



"Taste and see that the Lord is good" (Psalm 33: 9)

Dear Parents/Guardians

**The Master Plan**

For quite a number of years the School Board had been interested in how it might expand our play space by using the land the school owns that lies outside our fence line on the south and east. In addition they were aware that one day the convent block would probably/hopefully become available for school use and considered how this area could best be utilised when the time came. When ownership of the school and convent block moved from the Order to the Archbishop and the Board was asked to consider adding a third stream the matter of how to maximise play space was a prime concern.

For years before I arrived OLG had made daily use of the Chas Riley reserve at lunch times. Our use of the new playground to the north of the school continues that tradition.

The overall school development plan is shown here. The blue areas are the three new classroom blocks while the grey area is playground space. With the reclamation of that land outside the fence, the full use of the convent block and the removal of the rooms that currently cater to Pre Kindy, Kindy, Pre Primary and Art we will create more open play space



than we currently have and a better 'flow' from the hardcourt area through to the grassed areas. The Nature Play area will expand to about three times its current size to cater to the increased number of children in early childhood

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### **Child Welfare and Safety**

Your child's well-being is a serious matter for the school. We attempt to nurture the spiritual, emotional, social and physical development of each and every student at OLG. To that end we have a range of programs; some for all students while others are specifically run to cater to particular groups of children. Because we understand that children do need to be supervised in their play, to oversee and guide their social interactions and to ensure their physical safety, we have staff on duty at every break in every area where we allow the children to be.

At the end of the day we cease this supervision at 3.15 to allow staff to attend meetings and prepare for the following day. Students whose parents have not arrived to take responsibility for them are required to go to the office and wait there.

I love the community aspect of OLG and it is pleasing to see parents chatting after school while their children play close by. It is not reasonable though, for parents to allow their children to simply roam the school grounds with them taking no active role in monitoring their child's well-being.

Please keep your children close enough to you so that you can properly exercise your duty of care to them as well as deal with their social development when the need arises.

### **Dogs**

I always had a dog as a child. They are a great pet and companion. Some people however are allergic to animal hair and/or saliva and we have some such people enrolled as students at OLG. Parents are requested to refrain from bringing their dogs onto the school grounds. If you choose to walk to school with your dog perhaps you could tie it up, outside the fence, near the bin enclosure while you are inside. Thank you.

### **Long Weekend**

As you are no doubt aware, Monday next is the Labour Day public holiday.

### **Growing In Faith Together**

Our parish is sending home to each OLG family one brochure that I am sure you will find worthwhile reading. Should you want additional copies just let Vicki know.

### **OLG Parish Event**

Thursday 10th March

Grand Cinemas Whitford City Film Commences at 6.45pm

*Please arrive at least 15 mins early, as this is a group booking.*

Tickets \$20 each, available from the parish office **or** phone Christine 0411 273 572

God bless

Chris Kenworthy  
PRINCIPAL

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME—PARENT FAITH FORMATION MEETINGS  
CONFIRMATION - 8TH OR 10TH MARCH**

Meetings are held in the church and begin at 7 p.m.

Please register your attendance by signing the class list on the table at the back of the church.

Apologies to all that attended the first Eucharist meeting where we were unable to watch the video by Bishop Robert Barron. If you would like to view it, go to the Word on Fire website and type in "The sacrament of Eucharist as Real Presence". It is worth a viewing.

**Netball Training** will commence the week being Monday March 14th.

**Discovery Kids** will be open on Easter Tuesday. We will be going to Rotary Park.

If anyone is interested in booking to please email us [discovery\\_kids@outlook.com](mailto:discovery_kids@outlook.com) Thanks Josephine

**IMPORTANT DATES**

2 MAR 3B to attend Mass	9 MAR 1B to attend Mass
4 MAR School Assembly	10 MAR Confirmation—Faith Formation Mtg— 7pm Church
7 MAR Labour Day—Public Holiday	11 MAR 4B Assembly
8 MAR Confirmation—Faith Formation Mtg— 7pm Church	11 MAR Yr 5 Cake Stall

**Canteen**

Mon 7 Mar Public Holiday  
Tue 8 Mar Sheridan Dalby, Nadia Fazzari  
Wed 9 Mar Kylie Carey, Fran Downey, Leah Ramsay  
Thu 10 Mar Linda Daebritz, Sonia Comerford  
Fri 11 Mar Susan Wake, Linda Noble, Jill Hannigan, Bronagh Reddington

**Please contact Pip Kent on 0439 091300 if you can help out.**

**CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY 14TH MARCH DUE TO SWIMMING  
CARNIVAL.**

While the online ordering email confirmation is being rectified, once you place your order, please check in your “**active orders**” to ensure that your order has been captured correctly.

**Assembly:** Congratulations to the students who received merit awards at last week's assembly.

### **Class Names**

PPB	Xaviera Lestone, Brodie Headling
PPG	Mitchell Selth, Jozie Puzulis
1G	Jake Poat, Scarlet Gray
2B	Amity Davey, Oliver Nelson
2G	Sophie Byrne, Oliver Budas
3B	Eve Carney, Jake Ecseri
3G	Andreas Grubisa, Sophia Tartaglia
3W	Carter Bryant, Monique Taylor
4B	Josie Harding
4G	Zep Sciberras, Zoe Daebritz
5B	Kai Barrett
5G	Kynan Gallen, Grace Sputore
6B	Phoebey Hongskrai
6G	Connor Hubble, Charlize Curedale

**JDs** is back in 2016 commencing on Saturday 19 March at 5pm in the Parish Centre. All year 5 and 6 students are welcome. More details about the first session will follow.

I desperately need helpers to run sessions this year. Please contact me if you can spare one hour of your time to help out. Helping out just once per year makes a real difference and you will be given lots of support. Many thanks, Kathy Bogoyev, JDs Coordinator (0421 853 926; [kbogoyev@gmail.com](mailto:kbogoyev@gmail.com))

### **Easter Egg Hampers**

It's that time of year again, when we celebrate Easter with family and friends. It is also a chance for us to help those who might be alone or not able to afford Easter. Each year the school community gives Easter Egg hampers to those in need. We join with Saint Vincent De Paul to give out hampers to families, couples, refugees, elderly in our community.

Can you please bring in a donation of Easter eggs or Easter gift bags, baskets, boxes for us to put together for those who need a gift this Easter.

Bring the donations straight to the office. Anyone who is free to help put them all together, please contact me on [carolynhallee@iinet.net.au](mailto:carolynhallee@iinet.net.au) we will do this on Thursday 17 March 2016. Your donations and help is very much appreciated. Carolyn Hallee

### **NEWMAN COLLEGE ENROLMENTS Year 7 - 2018**

Applications are now invited for admission into **Year 7, 2018**

Newman College invites you to attend our Parent Information Evening on **Wednesday 2 March, 2016** commencing at 7pm in the Marist Auditorium (entrance via Empire Ave). This is an opportunity to meet staff as well as to discover more about the College, including its faith, educational and community environment.

If you have previously lodged an Application for Enrolment form, you will have received an invitation in the mail over the past few days. If you have not previously submitted an application, then please register your attendance by contacting Flora Hughes on **(08) 9204 9405** or [hughes.flora@cathednet.wa.edu.au](mailto:hughes.flora@cathednet.wa.edu.au) to ensure an Enrolment Pack is made available for collection on the night.

**Enrolment Applications close on Friday 25 March 2016**

**In 2017 the following scholarships may be offered at Iona Presentation College.**

**Sr Alacoque Gittins Academic Scholarship** - a minimum of two (2) academic scholarships will be

awarded to incoming Year 7 students.

**Sr John Jones Academic Scholarship** - a minimum of one (1) academic scholarship will be awarded to a student entering Year 10.

**Sr Joan Evans General Excellence Scholarship** - a minimum of one (1) scholarship will be awarded to an incoming Year 7 student.

**Ionian Past Pupils Association (IPPA) Scholarship** - a minimum of one (1) academic scholarship will be awarded to an incoming Year 7 student, who is the daughter / stepdaughter / granddaughter of a Past Pupil.

There are also a number of Music Scholarships on offer at Iona Presentation College. Scholarships are awarded for both Musical Excellence and Musical Aptitude. When a scholarship is awarded for Musical Aptitude, the instrument to be learnt will be designated by the Head of Music. Beginner students are also encouraged to apply for a Music Scholarship.

Please visit <http://www.iona.wa.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships/> to find out more and to apply online.

Please note closing date for all scholarships is **27 February 2016**.

### **Mercedes College 170 Years of Quality Education**

Mercedes College celebrates 170 years of quality education in the Mercy tradition. To register please go to: [www.mercedes.wa.edu.au/open-day](http://www.mercedes.wa.edu.au/open-day). Open Day 14 March (Monday) 9.30—11.30am

Telephone: 9323 1323 [www.mercedes.wa.edu.au](http://www.mercedes.wa.edu.au)

### **Brian Mackie's Karate Academy North Beach—Classes for Kids**

Connect with a range of positive role models, make new and meaningful friendships. Communicate with others to build positive relationships. Challenge yourself physically and mentally. Celebrate achieving your goals through hard work and determination.

Our Lady of Grace School, North Beach. 5 lessons for only \$55, no contracts. Benn Mettam, 5th dan, shihan

[www.karateperth.com](http://www.karateperth.com) Ph: 0422 987957 World Karate Federation, International Karate-do-Gojo-kai Association

### **A night at the movies with Our Lady of Grace Parish.**

**Movie:** Risen starring Joseph Fiennes, **Date:** Thursday 10th March **Place:** Grand Cinemas Whitfords  
Film Commences: 6:45pm **Tickets:** \$20 To purchase tickets or for further information contact Christine 0411 273 572

### **EASTER TWILIGHT MARKET STALL HOLDERS**

The OLG Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will be holding a market night on Friday 18th March at Our Lady of Grace School in North Beach.

We still have some stalls available for the night.

If you have a business or product/s you would like to promote please contact us on [olgatrium.northbeach@gmail.com.au](mailto:olgatrium.northbeach@gmail.com.au) or call Assunta on 0417 951 579.

**Message from Fr Patrick:** Lent would be incomplete without a focus on forgiveness. This is the week where this focus is uppermost. The Sacrament of Confession is the way we Catholics seek forgiveness from the Lord for our shortcomings, weaknesses, sins and failings.

Naturally, the Gospel is The Prodigal Son. This parable is only found in Luke's Gospel. It is his Gospel we focus on for this Liturgical Year of Year C. The father in the story shows great patience and great mercy in his forgiveness of his wayward son. So too with us. Can we turn our lives around too like the Prodigal Son by turning back to the Lord? Confession is always available to you if you are given the grace to seek it.

Next week marks the middle of the term and we may be getting a tad weary in the daily routine.

Persistence does pay off and there is so much to look forward to up ahead with the spiritual gifts of Easter and then holidays. *Fr. Patrick*



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## Open Morning

31 March 2016 9.30am - 11.30am

Please book at [www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning](http://www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning)



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**Netball News:**

Well done to all of the girls who braved the heat to take part in the Refresher Clinic and Grading. It was lovely to see a lot of skill and healthy competition.

**Team Announcements:** Teams will be announced via email on Wednesday 2nd March. **We have a huge 15 teams registered this year which is a club record.** Many thanks to our highly accredited graders, Kath Hewett (yr 6), Nat Walker (yr 4 & 5), Jo McKee (yr 4, 5 & 6) and Jenni Vile (yr 5 & 6) for accurately grading the girls into their teams. If you feel the need to ask questions about team selection or to clarify anything please "email only," Club President Kristin Sputore at [kristinsputore@hotmail.com](mailto:kristinsputore@hotmail.com)

**Welcome Sausage Sizzle:** Friday 11th of March after school (3 to 4pm) at the new playground at Charles Riley Reserve. This event is to welcome registered players and to meet coaches, managers and the team. A hot dog and cold drink will be provided to all registered players. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend but are to provide their own snacks and supervise their child(ren). Please let Joni McCallum, [olgncregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:olgncregistrar@gmail.com) know if your child "CANNOT" make it by TODAY at the latest so that we can cater for the players adequately.

**Coaches and Managers Meeting - Compulsory: Wednesday 9th March, 7-8.30pm in the MPA.** This is an informative session providing guidance for all coaches and managers. Bags and uniforms will be handed out to managers.

**Training Commences:** Week beginning Monday 14th March, 3pm to 4.30pm. Our Training Days are: yr 6 Mondays, yr 5 Tuesdays, yr 4 Wednesdays, yr 3 Thursdays and yr 2 Fridays.

See you on the Court!

The OLGNC Committee

