



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

As a faith community we are approaching the celebration of our feast day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on the 16 of July. Interestingly, one of the readings for Sunday's Mass focuses on the prophet Elisha, who is a central figure in our Carmelite tradition.

This Sunday's reading tells of a woman who noticed Elisha passing her home and offered him hospitality. She noticed that Elisha often passed her house on journeys and realised that he must be a holy man. She suggested to her husband that they build a room for Elisha, so that whenever he came he could rest there. Elisha was grateful for this hospitality and wanted to repay the kindness. He asked his servant '*What can be done for her?*' The servant told Elisha that the woman and her husband were old and did not have a child. Elisha called the woman and told her '*This time next year you will hold a son in your arms*'. Through Elisha's intercession with God this was so.



Elisha was a prophet who was venerated in the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths. He was a disciple and protege of Elijah. Elisha was the last witness of Elijah when he rose to heaven. Elisha received the spirit of Elijah, when Elijah handed over his reign by giving him his cloak. Elisha went on to perform many miracles, among these was the curing of Naaman of leprosy, raising a boy from the dead and the miracle mentioned in this week's reading.

A core value of the Carmelite tradition is one of **hospitality**. This week's scripture has a common thread of welcome. We see this in the hospitality that the woman showed toward Elisha. Then in the Gospel, Matthew recounts Jesus' words....

Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

This reminds us that when we offer hospitality and welcome we are honouring God. We offer hospitality to those we love on a regular basis. Our challenge as followers of Christ is to offer hospitality to those we do not know or those in need. We offer hospitality without the expectation of reward. How can we be like the woman who welcomed Elisha and offer hospitality beyond our family?

Olimpia Pirovic
Principal

The Community of OLMC is Safe and Respectful

UPCOMING DATES

Week 9

Wed: Year 5 Reward Day

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

Fri: Student reports sent home

Week 10

Mon: 2:30pm-3:00pm Second Hand Uniform Shop Open

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

7pm: 2021 Family Fun Fair Zoom

Fri: LAST DAY OF TERM 3!

1pm: 2021 Family Fun Fair Zoom (Repeat)

NOTES HOME

Last Week

- OLMC Feast Day Picnic Blankets
- Kindergarten & Yr 1 Living Eggs In-School Experience
- ICAS Competition

This Week

- Kindergarten 100 Days of School Fun Day

DISMISSAL RETURNS TO 3:10PM FROM 29TH JUNE (Next Monday)

MERIT AWARDS

KB	Lakshara S • Alana S	4B	Ojas P • Chimir K
KG	Alana S • Olivia M	4G	Michael A • Annalise M
1B	Ariah J • Isaac A	5B	Jasmine S • Aleisha H
1G	Alexia G • Mridun A	5G	Sebastian N • Roman D
2B	Alissa Y • Krisha P	6B	Lachlan D • Sanjana V
2G	Miranda C • Abigail A	6G	Michaela M • Michael D
3B	Kiara P • Dennis D	CA	Chad B • Sai R
3G	Shivani G • Grace O	PE	Gabriella S • Gabriella M

STAR CARD REWARDS

Gold Awards: Mrunal K • Alana S • Emma K • Havishaa T • Kiara V Pravi S • Sari S • Aarush K • Amelia P • Joshua S • Isabel A • Taliah V Irene M • Alessandra M • Ashley T • Charlotte K • Tony N • Luke M • Sienna A Iliia A • Lucinda B • Cyril R • Anabel Y • Osean N • Chivonne G • Aleisha H Clara F • Myra M • Rhianna H • Sophia G • Mariella G • David D • Michaela M Gabriella S • Jeremiel Y • Anthony K



Opal Awards: Sai R • Annabel N • Amalia K • Eva S • Olivia P • Ryan G Elyssa A • Matteo O • Kruti P • Sebastian N • Deng M • Jasmine S • Amelia A Aibel K • Alexis G • Hannah J

2021 OLMC FAMILY FUN FAIR ZOOM

The planning for our 2021 OLMC Family Fun Fair is underway! We have a number of people who have already volunteered for some key positions on the organising committee. We will be hosting two zoom meetings to share the vision and continue the planning process. The meetings are open to all members of our school and parish community and doesn't lock you into a job. We look forward to chatting with you about this exciting event.

Thursday 2nd July: 7pm 2021 Family Fun Fair Zoom
928 6609 5602

PW: 794519

Friday 3rd July 1pm: 2021 Family Fun Fair Zoom (Repeat)
956 3938 3413

PW: 838086

OLMC FEAST DAY CALL OUT

We are asking families to lend us their picnic blankets. If you have a picnic blanket that you're happy to lend us please place in a plastic bag and send in with your child. They will be returned when the event is over. Please make sure your blanket is labeled with your family name and grade.

LOST PROPERTY

There are still lots of unlabeled jumpers and jackets in lost property.

HAVE YOU LABELLED YOUR CHILD'S UNIFORM YET?

THANKYOU TO FAMILIES

The students have acknowledged all the hard work, persistence, patience and trust their families showed during learning from home period. If you haven't seen our thank you video, you can view it from our Facebook page or scan the QR code



SCAN ME

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the 13 children, who completed the challenge this week.

Kinder: Lucinda B & Luke M **Year 1:** Jerrick J & Catherine V **Year 2: EVERYONE!**

Year 3: Neeti B, Aibel K, Kiara K, Anthony M, Gabrielle M, Katrina N, Rohan P & Zahara R

Year 6: Sophia G

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

REMEMBER...the challenge rules have changed due to our students extended period at home, making completing the challenge easier to complete. The following adjustments will be applied to the Challenge in 2020:

- Students on all Challenge levels are able to read 10 choice books - an increase from five.
- Students on all Challenge levels will be able to include books on their reading records that they read collaboratively as a class, in person or online with their teacher or at home with their parents/carers.
- Students who complete the Challenge in 2020 will be able to count this towards cumulative awards.

To enter the Bonus Choice Books on the [Student Site](#), students can search for "2020 Bonus" on both the main search page, or in the "add choice book" tab, and these [records will appear for them to add to their Reading Record](#).

The last day for the challenge is the 28th August



MISSING LIBRARY BOOKS - PLEASE HELP!

Thank you to the families who went on a book hunt last week. We had many many books returned. But there are still more missing! Please keep looking for them, look in the cupboards, under the bed, behind the shelves, in the toy box and possibly even in the pantry! We need these returned asap. There will be no borrowing this week or next week to help us conduct our own search.



REMEMBER THESE ARE NOT JUST LIBRARY BOOKS - THEY ALSO INCLUDED GUIDED READERS

3:10PM PICKUP RETURNS WEEK 10

Next week, we will end the term the way we want to start Term 3 by going back to a 3:10pm pick up time. We urge parents to continue to maintain social distancing expectations prior to pick up and collecting children and moving quickly.

PAYMENTS

This year all CEDP schools are moving to a cashless model of payment. With the recent situation in relation to COVID19 and the general use of contactless payments, OLMC will now encourage all payments to be contactless. You can make payments in person using eftpos or your credit card. You can make payments over the phone with your credit card or via direct deposit. Please contact the school office for account details.

P&F NEWS

Planning for Term 3

It's hard to believe that in a week and a half we are on holidays again! Term 2 feels like a year's worth of circumstances in 10 weeks and we are grateful for all the work parents have done to adapt and respond to the ever changing environment we find ourselves in. Thank you for being willing to move with us during these ever changing times.

We are making plans for future events and we ask that you do a few things to enable the smooth running of things. Please ensure that the school office is aware of your contact details, particularly your email address, so we can make sure that you have the latest information through the newsletter. We would also ask that if you have not already done so, you download the Skoolbag app, as last minute changes to anything are best communicated this way. If your child has any allergies, we ask that you ensure that the school office is made aware of them so that they can be considered in any catering decisions we consider.



Finally, we ask that you consider getting involved in whatever capacity you can. We know that time is precious and we truly appreciate any help you can offer. There are many ways to get involved and many hands make light work. We are blessed with a very generous parent community, and we thank you for all that you already do. As we move towards 2021 and the Funfair, we ask for your continued support and generosity.

This column is compiled by P&F Communications. If you have any queries or wish to contribute, please email olmcpandf@gmail.com and attention to P&F Communications.

GARDENING CLUB

This year the Gardening Club has been putting in extra effort to maintain our garden.

The compost team has begun working on collecting the fruit scraps for compost from each grade and putting it into our school compost bin. We turn the compost bin each day and make sure our worms have been fed. Earlier this year we used the compost that our school collected last year and put it into our garden beds.

Even though the winter time is a slow time for growing plants, we still have so much growing in the garden like capsicum, chives, beetroot, lettuce, passionfruit, snow peas, spinach, strawberries, and lots of marigold flowers.

Despite water restrictions, we have managed to keep our garden alive and healthy. We thought of a watering trick to keep the garden well-watered and Isabella B went home and made our garden beds their very own self watering system using recycled bottles.

Did you know that gardening takes place on Mondays and Fridays at lunch time.

