

# Our Lady of Mt Carmel School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 10  
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## Palm Sunday and Holy Week

Palm Sunday is significant because it marks the beginning of Holy Week, that very important day when Jesus began His journey toward the cross. Yet often, in the midst of busy lives or the start of the Easter holiday, the significance of this special day gets missed. In each of the Gospels, we find the story of Jesus' triumphant journey into Jerusalem. The people cut palm branches and waved them in the air, then laid them on the ground as he rode in to the city.



Dear God,

Thank you for sending your Son and paving the way for our lives to be set free through Jesus' death on the cross. Thank you for what this day stands for - the beginning of Holy Week, the start of the journey towards the power of the cross, the victory of the Resurrection, and the rich truth that Jesus truly is our King of Kings.

## OLMC Calendar Important Dates

**8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> April** Yr 5/6 Camp  
**12<sup>th</sup> April** Final Day of Term 1

### Important Dates Term 2

**29<sup>th</sup> April** Pupil Free Day  
**30<sup>th</sup> April** Term 2 Commences  
**14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> May** NAPLAN  
**26<sup>th</sup> May** Confirmation

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## Messages from the Principal's Desk

### Caritas' Project Compassion Fundraiser

Last Monday, all of the students participated in a simple fundraiser for Project Compassion by wearing free dress and donating a gold coin to Caritas. The Spiritual Ministers, Cooper and Latisha, collected and counted the coins and altogether we managed to raise over one hundred dollars. At the start of the day, all of the students gathered to watch a simple video clip and say a prayer for twelve year old Thandolwayo, from Zimbabwe, who would walk seven kilometres each way, threatened by crocodiles, to collect contaminated water for her family. Caritas supported a project to create access to clean water for her family and helped her to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.



### NCVISSA Inter-School Swimming Carnival

Last Friday was a remarkable day for our little school at the NCVISSA Inter-School Swimming Carnival. Mrs Tracey Messina had prepared a team of 11 swimmers to participate in the carnival at the Geraldton Aquarena and each of them performed to their very best, and remarkably all swam even better than they had at the Faction Carnival a few weeks ago. Our students placed in nearly every race they competed in and by the end of the carnival Our Lady of Mt Carmel had won not only the Handicap Shield but the outright Total Points Shield. This was a remarkable feat for such a small number of students and everyone was absolutely amazed at the result! Congratulations to all of the students who tried so hard. At an individual level, Laney Critch won the Year Five Champion Girl and Maggie Critch was awarded the Year Four Runner-Up Girl.

A huge congratulations and vote of thanks must go to Mrs Tracey Messina who works tirelessly to ensure the students are well prepared for the carnival and in her usual fashion, organises everything with meticulous detail. Unfortunately, Mrs Messina was unable to be at the very carnival she had prepared so well for. The students were disappointed not to have her there but were very excited to be able to carry the two shields back to school to celebrate with the rest of the students.



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## Year Five/Six Camp

The Year Five/Six students have travelled to Kalbarri for their camp on Monday morning, 8<sup>th</sup> April accompanied by Miss Makeeli, Mrs Messina, Miss Jill, Mr Brendan Weir and Mr Joel Pitman. Mrs Renata Steele will be taking over from Miss Jill on Wednesday when she returns to school. The students will be staying at the Kalbarri Camp School and will be participating in outdoor and team based activities during the camp. They will return to school on Friday afternoon, 12<sup>th</sup> April.



## Community Service – Cleaning the OLMC Church

Last week, the Year Three/Four students participated in some community service by cleaning the OLMC Church along with Miss Katie and Miss Penny. There was much dusting, wiping, polishing, sweeping and vacuuming happening and by all accounts the students worked beautifully to ensure the church looked wonderful. Well done to the Year Three/Four class!

## NAPLAN 2019 – Year Three and Five Students

Students in Years Three and Five will be participating in online testing for NAPLAN during during Week Three of Term Two. Please see the timetable below for the tests. To get an idea of what the online assessment looks like, parents may visit the demonstration site at

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstation-site>

## 2019 NAPLAN Testing Schedule

Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year Three & Five Writing
Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year Three & Five Reading
Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year Three & Five Language Conventions
Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year Three & Five Numeracy

Catch up sessions for any students that are absent will occur as required.

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## Term Planner

A Term Planner for Term Two is attached to this newsletter. Please note the important dates, especially that of the Sacrament of Confirmation for Year Five/Six students on Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> and the Pupil Free Day on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April. Term Two will commence for students on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April.

## Easter Egg Raffle

A big thank you to those parents who have already sent in easter eggs to be used to make up the baskets for the Easter Egg Raffle. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> April. A special thank you again to Mrs Melinda Weir for all her efforts in organising the raffle ticket booklets and making up the beautiful baskets for the winners. All monies raised go towards the P&F.

## Oral History Sessions – Mullewa District Office

The first of planned oral history sessions to be held at the Mullewa District Office will be on May 8<sup>th</sup>. The first participants to share their stories will be Mrs Pat Mills, Mr Clem Keeffe and Mr Kevin Merritt.

## Drama Workshops – Mingenew

Please see the attached flyer for drama workshops to be held in Mingenew during the school holidays. Any students from Mullewa wishing to participate are encouraged to do so.

## Jill Hollands Principal



## Under the Sea...

This term we have explored the topic, Oceans. We have learnt about various sea creatures such as sharks, whales, fish and crustaceans. We have explored fictional and factual information about mermaids and Pirates. Children enjoyed many activities including creating clay starfish, walking the plank, and retelling stories with props.

## English Kindergarten...

Kindergarten students have focused on understanding the difference between letters and words. They have used dotters to mark words in scribed sentences. They have explored syllable identification in a variety of ways including, tapping syllables, sorting animals by syllable, playing word syllable bingo.

## Thank You

*Thank you to my wonderful TA's who help teach and prepare all the great experiences in K-PP. Thank you to Miss Katie who has taught Science, Geography, Health and Dance to the PP students. Mrs. Messina, thank you for teaching PP to swim. Lastly, a special thanks to the mums who have come in for parent help, your time has been greatly appreciated.*

## KINDERGARTEN & PRE-PRIMARY

Term 1, 2019

## English Pre-Primary

Pre-Primary students have been reading, writing and spelling simple three-letter words. They have been focusing on using correct letter formation when writing the words and developing simple sentences around the words they know. Both K & PP students have been completing Oral language tasks to develop both vocabulary and sentence structure.



## Mathematics...

Students have explored positional language, patterns and counting. Kindergarten students are learning to read, write, say and match quantities to ten. Pre-primary are learning about place value in the teen numbers and extending to numbers above 20.



### Fine motor...

It is important for young children to develop good hand skills (fine motor). This Term we have exercised these muscles through finger plays, playdough, peg boards, cutting with scissors and drawing. Many of us still need a lot more exposure to these tasks to gain good control of hand movement. Please give your child activities like cutting and colouring over the holidays.



### PARENT HELP NEEDED!

Please come and see me or any of the K-PP staff if you would like to come and help us. Activities include, playing math games, supervising table-top activities, playing in the dramatic play, listening to reading, cutting up fruit. If you have a special skill such as gardening, art, cooking, yoga instruction, or a musical talent, please come share it with us.



### Play dough recipe.

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup salt
- 4 teaspoons cream of tartar
- 2 cups lukewarm water
- 2 Tablespoons of vegetable oil (coconut oil works too)
- Food coloring, optional



*Next term we are learning about Community Helpers. Would you like to come and share what job you do either at home or at work?*



### Play dough method:

Stir together the flour, salt and cream of tartar in a large pot. Next add the water and oil, add in the color now as well. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly. Continue stirring until the dough has thickened and begins to form into a ball. Remove from heat and then place inside a zip lock bag or onto wax paper. Allow to cool slightly and then knead until smooth. Knead the dough, while inside the bag so it doesn't stain your hands. Keep in the fridge.



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## Merit Awards Recipients

*Lara Curtis  
Asha Tropiano  
Sally Ward  
Emma Simpson  
Max Rumble  
Tarkyn Fulker  
Clayton Swift  
Revis Carnamah  
Ruby Knock  
Cooper Messina  
Sofie Weir  
Isabella Low  
Riley Curtis  
Lachlan Rowe*



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## Birthdays

A very happy birthday to the following staff and students:



26<sup>th</sup> April Lennard McKay

★ HAPPY ★  
BIRTHDAY!



## Office Reminders

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

**Dates to Remember** – Catholic Leave Day will be on August 26<sup>th</sup> 2019, this is a Pupil Free Day.  
Pupil Free Day 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
End of Year date has been set as Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019

**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.

## Parish Notices

**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 980852



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## Holy Week

**HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES LAVERTON, LEONORA, LEINSTER,  
PERENJORI, MORAWA, MULLEWA AND MINGENEW**

Palm Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> April Mass  
8.30am Mullewa  
5.00pm Mingenew

Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Thursday; 18<sup>th</sup> April 7.00pm Mullewa.  
(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.00pm)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death, Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April.  
10.30am Mingenew: 3.00pm Mullewa

Easter Vigil, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 5.00 Perenjori: 6.30pm Morawa.  
Easter Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> April: 8.30am Mullewa: 5.00pm Mingenew

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Mass of Resurrection 6.00pm Laverton  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Mass of Resurrection 9.00am Leonora  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Mass of Resurrection 4.30pm Leinster

Yalgoo. No Services this year

## Other News



PERFORMING ARTS & CREATIVE THINKING

FIND US ON FACEBOOK:  
JAR OF ARTS GERALDTON  
INSTAGRAM: @JOAWORKSHOPS

ENROL HERE:  
[WWW.JOAWORKSHOPS.COM](http://WWW.JOAWORKSHOPS.COM)

Mingenew School Holiday Workshops!  
18th, 20th, 26th April  
10am: Year 1 & 2  
10:45am: Year 3-5  
11:45am: Year 5+

MINGENEW REC CENTRE

Sp Adobe Spark

The image is a promotional poster for 'Jar of Arts' workshops. It features a logo on the left with the text 'JAR OF ARTS' and 'PERFORMING ARTS & CREATIVE THINKING'. Below the logo are social media links for Facebook and Instagram. The main text on the right describes the 'Mingenew School Holiday Workshops' held on 18th, 20th, and 26th April, with sessions for Year 1 & 2 (10am), Year 3-5 (10:45am), and Year 5+ (11:45am). The location is 'MINGENEW REC CENTRE'. The poster includes a background image of a young girl performing a dance move and another girl in a starting crouch. The Adobe Spark logo is in the bottom right corner.

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## Oral History Morning

Wednesday 08 May 2019

10:30am - 12:00pm

Mullewa Council Chambers

Join three Mullewa locals for a special oral history morning with Dr Nancy Broad in celebration of the Australian Heritage Festival as they share their unique connections to Mullewa's "people, places and the past".

PAT MILLS was born in Mullewa in 1935 and grew up 10 miles South West of Mullewa on Eureka Farm at Devil's Creek.

KEVIN MERRITT was born in 1943 in Mullewa and spent much of his childhood adventuring through the old Mullewa cemetery connecting with ancestors.

CLEM KEEFFE was recently awarded the Australia Day Mullewa Senior Citizen Award for the pivotal role he has played in the management of community, sporting and agricultural groups in Mullewa since the early 1950's.



Image: Tommy Lintott's grave at Pindar courtesy of Stan Gratte.



RSVP to Geraldton Regional Library on 9956 6659.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL for bus service available for \$5 from the QEII Seniors and Community Centre departing at 9AM. Payment to be made at the QEII Centre upon booking.



## Counselling in Mullewa

Ngala's Geraldton Family Counselling Service is now travelling to Mullewa providing FREE individual, relationship and family support.

Join our experienced Counsellor in a safe place to discuss and explore any concerns.



Every second Thursday, commencing 4 April 2019



Community Resource Centre (CRC),  
8 Jose Street  
Mullewa



FREE service

For further information please call 9921 4477

Anyone is welcome, no referral necessary

DURATION: 1 hour sessions

TO BOOK: Ngala Geraldton 9921 4477 or  
MidwestGascoyne@ngala.com.au

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**Autumn**  
**HOLIDAY**  
PROGRAM

AUTUMN 2019

Date	Event	Description	Time	Age	Location	Contact <sup>A</sup>
Sat 13 Apr	Swim In Movie Night	Relax in the pool on your inflatables while watching <i>Smallfoot</i> (PG). <i>Cost is \$5.</i>	5-7.30pm	All ages	Aquarena - Pass St	Aquarena
Mon 15 Apr	Circus Workshop*	Come learn some circus tricks & have some fun! <i>Cost is \$15.</i>	9am-12pm	5-12yrs	PCYC - Pass St	PCYC
Mon 15 Apr	Paper Basket & Card Making	Make a gorgeous little basket & card. Everything is included in this class. <i>Cost is \$20.</i>	9.30-11.30am	8+ yrs	284 Marine Tce	Scrapbook House
Mon 15 Apr	Junior Lifeguard Club School Holiday Fun*	Royal Life Saving's Junior Lifeguard Club is serious fun for kids in Stage 6+. <i>Cost is \$25.</i>	10am-12pm	8-14yrs	Aquarena - Pass St	Aquarena
Mon 15 Apr	Scrapbooking Butterfly Page	Bring along a photo for your scrapbook page. Everything is included in this class. <i>Cost is \$20.</i>	1.30-3.30pm	8+ yrs	284 Marine Tce	Scrapbook House
Tue 16 Apr	Easter Movie & Egg Hunt*	Come along & watch the movie <i>Hop</i> with an Easter egg hunt afterwards! <i>Cost is \$15.</i>	9am-12pm	5-12yrs	PCYC - Pass St	PCYC
Tue 16 Apr	Kids Comedy Workshop	Come on down to try some comedy & improv. No previous experience required! <i>Free.</i>	10am-12pm	8-12yrs	Ngala - 24-28 Gregory St	Ngala
Tue 16 Apr	Mystery Craft Session*	Choose from a variety of craft activities. Limited places available, bookings essential. <i>Cost is \$5.</i>	2-3pm	6+ yrs	Geraldton Regional Library	Library
Wed 17 Apr	Easter Arts & Crafts*	Come create some Easter art. <i>Cost is \$15.</i>	9am-12pm	5-12yrs	PCYC - Pass St	PCYC
Wed 17 Apr	Junior Lifeguard Club School Holiday Fun*	Royal Life Saving's Junior Lifeguard Club is serious fun for kids in Stage 6+. <i>Cost is \$25.</i>	10am-12pm	8-14yrs	Aquarena - Pass St	Aquarena
Wed 17 Apr	Protect Birds*	Learn about local critically endangered birds. Prizes for best poster. <i>Free.</i>	2-3pm	6+ yrs	Geraldton Regional Library	Library
Wed 17 Apr	Kids Yoga	Come down & try kids yoga! Bring a towel. <i>Free.</i>	4.30-5.30pm	8-15yrs	Stow Gardens	CGG
Wed 17 Apr	Sunset Yoga	Yoga is great way to increase flexibility & coordination. Open to all ages & levels. <i>Free.</i>	5.30-6.30pm	All ages	Stow Gardens	CGG
Thu 18 Apr	Stand Up Paddle Boarding	Come down & try stand up paddle boarding. <i>Free.</i>	10am-12pm	10-17yrs	Stow Gardens	CGG
Tue 23 Apr	ANZAC Craft & Cooking*	Bake some ANZAC biscuits & then create some art! <i>Cost is \$15.</i>	9am-12pm	5-12yrs	PCYC - Pass St	PCYC
Tue 23 Apr	Kanopy Movie Session	Enjoy <i>Peter Pan: The Quest for the Never Book</i> (PG). Adult supervision required at all times. <i>Free.</i>	2-3.30pm	All ages	Geraldton Regional Library	Library
Tue 23 Apr	Five-a-side Soccer	Grab a few mates & head down to the Foreshore for five-a-side soccer matches. <i>Free.</i>	2-4pm	All ages	Youth Precinct	CGG
Wed 24 Apr	Excursion to Greenough Wildlife Park*	Travel, entry fee, animal food & morning tea all included in price. Great value! <i>Cost is \$25.</i>	9am-12pm	5-12yrs	PCYC - Pass St	PCYC
Wed 24 Apr	Stand Up Paddle Boarding	Come down & try stand up paddle boarding. <i>Free.</i>	10am-12pm	10-17yrs	Stow Gardens	CGG
Wed 24 Apr	Kids Creative Writing Workshop	Budding authors, get your creative juices flowing & be inspired to write super stories! <i>Cost is \$5.</i>	1.30-3pm	8+ yrs	Geraldton Regional Library	Library
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Fri 26 Apr	Panaceum Films on the Foreshore	Come down & enjoy watching <i>Soul Surfer</i> (PG) in the open air on our giant screen. <i>Free.</i>	6pm	All ages	Stow Gardens	CGG

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# Autumn HOLIDAY PROGRAM

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Date	Event	Description	Time	Age	Location	Contact <sup>A</sup>
12 Apr - 12 May	The Scribbler's Festival Golden Feather Hunt	Head down to the Library in search of a white or golden feather hidden inside Children's & YA books. <i>Free.</i>	Varies	All ages	Geraldton Regional Library	Library
12-28 Apr	Light, Lenses & Lighthouses!	Learn about the science behind lighthouse navigation lights. A range of activities daily! <i>Cost is free-\$3.</i>	Varies	All ages	Museum of Geraldton	Museum
15-17 Apr	Beach Soccer	Enrol now for school holiday beach soccer! Have fun with friends & learn new skills. <i>Cost is \$30.</i>	10am- 12pm	10- 17yrs	Foreshore (Near Jaffle Shack)	Tanya
15-18 Apr	Kite Making Workshop	Create your kite at our workshops then bring it down to WoW Fest to win a prize! <i>Free.</i>	9am-12pm & 1-4pm	All ages	Northgate Shopping Centre	Northgate
15-18 Apr	Swim School Four Day Program	This program will improve your child's water survival & swimming skills. <i>Cost is \$53.20-\$58.80.</i>	8am- 12pm	6m- 14yrs	Aquarena - Pass St	Aquarena
15-18 Apr	BIFF & Waterslide	Indoor swimming pools, BIFF & waterslide will be open for use (Except Public Holidays). <i>Pool entry.</i>	10am- 3pm	10+ yrs	Aquarena - Pass St	Aquarena
16-18 Apr	WoW Fest Kinetic Sculpture Event	Help bring to life a giant kinetic sculpture of a bicycle powered fish! <i>Free.</i>	10am- 2pm	All ages	Stirlings Central	Stirlings
16-18 Apr	Friend Fest*	Three day workshop learning about friendships for kids with emotional difficulties. <i>Free.</i>	9.30am- 2.30pm	8-12yrs	Helping Minds - 180 Durlacher St	Helping Minds
18-19 Apr	Moscow Circus Extreme	Kids will love the rapid-fire, high energy performances in this two hour show. <i>Cost is \$16.</i>	11am- 1pm	All ages	GBSC Sports Park	MCE
18-20 Apr	Plastic Fantastic!*	Bring some plastic & watch as junk is transformed into a beautiful wall of flowers. <i>Free.</i>	10am, 12pm & 2pm	All ages	Geraldton Regional Art Gallery	GRAG
20-21 Apr	Wind on Water Festival	Think perfect weather, watersports, amazing family activities & live music on our beautiful Foreshore. Learn more at <a href="http://wowfest.com.au">wowfest.com.au</a>	10am- 9pm	All ages	Geraldton Foreshore	CGG
24, 26 Apr	Moscow Circus Extreme	Kids will love the rapid-fire, high energy performances in this two hour show. <i>Cost is \$16.</i>	11am- 1pm	All ages	GBSC Sports Park	MCE

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