## **Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary**



2023

## CUMBERLAND POLICE YOUTH LIAISON VISIT Kindergarten-Year 6

Dear Families,

As part of our ongoing focus on ensuring our students are safe and respectful learners, a Youth Liaison Officer from Cumberland Police will be visiting all classroom spaces during the 2023 school year.

On Monday 1 May, Year 5 and Year 6 will receive a visit from one of the Youth Liaison Officers from Cumberland Police to speak to students about respectful relationships. This talk will focus on appropriate ways of interacting with each other, building positive relationships and acceptable ways of expressing an interest in another person. We are also working with the Youth Team to arrange for our Year 5 & 6 students to receive fortnightly visits during Term 4. This program is called 'Active Leadership' which is a 'boot camp' style exercise program for young persons as a way to break down barriers between police and young persons and to interact with students in a positive way whilst maintaining mental and physical fitness. Through this program, our students also have the opportunity to speak with police, ask questions and apply themselves with the goal of preventing crime and assisting young persons in making positive life choices.

On Tuesday 16 May, Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will receive a visit from one of the Youth Liaison Officers from Cumberland Police to speak to students about childhood safety and stranger danger. This program aims to help children identify the safe adults in their community and safe places to go when they are lost, feeling unsafe or frightened or are in danger. Other goals include enabling children to develop their own personal safety strategies, to feel empowered to say NO and seek help when they feel unsafe or unsure, and to have the confidence to tell a trusted adult if they are being harmed in any way.

On Wednesday 14 June Year 3 and Year 4 will also receive a visit with a focus on Cybersafety. This talk will focus on personal settings, profile pages, sending images online, mobile devices, 'send' is definite, cyberbullying and appropriate behaviours towards others will be covered.

These visits complement our ongoing focus on community safety and the learnings occurring through K-6 PDH units

Thank you for your cooperation. Mrs Lauren Anderiesz Assistant Principal

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