

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear OLMC Families,

Welcome back to school and the start of Term 4. The last term of the school year is always a busy one. This year will be particularly busy with the special events planned to mark our school centenary. We look forward to our community joining us at our School and Parish Fete on 21 October and our Centenary Mass on 29 October. Let's all get involved by offering our time to help and pray for good weather.

It is a tradition in our Catholic community that the first week of Term 4 is allocated as Mission Week. It is a special time that we learn about the role of mission in our church and how we can be missionaries in our own lives. In the Parish of Wentworthville we have a particular link to the charitable works our Carmelite priests undertake in Timor Leste. These works include providing scholarships for Timorese students to attend higher education, building and resourcing the Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Zumalai, and supporting the community to meet their needs.

Our teachers have planned activities to help our children learn about our sister school in Zumalai. There are many things that are similar about our communities and many which are different. To help in these explorations our children are exploring 'Mystery Bags' with artefacts gathered from East Timor especially for us by Mayra Walsh. Mayra is a Community Development Coordinator of the Carmelite charitable organisation <u>Carmel Impact</u>. Mayra has visited our children on a number of occasions to share her knowledge and messages from the children in Zumalai. Click on the link to find out more about the work of <u>Carmel Impact</u>.

October is also a month especially dedicated to praying the Rosary. The Rosary is a prayer devoted to Mary the mother of Jesus. It is a reflective and meditative form of prayer. I encourage our families to join our students over zoom during the coming week to join us in praying a decade of the Rosary. See page two details on how you can participate.

Be sure to join us in celebrating our school centenary by attending our Fete and Centenary Mass.



Use this link to RSVP



Olimpia Pirovic

Principal

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

UPCOMING DATES

Week 1:

Tue: 3:30pm, 7pm Holy Communion Taste See

Session

Thurs: 3:30PM, 7:00PM Holy Communion Practise Fri: Fete: Mufti Day: Chocolate Blocks Fete: Prepaid options for

Rides Ends

Sat: 11:00am Holy Communion

Week 2:

Mon: Assembly: Prayer 1G Parents Welcome via Smith

Street gate

Tue: Uniform Orders due before

4pm

Wed: Fete: Last day to return

Raffle Tickets

3:10-4:00pm Concert and Training Band Practise

Fri: 3-9pm School Fete

Sat: 11:00am Holy Communion

NOTES HOME

THIS WEEK

- Volunteers Required for FETE
- Year 4 'Seeds'
- Year6 Graduation Signature Bears & Balls
- Year 5 2023 Camp Collaroy
- Chocolate Block Mufti Day
- Fete Newsletter



RETURN YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS NOW FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!!!!

MERIT AWARDS							
KB	Shriansh • Aarush	4B	Kian • Amalia				
KG	Desiree • Isabel	4G	Olivia • Katrina				
1B	Kudawashe • Kara	5B	Evelyn • Rohan				
1G	Lucas • Sakrit	5G	Gabrielle • Reuben				
2B	Kriti • Serah	6B	Amelia • Liyana				
2G	Rishaan • Sam • Isabelle	6G	None presented				
3B	Kristopher • Eli	6W	Emad • Estelle				
3G	Michael • Isaac	CA	None presented				

STAR CARD REWARDS

<u>Platinum Awards:</u> Ariana • Lucas • Akins • Joanne • Naksh • Deepali • Mia • Sanaa • <u>Principal's Awards:</u> Anaishca • Sophia • Vishvassha • Kiara • Kiara • Isabelle-Rose •

Diamond Awards: Violette •



OLMC ROSARY PRAYER

As we return to school in Term 4, we recognise October as a month dedicated to the Rosary. To honour this devotion, our school community will be leading an OLMC Rosary Prayer every day from

Wednesday 12th October, to Thursday 20th October, at 12:00pm.

Each day the rosary will be led by a different grade. Parents and families are invited to join in our prayer by accessing the Zoom details.



UPCOMING STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) has made the decision to provide two extra pupil free days in 2022. These days are to recognise outstanding service and support during times of significant staff shortages and staff illness.

At Our lady of Mount Carmel these extra pupil free days will occur as follows:

• Friday 11 November (Week 5 Term 4)

Please note that the previously planned Staff Development Days for

- Monday 19 December and
- Tuesday 20 December will still take place.

The Our Lady of Mount Carmel COSHC will operate on all of these dates for those parents who require assistance with supervision on any of these days. You can contact our coordinator, Thalia, on 0409 361 929 to make a booking.



PRINCIPAL'S SPRING HOLIDAY CHALLENGE

Please make sure that all of your entries for the Principal's Holiday Challenge are returned by Friday of Week 2. Your challenge after learning your new skill is to either ...

- film yourself doing the new skill or
- take a photo of yourself doing your new skill

... and emailing your video or photo to olmcprincipalchallenge@gmail.com

Please include in the email whether you give permission for your photo/video to be possibly uploaded to the school facebook page. Please be aware that the video should be no longer than two minutes in duration.

ICAS RESULTS

Last Term, students from years 3-6 participated in the ICAS English, Mathematics and Science competitions. ICAS is an independent, skills-based assessment program available to all primary school students. All of our students will receive participation certificates and we congratulate them for their perseverance and effort. Some of our students were awarded with higher recognition certificates and we congratulate those students also

English

Merit Certificates were awarded to: Cyril, Yelesta, Michael A and Erinn

Credit Certificates were awarded to: Kushagra, Sanaa, Abigail, Yara, Katrina, Dennis and Jose Distinction Certificates were awarded to: Hansikaa, Pranav and Krisha

High Distinction Certificates were awarded to: Kian

Mathematics

Merit Certificates were awarded to: Aarush K Credit Certificates were awarded to: Kian, Pranav, Aarush R, Jose, Vihaan and Michael A Distinction Certificates were awarded to: Sanaa, Cyril, Kushagra and Dennis

Science

Merit Certificates were awarded to: Jose Credit Certificates were awarded to: Aarush K, Hansikaa, Pranav, Krisha, Kian, Dennis and Michael A Distinction Certificates were awarded to: Kushagra and Sanaa

OLMC COOKING CLUB

CHALLENGE



With its success and student interest, the renowned OLMC Cooking Club will be continuing in Term 4. Cooking Club is all about providing a fun learning experience for our students whilst also learning about how our food choices can influence a healthy lifestyle.

When: 8am Friday
Starting from: Week 3 (28th October)
Bring: Apron, container, cutlery

Who: Year 3-6 students

Due to avid interest, there will be a limit on the amount of students, from each grade, able to attend cooking club.

Students must be available to attend all 6 lessons if they are selected. Each week we will learn how to make a new dish and then join together to share our meal.

A note will be sent home shortly for your child to register their interest. Due to the large student interest, only students who are selected will receive a 'selection' note for their parent to sign.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROCESS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION practise will take place at 3:30pm and 7pm on Thursday 13 October. Candidates for first Holy Communion are encouraged to attend a session so that they can familiarise themselves with the celebration. All children MUST be accompanied by a parent/carer for the duration of the session.

P&F NEWS

FETE volunteers required

Thank you to all those who have already volunteered their time before, during and after the FETE. All names have been added in the draw to win the \$400 Crystal Car Wash Voucher. There is still time to sign up, please jump on the signup link https://signup.com/go/gsLHVBp Please also ensure you use the sign in sheets when volunteering.

FETE wristbands and raffle tickets

The offer to purchase prepaid ride wristbands for \$35 will end on Sunday 16th October. If you haven't already purchased your prepaid wristbands please do so soon. All ride wristbands purchased on the day of the FETE will be \$40. Please also kindly return all Raffle Ticket books to school **sold** or **unsold** by Wednesday, the 19th of October.

Chocolate Block donation for the FETE

Chocolate blocks are required for our chocolate toss stall. A big thank you to Jeanette Michael who has taken on the Coordinator role for this stall. On Friday, 14th of October students are invited to come to school dressed in mufti clothes, in exchange for a chocolate block.

2022 TERM 4 SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY EVENTS*								
October		November		December				
10	Staff Development Day: No Students	1	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 2	1	Yr6 Surf Awareness			
11	First Day of Term 4 for all students	4	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 3	2	K-6 Netball Clinics (Students to wear sports uniform)			
14	FETE: Mufti Day for Chocolate Blocks	8	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 4	5	2023 Student Leader Speeches & voting			
14	FETE: Last day to order Ride Wristbands	10	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 5	6	6pm-8pm Christmas Story & End of Year Awards			
15	11am: First Holy Communion	11	Staff Development Day: No Students	8	Yr5 Surf Awareness			
19	FETE: Last day for Raffle Ticket return	15	Yr 4 2023 BYOD evening	9	Semester 2 Reports sent home			
20	P&F Executive Meeting: 2pm	16	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 6	12	Yr3-Yr6 Swimming Carnival			
20- 21	FETE: Cake Stall Donations FETE:Gardening Donations	16	Stg2 & Stg3 Basketball Gala Day	12	K-2 Dry Land carnival at OLMC			
21	FETE: OLMC Centenary Fete: 3pm-9pm	18	K-6 Netball Clinics (Sports uniform)	15	Meet the teacher 2023			
25	2023 Kindergarten Parent Info Session: 6:30pm	21	Yr6 Reflection Day	16	1:30pm End of Year Mass			
26	Year 4 Excursion: Lizard Log	22	Year 2 Excursion: Rouse Hill	16	6pm Yr 6 Graduation Dinner			
28	World Teachers' Day	22	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 7	16	Last Day of Term 4 for Students			
28	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Session 1	23	Kindergarten 2023 Playgroup Sessions 8	2023 Start of the Year Dates				
29	11am: First Holy Communion	04	Kindergarten 2023 Orientation Group 1: 9:15-10:45 Group 2: 11:45-1:15		January 27 & 31 - Appointments for Mathematics Assessment Interviews K-Yr 6 February			
29	OLMC Centenary Mass: 6pm	24						
31	Grandparents Day picnic lunch	25	K-6 Netball Clinics (Sports uniform)	 1 - First Day of School Yr 1 - Yr 6 1 - Mathematics Assessments - K 2 - First Day of School - Kindy 7 - Kindergarten Information Evening for Parents 				
31	P&F AGM: 7pm	28	Swimming Program K-6 Begins (28/11-9/12)					