GROWING TOGETHER
Promoting the Catholic Ethos in our School

TERM 2:
Science Fair
On Thursday the 19th of June at 5 pm Our Lady's was officially open to students and parents for a night of wonderful and entertaining science. Each class took part in presenting the science that they have been learning during Term 2. It was great to see the classrooms all set out with hands on activities and beautiful displays of science from the students. It was great seeing parents, teachers and students attempting and discussing experiments. It was a well organised and fun event enjoyed by all.

TERM 3:
Art Expo
On Thursday September 11th the culmination of weeks of work done by students, staff and volunteer parents was displayed at the Our Lady's Art Expo. Displays of basket weaving, felting, papier-mâché, bug villages, Asian art, wood craft, bottle characters, Indigenous Art, Origami, Animal drawing, Owls, Scrapbooking, Photography and more. The race to find the coloured cows was a hit with the children!

CONFIRMATION and SPIRIT DAY
On Friday the 15th of August on the Feast of the Assumption Archbishop Denis Hart celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation with children from Our Lady's school and parish. The candidates were extremely well prepared and did well showing their reverence and maturity during this very important step in faith. Thank you to all staff and parents for your support of the children as they undertook this journey.

A major part of the journey was Spirit Day. Children from the school and Parish came together and took part in activities designed to deepen their thinking and understanding of Confirmation. Thank you to all who made this special day possible.
Class Masses
It has been wonderful to see so many families coming together for class celebrations of Mass. 1/2 students particularly enjoyed singing the reflection hymn after Communion.

Tess and Bernadette
We have said Farewell to Tess and Bernadette in their roles as Parish Secretary. We thank them for their generosity to the Parish and support of the school over so many years. We wish them a happy and relaxing retirement!- Although we know Tess will still be working hard in her Catechist role.

Parents’ Association
As always the PA at our Lady's has outdone themselves again! Christmas in July Trivia Night, Canteen theme days, Father's Day breakfast, the after school sausage sizzle and the High Tea. This is a dedicated band of people who do so much for our school......you know who they are~ please stop them and say "thanks!"

Building and Maintenance
We feel we are very close to receiving the planning permit from Maroondah Council. If there are no considerations brought to our attention, we will be able to go to tender immediately after that. Hopefully soon!
Remember the countdown to our Fete has begun! Clean out your cupboards and sign up to help at this wonderful community event. The committee is still seeking to fill some key roles ~ please speak to Angela if you can help out.

On a final note from the Board,

We wish you safe and enjoyable holidays, may you return refreshed and renewed ready for more learning and fun next term.