

### **OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

### 6 September 2018

www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au

Parish Priest: Fr. Peter-Damien McKinley Ms. Patrizia Bertani Principal: 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

And if he sins against you seven times a day, and returns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent, forgive him. Luke 17:4

#### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

**Thurs 6 Sept** 

7.00pm Reconciliation for Grade 3

Mon 10 Sept

Yr 4 Excursion

Tues 11 Sept

6.30pm Fete Committee Meeting Hall Kitchen

Wed 12-Fri 14 Sept

Year 5 Camp

Fri 14 Sept

Parish Movie

Wed 19 Sept Grade 3/4 Camp Night

Fri 21 Sept Our Lady's Show Day

End of term 3 at 3.15pm

Mon 8 Oct

Start of Term 4 8.45am

Fri 12 Oct

Parish Movie

Thur 18 Oct

**Confirmation Parent Night** with Dr Rev Elio Capra 7.00pm

Mon 5 Nov

Report Writing Day - No

School for the children

**Tues 6 Nov** 

Melbourne Cup Public Holi-

Sat 24 Nov

**Shopping Tour** 

#### **SACRAMENTS**

Reconciliation (Year 3) Thurs 6 Sept 7.00pm Confirmation (Year 6) Fri 16 November 7.00pm Dear Parent,

Last night the students of 3E and 3F received the Sacrament of Reconciliation in a beautiful celebration led by our Parish Priest Father Peter, his assistant priest Father Lucas and Father Renee who also joined us. Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended as well as the staff of Our Lady's School.



The students participated both prayerfully and joyfully throughout the celebration. Thank you to the classroom teachers Miss Anna-Maria Murphy and Miss Angelica Rodriguez for preparing the students so well. Thank you also to our RE/Learning and Teaching Leader Ms Kriss Oliver for supporting both the students and teach-

Congratulations to our wonderful Year Three students who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last night in Our Lady's Church.



Prayer Before the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Spirit. Amen

We pray for forgiveness and ask for God's mercy. God always loves us. Dear God, we are preparing to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. We know that you are a loving and merciful God. Help us to be truly sorry for what we have done wrong. Forgive us for what we have failed to do to help others. May we follow Jesus in all things with the help of your Holy



#### **SPORT NEWS**

On Tuesday the 4th of September, 14 of our students represented Our Lady's in the Division Athletics competition that was held at Keilor Athletics Track. It was a beautiful sunny day and our students were amazing.

Out of the 14 students, 7 of them will now move forward to represent Our Lady's School at the Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics Day to be held at Keilor Athletics Track on Tuesday the 16th of October. An amazing effort. Well done!

Congratulations to all the athletes who represented
Our Lady's so well, and extra congrats to the students
who made it through: Josh D, Will D, Lucas A, Martin R, Ella D, Heidi D, Helen G.



















































## SATURDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2018 10AM UNTIL 12PM

# **COME & TRY DAY**

In Athletics? Athletes will be able to participate in most of the events we offer. Bring your athlete along and have some fun and meet some of our athletes and coaches. Our fees are only \$165 for the year, this covers the summer and winter season (this fee includes Brimbank Multi Championship and Brimbank Championship Day) If you have any questions, please email.

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The Sunshine Lantern Festival is a free community event that takes place in the busy Sunshine shopping precinct along Hampshire Road, Sunshine on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018, 10am to 8pm. It will be a full day of family fun, entertainment, rides, street performers, music, food of many nations, magical Lion and Dragon Dancing, a Lantern Parade to celebrate the full moon and ending with spectacular fireworks.

The bustling Hampshire Road, between Devonshire Road and Hertford Road will be closed to all traffic and will come alive with roving street performers, entertainment, children's rides, jumping castles, pony rides, market stalls, street food, face-painting, lantern making and more. Look out for Gemma the Giraffe, Spider-



JOIN THE SUNSHINE LANTERN FESTIVAL PARADE @ 6 PM WITH LANTERN GIVEAWAYS TO CHILDREN @ 5 PM - 1 LANTERN PER CHILD

man, Black Panther, The Luna Moonies and TV personality Chris Humfrey with a Wild Action stage show with Australian native animals; kids can actually touch. A large performance stage will burst with local multicultural live entertainment and the Vietnamese cultural 'Legend of the Moon' performance. At 5pm 3,000 battery powered animal shaped lanterns will be given to chilbe the lantern parade then at 7.30pm an exciting display of Fireworks.

#### SOCIAL

#### Make, Bake, Create

In this class you will enjoy a range of activities including, sewing, cooking and a range of craft activities.

Day: Friday 9:30am - 1.30pm Cast: \$50.00 per term

#### Community Choir

Singing for people with a disability. No experience

is required.

Class is encouraging and friendly and suitable for everyone wanting to free their voice and build confidence.

Day: Friday (1st class 27 July 2018)

10.00 am to 12 noon

Cost: \$5.00 per session

Where: Salvation Army Hall, 42 Devonshire Road, Sunshine Contact: 9311 9973 Email: dukest@dsch.org.au

Walking Group
Get fit and make friends by joining this friendly

walking group. Day: Thursdays

12.15 to 1.00 pm Cost: FREE

#### SUPPORT

#### **Mathematics Homework Club**

Primary to Year 8 Day: Thursday

Cost: Gold coin donation

4.30 to 5.30 pm





Catch 216 or 219 bus from Sunshine Station to stop 4 - Monash and Cobrey Street

How you can contact us

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### What's on at Duke Street?

#### Semester 2 - 2018

Something for EVERYONE

""Coming soon""

COOKING CLASSES SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

#### ACCREDITED ENGLISH COURSES

#### Course in EAL (22259VIC)

Involves an assessment interview Days: Tues & Wed 9.30am - 4.00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### Certificate I in EAL (22251VIC)

Involves an assessment interview.

Day: Mon & Thurs 9:30am - 4:00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### Certificate II in EAL (22252VIC)

Involves an assessment interview.

Day: Mon &Thurs 9:30am - 4:00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### LITERACY

#### Settlement English Class

Learn basic English, for everyday use Day: Monday 9:30am - 2:00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### **Beginners English Class**

In this class students will learn basic words and phrases for overyday uses. Classes are held at Caroline Springs Library Day: Tuesday 11:00am - 3:00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### Reading/Writing Adult Literacy Class

An adult literacy course to improve participants' basic reading, writing and mathematics skills

Day: Tuesday 9:30am - 12.30pm Cost: \$50 per term

This course supports people to hone language and literacy skills for work and further study.

Day: Tuesday 1:00pm - 4.00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### COMPUTERS

#### Internet & Email

Learn how to surf the internet, use a search engine, and download pictures, print pages. Create an email account, send and receive emails and attachments.

Day: Wednesday 9.30am - 12.30pm Cost: \$90 concession \$100 full

#### Digital Literacy Inclusion

A course for people with a disability who want to build their computer skills.

Day: Wednesday 1:00pm - 3:00pm Cost: \$50 per term

#### CHILDCARE

#### Occasional Childcare (3508)

Qualified childcare workers who provide a quality learning environment for children aged 12 months - 5 years. Days: Tues to Thurs 9:30am - 2:30pm Cost:\$45 per

Discounts available for concession card holders

#### Vietnamese Playgroup

Held in our well-equipped Childcare Centre with spaces for outdoor and indoor play.

Day: Friday Contact DSCH for more information



### CLASSES AVAILABLE AT OTHER NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSES

#### Start your own Business

Are you interested in starting your own business but don't know where to start?

Phone: 8312 8800

#### Beginners English Class

Improve your confidence in speaking, reading and writing English.

Cost: Free Good Shepherd Community House Phone: 8312 8800

#### **Hospitality Course**

Are you interested in working in hospitality but don't know where

Cost: Free

Good Shepherd Community House Phone: 8312 8800

#### English for Work

English language and literacy for jobseekers.

Cost: Free Kororoit Creek Neighbourhood House Phone: 0413 434 082

Improve your English in this friendly class for beginners.

Kororoit Creek Neighbourhood House Phone: 0413 434 082



Bookings are now open for our latest Holiday Club – **Inside Out**. Full of fresh activities, **Inside Out** focuses on wellness inside and out that will have kids springing these school holidays.

There's something for every child including: Cooking with Jamie Oliver's Learn Your Fruit And Veg, making a working kite, planting a greenhouse, decorating yoga mats, and building Lego-compatible masterpieces.



Every session will also include a healthy breakfast before 8:45 AM and an afternoon snack.

To view what's on these school holidays and to make a booking, visit: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayfun. Or you can call our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family this school holidays.

The Camp Australia Team

# **GRAND UNITED CRICKET CLUB**



NOW RECRUITING - BOYS AND GIRLS

JUNIOR CRICKET TRAINING & REGISTRATION NIGHTS

EVERY THURSDAY AT 4:30PM, STARTING SEPT 6TH

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JUNIOR BLASTERS (4-9 Y.O) - Saturday October 20, 10am

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL JACK HALE 0421 526 500

## parenting \*ideas

# insights

### Parenting in the digital age

by Michael Grose



Recently I spoke at Trinity Grammar in Melbourne about the challenges of parenting in the digital age. It was a great night with a very enthusiastic crowd. I thought I'd share some key messages with the Parentingideas community.

If every generation of parents had it's own new or unique challenges then it's safe to say that the overriding challenge shared by the current generation of parents centres around technology – their children's use and their own use.

The communication technology now available to all of us is constantly being updated. Every innovation in technology presents a new set of challenges for parents. Yesterday's schoolyard bullying is today's cyber-bullying!

Frequently I hear parents talk about children's use of technology as if the technology is a problem. However technology is the context or background in which we must raise our kids to be safe, social and savvy. The bigger question we need to ask is: "What is good parenting in the digital age?"

Our job is to educate kids about technology – helping them be safe, smart and balanced users – so we need some guidelines to follow. Every parent needs to set their own guidelines suitable to their own situation. Here are some ideas to help:

#### 1. Be a good role model

It's well established now that children will copy many of their parents' behaviours. Our behaviours and habits now extend to our use of communication technology, which is a good thing as we've got the chance to model smart, balanced technology habits. This means we need to be mindful of how often we have a mobile device in our hands when we are around kids. It means we need to take care that we don't use technology as an emotional pacifier when we feel stressed or under pressure. Model face-to-face communication and healthy ways to manage your stress levels so kids can learn these techniques too.

#### 2. Think about expectations and rules for your kids in the digital world

You wouldn't drop your kids off for the day in the middle of the city and say, "Have fun. Stay safe!" Yet we often do the equivalent to our kids with technology. Most digital devices are set up for adults so when you introduce a piece of technology think carefully about it's use and expectations before handing it over to your kids. Where possible and practical use restrictions under settings when you give a device to a child. And place your own restrictions around use and timing when kids use devices, rewarding responsible use with greater freedom.

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#### 3. Differentiate between uses

One use doesn't fit all. Digital technology has three purposes – communication, education and entertainment. Gender plays a part here with girls using digital technology more for communication and boys using digital devices more for entertainment. As a parent we need to be aware how our kids are using technology, which will influence how we respond to them. For instance, you should take a different approach to a child who spends all his time after school playing Minecraft to one who spends significant time online for educational purposes. Nuance your approach according to the children's technology use.

#### 4. Create social media mantras and scripts to keep kids safe

Parents have always found ways to frame messages for children so that they rattle around inside their heads when parents aren't around. "Don't speak to strangers" still reverberates with me decades after my mother first drilled it in to me. She also gave me the scripts to use with strangers if ever I got lost, or found myself in trouble. So what scripting are you introducing to your child to keep them safe and also make them think about smart use while online?



These include such mantras as "Is it worth posting?", "Take a deep breath before hitting the send or post button." "Do you want the principal to see this post?"

#### 5. Create tech-free zones and times

Knowing when to cut off or leave technology is just as important as knowing when to use it appropriately. One way to teach appropriateness of technology use is to introduce tech-free zones and tech-free times into your family. For instance, dinner tables and mealtimes should be kept technology free to encourage in the moment face-to-face conversations. Bedrooms should be tech free particularly at night to encourage children to get a good night's sleep.

#### 6. The family that plays together learns together

Technology can bring us together or keep us apart. I recently saw a mother and her early teen son walking down a busy a street both with their faces in mobile devices, only glancing up occasionally from their screens to make sure they didn't bump into others. Although physically close, mentally they were worlds apart. On the other hand, a well-chosen game can easily connect parents with their kids. Choose games and activities that bring you together and provide opportunities to teach kids about sportsmanship and etiquette.



Media and digital devices are an integral part of our world today, presenting opportunities and challenges for parents and children. It's part of the parenting job to help kids access digital media safely and sensibly, which involves setting limits and boundaries; knowing how kids are using technology and encouraging them to consciously engage with technology while at the same time ensuring kids connect with others, learn and keep themselves entertained away from technology as well.

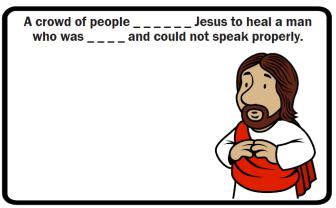
## Jesus cures a man who cannot hear or speak



#### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Finish the story of Jesus healing the deaf man by adding the missing words and pictures.

Jesus travelled to the land of Decapolis.

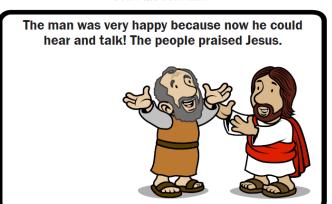


Draw Jesus walking along the road

Jesus touched the man's \_ \_ \_ and tongue and said, 'Effatha!', meaning ' \_ \_ \_ up'.



Draw the deaf man



Draw the people celebrating and praising Jesus

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak."

Jesus did many good things, such as healing people and helping those in need. What are some good things you can do for others?