



Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish School

NEWSLETTER



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Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains.

We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land.

We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.

Approved by Kurna Elder Uncle Lewis O'Brien 2004

TERM 2

WEEK 5

29th MAY 2019

MATTERS OF INTEREST AND IMPORTANCE THIS WEEK

VIP DAY – NEXT FRIDAY

The 2019 VIP Day is on next Friday morning (7th June). We will start the morning with our Assembly at 9:00am in the school hall. VIP's are then invited to join the students in their classrooms to watch and join in a range of activities. Classes will then have a shared morning tea from approximately 10:30am. Tea and coffee will be available from the School Canteen. Our VIP Day will conclude at 11:00am when play time commences for all students. We welcome all VIP's in our students lives and look forward to sharing the morning with you.

St Vincent de Paul – Winter Appeal

Our Student Representative Council (SRC) will be coordinating OLMC's efforts to support the Pennington Chapter of St Vincent de Paul for their Annual Winter Appeal. We are seeking donations of any non-perishable foods (e.g. - canned or packet soup, pasta, rice, tinned fruit, cereals, baked beans to name a few) and blankets or unused socks, beanies etc. As we draw closer to Winter there are many in our local community who will struggle to keep themselves and their families clothed, fed and warm over the coming months. Any donations to the Winter Appeal are directly supporting those most in need in our local community. We will be collecting items until Friday 21st June (Week 8) and students can take any donations into their classroom during this period. We thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting those most in need within our local community.

STUDENT WELLBEING AND SAFETY

We share the following regular reminder to encourage families to have a conversation about actions that support children's safety:

“Students and families are reminded to be wary of approaches from strangers, especially when they are unaccompanied or travelling to and from school. If they are approached, students should not respond and should not accept offers of rides or gifts.

Students should seek the assistance of other nearby adults if they feel unsafe and should report the event to a trusted adult (parent or school staff member) as soon as possible.

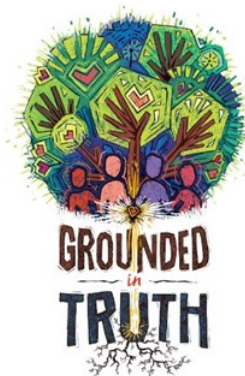
SAPOL advises that taking out a mobile phone and calling police can deter the offender and they recommend the student making a formal report to their closest police station.”

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK: 27th MAY – 3rd JUNE

This week we celebrate National Reconciliation Week across Australia and take this opportunity to continue along the path of reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Throughout this week, students will learn about Reconciliation, its meaning and the reasons why this is such an important week for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people including the 1967 Referendum and 1992 Mabo ruling in the High Court. The 2019 theme for NRW is: Grounded in Truth, Walk Together with Courage. This theme allows us all to acknowledge that there is a harsh truth when it comes to our colonial past and the treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. By telling and acknowledging the truth, it also provides an opportunity for us all to walk together as one unified nation.

The students from our Year 2/3 Unit will lead a whole school Mass on Friday morning to mark and celebrate National Reconciliation Week. Mass will commence at 9:15am in the OLMC Church and all members of our community are invited to join us.

We also have a group of approximately 14 students representing OLMC at the Mount Carmel College Reconciliation Week Mass on Thursday.



NWJSA SOCCER

This is the last round of matches on the current fixture list. The NWJSA will release the next group of fixtures in the coming weeks, so please keep checking with your child's coach/manager, on the NWJSA website or the school noticeboard (outside the library). Please note there are no games scheduled for the Queen's Birthday long weekend (8th June).

OF INTEREST.....

SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS

A reminder to families of the changes to our canteen ordering procedures during Pat's ongoing absence. The canteen will NOT be open before school. Parents are therefore asked to ensure lunch orders are placed in your child's lunch order box in the classroom. Spare lunch bags and a canteen menu are also in class lunch boxes. The full Canteen menu is once again available and our Winter Recess Specials can be purchased over the counter each day (please refer to the Menu). The Qkr! app remains available to use for lunch orders until 9:15am each day. Thank you to those who volunteered to be a part of our Canteen Roster your help is greatly appreciated.

REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

A reminder to all families that the uniform shop opening hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.30 until 9.30 and Wednesday from 3.00 until 4.00. The Qkr! App is also available for any uniform purchases outside of these hours.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS AT OLMC

A reminder to all families that you are most welcome to join us at all Class and Whole School Masses.

Class and Whole School Masses generally take place on Fridays at 9:15am and are held in the Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church (next to the school).

Masses and Liturgies for Term 2 are as follows:

- Friday 31st May (9:15am) – Reconciliation Week (Whole School Mass) – OLMC Church – Hosted by Year 2/3 Unit
- Friday 28th June (9:15am) – Reception / Year 1 Unit Mass – OLMC Church

KEY DATES

Please be aware of the following important dates:

- Thursday 30th May – R/1 Unit Zoo Excursion
- Thursday 30th May – Reconciliation Week Mass at Mt Carmel College
- Friday 7th June – Assembly and VIP Day
- Monday 10th June – Queens Birthday Public Holiday

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