



OLSH

OUR LADY OF THE
SACRED HEART
COLLEGE

Term Three - 23 August 2023 (No.14)

From the Principal

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2023-24

Listen, Learn, Love

A New Engagement with Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander Peoples



Dear Parents/Guardians, Friends, Staff, and Students of OLSH College

Social Justice Sunday

The Catholic Church in Australia has had a long tradition of commemorating Social Justice Sunday (the last Sunday of August) which will be celebrated this coming Sunday, 27 August. Prior to the day an annual Social Justice Statement is issued, and this has occurred every year since 1940.

This year's statement, *Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples*, was launched in western Sydney on August 17 by Bishop Vincent Long, Bishop of Parramatta (NSW), chair of the Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service. The 2023-2024 Social Justice Statement was chosen in May 2022, well before the Voice to Parliament referendum was mooted. The statements are issued with the hope of provoking thought and action throughout the year. In the 2023-2024 statement Bishop Long writes:

"We hear what God is saying to us about justice by being with our sisters and brothers on the peripheries of society. ... Listening is hard. Hearing about young people taking their lives, about so many people ending up in jail, of children still being taken away from their parents and grandparents and about the ongoing racism is tough. It must be so much more difficult for these people to tell us about their painful experiences. We are deeply grateful to those who shared their stories of pain with us. ... Our attitudes and actions towards First Nations Peoples need to be grounded in justice, love, and humility. We need to listen with deep respect and learn from them about what needs to be done to improve their situations. We need to walk with them, day by day, and work with them to bring about change for the better – for their people and for all of us."

Bathurst Island Pilgrimage

In an unplanned coincidence, last week I had the great privilege of re-visiting the Tiwi Island of Bathurst along with eight fellow Principal Directors from CaSPA (Catholic Secondary Principals Australia). It is indeed a special and unique place, closely connected to our founders, the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart and the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC). Their mission work commenced there in 1910 until the early 1970s. The island has many a tale to tell from an unexpected involvement in World War II to a love and strong connection to all things AFL. As visitors to the island, we had opportunity to visit Xavier Catholic College including assisting in classes and getting a sense of how things are done at the island school. A visit would not be complete without trips to the historic and memorable buildings including the old convent (now a residential building), old and new Catholic Church, The Keeping Place (Art), Tiwi Island Designs, Frangipani Café, new cemetery, and a brief Island familiarisation drive of Bathurst Island. The clear, crisp aqua-marine water, while inviting was definitely off bounds given its inhabitants are crocodiles!

The communities and people on the island are warm, hospitable, and proud, we were warmly welcomed. The opportunity to catch up with Sr Anne Gardiner (OLSH Sister and 2017 Senior Australian of the Year) and visit the Patakiyali Museum established in the early 2000s by Sister Anne to preserve Tiwi history, language and culture is always a highlight. Further in this newsletter Assistant Principal - Student Wellbeing, Mr Mohammad Jafari and Student Counsellor, Carol Adams share their reflections and photos of their most recent visit as part of the College's commitment to staff formation, Catholic Identity and Mission. *Continued*



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Feast Day - 8 September 2023

2023 TERM DATES

TERM 3 Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September

TERM 4 Monday 16 October to Friday 7 December

2023 DIARY DATES

TERM 3

21 - 27 Aug Catholic Schools Open Week

23 August Student Free Day

28 August Staff Reflection & Student Free Day

29 August General Assembly

College Tours 9:30am & 5:30pm

6 September Year 7 Immunisations

8 September Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Feast Day
Early dismissal 12:30pm

18-19 Sept Performing Arts Showcase

26 September Effort Assembly

27 September Year 10 RAA Street Smart

29 September End of Term 3

TERM 4

16 October Term 4 Begins

23-26 Oct Dental for Schools

25 October Year 10 Immunisations

27 October Last day for SACE Externally Examined Subjects

31 October College Tours 9:30am & 5:30pm

1 November All Saints Day

2 November All Souls Day

OLSH UMBRELLAS



OLSH College umbrellas are available to purchase from the Canteen for \$45. Limited stock, get in quick!



Enrolments for 2024 and beyond

SECURE A PLACE FOR YOUR DAUGHTER AT OLSH COLLEGE

Do you have a daughter wanting to come to OLSH College who has not yet enrolled? All future students, including siblings are required to submit an Application for Admission Form to commence the enrolment process. Places are filling fast for 2024 and 2025 and we encourage you to visit or contact the Front Office to collect an Application for Admission Form, or phone 8269 8800 to secure a place for your daughter.



Hey Olshies!

CONTRIBUTE TO THE Winter FOOD DRIVE

PLEASE DONATE PRESERVABLE FOODS SUCH AS:

RICE
LENTILS
PASTA
CANNED FOOD

PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATIONS BY:

(SCULPTURE CONTEST)
WEDNESDAY 30TH OF AUGUST

PLEASE ALSO JOIN US FOR THE COMPETITION!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE (continued)



MOTHER MARIE LOUISE HARTZER

27 August 1837 -
22 February 1908

"Be always kind and maternal toward each Sister. Let all feel that you love them equally and that they can, in complete trust, open their hearts to you without fear of having their confidence divulged. It is in this way that you will win their trust and affection."

Marie Louise Hartzler



Staffing Updates

This week we welcomed to the OLSH College staff Ms Sandii Constable who takes up the role of Laboratory Assistant. Her work will involve the management of the Science laboratories and associated areas, supporting the Science Learning Area team and no doubt, encouraging our girls in the Sciences. We warmly welcome Sandii.

Celebrating Mother Marie Louise Hartzler

Mother Marie Louise Hartzler was the first Congregational Leader of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. Her deep love of God, her courage to take a risk and bring to reality the vision of Fr Jules Chevalier is at the heart of the story of our OLSH Sisters. It is also at the heart of our story here at Enfield along with OLSH College Bentleigh (Vic), and Kensington (NSW).

May each of us be inspired to live with deep love and courage as we seek to continue to be faithful to that same vision ... to be on earth the Heart of Christ.

In acknowledgement of Mother Marie Louise Hartzler's birthday (27 August) the three OLSH Colleges gather around this date for an our annual two-day Leadership Conference which is being facilitated in Melbourne by OLSH College, Bentleigh (Vic).

Father's Day - 03 September

On Sunday 03 September, we celebrate Father's Day. It is a day we honour important individuals who have played the role of father and embodied fatherhood. The role of fathers in their daughters' education is important. It is through a strong bond between fathers and their daughters that there are benefits in terms of girls' confidence and the outcomes for which they will strive.

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.

Bless all fathers and father figures as they care for their families.

Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.

We congratulate Mrs Hayley Mitchell, Resource Hub Officer on being awarded her Master of Information Studies (Librarianship) from Charles Sturt University. Well done, Hayley.

Congratulations to our Winter Sports Teams

We congratulate all Saturday morning sports teams and Coaches who were involved in the play-offs held over the weekend. Well done OLSHies! Thank you to parents, siblings, grandparents, cheer squads and other family members who braved the early mornings and cold weather to support our girls.

Enrolment

The College is currently interviewing Year 7s for 2024 and 2025 enrolment. If you are aware of families, friends or neighbours with daughters wanting to attend OLSH College, I ask you to encourage them to submit their Application for Enrolment as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. College Tours occur monthly on a Tuesday, please book online at <https://www.olsh.catholic.edu.au/book-tour>. All enrolment enquiries can be directed to the school registrar.

*May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be Everywhere Loved,
Maria Urbano, Principal*

happy FATHER'S day

SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2023

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OPEN WEEK
AUGUST 21-27

 RAISING HEARTS AND MINDS

BATHURST ISLAND STAFF PILGRIMAGE AND IMMERSION



As a faith-filled community, Catholic values and beliefs underpin Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College's existence and are honoured and practised within the context of the OLSH charism, a Spirituality of the Heart stemming from the Chevalier family. Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College creates an environment where all students and staff reflect the College's values and mission, expressing the Catholic faith through:

- Respecting and celebrating our Catholic faith and tradition while honouring the living tradition of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, founders of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College;
- Becoming a dialogical school, assisting students and staff to experience and value the Catholic story in our culturally diverse communities;
- Providing students and staff with ongoing learning experiences at an intellectual and spiritual level in order to enhance the faith journey of the individual and the community;
- Developing a commitment to social justice programs that connect with others providing a variety of opportunities for students and staff to experience and practice the Gospel message.

An example of this commitment to the OLSH values and mission, includes two staff attending the annual pilgrimage to Bathurst Island NT every year. Earlier this month, Mr Mohammad Jafari and Ms Carol Adams were invited to attend this pilgrimage for an immersion experience, which values and keeps the charism of our founders, the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, alive.

Mr Jafari and Ms Adams had the great opportunity to visit the Tiwi Islands and spend time on Bathurst Island with Sr Anne Gardiner and staff from OLSH College in NSW (Kensington) and Victoria (Bentleigh). Sr Anne Gardiner has been on Bathurst Island since 1953 and has done an incredible job working with the Tiwi People.

It is very difficult to put into words what we witnessed and experienced on this trip. However, we did learn and experience the wonderful generosity, warmth, love, and hospitality of the Tiwi people and others working and living on the Island, this was evident from the first encounter when we landed on Bathurst Island.

On our visits to the primary and secondary schools, we learned that despite the challenges and adversity they face, students still attend school, and work hard to gain an education. It was incredible to see the strength and willingness of students to continue their education while staying true to their own Tiwi culture, spirituality, and customs. It was heartwarming to witness the strong bond and connection between the younger generation with their elders, who are helping educate the youth about their own culture, customs, and spirituality.

Sister Anne's valuable work continues to support the preservation of culture, community and story sharing and can be seen in the Patakijiyali Museum, now run by the Tiwi.

On our last day, we celebrated mass at the nursing home. Once again, Tiwi elders led the singing and prayers in both languages, holding our hands literally and our hearts metaphorically.

Mohammad Jafari, Assistant Principal – Student Wellbeing & Carol Adams, Student Counsellor



SATURDAY SPORT

Our Saturday sports winter season began at the beginning of Term 2 (in May) and ended with the final play-offs last Saturday, 19 August.

We were not blessed with the best of weather this year, with many of our outdoor trainings and games played in cold and wet conditions but it is great testament to our girls who continued to attend and get on with the job, showing great resilience and enthusiasm.

For many years now, OLSH has increased its representation in sport with nine teams and 77 girls representing the school this winter season. Despite limited access to training facilities as a result of our current Stage 1 Masterplan development the girls have done extremely well. Every girl from each team is to be congratulated irrespective of whether their team finished as winners or if the season didn't go exactly the way they wanted. Winning is great but sometimes it is only through losing that we learn how to win and build character.

Across the board there is a tendency for girls to stop playing sport as they get older, whether it be due to increased study commitments, part time jobs or negative self image issues. We are impressed with the number of girls from younger year levels who played this season and we are hopeful that they will want to continue representing OLSH in the future as they progress into the senior year levels.

Netball

For the first time in many years, Netball was one sport that wasn't represented at a senior level – however we did field a Year 8, Year 9 and a Year 10 team.

The Year 8 netball team were quite new to the sport with many never having played before, but despite this, the team finished the season with a few wins. Both the Year 9 and 10 teams were extremely competitive in their respective competitions with both teams finishing mid-table notching up an impressive number of wins.

Soccer

Our middle soccer team had a wonderful season and should be exceptionally proud of themselves. The team finished in 3rd position on the ladder, and fought out a tough semi-final game, to make it into the finals. However they were beaten in the final 3-1 and ended the season as runners up - with a brand new sporting field we hope to go one better next year!

Badminton

Badminton is one of the most popular sports at OLSH College. We fielded 5 teams (3 Senior and 2 Middle). The Senior OLSH 3 and Middle OLSH 2 teams were comprised of our more inexperienced players and it was wonderful to watch their growth throughout the season. There were not too many wins, however the girls gave it their all and had fun. Last season our Middle OLSH 1 team won the premiership, this season they came close again with a strong season however they were beaten in the final.

Our Senior OLSH 1 Badminton and Senior OLSH 2 Badminton teams both had extremely strong seasons, losing very few games. The commitment they put in at training and the dedication to their sport was something to be admired. We congratulate both teams for winning their finals games and being Premiers for this season in their respective competitions. Well done girls!



Once again I would like to thank our coaches Mrs Juliet Rapetti, Ms Neisha Perkins, Ms Keshia Cole, Ms Ashleigh Howie, Mr Seng Chau, Ms Shruti Singh and our first student coach Kalaivani (Year 12). I also would like to thank Olivia (Year 12) for assisting in Soccer and Aleah (Year 10) for her help in Netball. I also want to thank all the parents and caregivers who came out and supported our teams as well as providing assistance to our coaches by acting as scorers, timekeepers and assistant referees.

Quin Scacchitti, Saturday Sport Coordinator

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART FEAST DAY MASS - INVITATION

On Friday 8 September, staff and students will celebrate the annual Feast of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. This day is a very special day for the OLSH College Community, as it is a time when we welcome and invite the new family members (babies) to our community to be blessed at the ceremony. It is also the occasion on our calendar when we recognise and contribute to the Missions of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, our founders.

If you know of anyone who has welcomed a new little family member, they would be warmly welcomed at our upcoming 'Babies Mass', where they will receive a special blessing and consecration to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. A letter has been sent home with details.

If you have any questions or require further information, please don't hesitate to contact our Assistant to the Principal, Religious Identity & Mission, Anthony Lindblom on Tel: (08) 8269 8800 or via email anthony.lindblom@olsh.catholic.edu.au.

NUMERACY WEEK

The MASA Quiz night made its return to OLSH College this year during Numeracy week. Students were invited to organize a team to compete on the evening of Wednesday 9 August. Twelve teams from Year 7 to 12 answered questions on the night relating to Mathematics, Problem Solving, General Knowledge and the favoured, Sudoku puzzle. OLSH College teams were joined by Roma Mitchell teams competing for prizes donated by MASA and Edrolo. The College also provided awards for the OLSH teams award winners.

MASA AWARD WINNERS



JUNIOR MATHEMATICS
Ruby, Kaitlyn, Jennifer



INTERMEDIATE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE
Aleah, Darlene, Saima, Sumaya



SENIOR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE
Madison, Sienna, Sophie, Deana

OLSH AWARD WINNERS

JUNIOR



OVERALL TROPHY WINNERS
Jennifer, Kaitlyn, Ruby

INTERMEDIATE



OVERALL TROPHY WINNERS
Aleah, Sumaya, Darlene, Saima

SENIOR



OVERALL TROPHY WINNERS
Sophie, Madison, Deana, Sienna



MATHEMATICS AWARD
Charlize, Namita, Samreet, Amanat (absent)



MATHEMATICS AWARD
Charlie, Michaela, Megan



MATHEMATICS AWARD
Naishvi, Eman, Thinu, Kalaivani (absent)



GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AWARD
Angela, Emily, Mia, Simranjit



GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AWARD
Maxine, Shivali, Lena (absent)



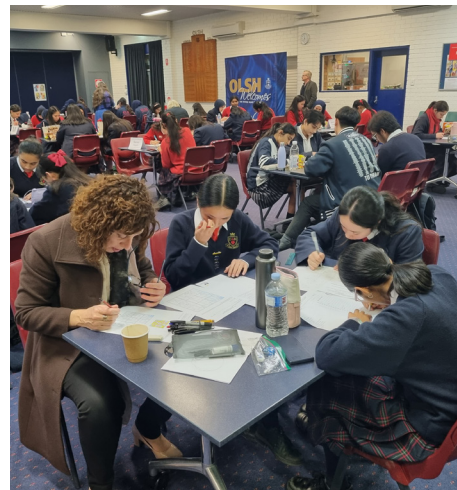
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AWARD
Alaa, Desiree, Sahib (absent)

NUMERACY WEEK QUIZ WINNERS

During the week, the College was treated to a week-long Numeracy Quiz, Mathematical Jokes and Mathematically inspired prayers. Many students and staff participated in the Quiz and laughed at the jokes each morning.

A sincere thanks to the Mathematics Learning Area team and Daniel Overend for supporting the students at the MASA Quiz Night, to Maxine (Year 12) for being Master of Ceremonies and to all the students in their endeavour to reverence relationships in a mathematical setting.

Rosa Santopietro, Mathematics Learning Area Coordinator



FIRST PLACE: Michaela (Year 10) (Pictured right)
SECOND PLACE: Hamida (Year 12) (absent) & Ruby (Year 8)

SAMMY D FOUNDATION – PRESENTATION TO YEAR 8 – 10S



On Tuesday 8 August 2023, a representative from the Sammy D Foundation was invited to speak with the Year 8, 9 & 10 students about young people engaging with drugs, alcohol and vaping.

It was an informative presentation that touched on many facets of drugs and alcohol use, with the content addressing many of the issues that young teens face. The presentation included interactive activities such as 'beer goggles' to simulate how alcohol impairs your vision, balance and judgement, and how easy it is to pour more than one standard drink, as well as strategies to help measure and keep track of how much alcohol you've consumed. The dangers of engaging with underage alcohol and drug use were also discussed.

The presentation also included vital information on vapes and vaping. There was an emphasis on the dangers of vaping among young adolescents, and how colourful packaging and different flavours are used to disguise the nicotine and toxic chemicals that are inhaled when using vapes. The immediate and long-term health and wellbeing concerns associated with vaping were discussed. The presentation also informed students about the government's crackdown on illegal vapes sold to and purchased by young people. Students learned that the South Australian Government and SAPOL will be involved when a minor is caught engaging in vaping at school, bringing vape devices to school and sharing it with other students.

Our OLSHies found the presentation engaging, informative and powerful as they develop and navigate the world of being a young adolescent.

Mohammad Jafari, Assistant Principal – Student Wellbeing & Seng Chau, Year 7/8 Student Wellbeing Coordinator

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FOR
All
GIRLS

PARENT SURVEY WE VALUE YOUR FEEDBACK



To respond the LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College in 2023 go to www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the code OLSHLLLP in the 'Start Questionnaire' field

Dear Parents and Caregivers of the OLSH College community,
A reminder regarding the LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey, which closes this Friday, 25 August.



HOW TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY

- For each statement, you are asked to rate how well you think the school is performing by selecting one of six responses.
- The responses are numbered 1 to 6, with number 1 being the lowest or worst rating and number 6 being the highest or best rating.
- If you have more than one child at the school, and your perceptions differ for each child, please respond with respect to your perceptions related to the oldest child enrolled at the school.
- There are no 'right' or 'wrong' answers. Your opinion is what is wanted.
- Please answer all questions.
- Some statements may be fairly similar to other statements. Don't worry about this. Simply give your opinion about all statements.

To get started, use the QR code (located at the top of the page) or go to www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the access code provided above.

If you require more information or have any feedback, please contact the NSI Partnerships team (email: LLL@NSIPartnerships.com.au).

Rebecca Donnon | Deputy Principal



Catholic School Parents SA is pleased to present:

Helping children and teenagers respond to friendship difficulties and bullying

presented by Madhavi Nawana Parker

Wednesday September 20 2023
6pm - 8pm (in person or online)

St Mary's College, Veritas Centre
253 Franklin Street, Adelaide


This Parent Engagement Evening, hosted by Catholic School Parent SA, welcomes all parents and carers of children in Catholic schools.

Social and friendship challenges are common. Learning how to have a good relationship with others, regulate emotions when socially isolated, and respond proactively to bullying, are crucial life skills. This workshop will help parents and carers identify the difference between bullying and social clumsiness, whilst also providing practical and constructive ways for young people to cope with confidence and resilience.

Madhavi Nawana Parker, Director of [Positive Minds Australia](http://PositiveMindsAustralia.com.au) is one of Australia's leading experts on Mental Health and Wellbeing.

Register via the [CESA Registration Centre](http://CESARegistrationCentre.com.au) or go to the [Events page](http://EventsPage.com.au) on the Catholic School Parents SA Website.

cpspa.catholic.edu.au



ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOOL CARD IN 2023?

School Card assists families who are low income, experiencing hardship, self-employed or had a change of circumstances. It is dependent upon your combined household income for 2021/2022 within income limits.

Families who are eligible for School Card or believe they may be eligible are asked to apply online by using the following link:

<https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

Any families who think they may be eligible and do not apply and get approval, will be charged full fees and these will be due and payable.

If you have any questions, please contact the Front Office on 8269 8800.

An application must be completed each year.