

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

12 May 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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Luke 10:25-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan "Who is my neighbour?"

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tues 17 May

Open Day for Foundation 2017 families. Tours leave the Office at 9.30am, 12.00pm and 2.15pm.

Fri 20 May

Walk Safely To School Day

Mon 23 May

Whole school Athletics Day (Aberfeldie Athletics Track)

Fri 27 May

AOM Assembly

Sat 4 June

P&F Bunnings Sunshine Sausage Sizzle

Mon 13 June

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL

Wed 22 June

P/T/S Chats after school

Thurs 23 June

P/T/S Chats all day - No school for the children Fri 24 June

End of Term 2 at 3.15pm

Mon 11 July

Start of Term 3

Sacraments

Wed June 8

Parent Eucharist Meeting 7-8pm

Sun 24 July

10.30am Eucharist 4H

Sun 31 July

10.30am Eucharist 4G

Wed 3 Aug

Parent Reconciliation Meeting 7-8pm

Wed 31 Aug

Parent Confirmation Meeting 7-8pm

Thurs 8 Sept

7.00pm First Reconciliation

Fri 11 Nov

7.00pm Confirmation

Dear Parent,

It is with great joy that we receive the news that Pope Francis has appointed the Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen as the fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Parramatta in New South Wales. He has been Auxiliary Bishop of the Western Region of Melbourne since 2011.

I have had the great pleasure to attend many Masses that he celebrated. There is one particular night that will forever stand out in my mind. It was the night we were celebrating our Year Six children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and it was also the night that Bishop Long's father passed away. Bishop Long left his family and came to us here at Our Lady's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was a deeply moving night.



We who were present were deeply touched by Bishop Long's presence and his extraordinary pastoral care. We are very grateful for his care and support of our parish and school during his time here in the west. We wish him every success as he moves to the Western region of Sydney as the Bishop of Parramatta.

Please read the flyer included in this newsletter outlining the details of an invitation from Archbishop Dennis Hart to attend a Farewell and Thanksgiving Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on June 1 at 7pm for Bishop Long.

YMCA CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLEASE RETURN YOUR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST!

We have asked parents to indicate whether they would like Whole Day care for school closure days or Before School Care during normal school days.

Unfortunately at this stage we have not received enough expressions of interest from the parent community to provide these services.

If you haven't returned your form to the Office please do so asap.

-Pentecost-Prayer

Fifty days after Easter we celebrate Pentecost. The Holy Spirit comes to us also.

Father, we will soon celebrate the feast of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came to the apostles. We thank you that we too share this gift of your Spirit of love in our lives and our church. As we celebrate the birthday of our church may we learn to live as the people of God. Let us praise God's name and share the gifts we have been given with others. Open our hearts to the needs of other people. Help us to learn to love without counting the cost. May we live the gospel of Jesus Christ in our lives each day through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

LEARNING AT OUR LADY'S GOES GLOBAL

Thank you to Miss Federica Falco our Italian Language teacher or Maestra Federica as she is known to all the students at Our Lady's School.

Visit our website and go to Maestra Federica's wonderful Italian site to find out what your child is learning in Italian each week.

We are so excited to be hosting to our first 'International Reading Competition.' The schools involved in this amazing project are two sister schools: Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception (Sunshine, Australia) and Il Cammino Primary School (Rimini, Italy)

This project was born and developed in an attempt to connect the students and the teachers of the two schools through a stimulating, contemporary and challenging program. The grade 4 students of both schools will be involved in what is the first international partnership for both schools.

The teachers involved in the project and developers of the idea are 'Maestra Isabella Molteni' English teacher in Italy and 'Maestra Federica Falco' Italian teacher in Australia.

Our Year Four students are involved in this cross cultural learning experience. We sincerely thank Maestra Federica for bringing a very contemporary and engaging approach to learning the Italian language. The children in the Year Four classes are connecting and learning with children of their own age in Italy.

Our Lady's School building bridges of learning with students across the world

We wish all children (in Australia and in Italy) good luck!







Thank You or Grazie Maestra Federica

For giving the children of Our Lady's school such rich and engaging learning experiences while learning Italian.

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL REVIEW 2016



Next week our school reviewer Christine Wakeling will be visiting our school for a Pre-Review Visit. Christine will be accompanied by a reviewer in training. During the pre-review visit Christine will spend time viewing the school, meeting the staff and checking that we have complied with all VRQA requirements. The VRQA is the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority. The Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) is the statutory authority responsible for ensuring that employers of apprentices and trainees and providers of education and training (including course and qualification owners) meet quality standards, and that information is readily available to support informed choice in education and training.

The school review process is a highly collaborative process. Christine will take with her the Self-Reflection Report which all schools need to complete. She will return on Tuesday 7 June and Thursday 8 June to meet with staff, students and parents, to gather more information and to collaboratively set new directions for the next four years.

On July 21 Christine will present her report to staff.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN'S CHECK REMINDER

Please remember to make sure you have Working with Children's Check. I encourage all parents to get one so that whenever you would like to participate in an excursion or any aspect of school life you will e able to do so. It is important that we keep our children as safe as possible and this is an important way for us to ensure our children's safety at all times.

PENTECOST SUNDAY— MAY 15

Celebrating Pentecost Sunday reminds us of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This is an extract from the Pope Francis's homily on Pentecost Sunday 2015 in St. Peter's Basilica Rome.

'The world needs the courage, hope, faith and perseverance of Christ's followers. The world needs the fruits of the Holy Spirit: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness,



self-control" (Gal 5:22). The gift of the Holy Spirit has been bestowed upon the Church and upon each one of us, so that we may live lives of genuine faith and active charity, that we may sow the seeds of reconciliation and peace. Strengthened by the Spirit and his many gifts, may we be able uncompromisingly to battle against sin and corruption, devoting ourselves with patient perseverance to the works of justice and peace.'

Yours sincerely,

Patrizia Bertani

Ms Patrizia Bertani Principal

principal@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au

I pray that all people in our school community and parish are inspired by the Holy Spirit to be people of peace and justice in this world.



Dear Fathers, Deacons, Pastoral Associates, Parish Staff, Agency Staff, Parishioners and friends,

Archbishop Hart extends a warm invitation for you to attend a Mass of Farewell and Thanksgiving for Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv who has served as Auxiliary Bishop since 2011.

St Patrick's Cathedral

on

Wednesday 1st June 2016

at

7.00pm

The Mass will provide an opportunity for the Archbishop, on behalf of the Archdiocese, to extend our gratitude to Bishop Long for his faithful service in the Archdiocese and to seek God's blessing upon him as the Bishop of Parramatta.

Concelebrating Clergy will vest in the Cardinal Knox Lecture Room by **6.30pm** and are asked to bring their own albs.

Please advise josie.hatton@cam.org.au of your attendance.

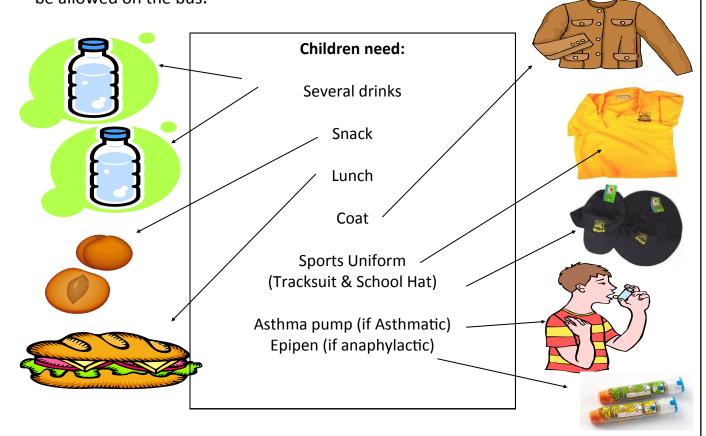
Whole School Athletics Day - Monday 23 May

Aberfeldie Athletics Track (Melway Map 28 D8) 9.30am - 2.30pm 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
- Parents and Helpers need to make their own way to the Athletics Track. They will not be allowed on the bus.



Community Classrooms











































Teachers and students learning together with Kath Murdoch











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	ACTIVITY	AFTERNOON TEA
MONDAY	Kids choice free painting	Custard, biscuit
TUESDAY	Rainy season art and craft activities-using paper plates and cotton	Bread sandwich
WEDNESDAY	Recycle-construction with boxes	Noodles
THURSDAY	Snow man art and craft	Rice cake with spread
FRIDAY	Eskimo art and craft	Cruskits

Dear Families,

For afternoon tea, a large fruit platter is served in addition to the items listed above. Afternoon Tea and the Daily Activities may change due to circumstances on any given day. Our program is designed for children of different ages & differences. Outside play is encouraged when the weather is fine. Children have a choice to participate in inside or outside activities

2016 enrolments are open now and you can fill the enrolment forms online from our website, www.childrensservices.ymca.org.au before your child attends the session. For more information please contact our staff at Our Lady's School from 2:45 p.m-6:00 p.m. For all accounts queries please contact our office. Our office email address is Childrensservices.vic@ymca.org.au, PH- 8371 0500. Our school email address is ourlady-soshc@ymca.org.au, PH-0401 700 401 ff you or someone else is picking up your child (children) early on your behalf and if you child/ren are not attending the after school care, please let OSHC coordinator know.

Meerkat Productions

BULLY BULL-RING PERFORMANCE

On Friday 13th May 2016, Meerkat Productions will be performing their show 'Bully Bull- Ring' for all students of Our Lady's in Foundation to Year 6.

Performing two shows in our school hall, our students will come to know the main character, Bellamy the young Bison Bull who is finding his way amongst a herd of other bison who have been bullying him.

Through song and dance, the performance will focus on strategies that can be used when bullying occurs, and of course, the overall message that bullying is not OK!

This aligns with our whole school focus of Anti-Bullying, which is being taught as part of our Social and Emotional Learning program.

We hope your child enjoys this performance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak with your child's class teacher.

NEW ITEM AT THE CANTEEN!!

Vegie Pastries (vegetarian) are now available for lunch at the Canteen.

Only \$3.00.

Available Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.



Walk Safely to School Day Friday 20th May 2016



Friday 20 May 2010 walk.com.au For the fourth year in a row, the students and families of Our Lady's Primary School 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 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 Friday 20th May. 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. See http://www.walk.com.au for more information.

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 some exciting prizes.

Remember to walk safely to school on Friday 20th May 2016!

HELPERS NEEDED: Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser, Saturday June 4th



The Parents & Friends are having a fundraiser sausage sizzle at

Bunnings Sunshine, Ballarat Rd on Saturday June 4th. We need at least 3 helpers for each

of the time slots: 8am to 10am(set up)

10am to 12pm 12pm to 2pm

2pm to close (pack up)

If you are able to help out on the day, please email the P&F committee on (<u>parents@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au</u>) with your preferred shifts. No experience is necessary. You can also show your support by coming on the day and buying a sausage!

P&F Committee



Any past AASC students might remember Kristy and her wonderful Taekwondo lessons!

Any one interested, Kristy is a wonderful instructor who won Gold at the Melbourne Commonwealth Games in 2006!

ACTIVE KIDS ARE SMARTER KIDS



FRIDAY 20 MAY 2016

Until they're ten, children must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road

WALK GOW AU







FIND US ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM AND TWITTER

Weare filled with the Holy Spirit

Pentecost Sunday, Year A, B and C



In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,

they are retained.'

Each person was able to hear the message of the Gospel in their own language. See if you can decipher the language below to read the special message.



The Spirit Brings

LOVE

____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

PEAQE

__ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

TOY

I can show joy by ___

because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.