

## Our Lady of the Rosary

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## STAGE 3 PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND INFORMATION EVENING

Dear Parents / Carers,

This letter is to inform you about our Stage 3 "All About Me" Personal Development Program that deals with Human Sexuality, Growth and Development and Puberty.

Dr Gerard O'Shea, an author and senior lecturer at the John Paul II Institute in Melbourne and associate professor at Notre Dame University in Sydney who has previously presented a parent workshop at OLR, advocates "the primary responsibility for educating children in these areas lies with the children's parents". It is with this in mind that we will be delivering the unit in the following way.

On Thursday 2 June, 2016 in week 6 there will be a Personal Development night for ALL Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) parents and children. This night will be held in the Year 6 learning space and will begin at 7.00pm. At least one parent/carer needs to come along with each child.

At school, after the parent evening the children will be split into boys and girls grade groups and spend two sessions going through the resource booklet and discussing any questions arising. Children will be continually encouraged to discuss these sessions with you at home and on completion of the class sessions they will bring their booklets home to go through them with you.

All resources we will be using during the program will be available for you to preview on the evening including the "Things are changing" booklets and the book "As I Have Loved You" written by Gerard O'Shea that is being provided at the subsidised cost to you of \$10. (Actual cost \$20)

The Human Sexuality component is to be covered at home. Growth, development and puberty will be covered at school on the understanding that you will have ongoing discussions with your child at home and that this remains the primary responsibility of parents.

Please complete the attached return slip to confirm your attendance.

We look forward to supporting you as you support your child through this important phase of their life.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Allan Jones **PRINCIPAL** 

Mrs Fran Luyt **Stage 3 Coordinator** 



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(Please return attendance note and payment to office by Tuesday 31 May, 2016)

I will be attending the Personal Development night for all Stage 3 parents and children on Thursday 2 June, 2016 at 7.00pm in the Library/Year 6 space.
I will not be attending the Personal Development night for all Stage 3 parents and children on Thursday 2 June, 2016 at 7.00pm in the Library/Year 6 space.
Please find enclosed \$ for the "As I have Loved You" book. (Cost \$10)
Child's Name Class
Name of parent/carer attending
Parent/Carer Signature
Further comments or uestions