

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

7 September 2017

www.olsunshine.catholic.edu.au

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

 $\textbf{School website:} \ www. @olsunshine.catholic.edu.au$

Our Lady's is a Child Safe School

"Everything they owned was held in common." Hets 4:32

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Fri 8th Sept

Professional Learning Day: Religious Education—NO school for students

Mon 11 Sept

Grade 1 Como House & Foundation Fairy Park Excursion

Tues 12 Sept

Year 6 Leadership Day

Wed 13 Sept

PAB Meeting

Thurs 14 Sept

Year 6 Parliament House Excursion

Reconciliation for Grade 3 7.00pm

Fri 15 Sept

Parish Movie

Thurs 21 Sept

Susan McLean Cyber Safety Parent Workshop 7.00-8.30pm

Fri 22 Sept

Our Lady's Show Day - casual day for students AOM Assembly End of Term 3 at 3.15pm.

Mon 9 Oct

Start of Term 4 8.45am

Wed 11 Oct

P&F Meeting

Fri 13 Oct

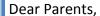
Parish Movie

Tues 17 Oct

Parent Confirmation Night with Fr Elio Capra

SACRAMENTS 2017

Reconciliation (Year 3)
Thursday 14 September
Confirmation (Year 6)
Friday 17 November



Spring has sprung! It is wonderful to see that our trees in our new garden have started to blossom. Spring is always a lovely time of year, although you wouldn't think so with the freezing weather conditions we have had at the start of this week!

Welcome Back!

On Monday, we welcome Ms Bertani back from her Italian holiday! I am sure she will have many lovely and exciting memories to share about her long service holiday in Italy. It will be wonderful to have Ms Ber-



tani back and I am sure she is looking forward to seeing you all again.

It has been a pleasure to be Acting Principal for an extended time over the past two months. We have many, many aspects to be so proud of at Our Lady's—one of them being the dynamic, welcoming community that we are.

Happy long service leave



I would like to thank Ms Geraldine Maguire who has been Acting Deputy Principal over the last eight weeks. I also take this opportunity to wish Ms Maguire the very best as she takes four weeks of long service leave. Ms Maguire will return in week 3 of next term. Ms Maguire, we wish you a wonderful extended rest!

School Parking

Thank-you to all the parents who have been adhering to the parking and drop off/ pick up rules to ensure the safety of all our children. Please continue to follow these crucial rules. It is only by all of working together that we can keep our students safe at these times. The council intends to install 'counters' very soon to gain some data on how frequent Victoria and Ryder Streets are used. The installation of speed humps may be a possibility if the data brings back high readings.

SAVE THE DATE – Thursday 21st of September 7pm-8:30pm
Susan McLean Cyber Safety – Parent Information Session in the
Father John Maher Auditorium

http://www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au/

Decisions Prayer



We pray about the choices we make. God knows our hearts.

God, caring Father and our Creator, we ask you to help us make good decisions in our lives. As we grow and face challenges, be with us in the choices we make. Help us to know that what we do affects our lives and the lives of others. Give us the courage and the strength to do what is right even when it is difficult. We ask this through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen



Zone Athletics Finals

On Tuesday, Ms McManus was able to take eight students to Keilor Park for the Zone Athletics Finals. Congratulations to the students who were in the finals.



Congratulations to Anthony, Mateja, Will, Josh, Ella, Garang, Ruby and Andy who represented Our Lady's so well.

Extra congrats to Will, Josh and Ella who all brought home ribbons!



P & F Committee — Thank-you!

Thank-you once again to the P&F committee for all their work and organisation with the Father's Day Stall and Father's Day Raffle. Congratulations to the following students who were the winners of the Father's Day Raffle this year:

Eva in 1K

Cade in Foundation I

Calvin in 5C

The P & F committee are currently in the process of finalising all the show bag and pizza orders. Thank-you all for your contribution in making our upcoming Show Day a wonderful experience for all our students. Thank-you also for all families who have supported the P&F committee and ordered show bags and pizza for their child.

Professional Learning Day — tomorrow

A final reminder that tomorrow is a school closure day as the staff will be immersed in a Religious Education Professional Learning Day.

Unfortunately numbers dropped for the all day care that YMCA were providing. All families concerned were notified of the YMCA care being cancelled last week.

Reconciliation

Next Thursday some of our Year 3 students will be making their First Reconciliation for the first time. We have included all the students in this week's newsletter. Please keep all these students in your prayers.



RECONCILIATION

Telstra Kids Fund - Seeking Telstra Employees

Currently Telstra are due to open the Telstra Kids school grants. Applicants must have a Telstra employee at school. If you know of any parents or you are an employee of Telstra, please contact the school office as we would really love to connect with you to apply for a grant.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Christine Carabott

Mrs Christine Carabott
Acting Principal
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Reconciliation Candidates 2017 Please pray for us











































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SUNSHINE COMMUNITY RAFFLE RESULTS

6471 1st Place Ticket number 2nd Place Ticket number 16053 3rd Place Ticket number 5266

Thank you to everyone that purchased a ticket and helped us raise money for props and costumes for Dream a Little Dream!

EARN AND LEARN

Thank you to everyone that has handed in completed sticker forms or loose stickers - keep collecting, they can be still be collected at Woolworths until Tuesday 19 September.

Extra sticker forms are available in the Office, or you can simply drop off your loose stickers into the Office.

OUR LADY'S P&F - HELP NEEDED FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

Reconciliation party - Monday 18 September between 12pm and 1pm

We need parent helpers to serve food and pack up afterwards. Please join us in the school kitchen for this special celebration.



Second hand uniform sale – Tuesday 19 September from 3pm

We need your assistance to sell second hand uniform items after school. Please meet Sue near the canteen. Also if you have any items in good, clean condition that you would like to donate please let us know.

Show day – Friday 22 September (help needed throughout the day)

Helpers needed to sort show bags from 9am and pizza from 12.30pm. Please let the committee know if you can assist.

Please remember to come into the Office and sign in with your WWCC before you go to help the P&F with any events.

Digital Technology

This week, classes have had a Digital Technology session with two Catholic Education Melbourne (CEM) consultants, focusing on unplugged learning.



















YMCA CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS OSHC PROGRAMS 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.childrensprograms.ymca.org.au

Week 9 Monday September 11			
DAY	After School Care Activities	Afternoon Tea	
Monday Staff: Brad, Hang	Inside: Design Your Own Fish Outside: Playground and Hopscotch	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Variety of Biscuits	
Tuesday Staff: Brad, Lucette, Hang	Inside: Diffusion Art Outside: Playground and Group Games	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Jaffles	
Wednesday Staff: Brad, Hang, Chelsea	Inside: Science Experiments Outside: Playground and AFL	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Crackers, Dip and Celery	
Thursday Staff: Brad, Hang, Jennie	Inside: Make and Create Outside: Playground and Soccer Homework + Readers	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Garlic Bread	
Friday Staff: Brad and Jennie	Children's Choice: Games, Activities Inside & Out. Cooking Chocolate Crackles with Jennie	Seasonal Fruit & Veggies Cheese and Crackers	

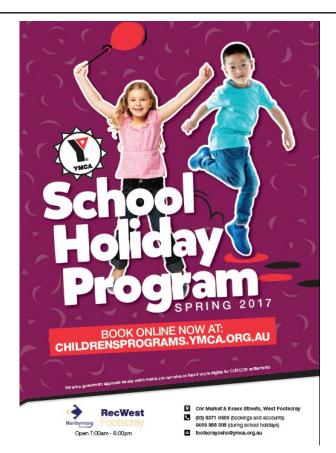
A variety of seasonal fruit and vegetables are always offered to children for afternoon snack! A variety of arts, crafts, board games, construction, recreational activities, sensory and imaginary play opportunities are available every day for children to choose. Homework & Home Readers Time – Our YMCA 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.

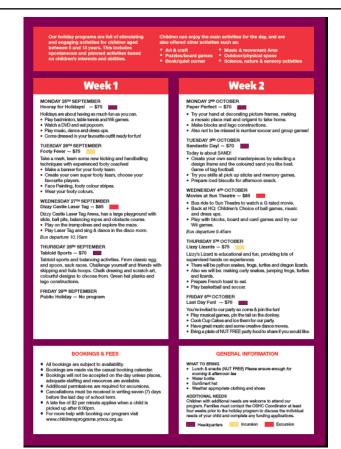
Please remember children need to bring their school hat (Broadbrim Hat, Bucket Hat or Legionaries Hat) from 1st September to 1st May and sunscreen will need to be applied when playing outside.

Bookings and Cancellations: It is important to book your child's place so we can plan and expect their arrival at 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 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
There may be certain circumstances where children receive gifts or prizes throughout the year as part of our advertised programs. These occasions would be advertised on our program planners to provide parents/guardians with prior notification. Occasions where children may receive gifts/prizes as advertised are as follows: last day of school terms, end of year celebrations, designated holiday program days, cultural and festive celebration days and during organised program competitions. Thank You,

Brad and Our Lady's OSHC Team





Parenting/0645 INSIGHTS

Building parent-school partnerships

WORDS Michael Grose

Teach children to persist

Parents can promote persistence by encouraging their children to keep going and not give in at the slightest hurdle or difficulty.

"Persistence and patience have a magical effect before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish." John Quincy Adams

The ability to persist at a task and see it through to the end is one of the most important success attributes that you can develop in a child.

There are numerous times every day when children must persist rather than give in. A young child learning to tie shoelaces must persist. A primary aged student must show determination to finish tasks and a secondary student needs to work through difficulties, particularly those he doesn't understand or complete right away.

They need to be able to persist when work gets hard or life gets tough. They need the 'stickability' to work through difficulties and hang in there when things don't go their way.

Some children are more naturally predisposed to persist than others. They have a determined, even competitive streak in their temperament that doesn't allow them to give in. These children and young people can drive themselves very hard to succeed.

The results of the Australian
Temperament Project show that
persistence is the one temperamental

factor that can be improved over time.
Parents and teachers can develop
persistence in children and also impede
its development by making life too easy
for children so that they don't have
opportunities to persist or hang in there.

Parents can promote persistence by encouraging their children to keep going and not give in at the slightest hurdle or difficulty.

Parents can be a sounding board for children's gripes but they should show confidence in their ability to cope and get through their difficulties. "You can do it" is far more powerful in terms of promoting an attitude of persistence than "If it is a little too hard then try something else."

Let children know that there is a correlation between effort and success. In fact, they need to learn that by GIVING EFFORT they will more than likely experience more success. The ability to persist in the face of difficulties maybe an old-fashioned quality but it is one of the best success attributes that children will ever develop.

Here are four practical strategies you can use to promote a sense of persistence in your children:

Develop a vocabulary for persistence

Words like "Hang tough", "Work Hard" and "Hang in there" can become part of their every day vocabulary.

Point out to children when they stick at a task

Most parents know it pays off when they catch their children being good but it also pays off to catch them being persistent. The behaviours you focus on as parents expand so let them know when they have been persistent. Also remind them that persistence generally pays off.

Help children to remember

times when they experienced success by HANGING IN when they were younger. Let them know that persistence has paid off before and it will again.

Talk about HARD WORK with your children

They need to understand that to be successful they need to do things that are NOT fun or easy. While it would be good if all work and learning was fun, in reality, this is not always the case.

Michael Grose





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Talk to those who do wrong by you

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

GospelMt 18:15-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

Jesus wants us to be peacemakers

When someone does wrong things against me, I can be a peacemaker by....

When I do wrong things against someone, I can be a peacemaker by....

How did Jesus treat sinners? Matthew was a tax collector and was

disliked by many people. Jesus shared a meal with him and other sinners. Matthew became a disciple of Jesus. *Mt* 9:9-13

Draw Jesus sharing a meal with Matthew and his friends

A woman who had sinned was brought before Jesus.

The pharisees wanted Jesus to condemn her, but instead Jesus forgave her sins. Jn 8:2-11

Write a short prayer asking Go	d to forgive our sins
Dear Lord,	
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	Amen.

A rich man named Zaccheus climbed a tree to get a better view of Jesus. People became upset when Jesus decided to be a guest at Zaccheus' house, but Zaccheus was so happy he gave half his possessions to the poor. Lk 19:1-10

Draw Zaccheus in the sycamore tree