



OLW NEWS 2018

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Dear Parents & Families,

Thank you to everyone who attended our Beginning of Year Mass last Wednesday which was combined with the Ash Wednesday Mass to mark the beginning of the season of Lent. It was great to have you share in this celebration.

ATHLETICS TRIALS

Thank you to Mrs Van Ballegoooy for organising the Athletics Trials Day last Friday. This was a great opportunity for the students to test their skills and challenge themselves in a competitive situation. Over the next week or so team selection for our District Athletics team will take place and our team will be announced once selection is complete.

SILVER COIN CHALLENGE

We are just over half way in the Challenge and some of our classes have been doing exceptionally well in collecting 5, 10 & 20c pieces, with one class close to filling the container. The challenge ends next Wednesday, so keep those coins coming in.

PARENT HELPER REFRESHER TRAINING

All currently trained parent helpers who wish to assist in our Literacy Sessions in 2018 are required to attend a Refresher training session this Tuesday, February 27, from 9.10 – 11.00am. Letters were sent home to all current approved helpers last week with details about the session.

NEW PARENT HELPER TRAINING

All new parents who wish to assist in our Literacy Sessions in 2018 are required to attend two training sessions. The first session, focusing on assisting children learning to Read and will be held on Tuesday March 13 from 9.10am – 11.00am. The second session will focus on assisting children with learning to Write and will be held on Tuesday March 20 from 9.10am – 11.00am. These sessions are for new parent helpers to the school who may wish to assist in the classroom in 2018. As part of these sessions, we will also work with each parent to complete

the necessary documentation to meet the new Child Safe Standards for Volunteers that became effective from the commencement of last year. This will ensure that all our volunteers meet the standards under this Ministerial Order. Please complete the response form attached to today's newsletter if you wish to be a New Parent Helper in 2018.

If Parents are unable to attend the Refresher or New Parent Training sessions in Term 1, a second round of sessions may be repeated in Term 2 if numbers allow.

OPEN EVENING

OLW is holding an Open Evening and Guided Tours for prospective and current families on Wednesday, March 14, from 4.00pm - 6.00pm. Our School Captains will be hosting the tours of the school whilst our staff will be available in their learning spaces. Information will be distributed to the local Kinders over the next week, but please feel free to let other people know about the evening. We currently have 10 applications for next year and we have a limit of 25, so if your child is 4 year old Kinder, please collect an Enrolment Form as soon as possible as places are limited.

EDUCATION BOARD

Our Education Board is an important body who support the work of the school and provide advice to the Principal and Parish Priest on school matters. We are seeking 1 new member for the Board for a period of tenure of up to 3 years. Some of the main purposes and responsibilities of the Board were included in last week's newsletter.

If you are interested in becoming a Board member, please send in a letter of interest stating that you wish to apply for a position on the Ed Board to the school office by Friday March 2.

Have a great week!

Kevin Burke

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2018

The dates for the Sacraments for students who have been baptised in the Catholic Church have been set for 2018. They are as follows:

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) for Year 2 students will take place on Tuesday 30th October at 7:00pm. A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday 14th October at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

Sacrament of First Eucharist (First Communion) for Year 3 students will take place on Sunday 27th May at 11:30am. A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday 6th May at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 6 students will take place on Thursday 30th August at 7:00pm with Bishop Terry Curtin as the celebrant. A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday 5th August at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS

FEBRUARY SILVER COIN CHALLENGE

To start the year off we will be running our Silver Coin Classroom fundraising challenge in the month of February. Bring to school all the 5, 10 and 20 cent pieces you have been saving or collecting.

The class who raises the most money will receive the perpetual trophy and a free hot chip lunch. Who will be the winning classroom this year?

ICY POLES

Icy poles will be sold during lunchtime each **TUESDAY AND THURSDAY** for Term 1. The cost of an icy pole is 50 cents.

Please note that the P & F will only supply one icy pole at a time and children are only able to buy a maximum of two icy poles. Parents, please give money for your child only and not more than \$1.00 on icy pole day.

NEW PARENT HELPER TRAINING RESPONSE FORM

New Parent Helpers:

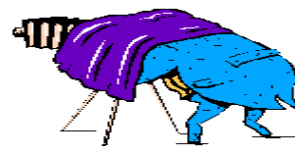
I _____ will be attending the New Parent Helper Program on Tuesday March 13 & March 20.

Eldest child's name _____

Eldest child's grade _____

Contact No: _____

SCHOOL PHOTOS



Our Lady of the Way school photo day will be on Tuesday, March 6, 2018

PHOTO DAY FORMS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME TODAY. PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM FOR YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THEIR PHOTO TAKEN.

IF YOU REQUIRE A FAMILY PHOTO FORM JUST LET ANNA KNOW.

FREE TENNIS OPEN DAY



DATE 2018

Sunday February 25th

TIME

10:00am to 12:30pm

LOCATION

Keon Park Tennis Club
J.C Donath Reserve
Wagga Road Reservoir

FREE ENTRY INCLUDES

- * Free coaching clinics for all ages and abilities
- * Hot Shots and Cardio Tennis
- * Free equipment to use
- * Membership and coaching specials
- * Free Give-aways
- * Free sausage sizzle

COME AND SEE
OUR 3 NEW HARD
COURTS!

ENQUIRES

Jacqui 0430 505 101 | Barbara 9470 3552 | Ashlea 0423 917 978



Keon Park Tennis Club Inc.



www.tennis.com.au/keonparktc



GROUP KEYBOARD LESSONS

Enrolments are currently being accepted for group keyboard lessons at Our Lady of the Way.

These lessons are held during school on school premises and cost \$13.00 for a 30 minute group lesson.

If you would like to enrol your child in keyboard lessons, please obtain an enrolment form from the school office or contact Excel Music on (03) 9801 8991.

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**SUPPORT
OUR SCHOOL
AND GET COLLECTING**

We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.

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Our Lady of the Way is participating in the Coles Sports for Schools program 2018, which is designed to help Aussie kids stay fit and healthy.

When you shop at Coles, you'll receive Sports for School vouchers that our school can exchange for sports gear!

The more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear we will receive. Any vouchers will help our already active students continue healthy habits and increase our Physical Education/ classroom sports equipment.

How does it work?



If you do receive vouchers, please drop them off in the allocated Coles Sports for School box in the front office.

Any assistance for help our school will be greatly appreciated!

Happy shopping!

Mrs Van Ballegooy
Physical Education

CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2018) or term two (16 April 2018).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For **ungraded students**, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2018 closes on 29 June, 2018.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

- - - **OR**

Foster parent* **OR** Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and for State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____

Date / /

Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury

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Parish Priest: Fr Terry Bergin
Email: terrybergin1@bigpond.com

Tel: 9462 1221

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Parish Website: OLW Kingsbury

Mass Timetable

Saturday – Vigil Mass: 6.00PM
Sunday: 8.00AM and 10.00AM
Weekdays: 10.00AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 5.15 to 5.45PM
Rosary Monday to Saturday: 9.30AM
Divine Mercy Chaplet: After Mass Daily
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday from 9.00 to 9.30AM
Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 9462 1221

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

Communion Antiphon: They will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

Readers for Sunday Mass

18 th Feb	6pm J Wild	8am E McGoon	10am A Fernandez
25 th Feb	6pm J Glover	8am N Brown	10am J McColl

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

18 th Feb	6pm L Gangi	10am B Hayes
25 th Feb	6pm E Gleeson	10am D Grant

OLW Church Cleaning Roster

17 th Feb	Professional Cleaners		
3 rd Mar	B Bowlen	M Magnacca	P Matthews

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster

18 th Feb	Margaret Sullivan
25 th Feb	Christina Sant

14th Feb:	Church Account	\$1244.50
	Presbytery Account	\$711.50

28th Feb: Parish lunch, last Wednesday of Feb, 12pm at Coopers, Plenty Rd Bundoora.

Wednesdays during lent Stations of the Cross will be at 9.15am.

Sun 18th Feb: 10am mass. Today we remember the anniversary of Kevin Barnard. We also remember the departed souls of AR Almeida, Fr Hilary, Fr Ferri and departed family members.

Opera anyone? An evening of Opera at the Athenaeum Theatre, Saturday 3rd March. See the pamphlet in the foyer for more information.

Picnic Race Day: The parish of Sacred Heart, Yea would like to invite you to their Annual Picnic race day on **Sunday 25th Feb** at Yea Racecourse. This is a fun family day with kids activities, fashions on the fields, musicians and other entertainment. Food options include a community BBQ, meals in the club house or you can bring your own picnic. Hoping to see you there for a fun day.

International day of prayer and awareness against human trafficking:

A Holy Hour and mass was held on 8th Feb, the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita, who was herself taken as a slave from her native Sudan. This is an annual event to raise awareness and pray for an end to all forms of human trafficking and exploitation.

Unfortunately this problem is worldwide and touches us all. Sr Claire Griffin from ACRATH - Australian Catholic Religious against Human Trafficking –pointed out ways we can help.

Shop ethically. Use your purchasing power to prevent slavery in the supply chains of goods you purchase by always seeking out Fairtrade, UTZ, or Rainforest Alliance Certification of tea, coffee and chocolate, particularly chocolate with millions spent on it over Easter.

As a corollary investigate how the major stores stack up in paying the women who make our clothes a fair wage. Some big brands are keeping women in poverty, working them for more than 12 hours a day for as little as 39cents an hour. Is that a FAIR GO? Investigate at <http://whatshe makes.oxfam.org.au>

Learn more from www.acrath.org.au or the websites of Caritas Australia www.caritas.org.au

Child safety: We, at Our Lady of the Way, Kingsbury, are committed to ensuring that our children are safe at all times. In accordance with our Church teachings and the requirements of the Victorian State Government, we have in place a number of guidelines to safeguard our children. For further information, please refer to our church website: www.olwkingsbury.org.au and click on *Protect Our Children* tab.

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