



OUR LADY'S ASSUMPTION
SCHOOL



Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. It is the time where millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

The community of OLA is encouraged this year to support special events which will be held throughout Lent to fundraise, but more importantly raise awareness of how people less fortunate than us live their daily lives.

Please see below the events that OLA will be hosting throughout Lent for Project Compassion.

Caritas Launch and Shrove Tuesday.

On **Tuesday 25th February**, Caritas launches its Project Compassion Appeal. On this day we ask that children bring in some **coin donations**. These coins will go to fill in a coin display that spells out CARITAS. Each class will cook pancakes for that day in preparation for the beginning of Lent the next day. If you can assist with the cooking of pancakes on that day, please contact your child's class teacher. A total of four student and teacher representatives will attend the official launch at Sacred Heart College, Sorrento.

Silver Savings.

Throughout Lent a **Silver Savings Tin** will be outside the Canteen on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Some people may like to donate their canteen change or the silver coins they have at home. Every cent adds up and it doesn't take much to make a difference to someone's life. You can see the silver savings grow in the container on display on the canteen counter. Silver up OLA!



Live Life Simply.

On Monday 23rd March, we will have a Live Life Simply Day. In class children will nominate things they could go without for one school day. It may be stationery, technology, sports equipment, etc, and will be decided by each class. In addition, to develop awareness of the abundance of food that we at OLA have, we encourage children to come to school with just their crunch and sip and a gold coin donation. This donation will provide them with a bowl of plain rice for lunch. This is to raise an awareness that there are many children that go hungry and many who feel lucky to receive a bowl of rice each day.

Caritas K's - Walk for Water.

Did you know that many children are forced to walk kilometres to collect water for their daily needs each every day?

On Friday 3rd April we will hold a Walk for Water. Children will need to bring a bucket on this day. The children will collect water from a designated spot at the school and then carry their water all the way around the school and deposit it back into another spot.

A sponsor sheet for completing this activity will go home. Hopefully this will not only be a wonderful fundraiser for Caritas, but also bring a sense of awareness for those people who cannot simply turn on the tap when they want a drink of water.

Your support and generosity during Project Compassion is appreciated as we help people in Australia and around the world shape a better future for themselves, their family and community. Together we can stand in solidarity with our global community.

Please help us make a difference for those less fortunate in the world.

Year 6 Ministry Groups, Ms Knight, Mr McIntyre and Mrs Barclay

