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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday 14 October Australian Carmelite Provincial, Paul Cahill, made the following announcement in his Provincial Newsletter:

***Martinho Da Costa** has been appointed Prior and Parish Priest of Coorparoo, Brisbane, Queensland as of 30 January 2021. On the same day, **Januario Pinto** will take up a new appointment as Assistant Priest at Wentworthville.*

*I take this opportunity to acknowledge the great contribution that both Martinho and Januario have made to their local Carmelite and parish communities at Coorparoo or Wentworthville. I thank them for their willingness and generosity in each taking up important new appointments.*

*Paul Cahill, O.Carm  
Prior Provincial*

We will really miss Martinho. He has made a tremendous contribution to the parish and school communities. At the same time, we congratulate Martinho on this new appointment. It is a great vote of confidence in Martinho that he can take on these important responsibilities of Parish Priest and Prior of the Carmelite community.

*Denis Andrew O. Carm.*  
Parish Priest



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

## UPCOMING DATES

### Week 2

**Wed:** Yr5 Illustrator Workshop  
Yr6 Planetarium In-School Experience

**Thur:** Work Out with Mr Jones  
**8:15am SHARP**

**Fri:** **WORLD TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION @ OLMC**

Stg 2 Funday

Yr1 Science In-School Exp

### Week 3

**Mon:** Assembly 4B  
Second Hand Uniform Shop OPEN **2:45pm - 3:10pm**

### 3:10pm

**Tue:** 2021 Kindergarten Information Evening ZOOM

**Wed:** Yr3 Science In-School Experience

## NOTES HOME

### This Week

- 2021 Yr6 Camp (Yr5)
- Yr6 Graduation Balls & Bears

- Yr5 Camp Collaroy 2021 **(RETURN ASAP)**

### Last Week

- Yr1 Super Pollinators
- Yr5 Illustrator Hub Painting
- Yr5 & 6 Rhythms of The World
- Kindergarten Jarara InSchool Experience
- Principal's Morning Tea
- Yr5 Staff Update
- Yr6 Reflection day note
- Yr3 Living Things Workshop
- Yr3 & 4 Giant Games Day

## MERIT AWARDS

KB	Lakshara ▪ Ruhi	4B	George ▪ Elizabeth
KG	Rishaan ▪ Tiana	4G	Lachlan ▪ Gabriel
1B	Mia ▪ Sanoshan	5B	Osean ▪ Sowjanya
1G	Candace ▪ Jerrick	5G	Harish ▪ Gabriella
2B	Krishna ▪ Alissa	6B	Georges ▪ Grace
2G	Alexander ▪ Olivia	6G	Hannah ▪ Noah
3B	Gabrielle ▪ John-Paul	CA	Hayden ▪ Luca
3G	Samyel ▪ Myra	PE	Serena ▪ Ethan

## STAR CARD REWARDS

**Gold Awards:** Zainah ▪

**Opal Awards:** Olivia ▪ Lucas ▪ Dev ▪

**Platinum Awards:** Rishaan ▪ Chanel ▪ Rajan ▪ Mia ▪ Leah ▪ Isabella ▪ Jerrick ▪ Riya ▪

**Principal's Awards:** Joshua ▪ Eli ▪ Aarush ▪ Alexia ▪ Kimberly ▪ Chad ▪ Cooper ▪ Bryson ▪ Georgia ▪

**Diamond Awards:** Mariam ▪



## MATHEMATICS COMPETITION RESULTS

**Distinction:** Sarayu, Sai.

**Credit:** Jerome, Harish, Ojas, Kinjal, Leela, Jose, Michael, Alanna, Dennis.

**Merit:** Lachlan, Kruti, Caitlyn, Bhakti, Alessandra.

**Participation:** Luke, Julian, John Justin, Sophia, Alexis, Simona, David, Markos, Sajin, Ashley, Mishti, Eva, Jieke, Sowjanya, Siya, Neha, Tony, Irene, Antoine, Saadhana, Aleisha, Chivonne, Chiara, Azhric, Mia, Roman, Sriharsha, Jacob, Navya, Erica, Riya, Lachlan, Savannah, Chelsea, Sameet, Siya, Myra, Sari, Rohan, Angelina, Katrina, Anthony, Kiara, Aibel, Marcus, Ryan, Neeti, Elyssa.

## KINDERGARTEN 2021 INFORMATION EVENING - ZOOM

This year, the 2021 Kindergarten Parent Information Evening will be via ZOOM on October 27th. Parents of all 2021 Kindergarten students are expected to join to begin their child's transition into Kindergarten at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Parents are encouraged to log in at 6:50pm for a 7pm start. Some of the topics that will be covered include, welcome to OLMC School and Parish, family, school & student responsibilities, orientation, playgroup and first days of 2021.

**Prior to that Zoom**, we are asking all families to collect their personalised Parent Information Pack from the School Office. This pack contains a lot of information, as well as materials vital for the Parent Zoom and upcoming orientation and playgroup sessions. Packs can be collected at any time between 8:30am until 3:30pm.

**Meeting ID:** 952 0725 1423 **PW:** 468588

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all our parish children who celebrated their First Holy Communion last weekend, and to those who will celebrate it in the coming weeks. The Mass celebrated on Saturday was an intimate and reflective experience for the children and their families.

May you always remember your first Communion as a time of family and friendship, may it continue to nourish your faith, and bless you all the days of your life. We keep all of these children in our prayers as they continue to participate more fully in their Catholic faith tradition.



## TRANSPORT NSW

2021 School Travel applications are now open. Go to the Transport NSW website for more information <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/sssts/#/howToAppl>

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## PRINCIPAL'S HOLIDAY CHALLENGE

There have been many clever entries in our Spring Holiday Challenge of re-creating an artwork. It's not too late to get your entries in! Email them to [olmcpincipalchallenge@gmail.com](mailto:olmcpincipalchallenge@gmail.com). Don't forget to complete your [reading log](#)

## THE TOP PARENT ISSUE IS UNSAFE DRIVING HABITS AROUND OLMC

Last week, it was reported by a parent that she witnessed an extremely close call between a family crossing the road and a driver being very impatient. Mrs Anderiesz also witnessed a parent nearly being hit by a reversing car.

Time after time we speak to parents about their responsibilities to be safe and respectful drivers, however, it may take a tragedy that makes drivers realise that a few seconds could be the difference between all of us getting home safely and the loss of one of our community members.

During the first two weeks of school there have been parents

- overtaking on double lines
- doing illegal U-turns on Bennett Street,
- parking across the Parish driveway,
- parking in the driveways of Bennett Street homes
- double parking or holding up the flow of traffic to get the closest parking spot

**However, it is not only drivers that have a responsibility! Parents need to be role models and display proper pedestrian behaviours.** Behaviours such as

- Walking behind cars that are reversing
- Crossing the road without using the pedestrian crossing
- Moving in between cars to cross the road
- Talking on a mobile phone while crossing the road
- Stopping in the middle of the road to talk to drivers

Are extremely frustrating for drivers and put everyone at risk.

The only people who can control what happens on the streets around our school are the OLMC community. Between 8:30-9:00am and 2:30-3:40pm there are 398 students who need to be transported safely, so it is unreasonable to expect to be in and out in 5 minutes. We cannot have a parking attendant or rangers policing the driving behaviour of our parents at all times, nor is it the job of school staff. We need all drivers to do the following:

- Obey the road rules
- Move on if there is no parking space available on Bennett Street, go around the block and keep the traffic moving
- Parents who think they may need more time on school grounds, are asked to park on Garfield Street, Smith Street or Perry Street. Leave Bennett Street, out front of the school, clear for those parents who are doing a fast pick-up.



## P&F NEWS

**Grandparents Day Sunday** This weekend we celebrate our grandparents and the older members of our community, acknowledging the wisdom and support they provide to us. This year, each family will receive 2 bookmarks to give to their grandparents or someone else that supports them as an elder figure in their life. We encourage you to take some time to call your grandparents and tell them about something you have really enjoyed reading this year, or perhaps posting a letter and a drawing about a book you have enjoyed with your bookmark. We pray that St Joachim and St Anne, the grandparents of Jesus, look after the older members of our community and bring them special blessings this weekend.

**Parents and Friends' Annual General Meeting -Monday 2nd November** Our Annual General Meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday 2nd November. It was decided at our last executive meeting (September 15th 2020) that due to COVID restrictions limiting possible activities, that we will leave the election to the roles of ancillary committees until 2021 (fundraising, social), so we can ensure that these contributions are meaningful and reflect the reality of 2021 as it unfolds. We are seeking nominations for the executive roles of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary, and we will vote on these. We will provide more information regarding these roles, the voting process and how the meeting will take place closer to the date.

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## Toys Over Time - Year 2 Incursion

On Tuesday 13th October Year 2 had a visit from Supreme Incursions with a great collection of toys from the past. There was lots of excitement as the students got to play with toys that their grandparents and parents may have played with, both indoors and outdoors.

"I loved the dress-up box, I was the Cat in the Hat and Olivia P was my sidekick, she had a giraffe mask" - Jayden M.



"Did you know that the Egyptians invented the spinning top?" - Liam

"We learned all about how the first Matchbox car was invented by a Dad for his daughter" - Arkyn

"There were some really old toys like a slinky, a cash register and a Jack-In-The-Box" - Lily

"There was a puppet theatre that was like a t.v." - Amalia



"Lots of old toys were made from wood and tin because plastic wasn't invented" - Thomas D.

