



# 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 3rd 2019

Last weekend marked the beginning of the calendar months of Spring. It is a great time as we leave Winter behind and look to the advent of longer days and warmer weather.

### The Hope of Spring

**God, thank you for Spring and the hope of warmer, longer, brighter days.**

**Thank you for the coming of growth and life and birth.**

**Thank you that things are coming awake in the world.**

**This is what our calendar says and we do see some signs that it is real.**

**But we also still struggle with the residual layover of Winter.**

**Now we ask that you bring into reality all that belongs in this season.**

**Your word says that we will have provision, hope, joy, health and loving relationships here and now in this life.**

**We ask that what belongs in this season would become actual in our practical lives.**

**We hope in you and in your promises. We hope in your gift of Spring.**

*- Author Unknown*



**CLASS MASSES/LITURGIES**

Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup> Discovery Centre hosts the students from the Bridging Centre

All Masses are held in Our Lady’s Church at 9.00am and everyone is most welcome to join us for these celebrations.

**PARISH MASSES**

Masses for this weekend are:

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| * 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.

**RECONCILIATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

The combined Parishes of Wangaratta and the King Valley will be offering a sacramental preparation program for children in the lead up to celebrating Reconciliation in November this year and Confirmation and First Eucharist midway through next year. Typically the program is for children in Years Three and Four who have been baptized but can also be available for students in later grades.

**The program will start with a meeting TONIGHT for adults -Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup>.** The meeting will be held in the Our Lady’s Church Community Room starting at 7.00pm.

**To register your child for this program you need to contact St. Patrick’s Presbytery on 57221970.**

If you require additional information about this process please feel free to contact the Presbytery or the school.

**NO LUNCH ORDERS – WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4th or WEDNESDAY September 11th**

Please note that lunch orders WILL NOT be available either tomorrow Wednesday September 4<sup>th</sup> or next Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup>. The last lunch order day for 2019 will be on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup>.

**FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST THANKS**

Thank you to all involved in the breakfast last week. It was a great informal celebration of the important part that fathers and other adult males play in the life of our children. It was interesting to see so many extended family members come along and enjoy the company and hospitality offered.

## **YEAR THREE TO SIX SPORTS DAY**

All students in Years 3-6 will be heading to the Appin Street Athletics Complex tomorrow, Wednesday September 4<sup>th</sup>, to participate in our combined sports day with St. Patrick's school. Students should have returned their completed permission note by now.

## **TERM THREE REPORTS / TEACHER ADVISOR MEETINGS**

Next week Teacher Advisor meetings will be held across the school. These meetings are a very important part of our information and reporting process. Notes advertising times went home either last week or early this week. If you haven't received a meeting notice please feel free to contact the school and a time can be arranged. Term Three reports will be issued as part of the Teacher Advisor meetings or sent home on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup>. Please note that Kate Hutchison (Bridging Centre – Young) will be conducting Teacher Advisor meetings only- reports for students in this class will be issued as normal at the end of next term

## **FESTIVAL OF THE SACRED SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>**

The Diocese of Sandhurst offers an art program for the students in Years Five and Six. The program for this year is called the Festival of the Sacred and will be held at Galen College. The gathering asks each school to prepare a number of choral and dance items that are presented on the day. All schools also prepare for a massed dance and singing item. The program is supported by a company called A3 which is an off shoot of the Australian Arts Alive organisation and Australian Girl's Choir. The A3 staff members visit each of the schools involved and work with the students as they prepare. The day at Galen College will be on Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup>. Families are invited to attend a concert presented by all the schools at 1:00pm on this day.

## **BRIDGING CENTRE TO WANGARATTA DISTRICT SPECIALIST SCHOOL**

Our Bridging Centre students will be heading to the Wangaratta District Specialist School on Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup> to present a magic show. They have been practicing their magic tricks as part of their Performing Arts classes.

## **SCHOOL PHOTOS-FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> 2019**

Personalised order forms have been sent home with every student for this year's School Photos. Please note purchase of photos IS NOT compulsory. Every child will have an individual photo taken regardless of whether or not you order photos.

Family photos (for current students only) are also available - please collect an order form from the office.

If any family requires duplicate order forms these can also be collected from the office.

Grade 6 students will have a group photo taken on the day. These students are to wear their red polo shirts for their individual and class photos and bring along their Grade 6 shirt to get changed into for the Grade 6 group photo.

All orders/payment must be handed into the office by Thursday September 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **BLACK VENOM – NO LONGER STOCKING OUR LADY'S SCHOOL UNIFORM**

We have been advised that due to a decline in sales Black Venom will no longer be stocking our uniform items. You can still get uniform items (e.g. plain red polo shirts) that have been purchased elsewhere embroidered at Black Venom. They have a small supply of our uniform items that they are clearing out at reduced prices – a list of items and sizes are further along in the newsletter.

If you wish to purchase new uniform items you will now need to go to Wangaratta Uniform Zone at 52 Norton Street which is opposite the Wangaratta railway station.

## **TIPS TO HELP ATTENDANCE**

As part of our Attendance Policy families with students who have attended less than 90% of days (more than a week) this term will be sent a notice highlighting the importance of regular attendance. Many absences can be easily explained however families with students with consistently low attendance should look carefully at this issue. Some tips from the Victorian Education Department:

- Talk to your child about school and how important it is-you can ask them how they feel about school, what they liked and if there are any problems
- Reward good behaviour and not bad behavior- for example, if your child refuses to go to school, do not let them have access to their phone or the internet
- Set a good example- show them how you keep to your own commitments
- Encourage your child to take on hobbies that your child enjoys such as sports and clubs- this will help them develop positive relationships outside of the classroom
- Have a set time to do homework and go to bed and leave all technology out of their bedroom
- Pack their school bag the night before with everything they need
- Have a set time for breakfast
- Plan to meet up with a friend so they can travel to school together

## **INFECTIOUS DISEASES POLICY**

Attached to this newsletter is the Our Lady's Infectious Diseases Policy. It outlines many of the actions that are required when a student has an infectious disease.

## **MORNING ASSEMBLY THANK YOU**

At the start of each week we give thanks for 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 gave thanks:

- To everyone who does their best keeping themselves healthy by washing your hands as often as needed
- To all who help others succeed by using manners as often as possible
- For everyone who shows respect for our school by eating in the areas that we have for eating
- To everyone who chooses to be happy often

## **POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS**

Our expectations focus for this week is '**Making good decisions**':

Do your best: We do our best when we think about how we can solve a problem

Helping others succeed: We help others succeed when we set realistic goals and work hard towards achieving them

Respecting your school: We show our respect for our school when we follow directions

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

No PowerPlay Raffle winner last week.

Mark

## **P & F NEWS**

### **CHOCOLATE DRIVE**

There are only a few chocolates left for sale this week – 40 each cents or 3 for \$1-00. Thanks to all those families who sold (or ate!) chocolates. Will let you know the final profit from the chocolate drive before the end of the term.

We would like to make a special thank you to Shailla Temwake in Foundation and her family – they have sold 6 boxes! Much appreciated.

### **WANGARATTA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC.**

Entry forms for the colouring competition that the Wangaratta Show Society run each year are now available from the school office.

There are four age groups:

Foundation, Grade One/Two, Grade Three/Four and Grade Five/Six.

Each group has the following prizes:

1<sup>st</sup> \$10-00 and 2<sup>nd</sup> \$5-00.

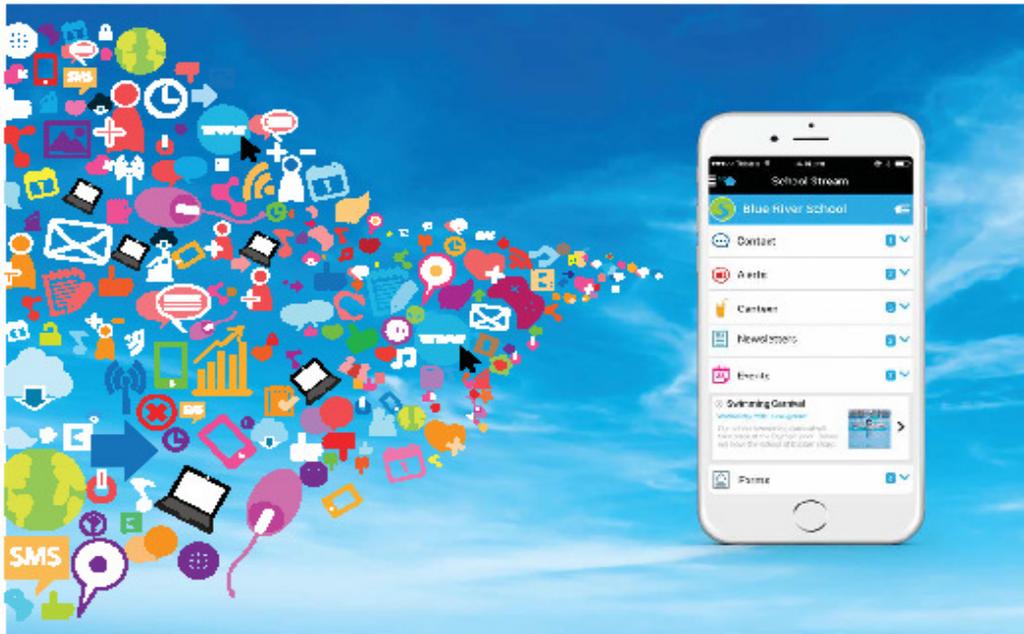
Entries close on Tuesday October 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 – completed entries can be dropped to the show office at the Wangaratta Showgrounds any weekday after Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> 2019.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday	September 3rd	Parent meeting Reconciliation program 7.00pm in the Our Lady's Church Community Room
Wednesday	September 4th	<b><u>No lunch orders today</u></b> Year Three to Six combined sports day at Appin Street athletics complex 9.00am to 3.00pm
Wednesday	September 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b><u>No lunch orders today</u></b> Festival of the Sacred – Leadership Centre – at Galen College 9.30am to 2.45pm Bridging Centre to Wangaratta District Specialist School 1.00pm to 2.30pm
Friday	September 13 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos 8.45am
Tuesday	September 17th	9.00am Discovery Centre Mass <i>All Welcome</i> 6.30pm School Board meeting
Friday	September 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term Three

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**BLACK VENOM** (106 Greta Road)  
**Our Lady's Uniform Clearance**

**Short Sleeve Polos** Was \$15.00 Now \$10.00

5 x size 4  
1 x size 12

**Long Sleeve Polos** Was \$16.00 Now \$12.00

4 x size 4  
6 x size 10  
7 x size 12

**Full Zip Polar Fleece Jacket** Was \$25.00 Now \$20.00

3 x size 4  
1 x size 6  
1 x size 12

**Polar Fleece Vest** Was \$20.00 Now \$15.00

1 x size 4  
1 x size 8  
1 x size 10

**Mesh Sport Short** Was \$14.00 Now \$10.00

1 x size 10



An invitation is extended to all parents and families as well as interested teachers and other professionals to attend an:

## INFORMATION EVENING

### “Setting our Children up for Success”

THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER | 7.00 ~ 8.30PM  
WANGARATTA PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

This presentation asks the question; “what is success?” and unpacks many features of what may constitute a successful and rewarding life for children that goes far beyond reciting the alphabet and counting and being “bright”. Practical ideas and strategies are provided which include, the importance of self-expression, reaching out when you need to, taking on challenges, meaningful relationships and effective communication.



**Consultant:** Melinda Vander Reest is an early childhood consultant from Early Life Foundations. With 30 years of experience working with young children, families and educators in a variety of settings across Australia and Internationally. She has Early Childhood and Primary qualifications as well as a Bachelor of Special Education and an Advanced Certificate of Child and Family Development.

➤ To attend please register (free) at Eventbrite online at:

<https://nerpsa2019.eventbrite.com.au>

NERPSA: Early Years Management, Wangaratta: [nerpsa.com.au](http://nerpsa.com.au)



## “JUNIOR MUSTER DAYS”

The Wangaratta Magpies Cricket Club is holding two Junior Muster Days. These days are for all junior girls and boys who are playing or thinking of playing in our Girls team, or our Under 12s, Under 14s or Under 16s teams.

A BBQ will be held afterwards.

All current and new players, and their parents are encouraged to come along.

**When:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September &  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September

**Time:** 10am

**Where:** Cricket Nets, Norm Minns Oval

*Contact Club President Darren Grant on 0427 978 485  
with any questions*