H  
*Reconciliation*  
Thursday 14 September  
*Confirmation*  
Friday 17 November



Dear Parents,

This week we have begun our Personalised Learning in all classes. If your child is in Foundation, Year 1 or Year 2 you may have heard them speaking about Discovery Time and if your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 you may have heard them speaking about iTime. At Our Lady's school we are implementing a personalised learning approach to inquiry learning across the school in all classes. We have been working very closely with Kath Murdoch who is acknowledged as being an internationally acclaimed expert in this approach to learning. At Our Lady's we see our students as being active participants in the learning process. We provide them with learning opportunities which develops higher order thinking. The teachers design tasks to prompt students to question, predict, gather, analyse, synthesize and reflect.

Here is a quote from Kath Murdoch's book *The Power of Inquiry* that I would like to share with you.

*"When we move to the heart of inquiry, it is about engagement, about lighting a fire within students so they want to investigate and find out more."*

### **ANZAC Day Assembly hosted by the students of 3E and 3F**

Thank you to all the parents and friends who joined us at last week's ANZAC Assembly. The assembly was hosted by the students in 3E and 3F. They reminded us all of the ANZAC spirit and of the rich and everlasting legacy that was passed on to us by all those who gave up their lives for the peace that we now enjoy. The students shared their personal reflections through prayers and songs. They transmitted to all of us who were present the ANZAC spirit of courage, mateship and sacrifice.



### **In loving memory of Fr John Maher OMI**

Tomorrow we remember Father John Maher OMI with a great deal of fondness and love. Six years ago Father John Maher OMI (who was our Parish Priest at the time) passed away into eternal life on 28 April 2011. Father John served at Our Lady's Parish as Parish Priest and School Chaplain from 2009-2011. Although Father John was at our parish for a relatively short time he made a deep and everlasting impact on all those of us who were fortunate enough to know him. Father John was instrumental in the building of the St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Library and we have named the Auditorium in his honour as Father John loved the theatre. I will always remember Father John's beautiful smile, love of good food and serene and gentle ways. I ask you all to join with me and pray that Father John is now peacefully resting in Christ's loving embrace.



### **ANZAC Day**



Today we pray for all soldiers, sailors, air pilots, doctors, nurses and ambulance drivers who have died in wars. In a special way, I pray for the souls of the brave men and women from Australia and New Zealand, who died at Gallipoli many years ago. I pray for all men and women who travelled far from their country, so that the world could be a more peaceful world. Please, God, give their souls rest. Reward them for their bravery. Give them peace.

**Thank you to the students of Year 3E and Year 3F  
for organising such a beautiful and moving  
tribute in honour of the ANZACS  
who gave their lives so we can all live in  
PEACE**



# Mr Wickham's visit to Hiroshima

It was very interesting to visit the city of Hiroshima on Palm Sunday. This is a city that was born to new life out of an horrific event and with it a whole new attitude and focus. A desire for peace and love, the message of Jesus. The city has turned it's back on violence and preaches a message of peace.

The message and prayers for peace along with the cranes that the Year Six students folded were placed in one of the special cabinets in the shadow of the Children's Peace Memorial, inspired by the true story of "Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes". It was quite moving to see the work, thoughts, prayers of the Year Six students and a copy of the school logo hanging in this amazing city of peace. It was also moving to see some of the actual cranes folded by Sadako.

Your work did not go unnoticed, your thoughts and words have been seen on an international level. I saw people reading your words and even photographing them. This was especially humbling and touching.

Just like Malala Yousafzai, the voice of one child, Sadako, has reached the world and they have changed the way people think. Young people can be leaders! The voices of young leaders in Sunshine can be heard!



Yours sincerely,

*Patrizia Bertani*

**Ms Patrizia Bertani**

**Principal**

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Dear Parents,

I am sure you would recall Our Lady's School participating in the national 'Walk Safely to School Day' for the past few years. We will again this year! The national day is coming up in a few weeks, **Friday 19th May**. It would be great if you could save the date and mark this date in your diaries so we can have extra families walking to school that day. More information will also follow in the coming weeks .



### **WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 19 MAY 2017**

Well it's that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 19 May 2017!

For more information, visit [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au)

Should you have any questions or queries, please feel free to contact me at school or via email [ccarabott@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ccarabott@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au)

Regards

**Christine Carabott**

**Deputy Principal & Student Wellbeing Leader**

## WINTER UNIFORM AT OUR LADY'S

All items (except shoes) available at the Uniform Shop or on the QKR App

### BOYS

Shirt or Skivvy (NOT pale blue polo)



Long navy trousers (NOT cargo)



School jumper



School socks



Black shoes/boots (NOT runners)

Navy spray jacket



### GIRLS

Skivvy (NOT pale blue polo)

Long navy trousers (NOT cargo or Yoga style) OR

Tunic

School jumper

Navy tights (NOT leggings)

Black school shoes (NOT runners)

Navy spray jacket



### SPORT

School crested yellow polo



School crested windcheater



Trackpants

Week 3 beginning Monday May 1		
DAY	After School Care Activities	Afternoon Tea
<b>Monday Staff: Brad, Hang</b>	<b>Inside:</b> Designing & Making Paper Planes <b>Outside:</b> Playground and Group Games	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Cheese and Crackers
<b>Tuesday Staff: Brad, Lucette, Michelle</b>	<b>Inside:</b> Making 3D Vehicles <b>Outside:</b> Playground and Soccer	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Crackers, Dip and Celery
<b>Wednesday Staff: Brad, Hang, Chelsea</b>	<b>Inside:</b> Autumn Activity Sheets <b>Outside:</b> Playground and Group Games	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Variety of Biscuits
<b>Thursday Staff: Brad, Michelle</b>	<b>Inside:</b> Making Pop Up Cards <b>Outside:</b> Playground and AFL Footy <b>Homework + Readers</b>	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Fairy Bread
<b>Friday Staff: Michelle, Marlene</b>	<b>Children's Choice:</b> Games, Activities Inside & Out. <b>Cooking</b> Honey Joys with Marlene	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Rice Cakes

A variety of seasonal fruit and vegetables are always offered to children for afternoon snack! A variety of arts, crafts, board games, construction, recreational activities, sensory and imaginary play opportunities are available every day for children to choose. **Homework & Home Readers Time** – Our YMCA staff are there to encourage home readers and homework and most days we set aside a time to encourage this!

If you or someone else is picking up your child (children) early from school and they are not attending the after school care, please let OSHC Team know. Please remember children need to bring their school hat (Broadbrim or Legionaries Hat) from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> May and sunscreen will need to be applied when playing outside.

**Bookings and Cancellations:** It is important to book your child's place so we can plan and expect their arrival at Before and After School Care. To ensure the safety of your child please notify us of any absences or additional days of care **via the My Family Lounge Portal** <http://www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au/enrol/my-family-lounge-sign-in.html> As a reminder please note that the cancellation period of 7 days notice applies for all Before and After School Care bookings. For additional information on our program please visit <http://www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au/school-care/our-locations/our-ladys-ps.html>

*There may be certain circumstances where children receive gifts or prizes throughout the year as part of our advertised programs. These occasions would be advertised on our program planners to provide parents/guardians with prior notification. Occasions where children may receive gifts/prizes as advertised are as follows: last day of school terms, end of year celebrations, designated holiday program days, cultural and festive celebration days and during organised program competitions. Thank You, Brad and Our Lady's OSHC Team*

## INTERSCHOOL SPORT

The winter season of Interschool Sport starts tomorrow Friday April 28. Play will start at approximately 9.30am and finish at 10.30am.



For Our Lady's **HOME** games, netball and newcomb will play here at school, football and t-ball will play at Parsons Reserve.

### FIXTURE:

Fri April 28	Our Lady's vs Sunshine North
Fri May 5	Postponed due to Grade 5 Camp
Fri May 12	St Paul's vs Our Lady's
Fri May 19	Ardeer South vs Our Lady's
Fri May 26	Our Lady's vs Albion North
Fri June 2	Our Lady's vs Christ the King
Fri June 9	Our Lady's vs Sunshine Heights
Fri June 16	Harvester Primary vs Our Lady's. (T-ball at Braybrook College)

Our Lady's School Parents & Friends Committee will be  
holding their annual



On Thursday 11 May 2017

Children will be able to purchase special gifts for  
their wonderful Mums, Grandmas and Carers

**Prices range from \$1.00 to \$5.00**

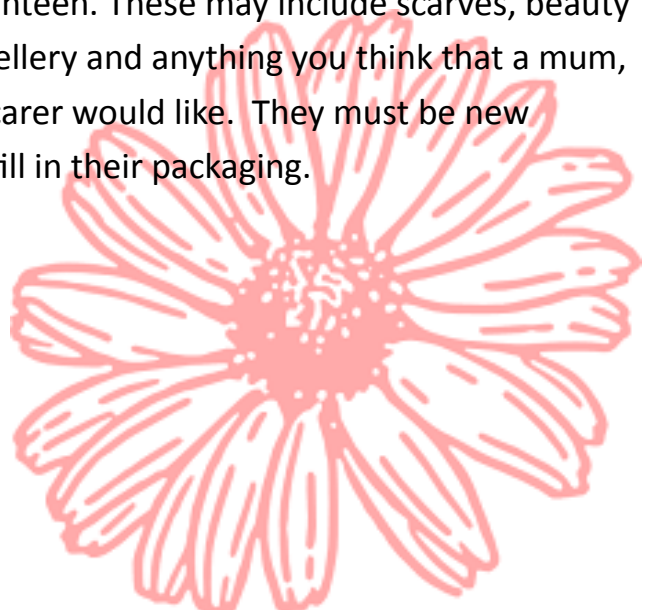
(Please send along money on the day— no more than \$10)

**Helpers required!**

- on the night before to set-up from 7pm
- on the day from 9am. *Must sign in at the Office wearing your Working With Children Check and having signed the School Code of Conduct and Volunteer Duty Statement*

ALL ARE WELCOME. THANKYOU!!

**Donations needed!** - if you have any new items that you can give, please drop them off at the school canteen. These may include scarves, beauty sets, jewellery and anything you think that a mum, nana or carer would like. They must be new and/or still in their packaging.





**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017**  
**Our Lady's Primary School**  
**School Closure Day**

**Our Lady's Primary OSHC**  
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**Outside School Hours Care – 8.30am to 6.00pm**

Our Lady's OSHC would like to offer families the opportunity to enrol children into a full day of care on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

For existing families, if you would like your child to attend, please enrol your child by seeing our OSHC Team in the OSHC Room and complete your details on the sign-up sheet or go online by **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017**.

For families who haven't enrolled their children into Our Lady's OSHC, please visit our online website <http://www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au/enrol/my-family-lounge-sign-in.html> to complete the enrolment form, then email [ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au](mailto:ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au) to express your interest, by **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017**.

The cost for the full day of care will be \$59.00 per child minus CCB/CCR benefits.

**If we have 15 children booked in on the sign-up sheet, we will be able to go ahead with School Closure Day.**

However, if there are not enough children booked in, all parents/guardians, who placed their details on the sign-up sheet, will be notified by email on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017**.

There will be arrange of activities during the day including but not limited to:

- Outside play (weather permitting)
- Free Play
- Art and craft
- Sporting games
- Blocks, board and card games

If you have any questions please contact me in person or ring 0401 700 401 or email [ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au](mailto:ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au)

Kind regards,

Brad, OSHC Coordinator

**Save  
the  
Date**



## **Our Lady's Trivia Night** **Friday June 23 @ 7:30pm**

The P&F Committee is organising a social trivia night and will be releasing tables for sale soon. So start getting your friends together to make a team, as it is sure to be a fun night!

There already many fantastic prizes to be won and we are still looking for donations of goods or vouchers that can be used as prizes on the night. If you have something you would like to donate, or if would like to help out, please email [parents@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](mailto:parents@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au) or speak to Lyndal Acreman.

*P&F Committee*



# Jesus is always with us

3rd Sunday of Easter, Year A



Life is like being on a journey of faith, but sometimes we encounter obstacles along the way. What are some of the toughest obstacles on your path of life?



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How does Jesus help you and guide you along that path?



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## Gospel Lk 24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb

and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.