Dear Parents and Carers,

As you can see from the adjacent flyer, we are now commencing our enrolment process for 2017. Next year we will be having a cap on enrolments due to not having space to accommodate all enrolments so I ask that all current families who have a child eligible for schooling next year to please collect an enrolment form from the office - ASAP. We also hope to see you at one of the information sessions happening in two weeks time.

Our Lady’s strives to be welcoming and inclusive and to collaborate with parents as partners in the education of their child, while making every effort to ensure a Catholic education is accessible to every Catholic family. Please support us to prioritize your application by returning your application to the school as early as practicable, don’t delay.

BIRTHDAY WISHES to all these children who celebrated their birthday this week: Adarsh 3A, Bianca 6F, Briana prep E, Norah 4C, Annabelle 1S, Kundanika 1B, Francis Prep T, Johnathan 4A, Oliver 1S, Alannah 6L, Blake 4A, Patrick 1R, Damian 2S, Bianca 6V, Vanessa 6L. - HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

ANZAC Day: With ANZAC Day falling on Monday On Monday the 25th April the school will be closed to commemorate the ANZAC Day. This day is amongst the most important in the history of Australia. It is a chance to remember and reflect of Australia’s involvement in world events. It also gives us an opportunity to reflect on the sacrifices made to preserve peace, to remember the fallen and to acknowledge the role every individual has in upholding peace and democracy. The tradition of the ANZAC legend will be remembered tomorrow at school with a whole school ceremony at 1.00pm. Special thanks to our School Captains who will represent our school at the Craigieburn ANZAC Day Ceremony on Monday at 10.00am. We also thank Olivia, Cecilia, Ella, Selina, Varun and Ruta who are representing Our Lady’s in the Craigieburn Combined Schools Choir at the Ceremony on Monday.

Life-skills Program: The program has commenced this week for all grades and it’s great to see so many parent helpers coming along for the sessions. It may be advisable for children to have a collapsible umbrella in their school bag that could be used in the event of rain.

Naplan: Year 3 &5 students participate in National Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Program on 9th- 13th May. Please ensure there are no interruptions to your child’s school program on these days- e.g. no dental appointments.
Year 6 Camp: On Tuesday we farewell our year six students and teachers as they head off to Camp Rumbug located in the majestic hills of South Gippsland, two hours from Melbourne’s CBD and set in 200 acres of glorious temperate rainforest overlooking Wilsons Promontory National Park. Abseilling is always great fun especially in the mud, slush and rain – only kidding weather next week looks promising. Wish me luck that I don’t sleep walk.

Have a great long weekend

Paul McEntee
Principal

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Monday 25th April**
- Anzac Day Public Holiday
  - Year 6 campers off to Camp Rumbug
  - Year 6 campers return
  - Prep 2017 Information Evening 7:00pm
  - Prep 2017 Information Morning 9:30am
  - NAPLAN Testing Week
  - Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
  - Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Tuesday 26th April**
- Year 6 campers off to Camp Rumbug
- Year 6 campers return
- Prep 2017 Information Evening 7:00pm
- Prep 2017 Information Morning 9:30am
- NAPLAN Testing Week
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Friday 29th April**
- Prep 2017 Information Evening 7:00pm
- Prep 2017 Information Morning 9:30am
- NAPLAN Testing Week
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Tuesday 3rd May**
- Year 6 campers off to Camp Rumbug
- Year 6 campers return
- Prep 2017 Information Evening 7:00pm
- Prep 2017 Information Morning 9:30am
- NAPLAN Testing Week
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Wednesday 4th May**
- Year 6 campers off to Camp Rumbug
- Year 6 campers return
- Prep 2017 Information Evening 7:00pm
- Prep 2017 Information Morning 9:30am
- NAPLAN Testing Week
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Monday 9th May**
- Year 6 campers off to Camp Rumbug
- Year 6 campers return
- Prep 2017 Information Evening 7:00pm
- Prep 2017 Information Morning 9:30am
- NAPLAN Testing Week
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Monday 23rd May**
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill

**Monday 13th June**
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill

**Tuesday 21st June**
- Year 5 campers off to overnight camp at Sovereign Hill
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00pm
- Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00pm

**Wednesday 22nd June**
- Year 4 campers off to overnight camp at Lyrebird Park
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00pm
- Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00pm

**Thursday 1st September**
- Year 4 campers off to overnight camp at Lyrebird Park
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00pm
- Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00pm

**Thursday 8th September**
- Year 4 campers off to overnight camp at Lyrebird Park
- Our Lady’s Feast Day

**Friday 30th September**
- Grand Final Public Holiday

**Sunday 16th October**
- Parish Fete
Important Sacrament Dates for 2016:

**First Eucharist**
Enrolment forms have been sent home. They need to be returned by April 21st.
We have allocated classes to specific days and times for the Eucharist program.

See below for the times and days:

**Sign-up weekend – April 30th or May 1st**  
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.

**Presentation weekend – May 21st or May 22nd**  
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and receive their medal and mass book

**Parent Child workshop evening –**

- **May 17th**  
  Year 4A and 4D  
  Our Lady’s parents and students to attend ONE of these evenings.  
  Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.

- **May 18th**  
  Year 4M and 4C

**First Eucharist masses – June 5th**

- **12:30:**  
  Year 4A and 4D

- **2:30:**  
  Year 4M and 4C

Important Sacrament Dates for 2016:

**Confirmation**

**Sign-up weekend – July 30th OR July 31st**
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.

**Parent Child workshop evening – August 3rd**
Our Lady’s parents and students to attend.  
Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.

**Presentation weekend – August 20th OR August 21st**
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and receive their medal.

**Confirmation mass – August 28th at 3pm**
3.00pm  
Students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Kolbe Catholic College Hall

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**Project Compassion**

At our Resurrection mass last Friday, the Justice Leaders presented Fr. George with a cheque for $1145.46 which will be given to CARITAS to continue their good work locally and overseas.

**Thanks for your generous donations during LENT this year.**
Playground Awards

When children are playing on the yard all teachers have been very keen to catch children who are following our school expectations. The following children are this week’s winners:

Be **RESPONSIBLE** – Santiago 1S

Be **RESPECTFUL** – Stuart 1B

Grinners are Winners

Congratulations to all the children who received awards this week...........Winners of Week 1: 2S and Prep T
Great work!
Focus for this week:

RESPECT

This week in Mindfulness in Action, we connected our class plan to the value of respect.

- How do we show respect to ourselves?
- How do we show respect to others?
- How do we show respect to property?

We also discussed what Mindfulness is, how we can practice being mindful in our lives and how it can benefit us. With breath awareness, students began to notice their body, feelings, sensations and thoughts in a much clearer way. Through communication, exercises, and activities, students learnt how to calm their minds and bodies, easing anxiety and stress. What an important skill to have in today’s busy world! Students discovered that mindfulness can create better concentration and focus in all areas of our lives, including the classroom, playground and sports field.

Students used ocean breath to calm their bodies this week. Ask your child to show you or teach you one of these breaths. Encourage the use of this technique when your son/daughter needs help relaxing or calming down. We know they will be very excited to share what they have learnt with you!

Mindful body pose

CANTEEN

Roster: Thursday 21st April
Mary 9:00 – 10:30am

Friday 22nd April
Katherine 9:00 – 10:30am
Kersty 12:30 – 2:15pm

Monday 25th April – No Canteen

Wednesday 27th April
Juliet 9:00 – 10:30am

Specials for Term 2

Monday & Wednesday
Pumpkin Soup with dinner roll $3.50

Thursday
Potato Cakes $1.00 each

Friday
Chicken Burgers $3.50 or with salad $4.80
Limited time only – ice creams $1.50 until all sold out
PREMIER READING CHALLENGE
How students can ADD BOOKS TO THEIR LIST

Website: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc/

Go to Students

Go to ‘Login here’

Type in username & password.

Click on log in.

Click on ‘add books to my list’

Type in title

Click on ‘search’ and scroll down

Select book (it will be listed as a ‘challenge book’ or ‘choice book’)

Click on ‘Add to reading list’ (Your book will be highlighted yellow on bar graph under ‘challenge book progress’)

If not on challenge list, you have to scroll down and click on ‘add my choice book’

Type in title and author.

Click on ‘add my choice book’

It will appear in yellow on graph under ‘choice book progress’

Your teacher will then need to verify finished books

REMEMBER:
Prep – Year 2 must read at least 20 books from the challenge list (see website for list.)
Yr 3 – Yr 6 must read at least 10 books from the challenge list (see website for list)
Celebrations at Sherwood Receptions

Sherwood Receptions is a 130-year-old historic homestead set in natural bushland opposite the Woodlands Park Reserve. The function room radiates an old English ambience with Tudor ceilings, highly polished floorboards, a large dance floor and a large open fireplace. For summer comfort the function room is fully air conditioned making the venue perfect for both summer and winter functions.

Sherwood is committed to utilising only the freshest quality grade produce and in designing interesting and imaginative menus. We can design a package to suit your individual requirements and budget expectations.

Sherwood Receptions is easily accessible by road being 5 minutes to Melbourne Airport and 20 minute drive to the CBD.

Sherwood Receptions is open for inspection Tuesday through Friday from 9.00am to 5.00pm and Saturdays from 11.00am to 3.00pm. An appointment can be made to inspect the venue Wednesday, Thursday or Friday evenings.

We invite you to make an appointment as this will guarantee that one of our professional and experienced event co-ordinators will be available for consultation. At this point we will be able to design a more personalised quotation with attention to all the finer details.

We thank you once again for considering Sherwood Receptions and look forward to making your day a truly memorable occasion.

Music Lessons for Our Lady’s Primary School

**Music Tuition Increases Confidence, Self Esteem and Helps to Improve School Subjects – Maths, Literacy, Science, Reading Etc**

Our Lady’s Primary School in association with Metro Music School is now offering Music Lessons to students who are interested in learning an instrument at school every week. Lessons are held during school hours (30 mins/once per week) at suitable times. (Prep to Gr 6) Enquiries are welcome on 9460 4818 (Metro Music School).

Lessons Offered:  
- Keyboard  
- Piano  
- Guitar (electric/acoustic)

Discount Hiring and Purchase also available. Contact us for details or visit our online shop at www.metromusic.net.au

Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school office or contact Metro Music School. You can also enrol online at the above website address.
Halls & Community Facilities

NOW AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

Did you know that Salvation Army Craigieburn now has hall hire facilities available.

With a warm and welcoming space and a range of facilities and meeting rooms available, we have the right facility to cater for your event.

Here are a few benefits:

- Large range of facilities and room set ups (from 10 to 300 guests)
- Multi-purpose rooms
- Fully equipped training rooms
- Rock climbing facilities
- Break-out rooms
- Audio-visual capabilities
- Barista service
- Male and female accessible toilets
- Secure on-site parking
- Heating and cooling systems throughout the centre
- Caterer’s kitchen

Our facilities are available 7 days a week at very competitive rates.

For your free event pack or a tour of our facilities, please don’t hesitate to contact:

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