

Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary



15th October 2018

Dear Parents /Carers

Mission Week

Next week Parramatta Diocese launches Mission Week. As part of this our Year 6 leaders will be attending the Diocesan Mission/Education Mass on Thursday 25th October . During the week the school is participating in different activities dedicated to Mission Week. This is a time where we strive to act with compassion, dignity, justice and care towards those less fortunate than ourselves. At OLMC we are closely connected to the Carmelite community in Timor Leste. As part of Mission Week Years 4, 5 and 6 will be encouraged to participate in experiencing what it is like for those less fortunate than ourselves, by going without.

What does it feel like to only have a cup of rice for the day?

On Thursday 25th October Years 4, 5 and Year 6 students will be given a bowl of rice, supplied by the school, to eat at lunchtime. We encourage students to participate by not bringing other food to school on this day. Students are to eat breakfast at home and then have only boiled rice at lunch. We ask that they do not purchase any additional food from the canteen on that day. The Years 4, 5 and 6 teachers believe that this is an important experience for the students to put themselves in someone else's place for a day. There will be time for self reflection after lunch followed by a liturgy for the grades involved in the library.

Your support in this event is appreciated. Again we believe that this is an important opportunity for your child to participate in a social justice event.

Yours sincerely

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