



# 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.**

## NEWSLETTER NO. 31 TUESDAY OCTOBER 10TH 2017

This week a number of families across Wangaratta start their journey toward the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation with their children. I offer the following prayer to help us reflect on both the children involved and the Sacrament itself:

Loving God help us to teach all of our children that you love us totally and unconditionally. Help us to encourage our children to grow in love and to learn how to say sorry, knowing that you always forgive.

Help us to be forgiving in our lives.

Give us the courage to pray with our children and to share our faith with them as we journey together.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



## **CLASS MASSES**

Our first class Mass for Term Four will be next Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup> when the Foundation class hosts the Discovery and Bridging Centre students. Mass will be in Our Lady's Church starting at 9:00am and everyone is most welcome to come along.

## **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.

## **PARISH RECONCILIATION MEETING**

This Thursday the first meeting for the Parish Reconciliation preparation programs will be held. The meeting is for parents only and will be held at 7:00pm in the St. Patrick's Hall Supper Room, which can be accessed through the church car park in Ford Street. Enrolment forms for this program are available through the school or from St. Patrick's Presbytery. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

The next School Board meeting will be held next Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm.

## **STUDENT FUNDRAISER – DOXA FOUNDATION**

Congratulations to the Leadership Centre students who raised an amazing \$539-60 at the Mini Fete that they organised on the last day of Term Three. The leadership and responsibility they showed was so pleasing to see. Thanks to all the students and families who supported this great initiative. The money raised will be sent to the DOXA Foundation to support their wonderful work they do for disadvantaged children.

## **END OF LUNCH ORDERS**

Lunch orders have now finished for 2017. Many thanks to Sally and Darren Brockwell and Jess Devereux for providing this service for our students in Term Two and Three.

## **HATS**

Students must wear their school hat this term whenever they are outside at all times – recess, lunch, sport etc. Please make sure you rename your child's hat so it is easy to identify. If your child has lost their school hat you can purchase a new one from the school office at a cost of \$10-00. If your child does not have their hat at school they must remain under the verandah when they are outside- **no hat, no play**.

## **'WALK TO SCHOOL'**

Students have commenced recording the days they walk (or ride) to school. This will continue for the rest of this month. There is some information further along in the newsletter explaining this program. We encourage as many students as possible to walk or ride to school, not only during October but the rest of the year as well, as part of a healthy lifestyle.

## **ZONE ATHLETICS**

Congratulations to Tim Phillips, Hannah Phillips, Layla Creek and Kane Deans who will participate in the Zone athletics meeting this coming Friday. At the meeting schools from our area will gather and compete in events that will lead to the state titles.

## **MILO CRICKET**

Next Monday the students in Foundation to Grade Four will participate in clinics run by the Milo Cricket Foundation. Sessions will be:

8:45am	Foundation and Mrs Grant's Year One/Two students
9:15am	Miss Graham's Year One/Two students
9:45am	Mrs Walsh's Year Three/Four students
10:15am	Mr Young's Year Three/Four students

Please note that due to the cricket clinics our Monday morning Assembly will be held at 11.15am instead of the usual 8.45am.

## **FAMILY SPORTS EVENING**

This year our family sports evening is scheduled for Thursday October 26th commencing at 5:00pm, running for about 90 minutes. On the evening students will participate in a number of team games that will be scored to determine a winning team. Students are encouraged to come along dressed in their sports team colours. Families are welcome to bring along chairs, blankets, snacks and drinks and hopefully enjoy a balmy evening at school.

## **PUPIL FREE DAYS TERM FOUR**

We have three Pupil Free days set aside this term 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:

- To everyone who does their best when they treat others the way that they would like to be treated
- To everyone who makes positive decisions about keeping others safe
- To all who show respect for the school by returning equipment and learning materials to where they should be
- To the Leadership students for running our mini fete
- For all the positive decisions made by the Foundation to Year Four students at Mass in the last week of term
- To all who did their best by embracing the Celebration of Learning at the end of last term

## **POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS**

Our expectations focus for this week is 'Positive Classroom Behaviour':

Doing your best:                      By being a risk taker  
By being prepared  
By taking care of yourself

Helping others succeed:              By making positive choices about noise and words  
By choosing a space to support your learning and the learning of others

Respecting your school:              By raising your hand to share, question or comment  
By caring for the equipment in the school  
By maintaining personal space

**Power Play Focus:                      Students who show positive classroom behaviours**

Congratulations to Bianca Hagl, Noah Fitzgerald and Jordina Rajadurai who were the winners of the Power Play Raffle at the end of last term.

## **MOWING AROUND THE SCHOOL**

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

October	Darren Bell & family
November	Graeme Lovel & family
December	Peter Sullivan & family

We are asking for a family to volunteer to mow during the January holidays. If you are available to do this please let Julie know.

Mark



**Get ready, get set for Walk to School 2017!**

From the beginning of term 4 and throughout the month of October Our Lady's has joined the hundreds of primary schools across Victoria for a fun month of walking, riding and scooting to and from school. By participating, we have a chance to win some great prizes! So every time our local families walks, rides or scoots to and from school during October, you increase our school's chance of winning! It's a great way to help students learn healthy habits and achieve the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

We are encouraging our kids to put their best foot forward by decorating their shoes, bikes or scooters to make Walk to School even more fun. Get involved with us for Walk to School and help your family build healthy habits for life: [walktoschool.vic.gov.au](http://walktoschool.vic.gov.au).

Each day classes will record how many students walk, ride or scoot to and from school. If you can't walk all the way, your child can still be involved by being dropped at the corner or at the Church and walk the rest of the way.

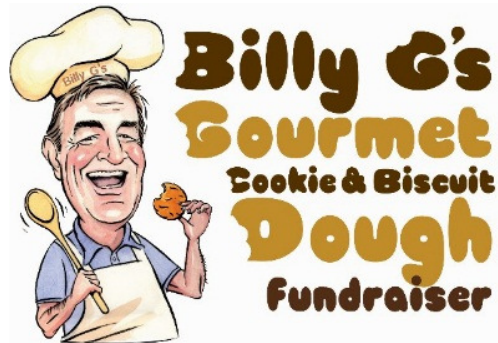
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## P & F NEWS

### P & F MEETING

The next P & F meeting will be **next Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** at 9.00am. Everyone is most welcome to come along.

### TERM FOUR FUNDRAISING EVENT



The P & F are running this fundraising event over the next few weeks. Information and order forms will be sent home with the eldest child in the family sometime in the next week.

### BOOK CLUB

The next issue of Book Club has been sent home today. If you wish to place an order please return the order form and money to the office by next Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup>.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday	October 12th	Parent only meeting for Reconciliation 7.00pm St. Patrick's Church Hall Supper Room – enter through Church carpark in Ford Street
Tuesday	October 17 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation Mass 9.00am in Our Lady's Church <i>All Welcome</i>  School Board Meeting 6.30pm
Wednesday	October 18 <sup>th</sup>	P & F Meeting 9.00am <i>All Welcome</i>
Thursday	October 19th	Leadership Centre – AFL 9's 11.30am to 2.45pm
Tuesday	October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Bridging Centre Mass 9.00am in Our Lady's Church <i>All Welcome</i>
Thursday	October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Family Sports Night 5.00pm
Friday	October 27 <sup>th</sup>	'Socktober Day'
Tuesday	October 31 <sup>st</sup>	Leadership Centre Mass 9.00am in Our Lady's Church <i>All Welcome</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bishop's Holiday – Pupil Free Day</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>November 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Melbourne Cup Public Holiday</b>
Thursday	November 16	Reconciliation 7.00pm in Our Lady's Church
<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pupil Free Day – 2018 Planning Day</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pupil Free Day – Report Writing Day</b>
Tuesday-Friday	December 5 <sup>th</sup> – 8th	Swimming Program – Whole School
Wednesday	December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Presentation 11.30am <i>All Welcome</i>
Tuesday	December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Discovery Centre Mass 9.00am in Our Lady's Church <i>All Welcome</i>
Tuesday	December 19 <sup>th</sup>	End of Year Mass 7.00pm <i>All Welcome</i>
Thursday	December 21 <sup>st</sup>	End of Term Four for students 3.10pm finish
Friday	December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	End of Term Four for staff

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