



OLW NEWS 2018

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Dear Parents & Families,

Thank you to everyone who supported the 'Buy A Bale' scheme last Friday by having their children dress up as farmers, farm animals, something to do with farming, or a costume of their own choice. It was a great way to celebrate Book Week and support this very worthy cause.

Through your amazing generosity, our SRC was able to raise \$1073.45 to support our drought stricken farmers with feeding their animals and also providing water to their stock. It was also great to see many parents come along to watch the parade. Some photos of the students are included in today's newsletter.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Twelve students from our Parish will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation this Thursday evening. This is a very important step in the faith journey of the children, and I ask that you keep the children in your thoughts and prayers.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

All dads are warmly invited to our Father's Day Breakfast to be held this Friday August 31 commencing at 8.00am. Invitations were distributed last week.

Our P & F will be holding a Father's Day Stall on Thursday August 30 giving students the opportunity to buy gifts for their dad or granddad. Prices range from \$2 to \$8.

FORTNITE

There has been much discussion about this online game amongst our parents, so I have included an article from this week's Catholic School Parents Newsletter in our school newsletter. It makes for a very interesting read!

EDUCATION BOARD MEETING

Our next Education Board Meeting is Wednesday September 5 at 7.00pm. Minutes and Agenda will be distributed through our school app.

YEAR 5/6 CAMP

Our Year 5/6 Camp takes place at Phillip Island Adventure Resort from Wednesday September 12 until Friday September 14. Thank you to all the parents who attended the Information Session last Wednesday evening. Please ensure that all camp forms are returned by this Friday, August 31.

PREP 2019 INFORMATION NIGHT

A Prep 2019 Information Night for families who have accepted a position for next year will be held on Tuesday September 18. Uniform fitting is available from 6.00pm, with both students and parents attending the Information Session commencing at 7.00pm. Letters have been sent home with siblings to current families and have been posted to new families with all dates for the Orientation Sessions and Activities.

Enjoy the week, and happy Father's Day to all dads on Sunday!

Kevin Burke

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2018



The Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 6 students will take place this Thursday August 30th at 5:00pm with Bishop Terry Curtin as the celebrant.

The Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) for Year 2 students will take place on Tuesday 30th October at 7:00pm.

A Commitment Mass for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place on Sunday 14th October at the 10:00am Parish Mass.

Catherine Laycock
(Religious Education Leader)

TERM 3 CALENDAR

TUE 28 SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
THUR 30 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
FATHER'S DAY STALL
FRI 31 FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST
YEAR 5/6 INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER

TUE 4 PREP 'MAD ABOUT SCIENCE' INCURSION
SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
WED 5 EDUCATION BOARD MEETING
FRI 7 YEAR 3/4 INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
TUE 11 SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
WED 12 YEAR 5/6 PHILLIP ISLAND CAMP
THUR 13 YEAR 5/6 PHILLIP ISLAND CAMP
FRI 14 YEAR 5/6 PHILLIP ISLAND CAMP
TUE 18 PREP 2019 INFORMATION NIGHT
SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
THUR 20 WEAR YOUR TEAM COLOURS DAY
FRI 21 LAST DAY OF TERM – DISMISSAL 1.00PM

THE OLD PARADIANS' ASSOCIATION
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Friday 7 September 2018
 10.30am – 1.00pm
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Ballara Receptions
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Guest Speaker – Dr. Sally Cockburn
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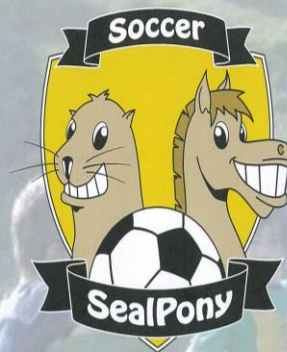
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Time: Every Sunday Morning
Starting Date: 23rd of September 2018
Finishing Date: Mid December
Registration Date: Sunday 10 - 11 am
 16th of September 2018
Address: James Street Reserve
 Heidelberg Heights 3081

Fortnite; What is all the fuss about?

Reprinted from Catholic School Parents Victoria Newsletter

No doubt you will have heard by now that the latest game among many other online trends for children is Fortnite. If you're like me and you have a son, you will have inevitably had the conversation about the game and the possibility of playing this along with all the other children who seem to be on this game at school. Many children are playing this game in primary school and even though as parents we want our children to fit in and be able to socialise online with other children, in primary level our children don't necessarily have the maturity or the self-management skills to be able to manage this new trend. There is constant pressure on children to get the latest gadget or be a part of the latest game and it can become a nightmare for parents to manage themselves. It is a minefield our own parents never had to navigate so we are left to work it out without fully understanding the consequences.

A recent article by Dr Kristy Goodwin provides facts rather than alarmist commentary on the game to enable parents to make informed decisions rather than taking advice from others that may not be based on fact.

Dr Goodwin states, "In its simplest form, Fortnite is a shooting and killing game. The purpose is to literally survive by killing other players- be the last person standing and you're declared the winner. In order to win, players need to build infrastructure to protect themselves and accumulate additional weapons to attack. Unlike other shooting games, with Fortnite Battle Royale, once you are dead, that is it. You cannot be 'respawned' nor given a second life, as is often the case in other games."

She says the appeal of the game is the cartoon-like characters and the other quirky features such as dance moves and other challenges. Players can engage in dance moves in the game, making it quite light-hearted and fun. Some of these dance moves have transferred off-screen and have 'gone viral' with most parents having seen (maybe even attempted) the 'floss'. This social appeal makes the game even more appealing and adds to the social capital that the game has cleverly established."

The challenge for parents is in understanding this new social environment and how this impacts their child's capacity to engage and build online friendships with others. It impacts both their online socialising skills as well as offline. When all other children are playing the game and discussing it at school, those who are not playing the game are left out or not able to participate in discussions. This can then impact their social wellbeing. "it's the multi-player aspect that's really why this game has had mass appeal. Kids are biologically wired for **relational connection**," says Kristy.

So as a parent, what choices do you have? Do you prevent your child from connecting with others online, therefore impacting their offline social interactions, or do you allow your child to join in and follow the crowd? These are the dilemmas facing parents in their often hectic family lives. Many parents worry their children are becoming addicted as they demand to be on the games more often so they don't let their teams down. Many a parent would be cursing these games for their design in how they force children to have to be on them every day.

However, parents do have a choice in what environment they would like their children to be learning in. Dr Goodwin suggests, “Families each need to use their own moral compass as to whether this is something they’re comfortable with and also determine if their child has the emotional resources and maturity to process such content.”

“We need to remember that kids have mirror neurons meaning that they are wired to imitate. So for younger children, typically under eight to ten years, who are still learning to distinguish fiction from reality, playing these types of shooting games can be problematic as they copy what they’re watching and playing. We need to ensure, regardless of their age, that we have ongoing conversations with kids and teens about appropriate and socially-acceptable behaviour off-screen.”

Ultimately it is worth identifying the pros and cons and understanding your child and what impact this type of game can have on them. Is it impacting their home life, their school work, their ability to socialise off-line and is it worth all the arguments? You also need to assess the level of maturity of your child and lead by example by following the recommendation that the game is not for children under the age of 12.

If your child is old enough to play the game, Dr Goodwin suggests you:

- Set time limits
- Use parental controls
- Turn off voice chat
- Encourage your child to play the game in an area of the home where you can see them and monitor what is happening.
- Play with your child to build your understanding of the game and show interest
- Restrict access at night and before school in the morning
- Have ongoing conversations about violence and online safety

As your child grows older no doubt there will be another new game or online trend they will be interested in but at least you will have had conversations and set expectations around what your child is ready for and how often they can play.

Click here for the full article by Dr Kristy Goodwin

<https://drkristygoodwin.com/whats-all-the-fuss-about-fortnite/>



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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: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me: save the servant who trusts in you, God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Communion Antiphon: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work. O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Readers for Sunday Mass

26 th Aug	6pm M Nolan	8am M Brown	10am J Villacastin
2 nd Sep	6pm J Wild	8am C Nguyen	10am I Lowe

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

26 th Aug	6pm K Zanini	10am D Austin
2 nd Sep	6pm L Gangi	10am M Leonard

OLW Church Cleaning Roster

1 st Sep	P Doorbar, K Zanini, Volunteer needed.
15 th Sep	B Bowlen, M Magnacca, P Matthews

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster

26 th Aug	Amelia Marii
2 nd Sep	Joy Conway

21st Aug	Church Account	\$1173.00
	Presbytery Account	\$569.00

Parish Lunch: Wed 29th Aug at the Rose Shamrock Hotel. Place name on board in foyer if you would like to attend.

Bus trip: 20th Nov to Kerrisdale Railway. \$60 per person includes morning tea and 2 course lunch at Flowerdale Hotel. Money payable by 15th Oct. Contact Evelyn for further information: 9460 8544 or 0409 805 845.

Thurs 30th Aug: Students from OLW School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at 5.00pm Mass. Bishop Terry Curtin and Fr Terry will celebrate.

Website address for Plenary Council in 2020 is: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/staff

Info sessions for Plenary Council 2020: Thursday 30th Aug 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

At St Francis Xavier Montmorency. 86 Mayona Rd Montmorency.

For queries phone 9435 2178, to register phone 9926 5761.

Rosemarie Prosser will be in the church foyer each Thursday at 10.40 and 11.40.

Topics include:

- 1) Plenary Council and today's church
 - 2) Jesus in his time
 - 3) Early church
 - 4) What do we want our church to be in 2030?
- All welcome!

Three Sky Divers

Three sky divers were diving but their parachutes were faulty and they all died.

They went to heaven and there before those 3 men stood God.

"Go down the slide and you will receive one wish. What you wish for is what you get at the end of the slide," boomed God's voice.

The first man slid down and said "SPORTS CAR" and sure-enough there was a sports car.

The second man went down and said "MONEY" and he received money.

The third man jumped down the slide and said "WEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE!"

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