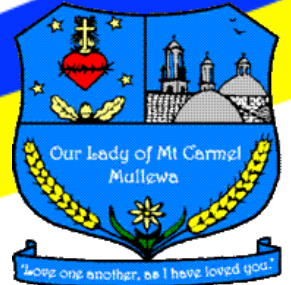


# Our Lady of Mt Carmel School Newsletter

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## Prayer

Loving Lord, creator of all  
You gave us hearts to love and minds to reason.  
Help us to understand our differences and grow  
in love for each other.  
Help us to come together as the rainbow comes  
together, many colours, shining as one creation  
over all the earth, as you intended us to be



## OLMC Calendar Important Dates

### **Important Dates Term 2**

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Mass for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Father Robert's Ordination**  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Cross Country**  
**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June – End of Term 2**

### **Important Dates Term 3**

**16<sup>th</sup> July – Pupil Free Day**  
**17<sup>th</sup> July – Term 3 Commences**  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July - Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) 9:00am**  
**24<sup>th</sup> July – School Photos**  
**9<sup>th</sup> August – Mass Rock**  
**20<sup>th</sup> August Catholic Leave Day**  
**31<sup>st</sup> August Athletics Carnival**  
**9<sup>th</sup> September First Holy Communion**  
**21<sup>st</sup> September End of Term 3**



*'Love one another, as I have loved you.'*

## From the Principal's Desk

**NAIDOC Week 2018 will celebrate the invaluable contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have made – and continue to make - to our communities, our families, our rich history and to our nation.** Under the theme - *Because of her, we can!* - NAIDOC Week 2018 will be held nationally from Sunday, 8th July and continue through to Sunday, 15th July. Our school celebrations for NAIDOC Week will take place in Week 4 of next term when we will hold a Eucharistic celebration at Mass Rock, a significant place for our Aboriginal people of the Mullewa area.

### Mid-Year Reporting

At the end of this term, the students will receive their mid-year report, a formal document that outlines their academic learning. As mentioned in the last newsletter, the teachers have spent a lot of time on these reports, making judgements and measuring their assessments against the West Australian Curriculum. As a formal document, the reports do not always take into account the myriad of learning opportunities and achievements that the students have made in two very busy terms of school this year. In my current role as the Principal of the school, it has been so rewarding to see the pleasure and confidence the students are able to experience when they achieve a personal goal they have set for their learning, or discover they are now able to do something they couldn't do before. In their daily interactions with others, both inside and outside the classroom, and in everything they learn, all of the students of Our Lady of Mt Carmel School continue to strive to live out our school motto, to "Love one another I have loved you".

### NAPLAN Online 2019

Last week, Mrs Tracey Messina and myself attended a Professional Development day in Geraldton with the other Catholic and Government schools in our region, in preparation for NAPLAN Online in 2019. The implementation of the program will be carefully managed at a school and system level and we are extremely fortunate to have new and reliable devices that our Year Three and Year Five students will use to complete the test. The most important objective at this stage, in readiness for 2019, is for our students to become familiar with their devices. The Year Five/Six students have been using iPads and laptops regularly this semester to both retrieve and store their work. The Year Three/Four class were provided with a new set of iPads on Friday; these will be used in conjunction with laptops in a similar fashion to the Year Five/Six class. The teachers and students are looking forward to becoming familiar with these new tools to enhance their learning.

### Father Robert's Celebration of 25 Years Ordained as a Priest

On Thursday morning, 28<sup>th</sup> June, we will be celebrating Father Robert's 25 years ordained a priest, with a Mass in the Church, at 9:00am. Some of the members of our Parish and representatives from the Catholic Education Office in Geraldton will be joining in our celebration and we would especially love to see our parents at the Mass as well. Unfortunately, our Bishop, Michael Morrissey, is no longer able to concelebrate the Mass with us, due to another important commitment. The Mass will be followed by a shared morning tea. Please join us for the Mass and then stay on to enjoy our Faction Cross Country events at 11:00am.



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## **Cross Country**

Our school Cross Country events will also be held on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, at 11:00am. The students will need to come to school dressed in their school sports uniform. Please ensure your child is wearing their black sandshoes. We ask that all parents park their cars across the road on the old school oval, so they are not in the way of the cross country events.

## **P&F Quiz Night**

Last Saturday night saw many members of our school community, families and friends and many members of our wider Mullewa Com join together to enjoy our annual P&F quiz Night. The turn out was tremendous and in the usual spirit of the night everyone had a great time! We very very special thanks to Mr Brett Steele who once again compared the night as Quiz Master with aplomb and much hilarity. We also extend our thanks to Mrs Rachel Swift who always goes above and beyond in organising the Quiz Night. Once again, the P&F were able to raise a large amount of money with only a small crowd, and again our students are the ones who will benefit.

## **Mullewa Police – Thank you**

Our Mullewa Police Officers, Ricki, Jake, Scott and Michael, led by our local Sergeant, Chris Martin, have been regular visitors to our school throughout the term. The police have begun a regular story time in the classrooms on Tuesday mornings and so far the Kindy/PrePrimary and Year One/Two students have enjoyed a story read aloud to them by Jake and Scott. The Year Three to Six students will have the pleasure this Tuesday. At last Friday's assembly, Ricki and Jake announced the winners of this term's achievement awards. Congratulations to Maggie Critch (Yr 3) and Flynn Mills (PP) who received a certificate and prize for their efforts in Term Two. Early next term, all of the students will spend time creating a personalised small concrete slab that will be laid in the Mullewa Community Garden at the front of the police station. We thank Chris Martin and all of the members of the Mullewa Police who take such an interest in our students and school community.



## **P&F Busy Bee**

A huge thank you to Brendan Weir, Rodney Messina, Anthony Dreghorn, Steven Rowe, Zac Grima and Keiran Crudeli who came along on Saturday to assist with the cutting down of the gum trees within our school yard. The trees look extremely neat and tidy and hopefully we will no longer suffer from the damage and mess that was being made by flocks of corellas. A special thank you to Anthony Dreghorn for his expertise with this job. Thank you to Penny Critch for feeding and watering the men while they working hard.

## **Art Workshops – Visiting Artist – Helen Ansell**

During the first week of next term, Helen Ansell will be conducting art workshops with the students from Pre-Primary to Year Six. The students will once again have the opportunity to explore botanical art with a particular focus on the native plants and flowers from our region. This project is run in conjunction with the Mullewa Community Resource Centre and at the completion of the workshops, the students' art will be displayed during the Mullewa Wildflower Show.

## **Our Lady of Mt Carmel School's Parent Questionnaire**

During Term Three, our school community will be involved in a questionnaire that will assist the school greatly in reviewing its performance and plans for the future. Some of our parents will remember this in previous years as the School Climate Survey. The questionnaire will be presented to the staff, students and parents of our school and all responses will be treated in strict confidence and no respondent will be identified to the school. The questionnaire will be online and will be run by an outside agency to the school, and will be

occurring across the other schools in our Geraldton Diocese. I urge all of our parents to try and participate by completing the online questionnaire. Please see the next newsletter for an update.

### NCCD

The NCCD The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students receiving an adjustment due to disability and the level of adjustment they are receiving to access education on the same basis as other students. For more information go to <http://www.schoolsdisabilitydatapl.edu.au>  
Please read the information provided in the Fact Sheet for Parents and Carers.

### Nagle Enrolments

A reminder from Nagle Catholic College that Application for Enrolment forms must be submitted by parents /guardians to the college on or before **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018**.

An Information Evening is being held on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2018**, commencing at 5:00pm in the College Gymnasium. Students are encouraged to attend with their parents.

Optional tours of the College are scheduled for:

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018** 3:30pm and 4:00pm

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018** 3:30pm, 4:00pm and 4:15pm

To book one of the above mentioned tours, please visit the Nagle Catholic College website, <http://www.ncc.wa.edu.au/college-tour.html>

Jill Hollands  
Principal

## Birthdays



Happy birthday to the following students

Lola Park – 5<sup>th</sup> July  
Father Robert- 9<sup>th</sup> July  
Aidan Weir- 11<sup>th</sup> July



## From the Office

**Reminder:** Please ensure that all uniforms are clearly labelled with your child's name.

**Dates to Remember** – Pupil Free Day 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Catholic Leave Day will be on August 20<sup>th</sup> 2018, this is a Pupil Free Day.

Pupil Free Day 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2018.

End of Year date has been set as Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

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**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.

### **WACHS Midwest - Online Triple P - Pilot 2018**

The WACHS Midwest is giving parents the opportunity to complete 8 modules in their own time of a program equivalent to the level 4 Standard Triple P, with comparable effectiveness. This is an online parenting course and anyone who is interested would need to fit the following criteria:

- have a child starting school (aged 3-5 years)
- have access to a computer and internet
- be able to complete 8 x 30-60min modules
- live in an area where parenting courses are not offered

If you are interested please contact Suzanne Dawson on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the Mullewa hospital.

## **Parish Notes**

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

For further details and information on any Mass services please feel free to contact Fr Robert O’Bryan PP on 9961 1181 or 0457 980 85



## **P&F News**

### **Quiz Night**

Thank you to everyone that came along and supported our Quiz Night on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June. We had a great turn out. Our Auctions were very well supported and with so many prizes, raffles and auctions we were able to raise approximately \$8,400. Such an amazing effort for our little school. Thank you to all the people that were able to secure such fantastic prizes and auctions as these are what makes the Quiz Night such a huge success.

Rachel Swift



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# Lets chat about Year 5/6!

What a huge semester it has been!  
The Year 5/6 students have worked very hard to achieve some wonderful goals and deserve a well earned rest. Enjoy your holidays and remember to be safe!



## Growing mathematicians....

Over the past few weeks, we have been focusing on making our multiplication skills more fluent. We have been doing this by playing 'What's the time Mr Wolf' and 'Mathematician'. We have also been using lots of different strategies to break down challenging problems.



Check out those smile!

## Let us convince you Miss Jill

Last week the students received some new novels and haven't been able to put them down. As a group, the students decided they wanted to write a persuasive letter to Miss Jill asking for our book collection to be updated. Each student gave very strong arguments toward their case and together wrote a rather convincing letter. Miss Jill was quite impressed with the students ideas and is taking these into consideration. Stay tuned to see how the Year 5/6 students go!



Cleaning up Australia



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