



OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

20 October 2016

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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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Truly I tell you, just as you did it to the least of these....you did it to me'

Matthew 25:40



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sat 22 Oct

Shopping Tour

Mon 31 Oct

Professional Learning Day for
Staff (Report Writing) - No
School for the children

Tues 1 Nov

Melbourne Cup Day Public
Holiday

Wed 2 Nov

RESCHEDULED: Open Doors
Parent/Student health session

Fri 4 Nov

Parish Movie

Fri 11 Nov

Glee Club presents 'Mary Pop-
pins' 11.30am, 12.10pm,
12.45pm Auditorium

Fri 2 Dec

Parish Movie

Wed 7 Dec

Dinner in the Yard 6.00-
8.00pm

Fri 9 Dec

Reports come home today

Mon 12 Dec

2017 Orientation 12.00-
1.00pm

Gr 6 Graduation Mass
(6.30pm) and Disco (7.30-
8.30pm)

Wed 14 Dec

End of Year Mass 9.00am

Fri 16 Dec

End of Year Assembly 2.45pm
End of Term 4 for children at
3.15pm

Sacraments

Fri 11 Nov

7.00pm Confirmation

2017

Tues 31 Jan

School starts for children for 2017



Dear Parents,

This week we conducted a 'Learning Walk' for the parents of students in Year One and Two. The 'Learning Walk' was organised to provide parents with an opportunity to deepen their understanding of the 'Discovery Learning' that the students have been involved in.

The Learning Walk began in the staff room where Mr Greg Woolford (Family School Partnerships Convener) and myself gave parents an overview of what they would see in the children's classrooms. I spoke about why we have 'Discovery Learning' and how the 'Discovery Learning' links to our school Learning and Teaching Goal which we will be working on over the next 4 years.

Learning and Teaching Goal: Enabling all students to achieve success in a student-centred, contemporary, inclusive and innovative community focussed on learning that is rigorous, relevant and engaging

Parents then enjoyed walking through the classrooms talking to each other, teachers and students as they observed the classrooms and asked about the children's learning.

During the walk parents were encouraged to reflect on their observations, and invited to take notes on a reflection sheet as they walked.

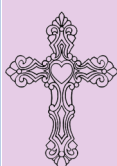
Returning to the staff room, parents made meaning of the walk as Greg and the classroom teachers Miss Anna-Maria Murphy and Mr John Buttigieg engaged them in conversation. Participants listened and talked about their observations and wonderings.

Based on the success of this first walk, parents indicated they wanted future walks focused around Numeracy and Literacy. We thank all the parents who came and look forward to exploring this possibility in 2017.



Chant Psalm

We must praise God. Our God is faithful to us.



My heart is steadfast, God, my heart is steadfast. I will sing and chant praise. Awake, my soul; awake, lyre and harp! I will wake the dawn. I will praise you among the peoples, Lord; I will chant your praise among the nations. For your love towers to the heavens; your faithfulness, to the skies. Show yourself over the heavens, God; may your glory appear above all the earth.

Psalm 57: 8-12

Important Reminders

School Hats

Please remind your children that they need to wear their school hat when they go outside at recess and lunchtime. Our policy in Terms 1 and 4 is 'Not School Hat, No Play'. Please ensure that all parts of your child's uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Canteen

URGENT NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS The school has a canteen to provide lunches for our children and it operates each day. Volunteers are urgently needed to assist Geraldine and Nubia everyday, especially on Fridays. We would be very grateful to have your assistance. Please see Geraldine or Nubia in the canteen if you can help.

Child Safety Handbook

VICTORIA POLICE LEGACY Please note that if you require a copy of the Child Safety Handbook, please come and see the office staff. This book covers a range of topics from fires, safety plans and child abuse.

School Fees

Thank you to those parents who have paid school fees recently. It is important that all fees and levies are paid promptly. If you have not already done so, please contact the office to make an appointment to see me if you are having difficulty paying your fees and levies.

Other important dates to put in your calendar:

- ◆ Dinner in the Yard on Wednesday 7 December- 6 to 8 pm
- ◆ Reports sent home on Friday 9 December
- ◆ Orientation Day Monday 12 December -12 to 1 o'clock (students meet their class and teacher for 2017)
- ◆ Year Six Graduation on Monday 12 December - Mass 6:30 pm and Disco 7:30-8:30 pm
- ◆ End of Year Mass on Wednesday 14 December at 9 o'clock
- ◆ Final Assembly on Friday 16 December at 2:45 pm

Supporting your child's learning

A reminder to all families that it is important that your child goes to bed at a reasonable hour and arrives at school between 8:20am and 8:45am. A teacher is on yard duty from 8:20am and it is important that children are not dropped off very early as no one is outside to supervise them. School classes commence at 8:45am and all classrooms start their day on time with the morning routine of calling the roll, saying prayer and checking for lunch orders. From time to time, we all may be running late. However, it is very important that you assist your child by making sure they arrive at school on time so their day can be a smooth one. We appreciate your support in this important area of school life.

Yours sincerely,

Patrizia Bertani

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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: Carolina & Chelsea	Inside: Play dough Outside: Playground and Free play	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Yoghurt & Fruit
Tuesday Staff: Carolina, Lucette & Vicky	Inside: Dream Catchers Outside: Indoor Ball Games Homework & Readers.	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Noodles
Wednesday Staff: Carolina, Myrna & Vicky	Inside: Card Games & Puzzles Outside: Play ground and Ball Games	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Rice crackers & Dips
Thursday Staff: Carolina, Chelsea & Myrna	Inside: Star Wars Colouring Sheets Outside: Octopus and Fruit Salad Homework + Readers	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Garlic Bread
Friday Staff: Carolina, Marlene & Georgia	Children's Choice: Games, Activities Inside & Out. Cook- ing with Marlene	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Corn Chips & Salsa

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 sun-screen 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> Thank You, Michelle and Our Lady's OSHC Team

P&F Shopping Tour

Our Annual Shopping Tour is on this Saturday 22nd October 2016.
Bus leaves the school (Station Place) at 7:30am sharp.
For those attending, please arrive approx. 10 minutes earlier so we can leave on time.



For further information, please contact Gina Ristevski on 0414535729.

PREPARATIONS FOR 2017

As we are beginning our preparations for 2017, we ask that parents let us know as soon as possible if their children are not returning to Our Lady's next year. We have had many inquiries about places for 2017 and we need to let these parents know if there are places for their children. We currently have a waiting list for Prep and several of the other year levels are full, with enrolment enquiries coming in. **If your child is not returning in 2017 (apart from our current year 6 children) please complete the form below and return it to the office. It is vital that you return this form as soon as possible.**

Thank you.

Children NOT returning to Our Lady's School in 2017

Family Name: _____

Child/children's names

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| 1. _____ | Grade: _____ |
| 2. _____ | Grade: _____ |
| 3. _____ | Grade: _____ |
| 4. _____ | Grade: _____ |

Suburb we are moving to: _____

Name of our new school: _____

Signed: _____ **(Parent)**

Please return this form to the office as soon as possible



Grade 3 at Serendip Sanctuary



Humble yourself and you will be honoured



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Gospel

Lk 18:9-14

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else. 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

How can we be humble like the tax collector?

Match up the correct endings

Draw a line from the first half of each sentence to its correct ending.



The Pharisee and the Tax Collector went

you will be honoured.

The Pharisee prayed

"God, have pity on me! I am a sinner."

The Tax Collector prayed

you will be put down.

If you put yourself above others

to the temple to pray.

If you humble yourself

"God, I thank you that I am not greedy or dishonest."