

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16 May 2019

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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 *Our Lady's is a Child Safe School*

"The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice."

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me." John 10: 2-5,14

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thurs 16 May Open Day for 2020 Foundation Tours at 9.30am, 12.00pm, 2.15pm

Fri 17 May

Walk Safely To School Day

Tues 21 May

Feast of St Eugene de Mazenod Whole School Athletics Day (Keilor Athletics Track)

Mon 10 June

Queens' B'day Public Holiday

Tues 11 June

Professional Learning Day for Staff (Berry St), No School for the children

Fri 21 June

Reports come home today

Wed 26 June

Three Way Learning Conversations 3.30-5.55pm

Thurs 27 June

Three Way Learning Conversations 8.00am-3.30pm *No School for the children*

Fri 28 June

Feast of Sacred Heart - Mass at 11.00am

Term 2 finishes at 3.15pm

Mon July 15

Term 3 starts at 8.45am

SACRAMENTS

Sun 26 May

10.30am 4G Eucharist

Sun 2 June

10.30am 4H Eucharist

Thurs 10 Oct

Reconciliation time TBC

Fri 15 Nov

7.00 Confirmation

Dear Parent

Last night we had our second Parent Advisory Board meeting for the year. I would like to thank all the parents who attended for their input and lively discussion. We discussed plans for the new school buildings, the possibility of having a new App which could do all the things that the current Apps do so that parents would have the convenience of having everything they needed on the one school App. The possibility of this is being investigated and we will let you know our findings.



Further discussion by the School Advisory Board was to do with the school uniform. Parents affirmed the current school uniform but made some suggestions on perhaps improving choices available for girls by introducing skorts or shorts in summer. The point being that in winter girls do have a choice to either wear their tunics or pants but in summer they do not have the same choice. This is a valid point that was raised and one the school will investigate further. We will look into the possibility of introducing skorts or culottes as an option. I will keep you posted. We will be seeking input from the parent community in the near future. I appreciate parent voice and want to work together with you.

It has been raised to my attention that there is a misconception amongst some members of our parent community who think that the girls at Our Lady's School are restricted from playing on the Adventure playground equipment and in other school activities. I would like to make it clear that this has never been the case at Our Lady's School. Girls are encouraged to participate in all school activities and to use all the Adventure Playground equipment equally to boys. There is no discrimination at all. I hope that this has clarified any misconceptions. We empower all students at our school equally.

PLEASE VISIT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE, IT IS FULL OF CURRENT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Our website is www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au. Look at what you can find! Photo galleries of ALL our special events! Go to Learning and Teaching, Extra Curricula Activities.





Psalm of Thanksgiving

We give thanks for all God has done. We praise God's faithfulness.



It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning, your faithfulness in the night. For you make me jubilant, Lord, by your deeds; at the works of your hands I shout for joy.

How great are your works, Lord! How profound your purpose! Psalm 92: 1-3, 5-6



NAPLAN Update

Today the Year Three and Year Five students completed their NAPLAN testing. As you know the NAPLAN tests provide a snapshot of your child's learning on a particular day. NAPLAN is only one form of assessment. At Our Lady's School we use a range of assessment tools which are both formative and summative. Formative assessment includes ongoing assessments of each students' learning and is an integral part of a teacher's work. Teachers use this information to plan for your child's future learning and to make sure that they are catering for their learning needs.

Year Six Leadership Committees Making a Difference

Thank you to the Year Six students who are part of the Events Committee (Deng, Jenny, Lachlan, Helen and Fiona) for organising such a lovely Mother's day card, poem and flowers at our Friday Assembly last week. You worked hard together to organise this special surprise which put a big smile on all the mums who were present at the assembly.

Thank you also to the Year Six Welcoming Committee who have been welcoming students and families to our Friday Assemblies each week. This week they also welcomed our new families who came along for an Open Day Tour of Our Lady's school. A big thank you to Alisha, Elizabeth L, Serenity, Jack and Anthony you are doing a great job and we love seeing your welcoming smiles as we make our way to assembly each week.

Emergency Management Plan

Tomorrow the staff and students of Our Lady's School will be participating in an off site evacuation drill. Regular practice of our emergency management plan throughout the year ensures that in the event of any emergency staff and students know the procedure and can follow that confidently.

Please speak to your child and let them know that this is just a practice drill. The teachers have prepared the students by speaking to them to about why it is im-

Safe together look safe / act safe / be safe

portant to have a practice drill. Please help us by having a chat to your child and reassuring them that this is a practice in case of an emergency so that we all can all know what to do to be safe.

Athletics Day next Tuesday

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at our annual Whole School Athletics Day at Keilor Athletics Track next Tuesday. Many thanks to the parents who have volunteered to help Ms Jo McManus with timekeeping or with any of the events. We could not hold this day without your help.

Reminders that all students need to be in their sport uniform with all their snacks, lunch and drinks in a bag. Remember to bring a coat in case it's a cold day.



Children can wear a tshirt or ribbon in their house colour on Tuesday. All children will be dismissed from school after the Athletics Day, and cannot be taken home from the track.

Say a little prayer for great weather!

Yours sincerely,

Patrizia Bertani

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EXTEND UPDATE.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sports Monday	Yoga Session	Design your own key ring	Group Games	Cooking Time



The Extend Superstar is...

Alex... for positively contributing to sorting out arts and crafts cabinet and sports bucket Well done 🏠

What's Been Happening?

It's all happening here at extend after school care... We are beginning our new enrichment program, community links, sustainability projects, cooking lessons, exploring science, sports challenges, arts and crafts and of course, we are having lots of fun.

Families, just a reminder if your children have any preloved books and games you no longer need at home, please consider donating to us here at Extend After School Care.

Enrol and book now: extend.com.au



OPEN DAY SUNDAY 19 MAY

11am - 2pm

Explore our three campuses and learn about our programs and facilities.

65 & 204 Churchill Avenue, Braybrook

YEAR 7 2021 ENROLMENTS OPEN Close 23 August 2019

To book a College tour or request more information about enrolments please contact:

College Registrar

Email: registrar@cccc.vic.edu.au Phone: (03) 9296 5311

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

Toy Story 4 Friday 21st June 6pm Sun Theatre Yarraville

Tickets \$15 Per Person Large Popcorn and Drink combo \$10 Small Popcorn and Drink combo \$5 Raffle tickets \$1 each

The raffle will be drawn prior to the movie screening.

Collect your Tickets and Combo vouchers at the Theatre on the night.

Tickets, popcorn/drink combos and raffle tickets available on our QKR App from Monday 20 May until Wednesday 5 June (unless sold out earlier)



Sun Theatre Movie Night

Large popcorn & drink \$10

Small popcorn

& drink \$5

Friday June 21st @6pm

Tickets \$15- purchsed on QKR

Raffle ticket prizes drawn before the movie



Tomorrow is Walk Safely to School Day.



Walk Safely to School Day Friday 17th May 2019

For the seventh year in a row, the children and families of Our Lady's are invited to participate in Walk Safely to School Day. This is an Australia wide event, where all primary school aged children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. This is a wonderful opportunity for our families to walk to school together and discuss safety issues when crossing a road. It is also an opportunity for extra exercise in the morning which may also help ease traffic congestion on the roads around our school. Plus, it's also great for the environment!

Some families live close by the school and are regular walkers anyway, which is fantastic, we will hopefully see you walking to school on this day. However, even if you live much further away, we encourage you to park the car *a few streets away from the school and take the time on Walk Safely to School Day to walk those extra few blocks to school together.*

Teachers will be at the entrance gates in the morning to give each student who walks to school a special sticker, which will enable the student to go into a special raffle for an exciting prize.

Please join us and remember to walk safely to school on Friday 17th May 2019!

Regards

Mrs Carabott

Whole School Athletics Day - Tuesday May 21 2019 Keilor Athletics Track, Stadium Drive Keilor 9.30am - 2.00pm ALL WELCOME!!!



REMINDERS

- * ALL children need to be wearing their sport uniform.
- T-shirts or ribbons in their house colours are allowed (red, blue, green or yellow)
- * No child will be permitted to go home from the Athletics track
- No lunch orders or canteen available. Children need to bring all food and drink in a bag.
 No glass or cans are permitted.



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insights

Teach your kids about time and place

by Michael Grose



My mum used to tell me, "There's a time and place for everything Michael, and this is not the time and place to behave like that!"

My mum's words came back to me as I watched three kids (tweens and early teens) try to out-wrestle and out-shout each other while they waited in an airport queue with their parents. Their noise and wrestling quite obviously disturbed and interfered with fellow travellers, but their parents made no attempt to rein in their behaviour.

I couldn't help thinking that there is a time and place for this type of behaviour and THIS WAS NEITHER OF THOSE!

Time and place is a brilliant socialisation lesson for children of any age or era to absorb.

It starts by asking yourself as a parent: "What does this social situation reasonably require of my children at their age and stage of development?"

In the above case it's reasonable to expect tweens and teens to be able to stand in a queue without disturbing others for the ten minutes that it took to get service. It's should be easy for that age group to show some self-control and consideration for others.

That timeframe maybe a stretch for under fives, but some parental attention to distract them from being bored may do the trick. The principle is the same regardless of age or a child's developmental stage, but the application varies.

Socialising kids

It's a parent's job to socialise your kids. That is, it's your job to develop a sense of OTHER so that they become aware of how their behaviour impacts on others. Many kids have L Plates when it comes to behaving in public so they need your assistance to behave according to the requirements of the situation – or according to the time and place. You do this by:

1. Giving your kids social scripts

There are times when kids don't know what to say or how to act in different social situations. "Here's what you can say when you meet Mrs Smith" is the type of pre-emptive social scripting that benefits most boys, kids on the autism spectrum as well as kids who need extra help to get on with others.

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2. Regular behaviour rehearsal

Practise appropriate social behaviours at home so kids know how to behave around others. For example, you can role-play a restaurant situation by serving your kids' meals at the dinner table and expecting them to use their manners.

3. Just-in-time prompts

It helps to remind in positive terms how kids should speak and act around others before entering a social situation or a special place such as a church, airport or restaurant. "In church most people"

4. Teaching good manners

Manners are social guidelines that teach kids how to behave around others. While some conventions change over time, basic good manners such as saying 'please' and 'thank you' never change. They are the basis of a civil society. Kids are never too young to start learning manners.



5. Respectful use of consequences

While the best discipline happens before an event (through behaviour rehearsal, prompts and teaching manners) there are times when the only way to get a message across about time and place is to DO something if the kids' behaviour thoughtlessly or deliberately impinges on the rights of others. And the best action may be WITHDRAWAL from the place or activity that they are doing. That may mean that the kids (and you) miss out on an activity or being in a special place but such lessons are rarely forgotten and reinforce your important messages.

Time and place is a great parenting message for kids to learn. It's about consideration for others; it's about self-control and above all else, it's about fitting into different social situations.



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. A trailblazer in the parenting and educational scenes Michael regularly appears in the media throughout Australia in programs including The Project, The Today Show and ABC radio.



Gospel

Jn 13:31-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment: love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

Use the words below to

complete

these Scripture passages

"Love your _ _ _ _ _ , do good

Lord enemies hate loved heart neighbour another
"Just as I have you, you also should love one" John 13:34
"You shall love your as yourself." Matthew 22:39
"You shall love the your God with all your, and with all your soul." Matthew 22:37
to those who you." Luke 6:27

Write or Draw

things you can do to show your love for others?



Family

Friends

People in need