



# OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Primary School Brunswick East

*Exceptional Education*

## Newsletter 4, Term 1, 2020

Thursday 20th February

### **“Love Your Enemies”**

*Matthew 5:38-48*

... “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous....”

**Lord, you said that we should be holy and love our neighbours as ourselves.**

**Give us the grace of your life. Make us holy as your heavenly Father is holy.**

**No half-measures in our loving. No play-acting.**

**Our neighbours as ourselves. Amen**

Dear Families,

Week 4 has certainly been a test for many people weatherwise and I noticed a few winter woollies when we gathered before school this morning. When the sun came out on Tuesday afternoon, I wondered whether we had made the correct decision to postpone our picnic, but it didn't take too long before the day caved in again. Hopefully we will all be able to gather this coming Tuesday to commence the social side of our community life.

The readings at Mass this weekend contain the heart of Jesus message to his disciples and followers and, by extension, to us – “Love your neighbour as yourself.” This sounds simple in theory but is often harder in practice, especially these days with a 24-hour news cycle and the “Twitterverse”. As adults we find it hard to completely do this with some people in our lives,

but we owe it to our children to provide the best examples we possibly can so they have the skills and strength to face their own challenges as they grow and develop into the adults of tomorrow.

In mentioning the news cycle, the news about St Kevin's College will not have escaped the notice of many families. These stories are painful and deeply scarring for the people directly involved but are also painful and cause harm for all of us in the Catholic Church, and particularly those who are involved with Catholic education. You, as parents, have entrusted your children's welfare to our school and we are very aware of the responsibility this places on us to keep the children safe.

As a school we are required to report allegations such as those aired in relation to St Kevin's on to the Commission for Children and Young People, carry out a detailed process to investigate and then report the findings and subsequent actions in response. We are also accountable to the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority to ensure that we are compliant with child safety legislation and requirements.

At our initial staff meeting prior to the children returning for the year, the staff reviewed and reminded ourselves of 'dos and don'ts' and best practice in the area of child safety. At this time, I recommit Our Lady Help of Christians School to working in partnership with parents and guardians to maintain and ensure child safety for all of our children. Our full Statement of Commitment can be found [here](#).

### **SCHOOL CROSSING AND TRAFFIC SAFETY**

A reminder to all members of our school community to use the school crossings in Miller Street and Nicholson Street and to obey instructions of the Crossing Supervisors. We have had reports of parents and children crossing the

roads at points other than the crossings and this puts people unnecessarily at risk. I realise that parking is a nightmare, particularly at pick up time, but I ask parents not to park in the no standing areas either side of the Miller Street crossing to ensure proper visibility. Being new to the community I am not sure of the practicalities in parking in surrounding streets and walking a short distance to and from the school but I encourage parents to consider this from both a practical and fitness perspective, adding to the 10,000 steps we are advised to take each day.

### **NICHOLSON STREET GATE**

Families using Nicholson Street will have noticed that our long-term handyman, Peter Parussolo, has organised for trees and shrubbery to be cleared from gates near the church. There is some more work to be done in this area in respect to making it safe from an OHS perspective but, when completed, we plan to open these gates up to recreate an entrance to the school from the Nicholson Street side. We will need to organise a working bee later this term to complete this project.

### **SUPERVISION BEFORE SCHOOL**

A staff member is rostered on for before school duty from 8:40 a.m. each day. It is the expectation that children will not be in the yard before this time unless accompanied by an adult carer. Children who arrive at school before 8:40, when supervision commences, should make their way to Extend Before Care in the hall (fees do apply).

### **MAKING A POSITIVE START**

Change is never easy, whether for children or adults. Presently, our school is in a state of change and related uncertainty as we await the appointment of a new principal. At the same time, our children have commenced in new classes and are in the process of building relationships with new teachers and other students they may not have been with before; this is especially so for our younger students but can also impact some of the older ones too.

As parents and carers, you can assist with the process of fitting into a new setting, and help your children deal with any related anxiety, by firstly acknowledging the feeling and then by pointing out that focussing on the positives of the new situation and the opportunities that may arise, is one way to deal powerfully with these. At the beginning of the day establish some things to look forward to and, at the end of the day, focus on things that went well and that children can be grateful for.

### **TERM OVERVIEWS**

New overviews for this term have been uploaded to the website listing the topics and key learnings in each area, including specialist classes. Please click [here](#) to go to the overview page.

### **ADVANCE NOTICE CASUAL DAY**

The last day of term, Friday 27th March, will be a casual day with a gold coin donation to go towards the Sister School Breakfast Club.

### **PAPER COPIES OF NEWSLETTERS**

It has been the practice to send paper newsletters out to families as well as upload to the website. While we will continue to upload to the website, we are proposing to phase out the paper copy unless it is specifically requested. Some families have already requested an email copy which has gone out weekly and our proposal is that all families will receive this email each week via a new group email which we will set up internally. This will not only save a great deal of paper but be a time saving initiative for our hard-working office staff also. Please feel free to let me know your thoughts on this by emailing me at [principal@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@olbrunswickeast.catholic.edu.au).

### **CELEBRATING STUDENT ART**

Year Two students looked at warm colours and geometric shapes. See the Art Check Out later in the newsletter for an example of the work completed.

### **CSEF (CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND)**

Parents who have a current Centrelink Healthcare card may be eligible for a fee discount of \$125 per

primary school student. Please refer the following link or contact our School Office.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/csefflyer.pdf>

## EXTEND OSHC AT OUR LADY'S SCHOOL

### Weekly Recap

This week we had a great time involved in a range of different activities! We created bottle top boats as well as making delicious popcorn bars! Our Tennis Enrichment Program has been running well with children learning the basics of serving and forehands. We look forward to developing our tennis skills further every Wednesday throughout the term!



Next week we will be having a Carnival Theme Week as well as making delicious pancakes for Shrove Tuesday! We are looking forward to another week of fun!

For enrolment and bookings visit

[www.lookedafter.com](http://www.lookedafter.com)

Stephanie (Service Coordinator)

**Our Extend Superstar is... John G** for leading with a positive example and bringing lots of joy into After School Care!

### What's On Next Week?

**Monday 24 February** - Carnival Masks

**Tuesday 25 February** - Shrove Tuesday Pancakes

**Wednesday 26 February** - Enrichment: Tennis

**Thursday 27 February** - DIY Carnival Games

**Friday 28 February** - Rainbow Fizzies

## PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

### 2020 Parent Representatives

Each year the Parent Association calls for volunteers to be Parent Representatives. The role of Parent Representative is to act as a 'liaison' for their individual classes and to attend Parent Association meetings (if possible) so that important Parent Association and School updates can be shared with the other class parents. The roles also help promote connectedness between the

classroom families which has long lasting benefits for the school community.

There are still a number of classes requiring Parent Representatives. We are seeking one parent from each class to be their 'Parent Rep' for 2020. The following classes still require a Parent Rep:

**FD, 2H, 4J, 4S, 5A, 5T, 6L**

If you would like to be involved, please email the Parent Association at [olhcpa@gmail.com](mailto:olhcpa@gmail.com) with your name, contact details and child's class.

### Parents Association Calendar for 2020

The calendar for this year, as it currently stands, is attached to this newsletter.



Until next week, respectfully, *Daniel* 😊

## UPCOMING DATES

### TERM 1

Wednesday 26/02/2020 **Ash Wednesday** (Mass 9:15)  
Monday 02/03/2020 **Parents Association Meeting** 7pm  
Wednesday 04/03/2020 **Class Mass Year 4s**  
Monday 09/03/2020 **Labour Day Public Holiday**  
Wednesday 11/03/2020 **Bishop Curtin visiting Grade 6**  
Wednesday 11/03/2020 **Class Mass Year 3s**  
Thursday 12/03/2020 **Life Education Van**  
Friday 13/03/2020 **Life Education Van**  
Tuesday 17/03/2020 **St Patrick's Day**  
Wednesday 18/03/2020 **Class Mass Year 2s**  
Friday 20/03/2020 **School Head Lice Checks**  
Sunday 22/03/2020 **Sacrament of Confirmation**  
Wednesday 25/03/2020 **Class Mass Year 1s**  
Friday 27/03/2020 **End of Term 1pm (Casual Clothes)**

Sunday 05/04/2020 **Palm Sunday**  
Thursday 09/04/2020 **Holy Thursday**  
Friday 10/04/2020 **Good Friday**  
Sunday 12/04/2020 **Easter Sunday**  
Monday 13/04/2020 **Easter Monday Public Holiday**

### TERM 2

Tuesday 14/04/2020 **School Closure Day**  
Wednesday 15/04/2020 **Term 2 Begins**  
Monday 20/04/2020 **Parents Association Meeting** 7pm  
Wednesday 22/04/2020 **Class Mass Foundations**  
Wednesday 22/04/2020 **John Burland Concert**  
Saturday 25/04/2020 **ANZAC Day**



**Our Lady Help of Christians  
East Brunswick**

## 2020 BACK TO SCHOOL

### FAMILY PICNIC

Tuesday, 25th February

5.00 pm – 7.00 pm

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This year's Back to School Family Picnic will be held on Tuesday, 25th February. It is a great opportunity for families to spend time together and get to know each other. There will be a jumping castle for the kids and the Parent Association will run a sausage sizzle and sell drinks/snacks at the Tuckshop.

We do need a number of volunteers to help with the setup, running and clean up for sausage sizzle and tuckshop. With sufficient numbers, no one should be required for more than 1 hour. This will enable **ALL** parents a chance to socialise.

If you are able to assist, please complete the form below and return via your child's class folder, the office or email [olhcpa@gmail.com](mailto:olhcpa@gmail.com) by Friday, 21st February.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Eldest Child's Name/Class: \_\_\_\_\_

| SAUSAGE SIZZLE         |                   | (please tick) |
|------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Set-up Sausage Sizzle  | 4:00 pm – 5.00 pm |               |
| Sausage Sizzle Cooking | 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm |               |
| Sausage Sizzle Cooking | 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm |               |
| Serving                | 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm |               |
| Serving                | 6.00pm – 7.00 pm  |               |
| Clean Up               | 7.00 pm – 7.30 pm |               |

| TUCKSHOP         |                   | (please tick) |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Set-up Tuckshop  | 4.30 pm – 5.00 pm |               |
| Tuckshop Serving | 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm |               |
| Tuckshop Serving | 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm |               |
| Clean Up         | 7.00 pm – 7.30 pm |               |

OLHC 2020

Back to  
School

# FAMILY PICNIC

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TUESDAY 25th FEB

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5.00PM - 7.00PM

HOSTED ON THE OLHC BASKETBALL COURT

**\*\*SAUSAGE SIZZLE\*\***

**\*\*JUMPING CASTLES\*\***

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Drinks, Snacks & Sausages will be on sale....BYO picnic food and rug!

The Parent Association look forward to welcoming  
you to a new school year!

If you have any questions, please contact us at [olhcpa@gmail.com](mailto:olhcpa@gmail.com)

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### TERM 1

Tues 25 Feb - Welcome Picnic  
Thu 27 Feb - Easter Raffle tickets on sale  
Wed 25 Mar - Special Lunch Day  
Fri 27 Mar - Easter Raffle drawn

### TERM 2

Wed 6 May - Mother's Day Stall  
Thur 7 May - Mother's Day Stall  
Fri 8 May - Mother's Day Breakfast  
Mon 25 May - Triathlon/Skipathon  
& Hot Dog Lunch  
Wed 10 June - LOTE Day/Special Lunch  
Fri 19 June - School Disco

### TERM 3

Sat 22 Aug - Major Mid- Year Function  
Wed 2 Sep - Father's Day Stall  
Thu 3 Sep - Father's Day Stall  
Fri 4 Sep - Father's Day Breakfast  
& Footy Colour's Day  
Date TBC - Special Lunch Day

### TERM 4

Wed 28 Oct - Art Show  
Thur 29 Oct - Art Show  
Late Nov (TBC) - Athletics Carnival  
Date TBC - Special Lunch Day

School Holidays  
 Public Holiday

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# 2020 Photo Day

## Envelope and Order Instructions

Dear Parents and Students,

### Our Lady Help Of Christians Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 06-03-2020

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

**\*\* IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE – ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 05-03-2020 \*\***

**ONLINE ORDERING** Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

#### 4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Step 1: Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [YK7 F94 G4C]
- Step 2: Enter your student's details
- Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)
- Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

**\*\* Online Orders will attract a \$1 service fee**

Please Note: Late fees will apply once orders are closed (5 days after photo day)

**FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS 06-03-2020** No envelope required if ordering online

#### 4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [YK7 F94 G4C]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 05-03-2020
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with cash or cheque enclosed

#### ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

**ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE**

**Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.**

Please use black or blue pen.

**Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.**

**Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.**

Credit Card – Online Only at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au)

Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances

Cheque – Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque

Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a \$25 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments

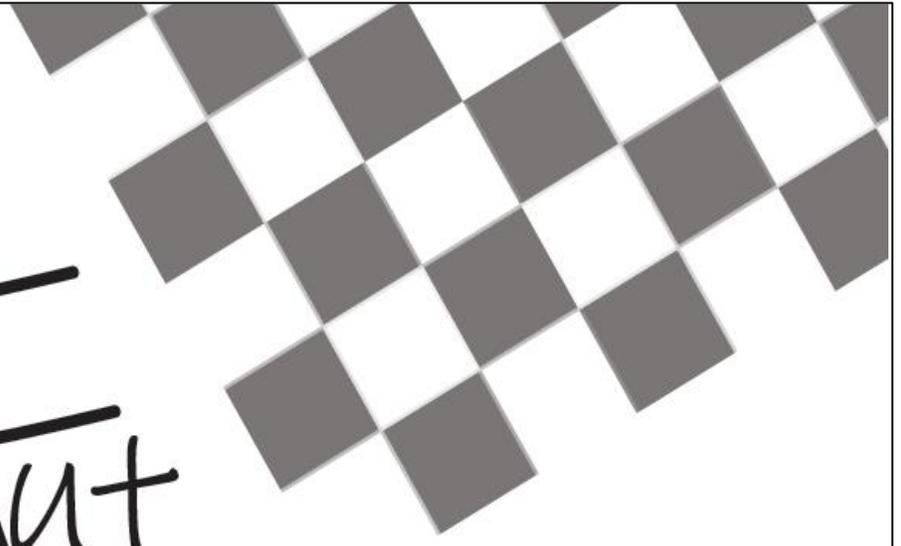
Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you **Do Not** wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries in regards to your child's school photo order.

[info@advancedlifevic.com.au](mailto:info@advancedlifevic.com.au) or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

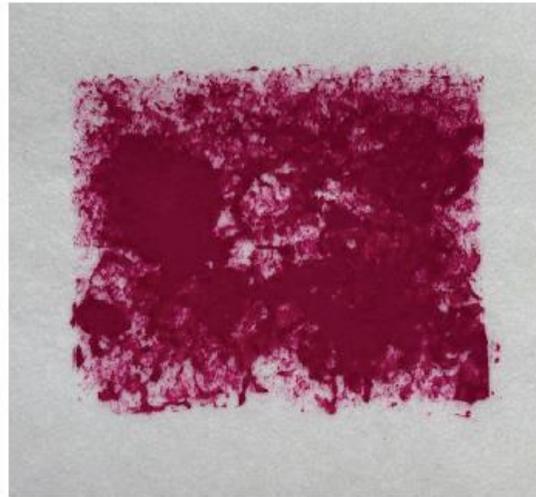
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**OUR [Lady Help of Christians] ARTISTS**



Mis (2R)



Gaia (2R)

Year Two students looked at geometric shapes and warm colours. They printed using stencils and 'scrunched up' found objects. Ms Amber thinks they look great!



### About De La Salle

We are an independent Catholic Boys College educating Years 5–12. Our campuses are located in Malvern and Malvern East. Our College provides a respectful environment with an innovative curriculum and a supportive culture of faith in the Lasallian tradition. We are an open entry, non selective school and accept enrolments from across Melbourne.

## Year 7, 2022 Enrolment Key Dates

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Wednesday 17 June 2020   | Information Night for prospective families |
| Friday 21 August 2020    | Application period closes                  |
| September 2020           | Enrolment Interviews                       |
| Thursday 15 October 2020 | Offers of place made                       |

### College Tours

Experience our College in action with student led tours.  
Book online at [delasalle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/college-tours/](https://delasalle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/college-tours/)

### Further Information

Contact our Admissions Team: [enrolment@delasalle.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrolment@delasalle.vic.edu.au)  
or call 03 9508 2151.

**LEARNLIVELEAD**



### Interested in playing Saturday basketball?

Girls & Boys Under 9 – Under 19

Information and online registration:

[www.collingwood.basketball.net.au](http://www.collingwood.basketball.net.au)

Home games at inner city venues,  
including our new 3 court stadium  
at Collingwood College

**New players welcome**

Players must register and pay by 24<sup>th</sup> February to ensure a place in a Winter team. Competition runs in term 2 & 3.

Enquiries: Megan Rouse [manager@collingwoodbasketball.com.au](mailto:manager@collingwoodbasketball.com.au)

## DISCOVER MERCY COLLEGE OPEN DAYS

Mercy College is holding two Discover Mercy Open Days on Saturday 29 February at 10.00am and Monday 2 March at 9.30am and 6.00pm

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the college on 9319 9299



# TERM ONE DISCOVER MERCY *Open Days*

Meet our Principal, explore the facilities and chat with our students and staff at our first open days for 2020.

Saturday 29 February - 10.00am

Monday 2 March - 9.30am and 6.00pm

*Presentation and tour will take approximately 90 minutes*

**Book your sessions online or call 9319 9299**

[mercyoburg.catholic.edu.au](http://mercyoburg.catholic.edu.au)

*Applications for year 7 2022 now open*

## SANTA MARIA COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Thursday 12 March 2020 2:30pm – 6:30pm

Santa Maria College is a Years 7 to 12 Catholic Girls' College. We are an International Baccalaureate World School delivering an international standard of education through the Middle Years Programme (Years 7 to 10).

### Discover Our School

Open Day is an annual event held at Santa Maria College. The primary aim of Open Day is to showcase what is on offer at the College for prospective students. Current students at Santa Maria will take you on a tour around the College to discover the amazing array of subjects and opportunities that are available. Students and staff prepare and facilitate activities and displays which provide an insight into life at Santa Maria College and what being a 'Santa Girl' is all about.

***Open Day is not to be missed for any student considering enrolment at Santa Maria College.***

You will be provided with an opportunity to:

- undertake a guided tour of the College and its facilities
- see learning in action
- enjoy afternoon tea
- visit the range of learning spaces
- meet the Principal and staff
- experience the welcome of our students and staff
- collect an enrolment pack



The poster features a smiling young girl in a school uniform against a background of green foliage. The text is arranged in a vertical stack, starting with 'Open Day' in a large, white, cursive font. Below this, the college name 'SANTA MARIA COLLEGE NORTHCOTE' is written in bold, yellow, sans-serif capital letters. The date and time 'THURSDAY 12 MARCH 2:30PM – 6:30PM' are in white, sans-serif capital letters. The slogan 'Dare to Imagine' is in a yellow, cursive font. At the bottom, there are logos for Santa Maria College and the International Baccalaureate (IB), followed by the college's name and a tagline. Social media icons for Instagram and Twitter are also present, along with contact information.

Open Day

SANTA MARIA COLLEGE  
NORTHCOTE

THURSDAY 12 MARCH  
2:30PM – 6:30PM

*Dare to Imagine*

SANTA MARIA COLLEGE  
A YEAR 7 TO 12 CATHOLIC GIRLS' COLLEGE

Register on the College website  

50 Separation Street Northcote VIC 3070 | Tel: 03 9489 7644 | [www.santamaria.vic.edu.au](http://www.santamaria.vic.edu.au)



# GIRLS: LEARN TO TACKLE CLINIC

**CALLING ALL GIRLS: Are you keen to try footy? Worried about getting hurt?**

If you already play footy and want to get better at tackling, then this is for you too.

Learn how to protect yourself and how to apply a tackle safely with our GIRLS LEARN TO TACKLE CLINICS at Welcome Day on Sunday February 23rd.

If taught correctly, girls footy should not be reckless or unduly rough. All players have duty of care to themselves, their teammates and their opponents. The aim is to win the ball, and not hurt yourself or anyone else.

Open to all returning and new players and anyone interested in having a go.

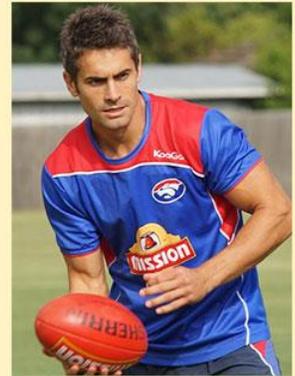
Mums and dads - this one is for you too. Not played footy? Understand the basics and you can help your kids enjoy the game and stay safe.

## Learn from two of the best!



**Maddie Guerin**

Current AFLW Melbourne player (and Fitzroy royalty)



**Daniel Giansiracusa**

Bulldogs AFL player and current VFL lead coach

## Session Times:

**10am: girls up to U12s** (born in 2008 or later)

**11am: older girls** (2007 and earlier)

To register a place, email: [coachcoord@fitzroyjuniorfc.com.au](mailto:coachcoord@fitzroyjuniorfc.com.au)  
subject: Girls tackle clinic

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