Message from the Acting Principal

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your love for us. Thank You for giving our child the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharist presence keep our child free from sin, fortified in faith, pervaded by love for God and neighbour, and fruitful in virtue, that our child may continue to receive You throughout life. Amen.

Congratulations to our children who shared the Table of the Lord for the first time this weekend, we pray that the gift of the Eucharist may always enrich their lives and ours and that each time we come to the Table to accept Jesus’ invitation we might grow a little closer to him and to our neighbour. Thank you to Maree Matthews, Jocelyn Devlin, Courtney Daly and Catherine Moore who have been working with our year 4 children to prepare them for this special Sacrament. Please keep these children and the children who will make their first Eucharist this weekend in your prayers.

This week Jenny May is on leave. Jenny and her husband John have travelled to Singapore to a special dinner to celebrate John’s service at Singapore Airlines. We wish them a safe and wonderful trip.

As a school we have been very concerned with the recent reported incidents of assault and attempted abduction in two primary schools. Staff have been informed that we need to have a heightened vigilance with supervision of children in the playground and in the toilets. Our practice has been that children go to the toilet in pairs, staff will closely monitor this. Teachers will be also monitor closely play areas, children have been reminded where they can play and which areas are out of bounds. Any visitor to the school must report to the office, staff will monitor closely and report any unauthorised person within the school grounds. The safety of children is of paramount importance and we are very aware of the concern parents may have with the current reports in the media. Personal safety (with a link to our Be Safe pillar) will be a focus in Social and Emotional learning over the next few weeks. Kyneton police have informed the school that they will be patrolling local schools to maintain a presence. Please contact Belinda Ryan at school if you wish to discuss any aspect of our supervision at school.

A reminder to parents of children who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on June 8 that Maria Forde will facilitate a night of faith development in the Parish Hall on Thursday May 22 at 7.00pm for parents and children.
Our Open Day last Friday was a great day, we were blessed with fine weather and the school looked magnificent. Our enthusiastic tour leaders and welcomers took prospective parents on a tour of learning spaces, the vegie garden, prayer spaces and the playground. The feedback from parents was very positive. The tours gave parents a valuable insight into life at OLR and our year 6 students answered questions and spoke positively about their school.

An information night for new parents will be held on Tuesday May 27 at 7pm. Enrolments for 2015 close on Friday June 13. Please let any families who may be considering OLR know about these dates.

Many parents will be aware that we have had a number of reported cases of head lice this term. We have organised for a Practice Nurse to visit our school on Friday May 30 to check each child for head lice. Should there be a reported case parents will be informed and asked to collect and treat their child. Please know that this will be managed respectfully. This whole school approach to managing outbreaks of head lice has been used in the past at OLR and has helped to manage continuing outbreaks.

The following is an extract from our First Aid Policy regarding Procedures following a knock to the head at School.

All children who receive a knock to the head are sent to sickbay for first aid. All knocks to the head, whether they leave a mark or not, must be reported to the child’s parent or guardian. The staff member will discuss the injury and give a progress report. In the majority of cases a child once checked and rested, returns to the classroom or playground. The child’s teacher is informed of the injury and asked to monitor the child. The child is given a white sticker attached to their shirt collar, to indicate they have had a knock to the head. The child is then monitored for the remainder of the school day.

Our new building is really starting to take shape, the frame and floors are now in and the space looks amazing.

Please keep Taylor Marshall and her family in your prayers following the passing of her grandfather recently.

Congratulations to the Witham family who welcomed Emma into their family last week.

Kind Regards,

Belinda Ryan
SEASONS

Seasons is a program designed to assist children, young people and their families in coping with the grief experienced through death or changed family circumstances. Seasons is an initiative of the CENTRECARE Catholic Family Services, Melbourne. We are offering this program to children in years 2 – 6.

Seasons has a distinctly Australian flavour and is based on the seasons of the year as an image of the movement through grief to new life.

Seasons offers a safe and secure environment to discuss the feelings associated with a child’s loss. Each child is given an opportunity to talk about their situation with a small group of children who are having a similar experience. Children are grouped into age groups allowing each child to join the discussion at their own level. Each session concentrates on the feelings associated with grief and they provide strategies for recognizing and responding to feelings.

A suggested guideline for participation in the Seasons program, is that a period of at least 12 months has elapsed since the grief experience and the child is in yr 2 – yr 6. Each group has a maximum of six children and each child is made aware of the need for confidentiality.

The leader of the group is a teacher who is trained in the Seasons program. Belinda Ryan will be running the Seasons program and is trained and committed to providing a caring and supportive environment for children to share their stories.

The Seasons program runs over eight fifty minute sessions.

Should you have any questions about any aspect of the Seasons program please contact Belinda Ryan.

A Seasons information sheet with permission slip will go home with children on Thursday this week.
LECTIO DIVINA
Contemplative Prayer

*Lectio Divina* means sacred reading. It is a beautiful style of prayer which helps us to listen attentively to the Word of God. The meditation moves through reading the text; quiet meditation; talking with Jesus as a friend; contemplation of the Word; listening; communication of a new insight; action. This style of prayer allows us to enter into contemplative prayer using the Scriptures and for that experience to be transformative so that we do not just contemplate, but live a contemplative life.

Some classes throughout the school have spent time engaging in this type of meditation and the insights which the children sometimes choose to share have been quite amazing. To use this form of prayer you may like to follow the guidelines set out below.

**PREPARE YOURSELF** for prayer and quieten your body and mind. This will help you to focus on the Word of God.

**CHOOSE A PASSAGE** from Scripture or Spiritual writings. Read it very slowly aloud, dwelling on the words. Read it again, reflecting on the words of each sentence. If one word or phrase has some special meaning for you, repeat this to yourself until it echoes in your mind. The word or phrase may seem like it consumes you.

**ALLOW THE WORD TO MOVE** from your mind to your heart. Open yourself to what the Word is saying to you.

**BE AWARE OF JESUS' PRESENCE** with you; talk as friends. Sit in his presence. Allow prayer to arise within you: it might be a prayer of praise, thanksgiving or petition. Listen for Jesus' voice in the stillness and the silence.

**BE OPEN IN YOUR RESPONSE** to Jesus. Respond in humility and obedience.

**SOME NEW INSIGHT OR CHALLENGE** may be given to you. You may find that this prompts you to reach out into the community.

**SIT FOR A WHILE IN THE PRESENCE OF JESUS.** End your time of contemplation with a simple mantra such as: Jesus, centre of my life, let your spirit of love flow in me, or Let all that is within me reach out to others.

Give yourself just a few minutes to ponder the Word of God. Stop and Listen to Jesus, your guide in the stillness and quiet. Put aside the hustle and bustle for a few minutes, allow yourself time to catch your breath and to hear the guiding words of Jesus. Life and all its decisions become so much clearer.

*Congratulations to all the children who are making their First Holy Communion over the next few weeks.*
Assembly Dates:  Monday May 26th at 3.00pm  
               Tuesday June 10 at 3.00pm  
               Tuesday June 24th at 3.00pm  

Whole School Prayer Sessions @ 9am every Monday morning in the MPH  

Information Night:  for prospective parents - Tuesday May 27, 2014 at 7.00pm  
Enrolment Applications Close:  June 13, 2014  

Year 2 Faith Development Night with Helen Carboon - June 19, 2014  

Parent Teacher Interviews - Monday June 23, 2014  

SACRAMENTS  
♦  First Eucharist May 24 & 25, 2014  
♦  Confirmation June 8, 2014  

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS FOR 2014  
•  Monday June 23 - Mid Year Parent Teacher Interviews  
•  Friday August 8 - Religious Education Professional Development Day  
•  Monday November 3 - Inquiry Learning  
•  Tuesday November 4 - Inquiry Learning  

****LAST CALL****  
YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP PHOTO ORDERS  
Orders must be in by  
MAY 23, 2014  

All dates are on our school calendar at  
www.olrkyneton.catholic.edu.au  
Go to News & Events
Parents & Friends Meeting Dates:

Thursday 12 June 2014 @ 9.00am
Thursday 17 July 2014 @ 9.00am
Thursday 14 August 2014 @ 9.00am
Thursday 18 September 2014 @ 9.00am
Thursday 6 November 2014 @ 9.00am
Thursday 4th December 2014: AGM

All Welcome!!!

Hayes School of Irish Dance Melbourne

Have started Irish dancing lessons on Monday night in Gisborne at 5pm
All welcome
For more details contact
Alison 0413481468 Louise 0401081219

Teenagers with Dyslexia - How to Survive and Thrive at High School

Guest Speaker Dr Deeta Kimber in Woodend May 28th.

DyslexiClever, with support from Cobaw Community Health, is hosting a talk for teenagers with dyslexia and their parents and carers, on Wednesday 28th May at Woodend Community Hub, 47 Forest Street, Woodend, from 7pm until 9pm.

Dr Deeta Kimber, a Child, Adolescent and Adult Psychiatrist, who is dyslexic herself, will explore how to survive and thrive at high school when you think in a dyslexic style. We will look at common obstacles and trials for the dyslexic adolescents and some ideas about how to manage at high school.

This talk is designed for high school aged children and their families and draws on anything and everything that may help them get through as their brain continues to develop and expand.

Entry will be a donation of $5 per person.

Places are limited. Please book your seat by sending an email with your name and number to dyslexiclever@ymail.com - telephone enquiries to Karen on 5426 1223.

DyslexiClever is a volunteer group, within the Macedon Ranges, supporting families of children with learning disabilities. The DyslexiClever support group holds an informal coffee morning at Ethic café, 63 Urquhart Street, Woodend, on the first Friday of the month from 9.30am. All welcome.

For more information about our group please email dyslexiclever@ymail.com or call Marg on 5427 2581
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Year 5/6 Maths News

All Year 5/6 students this term are looking at subtraction and the fact that we can use addition to help us solve a subtraction problem. We are exploring the notion that subtraction and addition are inverse operations. By using addition we can reverse the effect of subtraction to an equation.

Jarrod and Declan in 5/6ME wrote a worded problem to help illustrate this point:

Max had 983 mice, the cat got to them and the next day he had 721 mice left, how many did the cat get?

The equation would look like this -

\[ 983 - ? = 721 \]

This problem can be solved using subtraction i.e. \( 983 - 721 = ? \)

Or we could also use addition \( 721 + ? = 983 \)

ICT tools are also a very important component of our Maths lessons. Today 5/6F were using the ipads to help understand some of the concepts of shape translations and manipulating 2D shapes.

BUG - A - LUGS

CHILDCARE ON CLOSURE DAY — JUNE 23, 2014

Outside School Hour Care will be available at Bug-a-Lugs from 8.30am until 6.30pm if we receive enough interest from families.

We will have a great range of crafts and activities for your children of all ages and if weather permits, some games on the oval as well.

We are an approved centre for (CCR) which is 50% rebate for ALL parents that work or study 15hrs or more per week and CCB which is available to families that receive the family tax benefit. Full Fee will be $60 for up to 10hrs of care.

Contact Centrelink to find out your gap fee on 136 150, or for more information call Bug-a-Lugs on 5422 2767.

ANDY GRIFFITHS - AUTHOR

will be coming to Bendigo on Friday June 13, from 6.00 - 7.00pm.
Goldfields Libraries have secured Andy's visit as part of the High Road to Reading program sponsored by the State Library of Victoria.

The library have decided to locate him in the Bendigo Town Hall in order to give as many children as possible the opportunity to see him.

The library are currently sorting out ticketing arrangements and tickets should be available via their website (www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au) by midweek.

There will be no charge for tickets.

The library is also happy to take any enquiries re. bookings by phone (54492771) or email: tammyh@ncgrl.vic.gov.au
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**CANTEEN**

The cake of the week this week will be Rhubarb & White Chocolate and the soup will be Honeyed Carrot Soup.

Please remember all lunch orders should be on a paper bag, if you don’t have a paper bag, please add .20c to your lunch order to cover the cost of supplying bags. We are currently supplying a lot of bags and it adds to the costs of the canteen. Thanks.

Remember that the tuck shop re-opens at 3pm till 3.30 for parents free cuppa and raisin toast, come over and join us if you are early for school pick up.

Please check the school website under the Community Tab for the Term 2 Menu. There are quite a few changes for Term 2 with our "Winter Warmers" menu. The school office also has copies of the new Menu.

**BUILDING UPDATE:**

The new building is located directly in front of the vegetable patch. The builders have currently completed five out of seven steps for constructing the building. The first few steps of the process were: laying the foundations, pouring the concrete foundation, preparing the building lines, and installing the off-grade floors. The construction workers are currently framing the walls so they can put the roof on.

By: Niamh Naughton and Eva Marceau, History Leaders.

**Uniform Shop Hours!**

Please note the change of hours for the Uniform Shop

9am—9.30 Friday’s
3pm—3.30pm Monday’s

PLEASE CHECK your child’s jumper to ensure they have the correct jumper. Any found items can be returned to the office. Thanks!!
REMINDER: WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder that all children should be in full winter school uniform.
- Boys: Grey Trousers, Sky Blue Polo, Grey Socks & School Jumper
- Girls: Sky Blue Polo with either Tunic or Navy Pants, Navy Tights or Socks and School Jumper

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Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary use words.
St. Francis of Assisi

PGL invites you to our Open Day on Saturday 31st May from 10am and 2pm at PGL Campaspe Downs
- Tours & information
- Try our new activities for Free (for children 7-13 only & bring your parents!)
- Food & drink (to purchase)

Comedy Night Fundraiser
Saturday 31st May 2014
The Parents and Friends of Kyneton Primary School have organised a night out at the Comedy Lounge in Ermindale St, North Melbourne. Show starts at 8pm with food and drinks available at the bar.
The coach departs from Organs Depot on Yalwyn St at 6:30pm and will return from Melbourne to Kyneton at 12:30am. This should be a fantastic night out.
Funds raised will go towards the school's inaugural Harvest Lunch in the middle of the year which promotes sustainable gardening, growing vegies and healthy eating and to provide funds to encourage social and financial inclusion within the school.

Tickets are only $25 (including FREE coach to the city and back.)
Don’t miss out. Limited tickets available!
Book now on 0404 205 144

Please check the attachments for more News & Events
Presenting...

Money Matters for Women Wealth Creation

Kyneton Community & Learning Centre Inc and Zonta Club of Kyneton in conjunction with Bendigo Bank invite you to an informative evening presented by a qualified Financial Planner.

Date: Thursday 29th May 2014
Time: 7pm - 8:15pm (Light refreshments provided)
Venue: Kyneton Community & Learning Centre Inc
34 Mollison Street, Kyneton
RSVP: by Monday 26th May
to admin@kynetonclc.org.au or 5422 3433

Don’t miss the opportunity for you and your friends to participate in this worthwhile event. Reserve your place today!

Financial advice is offered by Bendigo Financial Planning Limited (ABN 81 087 585 073 AFSL 237898), 120 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands VIC 3008, a subsidiary of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited (ABN 11 069 049 179 AFSL 237879) (546279) (04/14)

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