Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow!! What a great night for all those who attended our first ever open night and school tour at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School. We had a very positive response from new and prospective families, and we saw many visitors taking advantage of touring the school with current families. Thanks to all the families in our community who attended the open night last night. It was wonderful to see your student ‘tour guides’ showing off their school and the activities they complete, as well as seeing students and their friends (and families!) touring classrooms together.

If there are any families that missed out on receiving an enrolment information pack, they are available at the school office. Also, we received very positive feedback on the ‘Art/ Wellbeing’ specialist program we have introduced this year. We will investigate hosting further opportunities to learn more about this program in term three.

**PREP 2020 ENROLMENTS**

We are beginning to receive enrolments from new families to our community. This is, therefore, a timely reminder to all families to collect/ return enrolment forms for any siblings that will be starting Prep in 2020.
PRINCIPAL LONG SERVICE LEAVE
Following a day of Professional Development today working with Dr Lyn Sharratt and other schools undertaking the second year of ‘The Learning Collaborative’ I will commence Long Service Leave. While I am away, Mrs Brearley and Mr Williams will be sharing leadership responsibilities. Please contact the office to speak to Michelle or Brendan if necessary. I look forward to returning to school on Monday 17th June.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
Once again our school is participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program, hoping to receive new resources for our school. There is a box in the school foyer, as well as at Bayswater Woolworths for you to drop your stickers. Thank you for your support!

Ross Williams
Principal

The OLOL CRAFT CIRCLE
is inviting everyone to attended their

When: Thursday 23rd May
Time: 9:00am—11:30pm
Where: in the Church Narthex
Cost: $5.00

There will be raffles, lovely food and of course great company, so please come along and support this worthy cause that raises much needed funds for cancer research — ALL WELCOME
Welcome to OSHC Term 2 - 2019.

Dear Parents and School staff,

Special thanks to Mr Ross Williams and parents.

We would like to inform Parents and School staff, we have received “Meeting towards all quality standards” during the assessment and rating of the service conducted by Department of Education and Training.

Note: No morning care on Friday 24th May. If you need care kindly call 0448793271 or contact school a day before for morning booking – 0397293411. OSHC NO- 0422247106

OSHC! - Program Details-

Children made flowers for Mother’s day last week. Children had some leisure time creating a unicorn using play dough; the program included a number of building games which consisted of Lego, Jenga, puzzles, Marble Run. This week other indoor activities also took place such as: reading, doing homework and colouring. The children have been enjoying playing outdoors - skipping, Scooter Board, hula hoops, basketball, and in the sandpit.

In next week’s program the children can look forward to baking, painting, Board games of their choice, and enjoying a bit of colouring and reading or watching a movie for relaxing time. On Friday children will have some learning time in the computer room.

I would like to share a few pictures of the children having fun at OSHC care.

Victorian Early Years and OSHC Awards 2019 by Local Labour MP

Nominations close at midnight on 24 May 2019. Winners will be announced at an awards ceremony at the National Gallery of Victoria in October. For more information or to submit a nomination, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/veya.

If you have any further suggestions, please let the OSHC team know.
If you are the holder of a current Healthcare Card, please let the office know.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child’s school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments: your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- changed family circumstances: such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef