Dear Family and Friends of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College,

Our thoughts and prayers this week are especially with our world community. With so many throughout our world, we pray for the safe return to their families of the Nigerian girls taken from their school. As heart people who witness the message of Jesus we are impelled to reach out in solidarity with others calling for the release of these young girls. The US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking have issued a document inviting us to stand in solidarity with people everywhere, urging us to pray and take action. A copy of this document can be downloaded at http://acrath.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/Prayer-and-Action-Alert-from-USCSAHT.pdf

16 days to go…… Hartzer Campus begins again – yes we become mindful of the Issoudun II girls who will now be very much in their final stages of preparing for their residential program. In the spirit of Jules Chevalier and Marie Louise Hartzer they too go into a new place taking our Heart spirituality with them.

I shall give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you…I shall put my spirit in you.
Ezekiel 36:26-27

Parents and family members are warmly invited to join OLSH College for Sacred Heart Day Friday May 30

Celebration of Eucharist
10.00am
Performing Arts Spectacular
Afternoon
College Hall

RSVP College Reception  P: 8520 9200 E: office@olsh.vic.edu.au

Anne O’Loughlin
Principal
Retreats
As this newsletter goes out, our Year 11 students are on their final day of retreat. It has been a wonderful experience for the girls and staff who have spent three days at Lake Dewar. The girls have had opportunity to reflect on their lives, their friendships and their relationship with God in a most beautiful setting. We will hear more from our Year 11s in the next newsletter.

*Lake Dewar, the picturesque setting for the Year 11 Retreat*

Our Year 10s go on retreat on Monday, May 19. They will spend the day at St. Joseph’s in South Yarra. The day will be led by the Year 10 Homeroom team and Mr Chris Doyle, a musician and retreat facilitator from Sydney. Our girls have always enjoyed their day spent with Chris as he explores life, love and God through song, dance, reflection and fun. It promises to be a most memorable day for our 10s.

Mass for Sacred Heart Day
The Feast of the Sacred Heart is being celebrated on Friday May 30 at 10.00am in the College Hall. All are welcome to attend our special mass in the College Hall. We hope you can join us for our celebration.

Good Shepherd Sunday
Last Sunday we celebrated Good Shepherd Sunday (also known as ‘Vocations’ Sunday).

> God our Mother and Father,
> You lovingly created each of us
to use our gifts in building your Kingdom on earth.

We ask that you inspire young people to courageously follow your will as they seek their way in life. Give them generous hearts so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and your people are strengthened by great love. We ask this in Jesus’ name, Amen.

*Pope Francis on Good Shepherd Sunday, left*

Sr Megan Donohue fdnsc
Assistant Principal Faith and Mission
Subject Selection for 2015

All Issoudun (Group 2) & Year 10
parents and students please note
Monday June 2 at 7.30 pm
Year 11 2015 Pathways Information night: Hall
Year 10 2015 Pathways Information night: Theatrette

and

Issoudun (Group 1) Pathways Information Night
Monday July 21 at 7.30pm

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Other upcoming dates to note:

Thursday May 22       Senior Pathways Handbook Online
                       (Unit 3 & 4 VCE and VET subjects)
Wednesday May 28       Web Preferences Year 12 2015 Opens
Monday June 2          Full Senior Pathways Booklet Online
Wednesday June 4       Web Preferences Year 12 2015 Closes
Thursday June 5        Web Preferences Year 10 2015 Opens
                       (Issoudun Group 2 only)
Wednesday June 11      Year 11 2015 Counselling Day (current Year 10s)
                       Web Preferences Year 11 2015 Opens
Friday June 13         Web Preferences Year 11 2015 Closes
Wednesday June 18      Web Preferences Year 10 2015 Closes
                       (Issoudun Group 2 only)
Distribution of Medication
Just a reminder to all parents that if your daughter requires medication to be taken at school that all medication, accompanied by a letter, is to be left at student reception. The medication will be kept at student reception for your daughter in times of need, and in this way the distribution of medication can be monitored. Please don’t hesitate to contact your daughter’s Year Level Coordinator if you require any clarification.

Issoudun Parents
A reminder the Test and Tag for electrical items and chargers to be taken to Hartzer will take place on the following dates:

- Tuesday May 27  Surnames A-M
- Wednesday May 28  Surnames N-Z

Parenting Ideas - Helping your daughter bloom
Intense self-consciousness is a part of life in girlworld. Even extroverted girls can have moments when she feels as if a spotlight is shining just on her and the whole world is staring at (what she perceives) as her flaws. In the attached article by Danielle Miller she outlines tips for parents in helping their daughter to bloom.

Just B U Cyber Bullying Forum
‘Be U Not A Bully’ Wednesday June 18
McKinnon Secondary College 6.00pm
Ms Elizabeth Miller MP is supporting the 'Be U Not A Bully' bullying and cyber-bullying forum for parents and teens aged from Year 7 to Year 12. The event will feature three prominent guest speakers. For more information and for ticket purchasing, visit: www.justbu.com.au

Ms Dina Oro
Assistant Principal Student Wellbeing

NAPLAN 2014
On Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 May, students in Years 7 and 9 participated in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy, or ‘NAPLAN’, as it is commonly known.

The skills tested include: reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. These tests are considered just another part of the curriculum. It is important to know that NAPLAN is not a pass/fail test; it simply looks at what level students are achieving in literacy and numeracy against National Standards and compared with student peers throughout Australia.

Later in the year we will send parents an individual student NAPLAN report that you can use to view and monitor how your child is progressing. More information is available on the NAP website www.nap.edu.au.

Ms Lynn Egan
Assistant Principal Learning and Teaching
On Wednesday May 7, a special Generations Awards Assembly was held. This assembly is a new initiative at the College to recognise the connection of families to OLSH over decades. In particular it is the opportunity to acknowledge students who had mothers, and in some cases, grandmothers who also attended the College as a student.

Over forty past students attended and, alongside their daughter/s, were presented with a candle and a 2nd or 3rd Generation certificate.

This celebration was held in the assembly nearest to Mother’s Day and prayers centered on students remembering their own mothers, along with all mothers throughout our world.

Sister Elizabeth Taylor
Registrar

### Third Generation Families
- Jessica Smith and her mother Kylie Smith and her grandmother Suzanne Bennett
- Jessica Jowett and her mother Michelle Wood and grandmother Evelyn Robertson

### Second Generation Families
- Tara Almeida and Lucy Almeida
- Tessa and Lilly Aldridge and Kerrie Aldridge
- Emily Amato and Angela Amato
- Jessica Azzolini and Albina Azzolina
- Larnie Beadman and her grandmother Patricia Hynes
- Hayley and Kate Burge and Eleanor Burge
- Brianna and Caitlyn Brasier and Leanne Brady
- Shantelle and Stephanie Chappell and Debra Chappell
- Grace Chrisp and Sarah Chrisp
- Alison Duncan and Genevieve Duncan
- Mollie Duncanson and Francine Duncanson
- Hayley Efthymiadis and Angela Efthymiadis
- Amy Esdaile and Kathleen Esdaile
- Katelyn Fitchett and Sharon Fitchett
- Rachael Galea and Jackie Galea
- Darilyn Girton and Michele Rowland
- Morgan Hughes and Gillian Dickson-Hughes
- Jaymie Hutchinson and Margaret Hutchinson
- Constance Iatrou and Jenny Iatrou
- Sarah and Alysha Jones and Karen Jones
- Kate Kelly-Oman and Madeleine Kelly-Oman
- Isabelle Kenne and Melody Kenne
- Simone Kenny and Maree Kenny
- Gillian Lantouris and Angela Lantouris
- Diana Lautenbach and Julie Brown
- Olivia Lamb and Elizabeth Lamb
- Hannah Layzell and Anne Layzell
- Louise Locantro and Rosa Locantro
- Nadia Mase and Giustina Mase
- Mairead McCaffrey and Monica McCaffrey
- Julia Mazzagatti and Anna Mazzagatti
- Natalie Merola and Silvana Merola
- Ashlee Meyn and Maria Meyn
- Alyssa Modica and Irene Modica
- Tamira Nandan and Jacqueline Nandan
- Sophie Nash and Maria Haggett
- Belinda Neighbour and Angela Sorpreso
- Tara Nunn and Geraldine Nunn
- Kathleen O’Leary and Karen O’Leary
- Hannah Peters and Catherine Peters
- Tanya Raux and Brittany Raux
- Charlotte and Ashleigh Rayner and Dianne Rayner
- Sevasti Stefanou and Despina Stefanou
- Bethany Supple and Maree Supple
- Emma Valeri and Catherina Valeri
- Julianna Varvaris and Rita Varvaris
- Kiara Triolo and Sofia Volpe
- Olivia Waterstone and Sophie Waterstone
- Jaimee Woods-Scamporlino and Petrina Woods
- Alyssa Zisimopoulos and Maria Zisimopoulos
OLSH Public Speakers Impress!

Last week Year 8 students Hannah Layzell, Georgia Sheppard, Aisling Atkins, Porsha Bossy and Diana Lautenbach represented the College at the Victorian Junior Public Speaking Competition held by Debating Victoria. The girls competed against students from Melbourne High School, MacRobertson Girls’ High School and Sacre Coeur. The standard was very high and the girls enjoyed listening to the many speeches and working with students from different schools.

The students had a very busy and challenging day. After a morning workshop on public speaking strategies, each student had to prepare and present three different speeches, one which they had prepared at school and two impromptu speeches on surprise topics. The OLSH students presented speeches a variety of sophisticated topics including: celebrities as role models, the importance of the Australian Flag, our Australian identity and our drinking culture.

The students responded to surprise topics with quick and inventive thinking, discussing whether or not books have become old fashioned and our girls spoke with clarity and confidence, presenting strong arguments and persuasive evidence. Their speeches were thoughtful and creative. The adjudicators commented on the very intelligent ways in which our girls had interpreted the given topics.

These students are to be congratulated for their efforts, it was a privilege to spend the day with such enthusiastic and hard-working young students and to hear their ideas about our world. I wish them well for their bright futures as leaders, politicians, philosophers and orators!

Ms Adele Schocker
Debating Coordinator

Arts News

These two sensitive and detailed works were produced by Year 10 students, who are studying Landscape and the beauty and detail in aspects of the landscape. We have been taking advantage of the beautiful weather and new surroundings of the recently opened ‘Heartyard’ to observe from nature the beautiful flowers and shrubs, insects and birds that exist in this space.

Mrs Bronwyn Cottrell
Head of Arts
Class of 1964
Golden Jubilee Reunion

Alumnae from the Class of 1964 gathered at the College on Saturday May 3 to celebrate their 50th anniversary.

They were greeted by Sr Megan Donohue, Assistant Principal, Faith and Mission, and Shane O’Neil, Alumnae Secretary. After morning tea and a presentation, they were taken on a College tour by two Year 11 student ambassadors, Lisa Grant and Sasha Hermosa.

The group then travelled to Malvern East where they took over the top floor of the My Kitchen Table café, where they enjoyed a long lunch with lots of memories, story-telling and laughter.

I had a great day renewing friendships and memories. I loved the tour of the school. A big thank you to the girls who showed us around and gave up their own precious time at home. I shall treasure my statue of Our Lady and our parish priest who is from the Philippines is going to bless it.

Geraldine Lyons

What a wonderful success. Everyone was so excited I think it was a bit hard to get any sense out of us for the first half hour as we suddenly spotted a name we recognised, and then after a bit of scrutiny, the face was also remembered. Just a few slight changes. We like to think that anyway!!

Eileen Sykes

Congratulations...

...to Isabella (Year 8) and Constance Fraser (Year 7) who have been awarded their Black Belts in full contact Karate.

They participated in a gruelling four and a half hour final grading which took place on Saturday May 3.

Well done girls.

Pastoral Care Available

Please be aware that Pastoral Care, including home visits and ongoing support, is available to the OLSH Community.

Please contact Sister Elizabeth Taylor at the College on 8520 9200 if you would like any further information.
Sports News
SCSA Athletics Carnival

Thank you to the 60 students who participated in the SCSA Division 2 Athletics Carnival on Friday May 9 at Lakeside Stadium. As a team we placed 7th out of nine schools, and after finishing 2nd last year it was certainly a result in which was can look to improve on in 2015. We were very proud of all our competitors, and many staff members and parents commented on how well the students represented the College, cheering on team mates and engaging in the carnival for the day. I would like to save a special thank you to our student helpers Faye Valladare and Raphaele Alexopoulos (right) who completed a four and a half hour shift on the Shot Put and were a great help all day around the team.

Some highlights:

- Three school records!
- Our fastest 100m time of the day went to Shanae Carter (Issoudun) with a great time of 14.01sec.
- Team veteran Sarah Cleary (Year 11) cruised to victory in the first race of the day - the 100m senior hurdles - also in school record time.
- The performance of Dariyn Girton (Year 12) who raced with great commitment all day on the track, and placed 3rd in her field event - the triple jump in a school record.
- Year 7 student Lara Confege cruising to victory in her 100m race.
- Rebekah O’Brien winning the Year 8 Shot Put and breaking the school record.
- Olivia May, winning Year 8 triple jump and missing the school record by 0.02m.

A huge thank you to Mrs Verrell, Mrs Rayment, Mrs Petering, Duane Girton and the Cleary family who helped train the team. Also to Mr Santos, Mrs Bradley and Mrs Naylor for attending on the day.

Mr Nick Wanless Sports Coordinator

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Performing Arts News

Choral@Montsalvat
On Sunday May 4, students and parents from the OLSH Singers and Senior Vocal Ensemble journeyed to the stunning grounds of Montsalvat. The girls were performing as part of the Choral Festival Choral@Montsalvat along with 14 other choirs including the Australian Welsh Male Choir, Melbourne Chamber Choir, Methodist Ladies’ College, Carey Grammar and Haileybury College Choirs.

Students performed a variety of works showcasing their harmony and performance abilities. The feedback we received from the general public was fantastic and all performers should be very proud of what they achieved. I would like to congratulate all girls for their wonderful performance and their hard work and dedication in leading up to this event.

Mrs Kellie Mentlikowski
Choral Director

Sydney Dance Company
Sydney Dance Company came to OLSH on Friday May 2. The Issoudun and VCE VET Dance students were treated to a Cunningham company class. They learnt small snippets of repertoire and participated in a choreography session with two Sydney Dance Company dancers, Fiona Jopp and Jessica Thompson.

It was an informative workshop with creative insights into a range of different choreographic processes and the life of a dancer.

Ms Gina Coetzee
Dance Teacher

Musical Soiree
A wonderful Musical Soiree was held last week on Monday May 5. A feast of musical entertainment was provided by our Instrumental and Voice students and warmly received by a most appreciative audience of family members, staff and friends.

The varied programme included: OLSH Singers, Senior Vocal Ensemble, String Ensemble, OLSH Concert Orchestra, Rock Band, as well as piano, flute and voice performances. We were excited to hear about OLSH’s first International Choral Tour to New Zealand at the end of this term and in anticipation of this year’s school production, My Fair Lady, we heard a small teaser from the OLSH Concert Orchestra – a snippet from the piece, Wouldn’t it be Lovely.

Congratulations to all students who performed superbly, showcasing what they have learnt this semester.

Special thanks to choral director, Mrs Kellie Mentlikowski; and Instrumental staff: Ms Melanie Adams, Mr Chris Bieniek, Mr Peter Malberg, Ms Elena Polevaya, Ms Clare Roberts, Ms Kim Tan and Ms Enya Widdicombe.

Mrs Michelle Fenton
Performing Arts Coordinator

OLSH Singers and Senior Vocal Ensemble opened the Soiree programme and left Flautist Roschelle Chaudhary

Special thanks to Emily Casaceli (Year 10) and Ms Josie Dilettoso who provided a beautifully presented and delicious supper.

Sarah Jones (Eliza in My Fair Lady) with Soiree guest Ms Elizabeth Miller MP and above Performing Arts Captain Blanka D’Souza
### Dates for your Diary

- **Monday May 19**
  - Year 10 Retreat (postponed)

- **Tuesday May 20**
  - Dance Show
  - **7.30pm College Hall**

- **Saturday May 24**
  - Reunion for Class of 1968

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#### Upcoming Important Date

**Year 10 and Year 11 2015 Pathways Information Night**
- **Monday June 2**
- **7.30pm College Hall**

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#### The OLSH Canteen Roster

Any parent who would like to assist in the OLSH canteen would be most welcome.

Please call Cathy Osborne or College Reception on 8520 9200.

Any assistance will be gratefully received.

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#### IF YOUR DAUGHTER IS LATE OR ABSENT

Thank you to all parents who have been using the Absence Telephone number: **8520 9250**.

The Absence line is the number to call if your daughter will not be attending school OR will be late for school that day.

Your cooperation is much appreciated.

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#### Please be aware:

Glen Eira Council have been patrolling the College area and issuing fines for parking infringements.

It is important to follow the road rules and be mindful of the parking directions.

The safety of our girls, staff and parents is vital and your help and consideration is much appreciated.

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