



# OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## 21 May 2021

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**Parish Priest:** Fr. Peter-Damien McKinley

**Principal:** Ms. Patrizia Bertani

**Parish Mass Times:**

English: Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 9:00am, 10:45am & 5:30pm

Vietnamese: Saturday 7.30pm, Sunday 12.30pm

Chin: Sunday 2.30pm

**School Phone:** 9312 2230

**School website:** [www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au](http://www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au)

*Our Lady's is a Child Safe School*

*Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. Romans 12:4-5*

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Every Friday Assembly is online at 2.30pm

**Sun 23 May**

Yr 4H Eucharist 5.30pm

**Mon 14 June**

**Queen's Birthday Public Holiday**

**Mon 21 June**

Susan McLean Cyber Safety for Students, Parents and Staff

**Wed 23 June**

Three Way Learning Conversations 3.30-6.00pm

**Thurs 24 June**

Whole school closure - Three Way Learning Conversations

**Fri 25 June**

End of Term 2 at 3.15pm

**Mon 12 July**

Start of Term 3 at 8.45am

**Mon 26 & Tues 27 July**

Whole School Closure - Staff Conference RE

**Fri 12 Nov**

Yr 6 Confirmation

### PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE 2021 SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

(students do not attend school):

**Thurs 24 June** Three Way Learning Conversations (students and parents attend at their appointment time)

**Mon & Tues 26-27 July** RE Conference

**Mon 1 Nov** Report Writing

Dear Parents,

It has been a very exciting and productive time at Our Lady's, which I am sure you will see reflected in our newsletter this week! Ms Bertani has been at her Principal Conference, which commenced on Wednesday and therefore, I am writing this week's newsletter.

Last Sunday, we shared a very special milestone with our Year 4 Eucharist Candidates. Some of the students in 4G received their First Eucharist which was celebrated at the 5:30pm Parish Mass. I am sure all those that attended would agree that it was such a reverent, peaceful ceremony. This Sunday we share this special Sacrament with students in 4H. Please keep the candidates in your thoughts and prayers. A special 'thank-you' to Ms Caroline Wood, Ms Beatrice Robles and Ms Kriss Oliver who have prepared our Year 4 students throughout the semester.



### Grade 4 Eucharist Candidates 2021

*Please pray for us*



### Prayer for First Eucharist

*It is a blessed day when we receive Jesus in the Eucharist. We should thank God for this wonderful gift.*



Dear Father, we will soon celebrate a special day. We will receive your Son, Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist for the very first time.

Thank you for sharing Jesus with us in the bread and wine at Mass. Help us to be renewed each time we come to the table of the Lord.

May we live as Jesus showed us, each and every day of our lives.

Hear our prayers as we prepare for our First Eucharist. Amen



At last week's school assembly, Ms Bertani announced some very exciting canteen news. I can certainly inform you that our students were extremely excited to hear about the new additions and changes to the canteen menu. On Wednesday, the new stock arrived and Nubia was unpacking everything and making room in our freezer. Please see the information below for all of the menu details.

### **New exciting menu items coming to the Canteen from Monday 24 May!**

**Mondays**      **Heinz Pumpkin Soup & Roll \$3.00**

**Margherita Pizza \$3.00**

**Ham & Pineapple Pizza \$3.00**



**Wednesdays**      **Macaroni Cheese Pasta \$3.50**

**Twista Pasta Bolognese \$3.50**



**Thursdays**      **Tuna & Cucumber Sushi Roll \$3.00**

**Avocado Sushi Roll \$3.00**



**We suspect that for the first few weeks these items will be extremely popular. Please note, to cope with orders and freezer capacity, stock is limited on each item. If some items prove very popular, we will order more for the following week.**

**If you can't see an item on QKR for that day, it means that it has sold out! We encourage you to try again for the following week by ordering early!**

### **Parent Advisory Board News:**

Last week, Ms Bertani and I attended our first Parent Advisory Board meeting for the year due to our COVID restrictions which thankfully have now eased according to the school's operational guidelines. As always, it was lovely to meet with the parents that attended and it is our pleasure to announce the following positions in our Parent Advisory Board for 2021:

Chairperson:      Mr Paul van'T Klooster

Deputy Chair:      Ms Em Remedios

Secretary:      Mr Paul Inglis

Congratulations to Paul, Em and Paul for taking on these extra responsibilities within the Parent Advisory Board.



## Parent & Friends Committee:

On Wednesday 26th May at 7:00pm, we invite all parents who are interested in joining and supporting the P&F committee to attend our general meeting.

Please complete the attached nomination forms if you are able to and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evening. Please email or call the school if you are planning on attending.



The P&F committee support our school and plan for many wonderful treats for our students. The years pre-COVID have always successfully resulted in the P&F committee working collaboratively to provide our students with events such as: Mother's Day Stall, Father's Day, Show Day (in collaboration with the school), organisation of Movie Nights and other fundraising events. Please consider joining this important committee!

## NAPLAN testing:

Congratulations to all the Year 3 and 5 students who completed four NAPLAN tests last week including Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. It is always important to remember that these tests and results are one snapshot in a student's learning journey. In the past, our school has generally received the results during August/September.

## Exciting learning and events at OLPS:

Last week, we had the Years 1 and 2 come to school dressed up in 'olden day clothing' as they engaged with an incursion and a day of how schooling was back in the day! On Friday, the Year 3 students went to Werribee Mansion for a day full of learning also linked to their Faith-Life Inquiry unit.

And of course, on Tuesday we had our annual Athletics Day. It was a sensational day that we all enjoyed.

Everyone worked so hard to ensure all events ran as smoothly as possible. A huge thank-you to our Physical Education teacher, Ms Joanne McManus for all her thorough planning and preparation for the day. Also a huge thank-you to our parent volunteers who worked with us throughout the day to run the events. We could not have achieved such a successful day without you. Thank-you to all the staff for your dedication and work throughout the day. And last but certainly not least, a huge thank-you to our students. We were all so impressed with your effort, sportsmanship, dedication and support of each other. This was evidence of our gospel values being lived out. Congratulations one and all. Our Lady's is a wonderful place to be.

Our final scores for our house colours are:

**Mazenod Yellow** 644 points

**Chisholm Red** 591 points

**MacKillop Green** 559 points

**Woods Blue** 524 points

Please check out and enjoy all the photos of all our events both last week and this week that we have included. Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Yours sincerely,

*Christine Carabott*

**Mrs Christine Carabott**

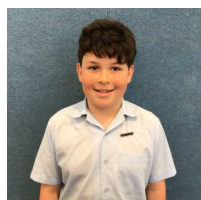
**Acting Principal**

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## YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP BADGES

Congratulations to the first Year 6 students to receive leadership badges for 2021: Kayley, An, Aiden, Jai, Lily and Eamon. These students have demonstrated leadership in a variety of different ways and were presented with their badges in front of the Year 6 cohort on Monday.



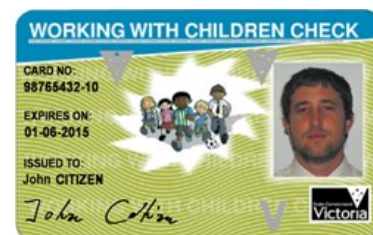
## WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Just a reminder that any parents wanting to help out in the Canteen, on excursions or anything at the school **MUST** have a current Working With Children Check

It's not enough for the School to just see a worker's card.

**Individuals must update their details to include the name of our organisation via their MyCheck account. Please make sure you have Our Lady's Primary School Sunshine as a place that you are volunteering at.**

Then, the School will receive a letter of confirmation with a photocopy of your card. This ensures all records are kept up to date and the Department of Justice can contact the school should any of the individual's circumstances change, or the individual's card is surrendered or revoked.

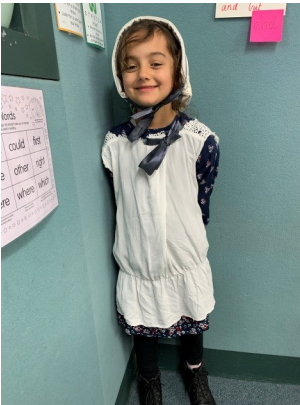


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Eleanor M 6B	Ada T 2M	
Mr Wickham	Miss Robles	Miss O'Connell
Digby W 6 B	William T 3 F	Sylvee V 1 L
Aaliya S 4 G	Nathan L 4 H	Brian D F J
Kobe P 3 F	Aquelly L 4 H	Damien C 1 L
Mrs Cuni		



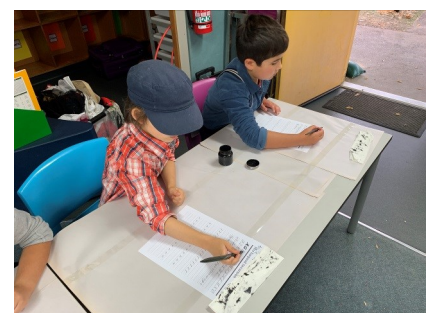


# *Mrs Sargood comes to Grades 1 & 2*





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# Year 3 at Werribee Mansion























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## Year 7 2023 Enrolments

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excellence with outstanding facilities.**

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204 Churchill Avenue, Braybrook 3019

**Christ the King Campus (Year 7 girls)**

65 Churchill Avenue, Braybrook 3019

Learn more at [cccc.vic.edu.au](http://cccc.vic.edu.au) or call 9296 5311 to book a tour



# Parents & Friends Committee

At Our Lady's school we are committed to developing and sustaining reciprocal partnerships with our parent community in order to improve student engagement ,wellbeing, and learning. Joining the Parents and Friends Committee is a great way to contribute to strengthening your connection to this school. We are hoping that you will consider joining the Parents and Friends Committee. Over the years the Parents and Friends Committee and volunteers have raised money to purchase valuable resources for the school as well as providing additional rich experiences for the children of Our Lady's school to enjoy.

Our school values, encourages and appreciates parent involvement and children love to see their parents participating in the life of the school.

## Parents and Friends Committee

### Annual General Meeting 2021

**Wednesday 26 May at 7.00pm in the Mary MacKillop Library**

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.

Attached 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.



## **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 2021

### **Nomination Form**

**P & F Annual General Meeting – Wednesday 26 May at 7.00pm**

Nominations are invited for the Our Lady's School Parents & Friends Committee 2021.

### **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

☐

Secretary

☐

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 INTO THE OFFICE***

# 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 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.



## 2. Regular behaviour rehearsal

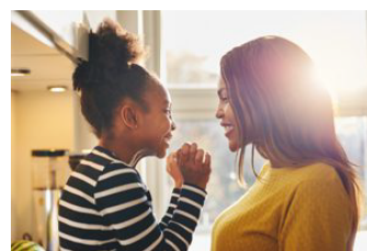
Practise appropriate social behaviours at home so kids know how to behave around others. For example, you can role-play a restaurant situation by serving your kids' meals at the dinner table and expecting them to use their manners.

## 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.

# We are filled with the Holy Spirit



Pentecost Sunday, Year A, B and C



## Gospel

Jn 20:19-23

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.

⊖ = A	± = H	* = R
⦿ = D	π = I	≡ = S
▷ = E	∪ = L	⊖ = T
∩ = F	∩ = N	> = U
∞ = G	∩ = O	⚡ = W

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The Spirit Brings

# LOVE

I can show love by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

# PEACE

I can be a peacemaker by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

# JOY

I can show joy by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.