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Newsletter Term 2 Week 7

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

When you were in Year Three in Primary School, did you "sit up straight" and, in your best elocution voice, recite the following:

"We say, 'Thank you'
We say, 'Please'.
We don't interrupt or tease.
We don't argue. We don't fuss.
We listen when people talk to us.
We like to share and take our turn.
Good manners aren't too hard to learn.
It's really easy once you find,
Good manners means:-
Just Being Kind." Author unknown.

The best aspect of the verse is that it is a very positive statement of how to behave and interact with other people; it is not a litany of rules. Good manners is about showing kindness and consideration to others and using these good manners as a lubricant for the daily interactions in which we all engage.

Many scholars recommend that parents frequently talk to their children about how things are going in their lives, especially the things that aren't going so well, and how they and their friends reacted. The purpose of talking is to work through what might be the best response to any problems: "The talking fosters moral development in a better way than just teaching children rules. You foster a process of the child working out what is the civil thing to do. You let the child work it out rather than just imposing rules; the more rules you impose, the more rules the adolescent has to rebel against."

In our society we have a great variety of cultural backgrounds and inasmuch as we value greatly the person we are, so does each other person with whom we come into contact. We need to emphasise the idea that it is good to treat other people the way we would like to be treated.

A popular T.V. series many years ago was called the "Twilight Zone". One episode is about a man who finds that just about everything in life irritates him. His neighbour is a pain, the waitress in the coffee shop is barely alive, his partner at work is a real bore. His constant mantra is, "I wish everyone was more like me".

The next morning he wakes up in the Twilight Zone and everyone around him is just like him, only dressed in different clothes. His neighbour is just like him, the waitress is just like him, his work partner is just like him. He is surrounded by himself the whole day and by the end of it he pleads, "God, please, I just want everyone to be the way they were!"

Aesop, once wrote that, "No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted". Words and actions of kindness and consideration are never the reason for argument or discord but they are the exercise of good manners.

**"Lord, we are all made in Your image and likeness.
Whenever and wherever we want to see Your face, we will see it.
Help our interactions with other people to be based on kindness and consideration. Amen"**

*Steven
Principal*

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

UPCOMING DATES

Week 7

Friday: Magic Flute Performance K-6

Week 8

Monday: Yr2 Excursion - Warragamba Dam

9am Assembly

Tuesday: 8:15am Morning Workout (Yr4-Yr6)

Wednesday: 8:15am Morning Workout (K-Yr3)

Friday: Kindergarten Excursion - Taronga Zoo

Week 9

Monday: 9am Assembly

7pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday: 8:15am Morning Workout (Yr4-Yr6)

Stage 2 Boys & Girls Soccer Day

7pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 8:15am Morning Workout (K-Yr3)

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Friday: 9:15am Yrs 3&4 Mass

Book Fair Begins

Semester One Reports sent home

Week 10

Monday: 9am Assembly 4G

Parent Teacher Interviews

Book Fair Week

NOTES HOME

TODAY

- Captivate

Congratulations to Katherine who was the winner of last week's newsletter competition. Katherine has won a \$30 Myer voucher.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

This week another eight students have complete the Premier's Reading challenge bringing our school total complete to 109 students. Congratulations Liya, Zainah, Sanjana, Kalim, Nerome, Emily, Anila and Elizabeth.

These are the totals for each grade so far:

Kindy	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
11	11	11	28	5	41	3

There are many children who have been busy reading but have not entered their books onto their online reading record. You can log on to the [challenge website](#) to update your reading record.

KINDERGARTEN 2019

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Wentworthville Primary will be sending out letters regarding placements for 2019 within the next week. Unfortunately the school could not accommodate all families due the high demand for positions at OLMC. Any family who now returns an enrolment form for Kindergarten 2019 will be placed on the waiting list.

PARISH NEWS



DOES YOUR CHILD LOVE TO SING?

All children are invited to join the
OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

*Children's
Choir*

Come along and

'Make a joyful noise' - Ps 150

For further information,
phone Lucia on 0410 679 140.

SPOTLIGHT ON RE

Children have been discussing, investigating and using the four senses of scripture as they look into the Biblical stories of Jesus around the Parables, these were the stories Jesus told dealing with how people should be treated if we are to live like him. We have celebrated the feast of Pentecost and the beginning of our Church post Easter.

Year 6 have been studying the scripture around Moses and the burning bush. Some language to use in conversations with your children could include: parable, message, Samaritan, temple, parents, Jerusalem, Pentecost, Holy Spirit, gifts of the Spirit, disciples, Baptism Jordan River John the Baptist, morals, holy ground, covenant, oil of Chrism, Paschal candle, Eucharist, liturgy, Sacrament, Kingdom of God and Apostolic.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Thank you to everyone who ensured that last Friday's Athletics Carnival was a fun filled, active day for all students. Results will be announced at next Monday morning's assembly. Special thank you to all the parents and staff who assisted with the many events. Thanks also to Farideh and Paula for ensuring everyone was well fed and Mr Nicholas Jones for the organisation of the day.



SAFE DRIVING

'The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful' is the expectation our community follows. Pick up and drop off times are occasions where this rule is most important as it directly impacts on the safety of all in the community - adults and children alike. The way we follow this expectation is tested at these times by impatience and the desire to be in and out quickly without consideration of others in our community. Whilst all children are accompanied by adults, it is imperative that we slow down, follow the road rules as children and adults are unpredictable and accidents can easily happen. Rangers and staff are on the street occasionally, but we rely on the responsible, safe and respectful actions of parents.

NSW HEALTH



OLMC PARRAMATTA

OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on Wednesday, June 20, 2018. Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team. The College is now enrolling for 2020. Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.



CANTEEN NEWS

Please remember to place orders in brown paper bags with your child's name, class and order on it. Please ensure the correct amount of money (Australian Currency) is placed in the bag. The canteen does not accept 'U' notes. If there is no money in the lunch order bag your child will not receive their lunch. If the amount of money does not reflect the lunch total, your child will be asked to choose something else. All lunch orders must be placed in the lunch order pouches in the morning. Lunch orders will not be accepted at recess or lunch. Sauce is an extra charge of 30c and lunch order bags are 20c.

P&F NEWS

Save the Date!

Friday 3rd August at 6:30pm we will be having a Bingo Night at Camilleri Hall, Ettalong Road, Pendle Hill. More information to follow.

Fete News

As you will know by now our school and parish fete date for 2019 has been set for Friday 22nd March 2019. Please make sure it is in your calendar!

This is the major fundraising event for the school and parish and we are calling on anyone who is able to help by:

- taking up a role either on the fete organising committee. We are currently seeking someone to take on the role of secretary. This role involves booking the space for meetings, attending meetings and taking minutes. There are many other positions you could assist with as well.
- If you have a business that is looking to advertise in the community, consider signing up for a sponsorship package. There are 4 levels of sponsorship, each with their own rewards.

Please email us at olmfete@gmail.com for further information and let us know how you can help make Fete 2019 an even better fete!

Second Hand Uniform Shop

We are seeking someone to assist with the second hand uniform shop. If you are able to help in any way, please contact the school office.

If you have any uniform items to donate, please drop them off at the school office. We would love any donations.

