



## OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

11 August 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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*'So the last will be first, and the first will be last' Matthew 20: 1-16*



### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### **Mon 15 Aug**

Feast of Assumption. Mass at 9.00am

#### **Wed 17 Aug**

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

#### **Fri 19 Aug**

Olympics Day at Our Lady's - all children in sport uniform

#### **Mon 22 Aug**

Book Week Parade

#### **Thurs 1st Sept**

Father's Day Stall

#### **Tues 13 Sept**

Second Hand Uniform Sale

#### **Wed 14 Sept**

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

#### **Fri 16 Sept**

End of Term 3 at 3.15pm

#### **Mon 3 Oct**

Professional Learning Day for Staff - **No school for the children**

#### **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

### Sacraments

#### **Wed 31 Aug**

Parent Confirmation Meeting 7-8pm

#### **Thurs 8 Sept**

7.00pm First Reconciliation

#### **Fri 11 Nov**

7.00pm Confirmation

### END OF YEAR

#### **Wed 14 Dec**

End of Year Mass 9.00am  
End of Term 4 for children at 3.00pm



Dear Parent,

We began this week by celebrating the Feast Day of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop and gathering together in our church. The children filled Our Lady's Church with their beautiful voices, singing songs that told us about the life and legacy of St. Mary of the Cross

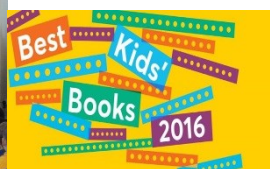
On this Feast day I always think of the Sisters of St. Joseph that I knew and met during my time teaching and the wonderful gift they handed down to Our Lady's school in the form of the charism of their founder St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop; Australia's first saint.

The Sisters of St. Joseph were here at Our Lady's School for 72 years and have left us with a very rich and inspiring legacy. I feel so thankful to have had that opportunity to know and work with the Sisters of St. Joseph, just as I know many of you have had. I ask you all to pray for all the Sisters of St. Joseph who are continuing the good work of St. Mary MacKillop who dedicated her life to justice and serving those who were the most vulnerable.

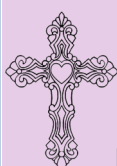
*Think of Mother Mary MacKillop and learn from her to be a gift of love and compassion to one another. For all Australians and for the world. (Pope John Paul II, January 19 1995)*

### Tuning into 'Book Week'

Today we had a visit from the 'Meerkat Theatre Group' who performed two plays based on two of the short-listed children's books. Run, Pip, Run and Mr. Huff. The plays helped the children to further familiarise themselves with the short-listed books. Our 'Book Week Parade' will be held on Monday 22 August at 8:45am in the Hall. The theme this year is-Australia Story Country. I look forward to seeing the costumes that you create and finding out this year's winning books.



### Feast of the Assumption Prayer



Father in heaven, all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from you. In the plan of your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven. May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***We welcome everyone to join us at mass on Monday 15 August at 9.00am as we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption***



**Our Lady's School is a Learning Community.  
Connecting Parents to their child/children's learning**



Thank you to Mrs Carmel Menzies our ICT Leader who organised the very informative and interactive GOOGLE focused Parent information Night. It was a great success and we had 40 parents participating in the Mary MacKillop Library. We thank all the parents who attended. Your enthusiasm to engage with the GOOGLE APPS was fantastic. We hope that the parents who attended have a better understanding of the importance of the GOOGLE APPS suite as a tool to enhance their children's learning and supporting children and adults to collaborate, share, give feedback and reflect on their learning. We hope it has also given you greater confidence to be able to participate more fully in your child's ICT learning.



***Our Lady's is a learning community for all: children,  
parents and staff.***



**growing  
TOGETHER**

*Friendly Reminders*



**Olympics Day - Next Friday 19 August**

Our Lady's School children will be celebrating the Olympics by participating in a variety of activities throughout the day which are designed to promote understanding of the Olympic games and spirit.

**All children will need to wear their sport uniform next Friday.**

**There will NOT be an Assembly next Friday due to our Olympic activities.**



# Our Lady's School-A Child Safe School

The care, safety and wellbeing of all students at Our Lady's school is fundamental to all we do. You may have read about the new Child Safety Standards that all organisations working with children and young people are required to put into action in order to comply with new Victorian Government legislation.

I would like to reaffirm to you our parents and families our commitment to Child Safety and that all children attending Our Lady's school have the right to feel safe. The school affirms its commitment to child safety by adopting a 'zero tolerance' to child abuse in any shape or form. We are in the process of actively auditing and implementing and managing new strategies to address all the seven Child Safety Standards as outlined below:



*At the very heart of each Catholic School is a desire for the full flourishing of each student...*

## Standard 1

Strategies to embed an **organisational culture** of child safety, including through effective leadership arrangements

## Standard 2

A **child safe policy** or statement of commitment to child safety

## Standard 3

A **code of conduct** that establishes clear expectations for appropriate behaviour with children

## Standard 4

Screening, supervision, training and other **human resources practices** that reduce the risk of child abuse by new and existing personnel

## Standard 5

Processes for **responding to and reporting** suspected child abuse

## Standard 6

Strategies to identify and **reduce or remove risks** of child abuse

## Standard 7

Strategies to promote the participation and **empowerment of children**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the new Child Safety Standards, please feel free to contact me by email [principal@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au) or by phoning the Office on 9312 2230.



## DISCO NIGHT

Thank you to the Parents and Friends Committee for organising refreshments for the children and the parents at our very successful Our Lady's Disco night. Last night a big thank you to the staff of Our Lady's School who contributed to making it such a fun filled night. The children certainly love to dance at Our Lady's and we saw some very sharp moves on the dance floor last night. It was a wonderful night of fun and joy. Thank you all the parents without your support it would not have run so smoothly.

Yours sincerely,

*Patrizia Bertani*

**Ms Patrizia Bertani**

**Principal**

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**Our annual BOOK WEEK PARADE is coming up!  
It is time to start thinking about the character your  
child would like to be for the day.**



**The Book Week Parade will be on Monday 22nd  
August in our school hall. The parade will commence  
at 8:55 a.m. This will give all teachers enough time to**



**go through our morning  
routines with their class.  
We hope to see as many family  
members as possible!**

# 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:** [ourladyosshc@ymca.org.au](mailto:ourladyosshc@ymca.org.au)  
 For any **Account Information** please call our office on: **8371 0500**  
[www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au](http://www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au)

DAY	ACTIVITY	AFTERNOON TEA
<b>Monday Staff: Brad &amp; Vicky</b>	Design your own fish Olympic Themed Week: Relay racing outside. Olympic colouring sheets inside.	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Cheese & Saladas
<b>Tuesday Staff: Michelle, Lucette &amp; Vicky</b>	Cooking: For afternoon tea tomorrow Olympic Themed Week: Inside Olympics puzzle making. Outside Play, discus throwing (with Frisbees) Homework + Readers.	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Jaffles Popcorn
<b>Wednesday Staff: Phoebe, Vicky &amp;</b>	Snow Globes: Design your own snow globe Olympic Themed Week: Inside Olympic word searchers and making medals. Outside creative relay games	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Cake Noodles
<b>Thursday Staff: Michelle, Chelsea &amp; Vicky</b>	All About Me: booklets and colouring in sheets Olympic Themed Week: Outside creative team games and medal ceremony. Inside making Olympic rings Homework + Readers + Ball Games	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Fairy Bread Dip and crackers
<b>Friday Staff: Michelle, Marlene &amp;</b>	Children's Choice: Games, Activities Inside & Out. Cooking with Marlene	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Cheese and Crackers Fairy Bread

**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.**

#### **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>

## **PARENTS & FRIENDS FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE**

Buy a ticket to support our school and be in the running to win a prize for Dad.

Tickets on sale for \$1 on Qkr! until Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August.

The raffle will be drawn at the Father's Day assembly on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

1<sup>st</sup> prize: Overnight bag, toiletries and scarf

2<sup>nd</sup> prize: Toilet bag and toiletries

3<sup>rd</sup> prize: Scarf and desk organizer

*P&F Committee*



## Our Lady's Annual Shopping Tour –Saturday 22 October 2016



The famous annual Shopping Tour is getting closer!!! Come join us for a day of good food, great company and fantastic shopping!!! For \$72 (\$67 if we have strong numbers in attendance) you will be provided with freshly baked morning and afternoon tea, a 2 course lunch, coach transfers and entry to all outlets.

Various Outlets will be visited with a mixture of fashion wear, jewellery, manchester, lingerie, skincare, essential oils & candles, home wears, kitchen wear, sporting goods, etc.... The tour will be individually tailored to our group.

Get a head start on your Christmas shopping or just enjoy a great day shopping with friends and help raise funds for the school at the same time with a percentage of sales paid back to school.

To secure your place, please fill out and return the slip below along with a \$32 deposit per adult to the Office by 9 September 2016.

The balance will be payable by 12 October 2016. Actual times will be confirmed closer to the date, but we can expect to be picked up at the school around 7.30am and back at school again around 6.00pm. Family and friends are welcome, although unfortunately we are unable to take children under 12 on the bus.

For all enquiries please contact Gina Ristevski on 0414 535 729.



## Our Lady's School Shopping Trip 2016

**Date of Tour: 22 October 2016**

***Deposit and form to be returned to school office by  
9 September 2016***

Name of person attending: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Service Providers Seminar

## Successfully raising children in more than one language



Brimbank is a bilingual and multilingual community. Why is it important for parents to raise children in language rich households? What are the benefits and challenges? Get some ideas and tools to support children's language learning in bilingual environments.

With Professor John Hajek, University of Melbourne (Research Unit for Multilingualism and Cross-Cultural Communication).

Thursday 18 August, 2.30-4.30pm

New Sunshine Library - 301 Hampshire Road, Sunshine

No Charge. Afternoon tea provided.

Bookings RSVP: [beststart@brimbank.vic.gov.au](mailto:beststart@brimbank.vic.gov.au)

For more information, contact Deb Chapman Tel: 0428 499 751

# Parents, Grandparents and Carers Seminar

## Successfully raising children in more than one language



Why is it important to raise our children bilingually and how does it help with their future learning? What are the benefits and challenges? Get some ideas and tools to support your child's language learning.

With Professor John Hajek, University of Melbourne (Research Unit for Multilingualism and Cross-Cultural Communication).

Vietnamese interpreter, other language interpreters available on request.

Thursday 25 August, 1.30-3pm

New Sunshine Library - 301 Hampshire Road, Sunshine

No Charge. Afternoon tea and children's activities provided.

Bookings RSVP: [learning@brimbank.vic.gov.au](mailto:learning@brimbank.vic.gov.au)

For more information, contact Deb Chapman Tel: 0428 499 751





# Commitment and Conflict



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

## Gospel

Lk 12:49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'



Jesus made it clear to his disciples that believing in him would lead to division. Circle the words below that can help us to deal with conflict in a positive way

**Respect**  
**Blame**  
**Shout**  
**Listen**  
**Ignore**  
**Courage**  
**Argue**

Draw a picture of Jesus from one of the following bible stories where he was in conflict with others...



Jesus Cleanses the Temple  
*Jesus drives out all who were selling and buying in the temple.*  
**Matthew 21:12-17**

Jesus is rejected in his home town of Nazareth  
**Luke 4:16-4:30**

Jesus Before the High Priest  
*Jesus is arrested and questioned by the High Priest, Caiaphas*  
**Matthew 26:57-68**