



# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Every Tuesday afternoon our Staff engage in a professional learning meeting. This week we took some time to reflect on the positives that the covid experience has brought into our life. *I can feel your intake of breath and thoughts of 'has Miss Pirovic gone crazy!'* The experiences of the past six months have been very challenging and have brought many unpleasant changes in our lives. However, this time has also brought some positives too.

- ❖ opportunities to slow down and realise what matters in our life
- ❖ time spent together as a family - playing games, talking, being together
- ❖ developing an understanding of the work that our partners or adult children do during their day
- ❖ greater consideration of other people's situation

This time has also brought a realisation of how lucky we are to be living where we do. While the limitations on our lifestyles may feel constraining and the number of cases are increasing, there are many cities and countries experiencing worse than we are. There will always be someone experiencing things in life that are worse than you are.

We are fortunate to be living in a community and country that places the common good above the individual. When we follow public health advice we are doing so not just to maintain our own personal health and that of our family, but also for our wider community. With that in mind I ask that parents continue to be vigilant when coming to school to drop off or pick up their children. This focus on the common good is evident in the way that parents have followed the school advice regarding the procedures put in place. I ask that parents continue to be vigilant in following advice to not congregate and move quickly when coming to school to drop off or pick up their children. We know that parents like to catch up and chat, but in this current climate it is not the best thing to do.

There is much for us to be thankful for and in difficult times it can be hard to see. I encourage you to regularly make time to name the positives in our life.

Dear Lord,

We give thanks for our many blessings, as we pray for those in need.

We give thanks for family and friends, as we pray for those who are lonely.

We give thanks for freedoms, as we pray for those who are oppressed.

We give thanks for our good health, as we pray for those who are ill.

We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity, as we share our blessings with others.

May the love of God enfold us,  
the peace of God dwell within us  
and the joy of God uplift us.

Amen

*Olimpia Pirovic*  
Principal



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

## UPCOMING DATES

### Week 5

**Wed:** Training band 3:10-3:50pm-  
Cancelled

**3:15-4:15pm** League Stars Clinic  
Begins (No Parents to stay on  
site)

**Thurs:** Work Out with Mr Jones  
**8:15am**

### Week 6

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

**Tues:** School Banking

**Wed:** Training band 3:10-3:50pm-  
Cancelled

**3:15-4:15pm** League Stars Clinic  
Begins (No Parents to stay on site)

**Tell Them From Me Survey Period Continues**  
[COMPLETE PARENT SURVEY NOW](#)

## NOTES HOME

### Last Week

- 3 Blue Staffing News
- Yr 1 Online Reading Account
- Yr 4 Jarara
- Yr 2 Crazy Chemicals

### This Week

- Photos for Yr 6 Leaders, SRC, Sports Leaders and Year 6 Grade Photo
- Yr 4 Science Incursion
- Yr 1 Science Incursion
- New Band Lesson Arrangements

## MERIT AWARDS

KB	Joanne ▪ Havishaa	4B	Arav ▪ Stella
KG	Vishvassha ▪ Kayana	4G	Emad ▪ Diana
1B	Summer ▪ Owen	5B	Xavier ▪ Maroun
1G	Mia ▪ Aakash	5G	Charlotte ▪ Matteo
2B	Hansikaa ▪ Kian	6B	Lila ▪ Aiden
2G	Paul ▪ Emily	6G	Joel ▪ Clara
3B	Olivia ▪ Zahara	CA	Jerrick ▪ Henry
3G	Amelia ▪ Angelina	PE	Olivia ▪ Sophie

## STAR CARD REWARDS

**Gold Awards:** Winona ▪ Neeti ▪ Makaanaka ▪ Diana ▪ Mia ▪ Annalise ▪ Makayla ▪ Rajan ▪ Yelesta ▪ Bryson ▪ Samuel ▪ Rishaan ▪ Jayden ▪ Aimie ▪ Markos ▪ Maroun ▪ Riya ▪ Abraham ▪ Leela

**Opal Awards:** Catherine ▪ Alessandra ▪ Isabella ▪ Tony ▪ Mia ▪ Neeti ▪ Aarush ▪ Jada ▪ Estelle ▪ Stella ▪ Chiara ▪ Aayan ▪ Olivia ▪ Sri Harika ▪ Jacob ▪ Magdalene ▪ Joanne ▪ Lakshara

**Platinum Awards:** Angelina ▪ Matthew ▪ Aleisha ▪ Eva ▪ Lucas ▪ Erica ▪ Aibel ▪ Liya ▪ Elyssa ▪ Alanna ▪ Amelia ▪ Serena ▪ Amelia ▪ Michael ▪ Iliia ▪ Anaishca ▪ Sienna ▪ Lucinda ▪ Alana ▪ Lachlan ▪ Ruhi ▪ Isabelle ▪ Luke ▪ Emma ▪ Havishaa ▪ Pravi ▪ Adison



## LATEST COVID ADVICE

This week, further advice and restrictions were announced. This has, and will continue to impact what the rest of 2020 looks like at school. Families need to understand that we do not get to choose which restrictions we follow and which we will bend or ignore, we must follow all advice to ensure the health and safety of all of our students, families, staff and community members. As of today, any student **must not attend school if they are unwell.**

- Students who are absent from school or who have been sent home due to flu like symptoms **must be tested**
- Students **must not return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free**
- Schools must **sight the negative COVID-19 test result** prior to allowing students to return to school i.e. NSW Health or COVID-19 Testing Centre correspondence (SMS or email or hard copy) and/or a medical certificate must be provided to the school and a record of this kept by the school.
- If your child is being tested and awaiting results, Parents are expected to inform the school so that we can apply a 'Flexible' code for attendance.



## FATHERS' DAY AT OLMC

Thank you to the many families that have already provided ONE photo of their child/ren with their Dad, Grandfather or important male figure. We would love every family to be represented in our special presentation, but we need your help in sending your photo by Friday. Please send to [Landeriesz@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Landeriesz@parra.catholic.edu.au)

## KEEPING UPDATED

One of our key modes of communication between home and school is the OLMC Skoolbag app. We use the app to send notices and the weekly newsletters direct to your phone. We also have our [OLMC Facebook page](#) that is regularly updated with important notices and exciting events from the week.



To optimize the benefits of these platforms please ensure that you have updated the Skoolbag app with notifications 'turned on', and have followed the [OLMC Facebook Page](#) to ensure you receive notifications through your feed.

## SRC UPDATE

The SRC team are working on designing new stickers for our playground bins to help the children make good choices about their waste. They are asking for help from the children to design a **Garbage Monster Mascot** that can be used on the stickers. So let's get creative and see what we can come up with. Send any design ideas to the office or the class SRC representatives.

## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Vincent N & Sari S from Year 3 for completing the PR challenge in the past week. There are currently 59 students with incomplete records, meaning they have started the PRC but are still on their way to finishing. **The last day for the challenge is the 28th August**



Your child's online reading log can be accessed via the [Student Site](#)

## FINES ARE COMING - DRIVING AROUND OLMC

On Monday parking inspectors came to inspect the traffic situation around OLMC after a frustrated member of the community made a complaint about traffic banking up on Station Street. Inspectors were very clear about the expectations of drivers waiting for a car spot on Bennett Street, with failure to comply with this road rule resulting in a definite fine. **When turning onto Bennett Street, if a car is not pulling out of a space you CAN NOT sit and wait**, even if the parent is sitting in their car and you think they may move soon, you **MUST** move on. If you sit and wait, even for a few seconds, you are double parking and could be fined. **Drivers must drive safely and keep the traffic flowing**. While we have encouraged families to park further away if they will be at the school longer, as a courtesy, there is no time limit for drivers when parking on Bennett Street after 9:30am. **All drivers must obey the road rules.**

## P&F NEWS

### Fathers' Day Raffle

Raffle tickets came home last week. If you did not receive any, or you would like some more, please send a note to the school office and we will send them home. If you are unable to sell the tickets sent home, please return them to the office. Thanks to all the families who have returned their tickets already. Good luck in the draw to win one of our amazing prizes. Thanks to GBS for donating a Makita Drill Set valued at \$399 for our first prize.

**Please return all sold and unsold tickets to the school office by Wednesday 1st September.**

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, WENTWORTHVILLE

# FATHERS DAY RAFFLE!

DRAWN ON THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2020  
TICKETS 50 CENTS EACH

**PRIZES:**

1st Prize Makita Brushless 2 piece drill set (valued at \$399)	4th Prize Tommy Hilfiger mens wallet (valued at \$110)	7th Prize Supercheap Auto voucher (valued at \$50)
2nd Prize Car Cooler/fridge (valued at \$200)	5th Prize Nautica Blue mens cologne (valued at \$90)	8th Prize Thermoelectric cooler chest (valued at \$50)
3rd Prize Chrome Azzaro men's cologne (valued at \$120)	6th Prize Snacks & Scratchies hamper (valued at \$70)	9th Prize Remington Shaver (valued at \$40)
		10th Prize Formula X Car cleaning set (valued at \$40)

Please return any sold or unsold tickets by NO LATER THAN Tuesday 1st September, 2020. Thank you, P&F Fundraising Committee



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