

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Last night we held our Kindergarten Parent Information Night for families beginning Kindergarten in 2020. This was a wonderful opportunity to meet with our families and welcome them into our community. You may remember how you felt when you attended your child's information evening. No doubt you had feelings of excitement, anxiety and curiosity. The parents were able to meet each other and begin to form relationships that will see them through their child's primary school journey.

One of the main items discussed was the concept of *Trust*. When you enrol your child at OLMC you are making a clear sign that you trust us enough for your child to attend our school. There are many trusting relationships that need to be formed, however, the most important one is the trusting relationship between your child and their teacher.

Parents Children

Teachers Office Staff

Leaders

You can support your child to build a trusting relationship with their teacher by.....

- Show your child that you respect and trust their teacher
- Be mindful about how you speak about your child's teacher in the presence of your child
- Work together with your child's teacher to solve problems
- Help your child accept responsibility for their actions
- Try not to get involved in rumours and criticism outside of school
- If you have a concern come and ask questions with the mindset of 'seeking to understand', be ready to listen knowing that there is more than one side, in every situation.

There will be times when we make mistakes or need to discuss mistakes that your child makes. When we have trusting relationships we are able to handle these situations in a respectful manner. This will then ensure that we are truly living our shared belief that 'The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful.'

Olimpia Ptrovic
Principal

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

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UPCOMING DATES

Week 3

Thu: 8:15-8:40am Morning Workout Bennett St Gates - 8:15am SHARP

Fri: 9:15-10am 2020 Kinder Playgroup

9:00-10:00am Stage 3 Mass 1:40pm Mission to Busk

Week 4

Mon: 9am Assembly - 4G 7:00pm-8:00pm P&F AGM Tue: Cares Excursion - 4G 6:30-7:30pm Band Concert

Wed: Cares Excursion - 4B

Thu: 8:15-8:40am Morning Workout **Fri:** 9:15-10am 2020 Kinder Playgroup

Parents and Friend's Annual General Meeting - All welcome to attend MONDAY, 4 November - 7:00pm

NOTES HOME

Friday

- Year 6 2020 Camp Yr5
- Year 6 2019 Graduation Dinner

Monday

- Mission to Busk
- School Band Showcase

Wednesday

• Graduation Bears & Balls-Yr 6

MERIT AWARDS			
КВ	Logan • Candace • Charlotte	4B	Jack • Chiara
KG	Prasadi • Asvitha	4G	Ruby • Marten
1B	Sam • Aliyah	5B	Natasha • John
1G	Saskia • Alissa	5G	Sajin • Lara
2B	Ethan • Paige	6B	Jarrod • Claudia
2G	Elyssa • Dennis	6G	Gevin • Adam
3B	Liyana • Charlize	CA	Jarrod - 6B • Lily - 1B
3G	Leela • Emad	PE	Sai Hasini - 6G • Rajan - KB

STAR CARD AWARDS

Gold Awards: Jacab • Nerome • Elouise • Michael • Chimir

Opal Awards: Amy - Samyel - Ethan - Billy - Chris - Christian - Daniel - Jarrod - Tunga

<u>Platinum Awards:</u> Alexander • Anthony • Luke • Liya • Hansikaa • Joseph • Aerabella • Armaan • Clara • Claudia • Jessica • Aliyah • Ansh • Ayii • David • Emily • Jacinta • Thomas • Zara • Alissa

<u>Principal's Awards:</u> Aimie • Ojas • Celeste • Angela • Joseph • Rihanna • Alexander • Samuel • Logan • Thomas • Jad • Lachlan • Samuel • Aurelia • Claudia • Elisha • Marisol • Matilda

Diamond Awards: Olivia - Anabel - Kinjal - Jose



MISSION TO BUSK

Mission to Busk will be held this Friday afternoon. Students should wear their normal school uniform and they will be given time to change in the classrooms without parent supervision. Students will not be allowed to wear make up.

12:30pm - 1:30pm Early Lunch

1:30pm - 1:40pm Children return to classrooms

1:30pm - 2:00pm Session One

2:00pm - 2:10pm Conclusion of Session One

2:10pm - 2:40pm Session Two

2:40pm Conclusion of Session Two

Busking donations can be dropped into the baskets located at each performance location. Mission leaders will be around at intervals to collect donations from the baskets.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

The Book Club flyers went home last week. All orders must now be done online (not through the school office). *Orders close: Friday, 1 November.*

By purchasing books through Book Club, you are also supporting OLMC to gain points towards getting books for the school Library.

STUDENT MEDICATION

For the safety of all students, it is important that no student carries medication on them or in their bags at any time. If your child requires temporary medication for a short period of time, please bring the medication in to the school office and complete the relevant forms.

Thank you for consideration.

SPOTLIGHT ON RE

Yesterday, staff were involved in Professional Learning with our partner schools St Patrick's Guildford and Christ the King, North Rocks. The afternoon of Professional Learning began with shared prayer and discussion of the Religious Education Learning Cycles being taught this term. Staff shared their successes and challenges, student and teacher work and continued programming the cycle for the remainder of the year. This collegial dialogue allows staff to develop a learning cycle that remains true to student voice, is centered on Jesus, takes into account the lived traditions of our Church, its prayers and rituals, while using an inquiry approach.

CATHERINE McAULEY WESTMEAD

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2021. The closing date for applications 1st round offers is: Friday, 27 March 2020. Parents and their daughters have the opportunity to tour the school campus at one of the upcoming open days on Tuesday, 12 November and Thursday, 5 December, 9:15-11am.

TRANSPORT NSW

2020 School Travel applications are now open. Go to the Transport NSW website for more information https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails.

Busways Western Sydney are going cashless from October 28.

ARE YOU LEAVING AT THE END OF 2019

As we are currently planning for 2020 classes, it is important that you advise the school if your child will not be returning next year. This allows us to offer places to families on our school waiting list and enable them to join our OLMC community. We require written notification and forms can be obtained from the school office.

KINDERGARTEN 2020 PLAYGROUP

Kindergarten 2020 Playgroup is on this Friday!

Our first playgroup sessions have already occurred, with over 40 students attending. It has been so exciting to meet some of our new Kindergarten students, and their families, for 2020. These sessions aim to support our students' transition to big school by focusing on social and emotional readiness. This special time for our students allows families to attend short information sessions on topics that will help their child successfully and confidently transition to school. Topic information can be found on the flyer sent home.



Please use the following link to RSVP to one or all of the above playgroup and parent sessions.

P&F NEWS

Parents and Friends Meet and Greet: It was great to see so many people at our first meet and greet on Monday afternoon. It was wonderful to meet families and make connections. The Parents and Friends will be hosting an afternoon tea at 2:30pm this afternoon so that you can come along and meet us and ask any questions you may have. We are always looking for new parents to participate. You may find that in 2020 you are able to take a more active role in the P&F in a formal or informal capacity and this is your chance to find out more. Come and have a cuppa and say hi. We would love to see you.

Annual General Meeting: At the conclusion of our General Meeting of the Parents and Friends Association on next Monday evening (4th November) at 7:00pm a light supper will be served. We invite everyone to come along and find out more about the vision for the school in 2020 and to find out more about how everything works. Thank you to those people who have submitted a nomination form. If you would like to nominate for a position within the Parents and Friends, please see the attachment in last week's newsletter. If you have something that you would like discussed at the meeting, please send it to the school office marked Parents and Friends, or email it to olmcpandf@gmail.com.

This column is compiled by the P&F. If you have any queries or wish to contribute, please email olmcwenty@parra.catholic.edu.au and attention it to P&F Communications.

Rouse Hill House and Farm

On Monday, Year 2 visited Rouse Hill House and Farm as part of our History unit. We had a great time dressing up as children from the 1800s! We experienced what it was like to go to school without ipads, apple TVs and even pencils or paper! We played games like dancing around the maypole and got to learn some sewing skills.







"I liked looking at the stables and the saddles used by the horses." Paige
"The classroom was dull and didn't have any TVs!" Jada J
"It was fun to pump the water into the buckets." Olivia
"I liked learning how to sew." Anthony K
"Dressing up like the olden days was fun." Angelina S
"I liked using the dolly pegs to hang up the washing." Mary

