



# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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Newsletter  
Term 3 Week 5

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

The most important people in all education systems are the students. They are the reason schools exist, but in the past their voices were the least heard. I don't mean that they are the quietest members of our communities. What I mean is that they have had limited say in what their education looks like or what they learn about. A significant shift in contemporary education has been the focus on capturing student voices to shape the learning that happens in our classrooms.

The teaching of good teachers has always been guided by topics and questions that interest the children. Our new curriculum documents are making this more explicit through their inquiry focus. An inquiry approach to learning and teaching requires teachers to capture what the children **know** and **need to know**, by asking them to share the questions they have on specific topics. The teachers then take this information and use it to develop their teaching and learning programs ensuring that they cover essential concepts as well as the interests of the children. The inquiry process also challenges the children to go deeper with their learning. They have a responsibility to apply their knowledge to investigate and find the answers to their questions.



At Our Lady of Mount Carmel, our children have many opportunities to have their voice heard. This is initially evident in their classrooms and everyday interactions with their classmates and teachers. Our Student Leaders and Student Representative Council have the opportunity to share the student voice on school initiatives. Our Year 6 children are currently participating in the Voice of Youth speaking competition, where they have prepared a short speech about an issue that means something to them. At the core of these and many other opportunities for the students to have a voice is their responsibility to always be respectful in the way they express themselves.



Jesus was an individual who challenged the way society viewed and interacted with the people on the margins of society. Jesus sought these people out and gave them a voice and an opportunity to be heard and included. In Catholic education we endeavour to do the same.

*Olimpia Pirovic*  
Acting Principal

***The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful***

## UPCOMING DATES

### Week 5

**Thu:** 8:15-8:40am Morning Workout  
(Students enter Bennett St Gate)

**Gates open at 8:15am sharp and will not be open again until 8:30am.**

Botanic Gardens Excursion - Yr 1

**Fri:** Taronga Zoo Excursion - Kindy

### Week 6

**Mon:** 9am Assembly - 1G  
Voice of Youth Cluster Final

**Tue:** Fathers' Day Stall

**Wed:** Netball Gala Day

**Thu:** 8:15-8:40am Morning Workout

Book Week Author Talk - Yrs 4 & 6

**Fri:** 8am Fathers' Day Bkfst & Mass

### FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE TICKET REMINDER

**Return all sold and/or unsold tickets by Tuesday, 27th August.**

## NOTES HOME

### Friday/Monday

- Student Leader Photos
- Fathers' Day Raffle & Stall
- Environmentors Incursion

### Today

- Fathers' Day Note - Year 2
- Garden Club Bunnings Visit

## MERIT AWARDS

KB	Sanaa ▪ Ariaah	4B	Azhric ▪ Sai
KG	Abbey ▪ Ithayan	4G	Antoine ▪ Mishti
1B	Jolenta ▪ Jeyaan	5B	Aiden ▪ Celine
1G	Miranda ▪ Samul	5G	Marcus ▪ Georges
2B	Mary ▪ Soleil	6B	Christian ▪ Nhial
2G	Alyna ▪ John	6G	Christopher ▪ Peter
3B	Justin ▪ Kinjal	CA	Anthony - 2B ▪ Zoe - KB
3G	Sameet ▪ Jose	PE	Luca - 6G ▪ Kyla - 1B

## STAR CARD AWARDS

**Gold Awards:** Alyna ▪ Hannah ▪ Elyssa ▪ Aiden ▪ Logan ▪ Victoria ▪ Alexander ▪ Jayden ▪ Diana ▪ Michael ▪ Liam ▪ Krisha ▪ Jasmine ▪ Charbel ▪ Francesco ▪ Madeline ▪ Jada ▪ Christopher ▪ James

**Opal Awards:** Angelina ▪ Simona ▪ Claudia ▪ Cristian ▪ Hasini ▪ Gevin ▪ John ▪ Elena ▪ Amelia ▪ Ariaah ▪ Candace ▪ Charlotte ▪ Cyril ▪ Isaac ▪ Isabella ▪ Josephine ▪ Leah ▪ Mariella ▪ Mia ▪ Michael ▪ Mridun ▪ Patrick ▪ Sanaa ▪ Mariam ▪ Aarush ▪ Joaquin ▪ Rishaan ▪ Elizabeth ▪ Gabriel ▪ Makanaka

**Platinum Awards:** Mia ▪ Sylvana ▪ Aakash ▪ Matthew ▪ Celine

**Principal's Awards:** Misha ▪ Anabel ▪ Kinjal ▪ Yelesta



## TERM 3 SCHOOL FEES

A reminder that Term 3 school fees are due for payment by **Wednesday, 28th August**. Families who have made flexible payment plan arrangements by Bpoint are reminded to check they have an end date for payments otherwise deductions will continue. Please ensure all Flexible Payment Plan arrangements are up to date so that accounts can be finalised on time. Should your family be experiencing financial hardship please contact the school office so that a confidential interview can be arranged with Miss Pirovic to discuss your situation.

## WHO ARE THE CARMELITES

Our Parish have organised a faith formation experience that will focus on exploring Carmelite Spirituality. Fr Paul Gurr will lead a series of events that will answer the question of....

### *Who are the Carmelites?* ✠

This is a unique opportunity for our parish and school community to deepen their understanding of our Carmelite traditions. All conversations begin at 7pm in the parish Centre. There is no cost but RSVPs are required for limited spaces. Contact Paola on 0414 947 799 to reserve your place.

4 September - The first Carmelites

11 September - The RULE of St Albert

18 September - Carmelite fundamentals-Prayer, Community, Service

25 September - Carmel today





