



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

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**Our Lady's Primary School is a child safe school. All students enrolled, and any child visiting, have a right to feel safe and be safe.**

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## NEWSLETTER NO. 28 TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5th 2017

Over the past few weeks our prayer has focused on the place of mission in the lives of our students. Across all classrooms we have reflected on what we are asked to do to reach out and support others. In the Discovery Centre they are looking at their call to mission. In their work they hope to develop their understanding of mission as being like Jesus, caring and sharing in a loving way for people in need. In this students will discern how they can share with others in need, in their family, school, in their own country and overseas.

Loving Father,  
You alone are the source of every good gift.  
We praise you for all your gifts to us and  
we thank you for your generosity.  
Everything we have, and all that we are, comes from you.  
Help us to be grateful and responsible.

You have called us to follow your son, Jesus, without counting the cost.  
Send us your Holy Spirit to give us courage and wisdom  
to be faithful disciples.

We commit ourselves to being good stewards.  
Help us to be grateful, accountable, generous and  
willing to give back with increase.  
Help us to make stewardship a way of life.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

AMEN.

## **PARISH MASSES**

Masses for this weekend are:

* Saturday	6.00 pm	St. Patrick's
* Sunday	8.00 am	St. Patrick's
* Sunday	9.00 am	Our Lady's
* Sunday	10.00 am	Moyhu
* Sunday	10.30 am	Whitfield (1st Sunday)
* Sunday	10.30 am	St. Patrick's

Our Lady's typically has week day Masses on Tuesday and Friday both commencing at 9:00am. Some changes may happen if funerals are held on these days.

## **SCHOOL MASSES**

We have a couple of Masses scheduled for the remainder of this term:

Tuesday September 12:	Bridging Centre will be hosting the students from the Leadership Centre
Tuesday September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Discovery/Foundation Centres will be hosting the students from the Bridging Centre

All Masses will be held in Our Lady's Church commencing at 9.00am and everyone is most welcome to come along and join in these celebrations.

## **FATHER'S DAY LITURGY THANKS**

A very big thank you to all involved in this celebration last week. It is important that we regularly reflect on the important role that significant adults play in the lives of our children. Well done to all involved.

## **PASTORAL WELLBEING REVIEW**

Next Tuesday we have a validation team from the Diocese of Sandhurst Catholic Education Office visiting the school to look at our Pastoral Wellbeing Review. Each year the Diocese has a focus area for schools that is reviewed to check compliance and alignment with the Diocesan charter and state and federal government expectations. Over the past few months the staff have reviewed the expectations, set goals and adjusted plans in response to the review. It is these findings that are presented to the panel for validation. Last week we had the Victorian Registration and Qualification Authority Compliance Review which focused on what Our Lady's has in place to meet all the regulatory expectations of the Victorian government for the registration of a primary school. It was a very thorough process that happily validated our ongoing registration.

## **SCHOOL SPIRIT ACTIVITIES**

The students in the Making Jesus Real leadership team are holding some school spirit activities next Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> in the block between recess and lunch time. The intention of these activities is to highlight the importance of community spirit and to help identify how we see this at Our Lady's.

## **STUDENT FUNDRAISER**

This term the students in the Leadership Centre are working through a Religious Education unit called "Mission-Living and Sharing" and their Inquiry unit is focussing on care for the kids. These units challenge the students to reflect on their call to mission and identify where they can help.

As part of their response to this call they have asked if they can run a number of small fundraising activities on the last day of the term, Friday September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Money raised on this day will be given to the DOXA Foundation. Students will have the opportunity to bring a dollar or two and then be able to participate in a number of games, purchase treats and buy lunch. It will start at 12:15pm and run until lunchtime. Please feel free to come and join us.

## **TEACHER ADVISOR MEETINGS**

In the weeks beginning September 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> each classroom will be holding their Term Three Teacher Advisor meetings. These meetings are an opportunity to sit and reflect on recent learning and then look at what learning needs to take place next. Term Three reports will also be presented and explained at these meetings. It is important that we all make this chance to talk about learning a priority.

## **TERM THREE CELEBRATION OF LEARNING**

Our celebration of learning for Term Three will be held after school on Wednesday September 20<sup>th</sup> from 3.10pm.

## **PUPIL FREE DAYS TERM FOUR**

We have three Pupil Free days set aside in Term Four as well as a Public Holiday:

Monday November 6<sup>th</sup> - Bishop's Holiday (each year that the Bishop is here to conduct Confirmation/First Eucharist he kindly grants us an additional Pupil Free Day). The following day – Tuesday November 7<sup>th</sup> is the Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.

Monday November 20<sup>th</sup> – 2018 Planning Day

Monday December 4<sup>th</sup> – Report Writing Day

## **2018 FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS**

If you have child starting in our Foundation class in 2018 please call into the office and collect an enrolment form and complete and return it, along with a copy of your child's Birth Certificate and Immunisation Certificate, by the end of this term. If you know of anyone who interested in sending their child to Our Lady's to commence Foundation in 2018, please get them to contact the school office to make an appointment for a chat and a tour of the school.

## **MONDAY MORNING ASSEMBLY THANK YOU**

At the start of each week we give thanks to some of the positive behaviours that we noted in the past week. It is an opportunity to acknowledge helpful behaviours, it raises language that highlights good choices and it models the need to regularly thank people in a way that communicates what we are thankful for. This week we thanked:

- For all the students who do their best by washing their hands regularly
- To everyone who helps others succeed by sitting in the right places to eat
- To everyone who shows respect by using their manners as often as possible
- To everyone who does their best by continuing to do what they were doing when someone bothers them
- To everyone who helped us celebrate Father's Day
- To all the students who made positive behaviour choices in the gymnastics sessions

## **POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS**

Our expectations focus for this week is 'Making Good Decisions':

Doing your best: By thinking about how I can solve a problem

Helping others succeed: By following adult direction(s)

Respecting your school: By setting realistic goals and working to achieve them

**Power Play Focus: Students who make good decisions**

Congratulations to Maddison Brennan who was the winner of last week's Power Play Raffle.

## **POLICY UPDATE**

The following comes from our updated policy relating to making a Child Safe Report and the role of the child safety officers:

### **Make a Report - Our Child Safety Officers**

Our Lady's has appointed the people listed below as the School's Child Safety Officers. Each Child Safety Officer is available to answer any questions that you may have with respect to our Child Protection and Safety Policy and the Child Protection Program.

Child Safety Officers are selected based on a number of considerations, namely:

- their personal attitudes, experiences and beliefs, for example, a person who is non-judgmental, calm, resilient and demonstrates a high degree of integrity and respect for confidentiality;
- their role within the School, for example, a person who has seniority and experience working with complex student and family issues at the School and someone who is readily accessible and available to all members of the School community; and
- their personal profile within the School, for example, a person who is approachable, who students and staff trust and who is willing and able to respond to issues personally and sensitively.

The School's Child Safety Officers are your first point of contact for reporting child protection issues within the School. They receive special training that allows them to deal with child protection concerns both sensitively and effectively.

### **'Child Abuse' includes:**

sexual offences;

grooming;

physical violence;

serious emotional or psychological harm;

serious neglect; and

family violence, or exposure to family violence.

If you have any concern that a child may be experiencing any form of abuse, whether or not you have formed a belief on reasonable grounds that the abuse has occurred, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Child Safety Officers.

Our Child safety Officers are Mark Walsh-Principal and Annabel Carmody- Deputy Principal.

The welfare and best interests of the child are paramount. Whenever there are concerns that a child is in immediate danger the Police should be called on 000.

## MOWING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Our mowing roster for the remainder of this year is as follows:

September	Luke Holley & family
October	Darren Bell & family
November	Graeme Lovel & family
December	Peter Sullivan & family

Mark

## P & F NEWS

### CENT NIGHT

The P & F are organising a Cent Night for next Friday September 15<sup>th</sup> commencing at 7.00pm. Please come along and support this night if you are able to. There is an outline of how a Cent Night works further along in the newsletter. If you are unable to attend but would like to donate a prize for the night you can leave it at the office before September 15<sup>th</sup>.

### FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Congratulations to Jesse Peacock who was the winner of our Father's Day raffle.

### LAMINGTON/PIE DRIVE

Thanks to all those who placed orders as well as those parents who helped pack the orders last week. A profit of \$1228-20 was made from this fundraising event.

### CHOCOLATE DRIVE

One box of chocolates to go! We will keep selling the chocolates at Recess each day for 50 cents each to try and recoup some of the cost. Please note that there will be a limit of 1 chocolate per day per child.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Thursday	September 7 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am to 2.45pm Leadership Centre AFL 9's Competition
Tuesday	September 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am Bridging Centre Mass <i>All Welcome</i>
Wednesday	September 13 <sup>th</sup>	School Spirit Activities 11.15am to 1.15pm
Friday	September 15 <sup>th</sup>	P & F Cent Night 7.00pm <i>All Welcome</i>
Tuesday	September 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am Discovery/Foundation Centres Mass
Wednesday	September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration of Learning 3.10pm <i>All Welcome</i>
Friday	September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Student Fundraising Activities 12.15pm to 1.15pm  End of Term Three
Monday	October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Term Four

**City Colts Cricket Club** would like to invite any interested junior players to join our club for season 2017/18. We have a team or program to suit any age from 5 years to U/16. Our junior club philosophy is everyone gets a go and we have accredited Level 1 coaches to aid in player development.

For those pre junior underage competition (normally ages 5 – 9) we have either Milo In 2 Cricket or T20 Blast. For those ready for juniors we have teams in the Wangaratta and District Cricket Association at all levels i.e. U/12, 14 & 16.

Anyone interested in any of the programs can register via [Playcricket.com.au](http://Playcricket.com.au), enter Wangaratta postcode 3677 and select City Colts as the centre or contact:

Ross Moore 0409 186 640 or email [rmmoore@esc.net.au](mailto:rmmoore@esc.net.au) for enquiries re Milo In 2 Cricket or T20 Blast or Andrew Lovett for junior underage enquiries 0458 175 951 or email [Lovett.andrew@gmail.com](mailto:Lovett.andrew@gmail.com)

We are also holding a muster day where you can sign up or seek further information:  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 5 – 6pm at the Bill O'Callaghan Oval (Barr Reserve)





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# Earn & Learn is on again

## Start collecting today

Anyone can help our school earn amazing resources:

- Earn one sticker for every \$10 spent at Woolworths\*.
- Complete Sticker Sheets.
- Drop Sheets in a Collection Box for our school!

Runs 26 July to 19 September 2017.

Find out more at [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)



*That's why  
I pick Woolies*

\*From Wednesday 26 July to Tuesday 19 September 2017. Excludes liquor, tobacco and gift cards.  
†By Tuesday 19 September 2017.



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## Parents and Friends of Our Lady's Primary School

### Meeting 30/8/2017

Present: - Mark Walsh, Caroline Metcraft, Cassie Holland, Kate Everett, Kate Bell and Melissa Lewis

Apologies:- Anne Dunstan, Laura Warry.

Meeting started at 9am Acknowledgement of country & blessing read by Kate

#### REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

**A big thank you** to the 5 people who attended the food handling course.

**Mother's Day stall** went well we think – waiting on figures.

**Lunch orders** going well, rubbish is an issue. Mark Walsh to speak to students.

**Grandparents Day** not as many attended as other years, nevertheless all who did really enjoyed the concert and art display.

**Feedback** from special needs, music, and library contributions we made. A big thank you from Bridget who is in the process of buying Ukuleles and other musical instruments, Molly, Libby and Sue are buying a computer program to help special needs children and Rosie who will purchase \$1000 of new books for our library.

**Pie's & Lamington** drive today, thanks to all who helped out.

**Chocolates** still 2 boxes left, if anyone wants to sell another box see Julie at the office.

**Garage sale/ Shed clearing.** The morning went remarkably well, huge crowd. Thanks to all for their help, especially Sherwin.

**Gardens.** Thanks to the Brockwell family and Chris for a great job on the roses and gardens. An emergency phone number on keys for after hours.

#### COMING UP

**Father's Day stall** 140 presents wrapped by Cassie (90 new ones) Kate E, Melissa & Kate B to sell on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> at 2.30pm.

**BBQ** for father's Day Liturgy. Sarah and Sue have volunteered to cook the BBQ. Julie to order meat and bread. Mark W to check gas amounts.

**Cent night** set for Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. Not many prizes left ask Nicole Robinson if she could buy prizes for back up. \$50

**Movie night** set for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Mark Walsh to set up

**Family Sports** evening 26<sup>th</sup> October. Marc Bongers

## P & F Meeting Minutes cont...

**End of year** Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 15 children leaving and 7 Families. Caroline to organise gifts.

### **OTHER ISSUES**

**Dunking machine** no longer able to hire out as it needs major maintenance work.

**Special lunch** 4<sup>th</sup> term Pizza Day

**Crossing Murdoch Rd** Council and RTA have acknowledged we do need a crossing at Murdoch Rd council have sent 3 different plans with different points along Murdoch Rd to cross. As a group we chose option 1 outside Our Lady's Church also think Option 3 would be good for Cathedral College students.

**Committee arrangements** Change to treasures role – Position to report to committee. Julie and Anne are bringing books together. More regular basis and itemised. No funfair figures yet. AGM planning for November cancelled.

### **REPORTS**

**Treasurer's Report** Nil

**Principles Report** Finances from last week's board meeting read out, Administration area upgrade plans shown to committee, looking at applying for a grant and build in 2019.

**NEXT MEETING** 9am 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Staff Room



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5<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents

## **CENT NIGHT: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> 2017 commencing at 7.00pm**

The Parents & Friends have organised a Cent Night for **Friday September 15<sup>th</sup> 2017** commencing at 7.00pm. Children and other family and friends are most welcome to come along.

BYO drinks (**please note : NO ALCOHOL**) and nibbles.

This is a great social night -for both parents and children-while also raising funds for the school. The night should conclude no later than 8.30-9.00pm.

For those of you who haven't been to a Cent Night before this is how it goes:

Each family brings along three prizes to the value of between \$3-00 and \$5-00. E.g. jar of lollies, home preserves, craft items, small toy etc.

On arrival the items are placed on a long table in the centre of the hall.

People attending buy strips of tickets - 10 for \$1-00.

The prizes are progressively taken around the room and if you decide you want to enter the draw for a particular prize you tear off one or more tickets and place them in the container. The winner is then drawn out.

If you cannot attend on the night you could help out by donating some prizes which can be left at the office before the night.

Families are asked to bring along a small plate to share for supper at the end of the night.

See you there!!

***Please note that all children attending must be accompanied by an adult.***



Get ready for a *BLAST OF COLOUR!*

*Sunday 29 October 9.30am*

*@ Apex Park Wangaratta*

2017 is the inaugural St Patrick's Wangaratta Colour Run... Set out across 5km of beautiful park land to enjoy a fun, colourful event with family and friends

The St Patrick's Wangaratta Colour Run is a five-kilometre, un-timed fun run, where participants, or as we like to call them "Colour Runners", are doused with coloured powder throughout the course. You can run, walk, crawl, or cartwheel if you wish! And for the littlies there's opportunity to turn around during the course if they won't make the whole 5ks.

There are only two rules:

- 1 . Wear white at the starting line
- 2 . Finish in a burst of colour!

Then afterwards, join us at the finish line for a sausage sizzle and some tunes to celebrate in style.

This event is a fundraiser for St. Patricks Primary but we welcome members of the public to join the colour run and join the fun, the more the merrier! Join us for a fabulous, family friendly event to help raise funds for our school. Tickets can be purchased via our online ticket site... <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-patricks-wangaratta-colour-run-tickets-35753402389>

**TICKET PRICES:**

Child (u/16) - \$10 (+ booking fee)

Adult - \$25 (+ booking fee)

Family - \$40 (for up to 2 adults & 3 kids) + Booking fee

By registering and participating in this event you agree to the Conditions of Entry  
<https://goo.gl/ktE3pT>

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