



OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

30 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
School Phone: 9312 2230
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

Mon 3 June

Eucharist Party for Gr 4

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
P&F Movie Night (Sun Theatre Yarraville)

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 15 July

Term 3 starts at 8.45am

Fri 2 August

Professional Learning for Staff (Berry St) -No school for the children

Thurs 8 Aug

Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop 9.00am Mass

Thurs 15 Aug

Feast of the Assumption 9.00am Mass

SACRAMENTS

Sun 2 June

10.30am 4H Eucharist

Thurs 10 Oct

Reconciliation time TBC

Fri 15 Nov

7.00 Confirmation

Dear Parent,

As many of you know Steve our much loved maintenance man fell off a ladder at school last Friday, just before the end of school. Steve sustained a broken foot as you can see in the picture, he is happily reading cards from the students. Steve is very grateful to all of you who came to his aid and has asked me to pass on a big thank you to you all.

Many parents witnessed the accident and many very kindly came to Steve's assistance. I thank you all but would like to particularly thank Em Remedios who immediately rendered her expert assistance to Steve as Em is a registered nurse. She remained with Steve even after myself and other staff arrived. She supported us the whole time and assisted the ambulance to stabilise Steve so that he could eventually be moved. Em, we cannot thank you enough for all you did, it was so reassuring having you there. I would also like to thank Louise Sposato who called the ambulance and remained on the phone with the ambulance service until the ambulance arrived. Louise you did a great job. Both you and Em were the living embodiment of St Mary MacKillop of the Cross' most famous quote, *Never see a need without doing something about it.*

I also want to thank the staff who took control and helped to control the traffic, supporting parents and students to exit safely. Our whole school community came together as one. I feel so blessed and so proud of the way we came together as one when it really mattered. Please keep Steve in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers from his injury.

If anyone; student, parent or staff member is feeling any distress due to this incident the school can provide you with support. Please contact me either by telephone 93122230 or email at pbertani@olsunshine.catholic.edu.au



On Sunday the students in Year 4H will be receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist. I encourage the Our Lady's School Community to join us at Our Lady's Church Parish Mass at 10:30am on Sunday morning.

I ask you to join me in praying for all the 4H students who are about to receive the Eucharist for the first time. May they know Christ's love and joy everyday of their lives and may the light of Christ always shine upon them and their families.



Eucharist Candidates 2019 Please pray for us



Eucharist

Jesus, at your last Supper with your disciples, you took a loaf of bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to your disciples saying: 'Take and eat, this is my body.'

Then you took a cup of wine, gave thanks, and gave it to your disciples, saying: 'Drink from this, this is my blood.'

You told them to do the same in memory of you.

When we take part in the Eucharist and receive Holy Communion, you come into our hearts, and we thank you and talk to you. We are very happy.

Thank you, Jesus.



Uniform update

Over the last month I have had discussions with some parents about the school uniform and diverse opinions were expressed. There were some valid points made which deserve consideration. I very much welcome face to face discussions and as you know the parent voice is important when making decisions. However, it is also important to consult with the whole community when introducing any change to something like the school uniform. At this stage anything discussed will need broader school community consultation.

Currently the school winter uniform is as it always has been. You can see very clearly the items which you can choose from for the boys' and girls' uniforms. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in the winter uniform so that they are warm.

BOYS WINTER UNIFORM

Navy school Pants



Skivvy or Blue Shirt



School Jumper



School Socks



Raincoat



GIRLS WINTER UNIFORM

Tunic or



Pants



Skivvy



Tights



School Jumper



Raincoat



BERRY STREET EDUCATION MODEL



A reminder about a Professional Learning Day for staff that is coming up soon.

On Tuesday the 11th of June the students will not be required to attend school as the staff will be engaged in a whole day of Professional Learning facilitated by Michelle Sampson an experienced Berry Street Educator.

The focus of the day will focus on building students' learning stamina using the following Stamina tools: **Growth Mindset**, **Emotional Intelligence**, **Resilience** and **Stamina for independent learning**. We believe that these tools will support and enhance students' capacity to learn.

When given opportunities to learn, practise and reinforce stamina in daily ways, we know that students can succeed once they build their own confidence to face life's big and small adversities with strategies that have the potential to last a lifetime.

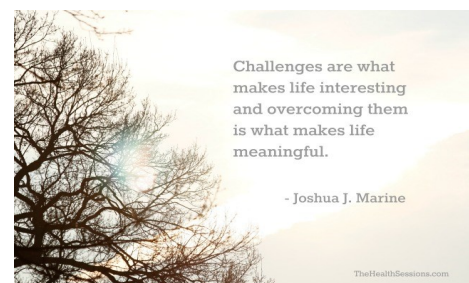
Yours sincerely,

Patrizia Bertani

Ms Patrizia Bertani

Principal

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EXTEND UPDATE.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Back to the Future - Science	Cooling Lesson	Music and dance	Arts and Crafts using recycle materials	Short Story writing (Enrichment Program)

The Extend Superstar is...

Emilie... for positively contributing to activities such as arts and crafts and writing a very thoughtful letter to the Royal children's Hospital. Well done ☆

What's Been Happening?

We have started working on our enrichment program for term 2, writing short stories. We will present our group short story at the end of term 2 and we look forward to seeing all of you.

Children have written letters expressing their sympathy to the Royal Children's Hospital. We hope to put a smile on the children's faces in the hospital.

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

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

Friday June 21st @6pm

Tickets \$15- purchsed on QKR

Small popcorn
& drink \$5

Large popcorn
& drink \$10

Raffle ticket prizes drawn before the movie

THREE WAY (PARENT STUDENT TEACHER) LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Don't forget to book your June Three Way (Parent Student Teacher) Learning Conversations for either:

- Wednesday 26 June (3.30-5.55pm) or
- Thursday 27 June (8.00am-3.30pm - No school for children on this day).

Use the user name and password that was given to you on the slip to login to the PTO website.

You can also book an interpreter for your appointments if you would like one.

HOW TO: 1.Go to the school's home page www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au
2.Click *Read More* on the Three Way Conversation Article
3.Click the PTO icon as shown here ...
4.Enter your surname and PIN



If you have any problems or need help booking, please come into the Office **with your Booking Slip** and the Office Staff will be happy to help you through the booking process.

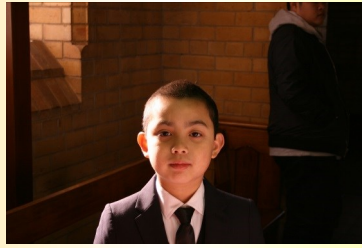
EARN AND LEARN NEWS

Keep collecting your Earn and Learn stickers!

Extra sticker sheets are available in the Office if you have already filled up your first one!

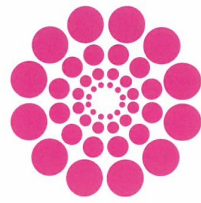


Celebrating 100 Years of Catholic Education 1919-2019



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First Eucharist





AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR



A very good place to start.

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

JUNE OPEN CLASSES

Come along to your local venue and try a free class

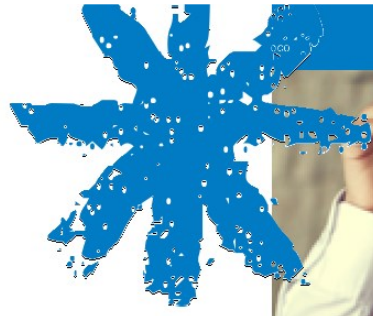
Berwick, Box Hill, Caulfield North, Cheltenham, Essendon, Ivanhoe, Kew, Ringwood & Yarraville

New venue opening in Greensborough



AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS

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How to raise a child to be a giver

by Michael Grose

Michael Grose highlights why it is so important to teach your child to be a giver not a taker, and gives five practical ways to develop a sense of generosity in kids.

Young children are egocentric by nature. As any three-year old knows only too well the world revolves around them. “I want ” “Give me ” “It’s mine” and other variations are the mantras for this age group. This self-centredness is developmental, which means it’s something they grow out of or they’re supposed to.

But some kids never bridge the gap from self-centredness to generosity. They become takers with an inflated sense of entitlement rather than givers who do all they can to accommodate the needs of others. While it can be argued that some children maybe self-centred by temperament I’m not convinced that we can blame Mother Nature entirely. There is no doubt that parenting impacts enormously on a child’s propensity to give rather than take.

In the eagerness to get kids off to a good start in life, a spirit of generosity is one quality that parents can easily overlook. Developing children’s personal competencies tend to be higher on most parents’ wish lists for their kids than developing a generous spirit.

But developing a sense of sharing in kids has plenty of positives. Children who are able to share their time, their space and themselves generally have more friends and experience more success than those who are self-centred and mean-spirited. Quite simply, they are leadership material!

Like most facets of child rearing developing a community ethos in kids’ can be a frustrating task but perseverance, modeling and expectations are parents’ greatest allies when it comes to things that really matter.

Here are five practical ways to develop a sense of generosity in kids:



parenting*ideas

1. Expect kids to help

With families shrinking, kids get fewer opportunities to help at home than before. With this in mind expect your kids to help without being paid. Regular chores and activities that benefit others such as setting the meal table or helping a younger sibling get dressed teaches them that their contribution is valuable and very much required.

2. Think 'gang'

It's a quirk of modern life that parenting is an individual endeavour. *"What's in the best interest of my child?"* has replaced *"What's in the best interest of the family?"* as a key parenting principle. Encourage children to make allowances for each other which may mean everyone watches a sibling's special concert rather than some children missing it because 'it's boring!' 'We put ourselves out for each other' is a wonderful family strength that often needs to be reinforced by parents.

3. Don't let them get away with meanness

Children wear L-Plates when it comes to behaving generously. They don't always get it right, which means that parents as the wise adults need to remind children when their words and actions are intolerant or mean-spirited, or when they need to put their own needs behind the needs of others.

4. Develop a sense of other

Children and teenagers don't live in a bubble. The socialisation process demands that kids be accountable for their poor behaviours. *"What does this social situation reasonably require of my child at his or her age and stage of development?"* is a great question to ask yourself to develop a sense of other, rather than entitlement in kids.

5. Encourage giving

During the Victorian bushfires a few years ago I heard the story of a nine-year old whose mum went into his bedroom to growl at him for being up too late. She found him busy emptying his moneybox into little plastic bags, ready to donate at the school bushfire appeal next day. There were plenty of stories like this showing the generosity of Australian kids, we just need to encourage them in everyday life, rather than wait for a tragedy, to give their generosity a kick start. You can begin by encouraging them to give toys, books and clothes away when they have finished with them, or doing a good deed by a neighbor or friend.

The skills that kids need for future success are changing as technology, greater flexibility and mobility, and new economic forces are transforming workplaces at an astonishingly rapid rate. But the basic attitudes and character traits needed to succeed such as teamwork, initiative and generosity haven't changed too much over time. Ask any employer and I'm sure they'd say they'd hire a giver over a taker any day as they are just so valuable to have on a team. Hopefully they are not becoming a rarity as well!

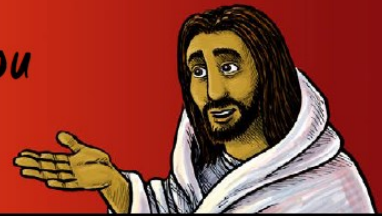


Michael Grose

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*.

The Holy Spirit will help you

My name is



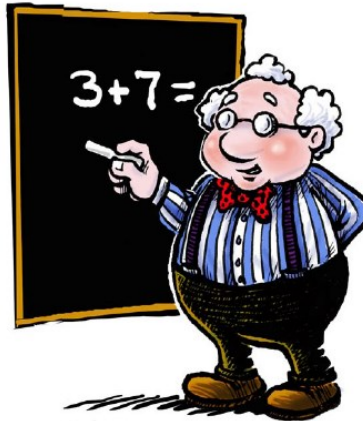
6th Sunday of Easter, Year C

Below are some of the people we have to obey. Who are they and what sort of things do they ask us to do?

Draw a picture of another person who you obey. How are you obedient?







Gospel Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to help us obey him. Write down the things that the Holy Spirit can help you do for Jesus.

