



OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16 February 2017

www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au

Parish Priest: Fr. Peter-Damien McKinley
Principal: Ms. Patrizia Bertani
Parish Mass Times: Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:30pm
School Phone: 9312 2230
School website: www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au

Who do you say I am?'

Matthew 16:15

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Fri 17 Feb

CCCC & Marian Yr 7 2018 Applications close today
Parent Helper session 9.00am

Mon 20 Feb

P/T Chats

Tues 21 Feb

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Thurs 23 Feb

Life Education Parent Session
2.15-3.00pm

Wed 1 March

Ash Wednesday

Wed 1-Fri 3 March

Gr 6 Camp

Fri 10 March

Professional Learning for Staff
(Personalising Learning Using an Inquiry Approach) **No school for the children**

Mon 13 March

Labour Day Public Holiday

Wed 15 March

School Photos

Fri 31 March

End of Term 1 at 3.15pm

Tues 18 April

Professional Learning for Staff
(Reporting 2017 and the new Victorian Curriculum) **No school for the children**

Wednesday 19 April

Term 2 begins

Wednesday 25 April

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

SACRAMENTS 2017

Eucharist

Sun 11 June 4G

Sun 18 June 4H

Reconciliation

Thursday 14 September

Confirmation

Friday 17 November



Dear Parents,

It was great for the teachers to have the opportunity to have a conversation with parents this week during our Parent/Teacher chats. We will continue the Parent/Teacher chats on Monday the 20th and Tuesday the 21st of February. Communication between parents and teachers is an important factor which helps to support your child's learning and connectedness to school.

Updating our Smartboards and projectors

This week we have begun the process of installing new screens and projectors to all of our 14 classrooms. Our current Smartboards were purchased over 12 years ago and they needed to be replaced due to deterioration of both the picture and sound quality. The new screens are bigger and will produce a much clearer picture as well as a much better sound. These features will make a positive difference to the children's learning. The full installation and all the other associated works should be finalised within a three week period. The children will move to the St Mary MacKillop Library while the installers are working in their classroom.

An update on our Honour Garden

Last year we established an honour garden as a way of preserving the rich legacy that the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Oblates (OMI) left during their time. The Sisters were here for 73 years and the Oblates for just under 20 years. I have a picture of the garden below and I am happy to say that it is thriving. We have planted olive trees, rosemary, irises, jasmine and red roses. The only thing left to do is to add a quote from St. Eugene De Mazenod the founder of the Oblates and another from St Mary MacKillop. We will also include a piece of scripture. After much consideration the following have been selected to be placed in our honour garden:

'Love one another as I have loved you' John 13.34

'Among yourselves, practice charity, charity, charity'

St Eugene de Mazenod 1861

'Where where you are you will find God'

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop 1871



Prayer of Compassion

We are to be compassionate to others. In this we follow Jesus.
Father of us all, we ask your help in living as the kind of people you created us to be.

May we show compassion to those who need us.

May we share your love with all people.

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

COME AND JOIN US EACH FRIDAY AFTERNOON FOR OUR FRIDAY ASSEMBLY

Every Friday from 2.30pm we have our Assembly in the School Hall. It is a time for the whole school to come together to hear the Gospel, pray together, celebrate children's achievements and birthdays. We reflect on the week with our PowerPoint presentations which capture the main events of our week.

We are working hard to provide our students with a greater voice in all matters to do with school and learning and that is why you will see our students running the Assembly. We hope that you will join us as it is a great way to keep in touch with what is happening in the school.



Parents and Friends Committee

On Wednesday 15 March we will be holding the Parents and Friends Annual General Meeting (AGM). The meeting will be held from 7pm to 8pm in the Hall Kitchen. It is a great way of connecting with other parents and you will be made to feel very welcome. We look forward to adding new members to our already great team.

In this week's newsletter you will find the role descriptions and a nomination form. Joining the Parents and Friends Committee is a wonderful way to meet other parents, support the school via many exciting fund raising activities and to enrich the children's school experience by organising special treat days or the Sacramental parties for the children who received their Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation.

Before and After school Playground Rules



Children are not allowed to play on the Adventure Playground before or after school. This area is off limits during these times.

If you have a toddler and you would like them to play on the Adventure Playground you must make sure that you supervise your child at all times.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO VISIT YOUR CHILD'S CLASS SITE

The class sites can be found on our website. It is important that parents visit their child's class site in order to find out about what they are learning about during each week. We need your ongoing involvement in your child's learning to achieve the very best outcomes for your child. Here's the link to the Class Site on our School Website:
<http://www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au/learning-and-teaching/59/p/class-sites/>

Yours sincerely,

Patrizia Bertani

Ms Patrizia Bertani
Principal

principal@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au



LIFE EDUCATION BEGINS NEXT WEEK

Next week will see the familiar Life Education van parked just outside of the Year 2 classes. All classes will participate in this program which centres around empowering children to make informed choices for a safe and healthy life.



Please come to the Parent Session on
Thursday 23rd of February
2.15pm to 3.00pm

ROLE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS COMMITTEE

President

The President's position carries a task of trust and responsibility and requires skill and time. The President should exercise authority with tact, be impartial and open to other points of view.

The main role of the President is to:

- * Be the main representative/spokesperson for the P&F
- * Liaise with the Committee members and set the agenda for meetings
- * Be the main contact for agenda items
- * Open the meetings punctually and ensure the agenda is followed
- * Ensure those present at the meeting have the opportunity to discuss each item on the agenda prior to a decision being made
- * Make sure, particularly on contentious matters, as many points of view as possible are expressed
- * Make sure everyone is given an opportunity to speak and encourage members to speak by addressing questions to them
- * Work towards a collaborative approach with other members of school community
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Vice-President

The Vice President plays an important role by assisting the President with P&F responsibilities and replacing the President and chair meetings in the absence of the President.

Secretary

The Secretary is very important to the efficient operation of the P&F. Duties and responsibilities include:

- * Taking minutes at P&F and Committee meetings
- * Photocopying and distributing minutes to Committee members along with agenda prior to the next meeting
- * In consultation with the Principal and President:
- * Providing a summary of the matters discussed at the meeting for display on the parents' notice board
- * Dealing with any incoming/outgoing correspondence

Treasurer

The Treasurer carries a task of trust and responsibility. Duties and responsibilities include:

- * Taking charge of monies of the P&F
- * Keeping accurate financial records of all receipts and expenditure
- * Banking all money regularly
- * Reporting regularly on the P&F's financial position at meetings
- * Preparing a financial report for the Annual General Meeting

Committee Members

Committee members have a responsibility to:

- * Attend PFA meetings as regularly as possible and send apologies if unable to attend
- * Help organise P&F activities and projects
- * Work towards the best possible outcomes being achieved
- * Be mindful that discussions should be on topics which are relevant to the whole school community
- * Facilitate and nurture positive home/school relationships within the parent community



Election of the Our Lady's School Parents and Friends Committee

Nomination Form

P & F Meeting – Wednesday 15 March 2017 at 7.00pm

Nominations are invited for the Our Lady's School Parents & Friends Committee 2017.

Nomination

I, (your name) _____

Parent of (name and grade of your child) _____

Nominate: (name of person) _____

For the Position of: (one form per nomination)

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President

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Vice President

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Secretary

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Treasurer

Signed

Nominator: _____ Date: _____

Nomination Acceptance

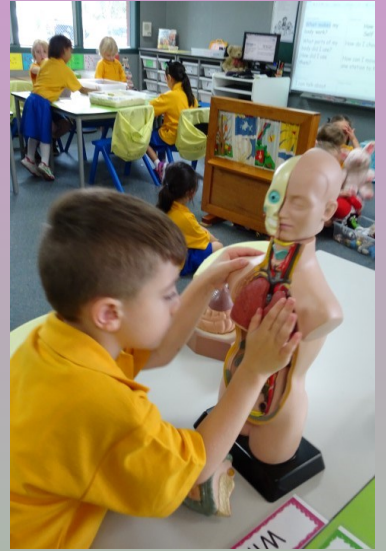
I, (nominee) _____

Parent of (name and grade of your child) _____

Accept the nomination as indicated above.

Nominee's Signature: _____ Date: _____

***ALL NOMINATION FORMS ARE TO BE HANDED TO THE PRINCIPAL
BY 9:00AM WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH 2017***



**Discovery
Learning
has begun!**



Asking Questions



Collaborating



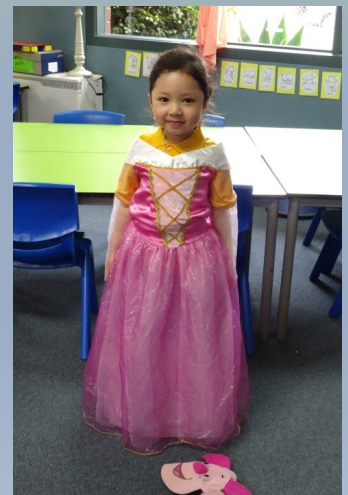


Discovery

Learning



Problem Solving



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



For all **Bookings** and **Cancellations** please call us directly on **0401 700 401**
Email us: ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au
For any **Account Information** please call our office on: **8371 0500**
www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au

DAY	After School Care Activities	Afternoon Tea
Monday Staff: Brad, Hang	Inside: Patty Pan Daffodils Outside: Nature Scavenger Hunt	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Custard
Tuesday Staff: Brad, Lucette, Michelle	Inside: Valentine's Day Cards Outside: Free Play Homework & Readers.	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Coconut Ice
Wednesday Staff: Brad, Hang, Chelsea	Inside: Food Pyramid and Word Search Outside: Lava	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Rice Cakes
Thursday Staff: Brad, Michelle, Chelsea	Inside: Nutrition Bookmarks & Veggie Sheets Outside: Soccer Homework + Readers	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Sandwiches
Friday Staff: Brad, Marlene, Michelle	Children's Choice: Games, Activities Inside & Outside. Cooking Vanilla Cupcakes with Marlene	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Lightly Fruited Cake

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 1st September to 1st 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

ART ROOM NEWS

The art room is looking for donations of soft toys.

Our junior artists will be printing with these so they will not be able to be returned.

If anyone can donate any soft toys that you no longer would like please bring them to the art room. Many thanks!



Miss Pina



Friday 10th March 2017

Professional Learning for Staff - No School for Children

Our Lady's Primary OSHC

32 Station Place, Sunshine VIC 3020

M: 0401 700 401

E: ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au

www.childrensprogramms.ymca.org.au

Outside School Hours Care – 8.30am to 6pm

Our Lady's OSHC would like to offer families the opportunity to enrol children into a full day of care on Friday 10th March 2017.

For existing families, if you would like your child to attend, please enrol your child by seeing Coordinator in the OSHC Room and complete your details on the sign-up sheet or go online by Thursday 2nd March 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 to express your interest, by Thursday 2nd March 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 on **Friday 3rd March, 2017.**

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

Outside Play (weather permitting)
Free Play

Art and Craft
Blocks, Board and Card games

Sporting Games

If you have any questions please contact me in person or ring 0401 700 401 or email ourladysoshc@ymca.org.au Kind regards, *Brad Lenahan, OSHC Coordinator*

WANTED - CANTEEN HELPERS

If you have spare time on *Mondays or Tuesdays 12.50-2.00pm*
the Canteen would love your help!

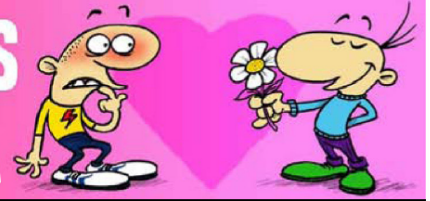


You must have a current Working With Children Check and have signed the Code of Conduct and Volunteer Duty Statement.

If you can help, please see Geraldine or Nubia in the Canteen



Love your enemies



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Gospel Mt 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you;

in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit?

Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not?

And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not?

You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'



Jesus taught us to forgive others. He even asked God to forgive those who crucified and taunted him. Write down three other occasions when Jesus showed love for those who were against him.

Complete the Text Maze:

"Forgive others and God will forgive you."

START

F	E	P	I	T	Y	H	A
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R	G	I	S	R	M	K	P
S	E	V	P	I	L	B	R
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W	Q	R	Y	D	O	B	S
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*CAN YOU FIND THE SIX HIDDEN WORDS FROM THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL READING?

FINISH