Our Lady of Mt Carmel
School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 5
March 4th, 2016

Prayer

Prayer for Lent

Jesus, you spent forty days in the hot, dusty desert to get ready to do your Father’s work.
Help us to get ready for Easter during the forty days of Lent.
Help us to forgive others, to say ‘sorry’ and to make peace with everybody.
Help us to say ‘yes’ to others so that we can follow you more closely.
In this time of Lent give us generous hearts to become better people,
More helpful people,
More loving people.
Amen

OLMC Calendar Important Dates

7th March – Labour Day Public Holiday
11th March – Mullewa Family Fun Day
17th March – St Patricks Day
18th March – OLMC Swimming Carnival
18th March – Newsletter
22nd March – Tuckshop

Upcoming Dates to Remember
25th March – Good Friday
27th March – Easter Sunday
28th March – Easter Monday
29th March – Easter Tuesday
4th-5th April – Pupil Free Days

‘Love one another, as I have loved you.’
We are officially at the halfway mark of what is a very busy term. Please make sure that you have added important dates to your calendar so that you don’t miss a thing! People have flippantly remarked that there is not much happening in Mullewa, but with all of the planning for events later in the year, town events, school events and family commitments to their children’s out of school activities - life is extremely busy. The old saying of "give a busy person the job to do" works well because they are always able to make things happen.

Some reminders of date changes - Swimming Carnival - Friday 18th March.

A big thank you from Mrs Messina regarding permission slips and responses to help on the day. So far we have 8 helpers for the 8am setup and 10 volunteers to help with the Carnival. A perfect display of ‘caring’ for others and reaping the rewards of being a part of a great day at the same time!

There is no way that we could have many of our school functions without the support of our families. This builds community, makes people feel welcome, helps to relieve stress with many hands and the kids love to have their families involved. My heartfelt thanks go to you for what you do.

The preparation for this Carnival lies solely in the hands of Mrs Messina. She has been doing this for many years; preparing the children to enjoy swimming as well as striving to achieve personal bests! We are very fortunate to have a passionate teacher who gives so much energy to our children. Tracey’s experience and dedication to Our Lady of Mount Carmel is valued and greatly appreciated. Just to let you know how lucky we are, in Carnarvon we had six Phys Ed teachers over a period of eight years!

Mrs Messina has been aided by a group of mums who help each week, by putting on their togs (bathers) and assisting the children in developing their skills. A very big thank you to Sarat Bainbridge, Melinda Weir, Jenna McGregor, Pip Rumble and Penny Critch.

Again - without you, this could not be possible!

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School Fees
With the rollover to new GL codes as well as having our new Finance Officer Kylie Womersley, School Fees have been late going out. We will be sending out the new fees and methods of payments over the next few weeks. Please take the time to respond as soon as possible, thank you.

Principals Conference
Next week I will be attending the Catholic Primary Principal’s Conference in Geraldton. Every year Principals from our Catholic system meet to participate in leadership development. This year’s focus is ‘Live Well, Lead Well, Be Well.’ Ms Jill will be looking after our school whilst I am away.

Baptisms
As Easter approaches, we prepare for the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday. This is a very important occasion for Catholics as it signifies the start of a new life for us. It is also a great time to be thinking of having your child Baptised. Father Robert would welcome enquiries to organise this special blessing of your child.

Father Robert can be contacted on 9961 1181 or email olmcchurch@westnet.com.au

Absentee Notes
Parents or carers will be receiving notes regarding absences of children. As it is a legal requirement, could you please complete the forms and return as soon as possible, thank you.

Pick-up of students
I have noticed lately that after school pick-up time has become quite congested directly in front of the driveway/double gate entrance. This has become a safety concern. It would help greatly if vehicles could be kept away from this entry and exit point of the school so that teachers, children, parents and carers have a clear view to walk to their car. There is plenty of parking and room in front of the Admin building for vehicles to pull up and park. Please help to keep this area clear for the safety of the children. Thank you.

Earn and Learn
Thank you to everyone who supported the Earn and Learn collection of dockets. We were able to select a bag of tennis balls and some footballs from the points collected. Well done!

Dental Van
The Dental Van will be coming to Mullewa Thursday 18 March. Appointments will be sent out via the Dental Van and not through the school. Please check to see if you have an appointment time and be sure to let the office know and the van know if this time does not suit. We understand that there are families that already have a Dentist that they may visit in Geraldton, if this is the case please let the Dental Team know you will not be requiring their services. We value having the Dental van visit our town, because it takes the pressure of families having to travel to Geraldton. Your support of this service is vital for it to be ongoing and the dental health of your children. Let us know if we can help with appointments.

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Mother's Day
We are asking families to send in photos of mums and their children. It can be granny's, nannas or any significant ladies who are loved in your families.
We will be having a Mother's Day Assembly next term and would like to have an 'Ode to Mothers.' Digital is fine, these can be emailed to admin@olmc.wa.edu.au or you can bring a photo to be scanned and we can return the original.

Next week for Project Compassion we will be focusing on Evangeline from Wugularr in the Northern Territory. Like many remote communities, there are many complex challenges. Caritas has been supporting the development of the Cultural Enterprise Program which has helped people like Evangeline secure a job, develop positive self-esteem and skills to transfer into other areas of work. Don't forget to ask the children what they have learned about our people in the north of Australia next week.

'We all have the ability, the difference is how we use it.'
God Bless
Di Nyman

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Office Reminders

！！Parent/Emergency Contact and Medical Emergency Information！！

If your contact details change throughout the year please contact the office as soon as possible and update your information. Please also let the office know if your child has any allergy and/or medical condition. It is imperative that the school has the most up to date and correct information in case of an emergency.

P&F Notices

The P&F are calling for volunteers to help with the preparation and selling of food and drinks at Ernie Holmes clearing sale next Wednesday 9th March. If you are able to help please contact Jenna McGregor or Tim Critch.

Tim Critch
P&F President

Jenna McGregor
P&F Secretary

Janice Park
Treasurer

Parish Notices

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
– Mass is celebrated every Sunday commencing at 8:30am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students that received an award at today’s assembly. Keep up the great work!!

Riley Keeffe
Aiden Weir
Sahara Flannagan
Latoya Buck
Maggie Critch
Kiarbroe Hamlett
Jayliesha Hamlett
Isabella Low
Angus Critch
Isabella Critch
Lochlain Park

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following staff and students.

11th March – Hunter Rumble
17th March – Mrs Tamisha Papertalk
18th March – Sofie Weir

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UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

Monday 8.30am to 3pm and 3pm to 8.30pm
Tuesday 8.30am to 3pm and 3pm to 8.30pm
Now located in the hall.
Order forms can be sent home with your child on request.
Rebecca Dregrom is your uniform co-ordinator.

Footy Tipping Competition

The AFL 2016 football season kicks off on Thursday the 24th March 2016 and a tipping competition is being run again this year to raise money for the OLMC P&F Association. For $70 you can join the competition and tip your way to winning the $100 weekly prizes plus major end of year prizes.

This year the tipping competition will be run online through www.itipfooty.com.au. You will need access to a computer, tablet or smartphone. To join the competition email olmcfootytipping@gmail.com to obtain the competition name and password.

Alternatively tipping packs are available from Yarrumba Deli, Thurlies, OLMC office and Janelle Rowe. Payments can be made in cash or by EFT.

Weekly cash prizes plus end of season cash prizes

Contact Janelle Rowe for details
olmcfootytipping@gmail.com or 9961 9003

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Indigenous Scholarships at Wesley

In partnership with AIS (Australian Indigenous Education Foundation), Wesley College offers Indigenous Scholarships for indigent and Torres Strait Islander boys from rural, regional and non-urban areas in Western Australia who enter Years 7, 8, 9 or 10 in 2015. Applicants will be selected on academic merit and a desire to attend Wesley College, have a record of good attendance and who have demonstrated a commitment to education and leadership qualities. Applicants must be aged 11 years or over at the time of application.

A short-list of applicants will be selected for a personal interview with the scholarship panel. The interview is usually made up of three people, including the headmaster, his representatives, the Indigenous Program Coordinator, and a representative of the Indigenous community.

Application Close: Friday 29 April 2016
Interviews: To be confirmed

Application Process:

Applicants must submit the following:

- A copy of the Indigenous Scholarship Application Form.
- A copy of the AISP (Australian Indigenous Scholarship Foundation) Form.

Please lodge your Application Forms at the following address:

Wesley College Enquiries Office
P.O. Box 249
SOUTH PERTH WA 6151

For further information, please contact the Enquiries Manager, Matt Henning, on 9368 8073, or email enquiries@wesley.wa.edu.au; Indigenous Program Coordinator, Ken Lamm on 9368 8070, or email ken.lamm@wesley.wa.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Henning & Kalli Mitchell
Wesley College Enquiries

12 February 2015

ATTN: The Principal
Our Lady of Mount Carmel School
P.O. Box 75
MULLEWA WA 6630

Dear Principal,

Wesley College is proud to offer a range of scholarships and bursaries to rural students for entry in 2015. We would like to express our gratitude for your support and encouragement of our students.

Successful applicants must demonstrate strong academic achievement and a commitment to academic excellence. There is also a range of scholarships and bursaries available to support a well-rounded and committed student who is of financial necessity.

Music Scholarships (Year 7 entry)

Music is an integral part of our school program, and we provide a large and diverse instrumental program through a wide range of choirs and orchestras, many of whom perform at the highest levels. The success of our music program is evidenced by the large number of students who have already been selected into WAAPA and UWA and continued their training in music as a career.

Early Dates and Information for Year 7 & 10 Scholarship Entry

Application Process: Online Applications (accessed via the College website)

- Examination Dates: Friday 3 April 2015

- Applications close: 15 March 2015

There are an option to sit the exams remotely if unable to attend scholarship testing day.

OWGA Finalists’ Award (Year 11 entry)

The OWGA Award is a prestigious award for students in Year 11. The opportunity to attend the College provides a range of benefits, including access to a diverse range of extracurricular activities.

Further information is available on the College website (www.wesley.wa.edu.au) or by contacting the Enquiries Manager on 9368 8073 or enquiries@wesley.wa.edu.au.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further details and to secure a position in our program. You can also contact us directly if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Henning & Kalli Mitchell
Wesley College Enquiries
I like playing with friends and swimming in the pool. Edward

I like trying hard work. Jayleisha

I have been playing with the ponies. It is nice to be here. When I came I was very happy. I loved this school more than my old school. I thought people would be mean, but they were not mean. Bella

I like being the computer girl and reading the books at the school library. My favourite subjects are writing on the computer, maths and reading. I love my friends. I don’t worry about school at all. Lola

I like learning maths and words. Kiarbroe

I like to go to the pool and I like to play with Jay Jay and Kiarbroe and reading the books and maths. I like Year 4. Amber

I love Year Three. I love learning all my times tables and facts on all the different African animals and grasslands and savannas. I have made a new friend, her name is Bella. Sofie

I am happy to be at OLMC because I am happy making new friends and helping other kids out. I like playing with my friends. I like playing, work, helping the teachers and using my imagination. (Kaiyne)

I like playing on the monkey bars and the slide and playing with the kids. I like playing the computer and playing with the baby. (Jame)

This week for Project Compassion we have been looking at Australia and a girl named Evangeline. She has a husband who sews and plants some vegetables. (Riley)

I’m happy to be with all my friends from Year 1/2 and now one of my best friend’s, Angus, is in my class and every day in the morning I play with him. (Benjamin)

I like playing with the ponies. We pretend we’re on a boat with the ponies and we travel everywhere. I play with Bella and Lola. (Chykiarah)

I learnt how to make shaving cream into a picture. It was fun. (Lachlan)
Year 5/6 Class Newsletter

The Year 5/6 students have been hard at work this term. In Society and Environment they have been learning about bushfires. In class they have been exploring the fire triangle. They understand that a fire needs fuel, oxygen and heat. The 5/6 students were lucky enough to have Darren Fulker and Michael Little come into the class to talk to them about bushfires. Here is what they learnt:

On Friday the 26th of February, Bull and Michael came to our class and told us about fires and the worse fires of all was Victoria, Australia. – Okhule

On Friday the 26th of February Bull and Michael came in. They told us about bushfires. We learnt that 8 people volunteer for the fires. We also learnt how to use the hose from the truck. – Shannyn

On Friday I learnt about the fire trucks. To tell people to turn the water on you put your hand to your head up and down and yell water on. To turn the water off you start at your chest to the side and yell water off. They also showed us how to turn the siren on, it was loud! – Luyanda

I learnt how to turn on the sirens and where the equipment is located on the truck. I also learnt that in the back of the truck there is a blue bag with spare clothes and spare helmets. It was awesome! – Thomas

I learnt that south Mullewa has a 3000 litre tank and Tenindewa has got a 4000 litre tank fire truck. We also learnt about the fire danger scales and how long it would take to empty 2000 litre tank. It takes 4 minutes! – Reuben

Bull and Michael came from the fire station to talk about fires and show the equipment on the fire truck. – Aidan

Bull and Michael taught us all about how to become a volunteer fire fighter. They also taught us the fire rating and how the spray the hose from the truck. – Tyler

I learnt that fire trucks can carry 600L, 1000L, 3000L and 4000L. I also learnt that a 200L fire truck has 3 hoses, one on the back, one up the top and a spare on the side. – Caleb

I learnt about what is on a fire truck and the fire man signals to turn the water on and off. Bull and Michael also let us turn the siren on. – Caitlin

On Friday I got to use the hose from the fire truck. It was fun! – Mia
When Michael and uncle Bull came in to teach us about fires I learnt more about the fire triangle and that there are 8 firefighters in Mullewa. – Brooke

In Five/Six we have been learning about bushfires. On Friday Bull and Michael came to our school. They taught us a lot about bushfires. I learnt the acronym LACES. 
L=Lookout, A= Area, C= Communication, E= Emergency, S= Safety. – Isabella

When Bull and Michael came in they taught us about a different fire rating. They also taught us how to turn the sirens on. – Saxon

On Friday two members from the fire station came to class, Michael and Bull. They told us about the fire truck and the fire car. The whole 5/6 class got to turn on the sirens and turn it off. It was really fun! – Xander

I got to turn the siren on the fire truck. It was fun! – Lochlain
OLMC QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 2nd April at the Mullewa Golf Club

6:30PM Heads Down at 7PM

Tables of 8 @ $10.00 per person

Drinks on Sale (No BYO)

Please BYO Supper to Share

Loads of Great Prizes, Games & Auctions!!!

Simply fill in this form & return to School by the 25th March or call or email Rachel on 0429930178 or swift.rachel@cathednet.wa.edu.au to book a table and the bus

Name: ____________________________ Book a table (8) __________

Add me to a table please ________________________________

Bus required Yes _______ No __________

Number of people __________