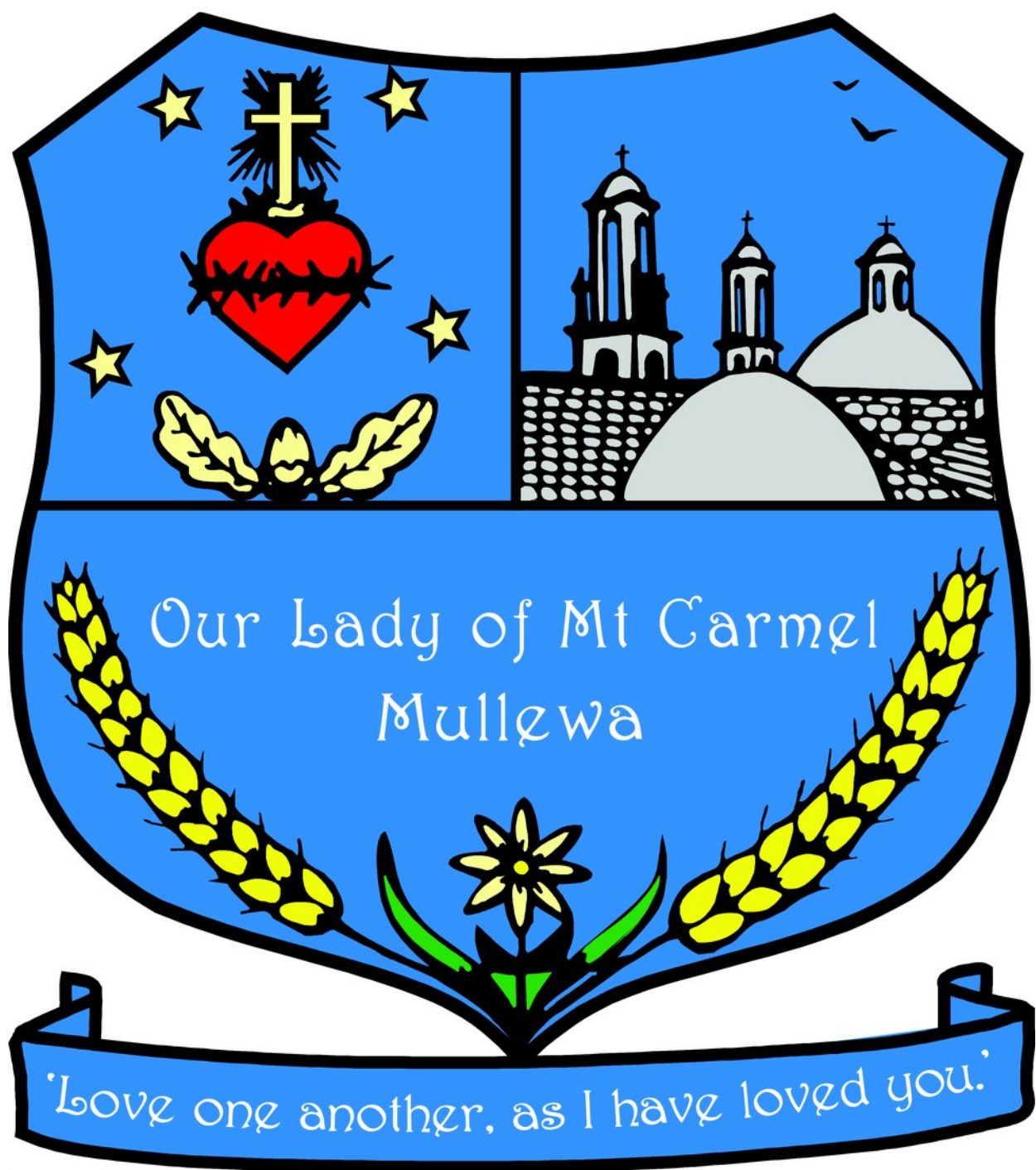


# *Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mullewa*

Newsletter - Term 2 - Week 6 - 25th May 2021





## *Our Lady Help of Christians (Feast Day 24th May)*

*For peace in our country, for the beauty of our country and its weather  
For our standard of living, for freedom of religion  
For our young people and our older people  
For our parents and families and the values passed down to us  
For our multicultural nation, for our indigenous brothers and sisters  
For the intercession of Mary, Help of Christians  
Pray for us*



## *Rosary for the Month of Mary*





# **OLMC 2021**

## **Term 2 Dates**



**24-28th May Communio Week**

**28th May Pyjama Day**

**7th June WA Day Public Holiday**

**11th June Confirmation Yr 5/6**

**17th June Tuckshop**

**2nd July Final Day Term 2**  
**Term 3**

**19th July Pupil Free Day**

**20th July Students Return**

### *Messages from the Principal*

Welcome everyone to Week Six.

We are already half-way through the term and the students and staff continue to work hard and enjoy the many activities happening across the school. We received a lot of positive feedback about our new look newsletter format and hope you find it easier to read and enjoy. Thank you to Rebecca Dreghorn for her enthusiasm in presenting all of the school's news to you in an inviting way.

#### **Good News Story from St John's Rangeway**

A few weeks ago, our school was presented with a beautiful book of good wishes from the students of St John's School in Rangeway who were thinking about the OLMC students and how they had been affected by Cyclone Seroja. The St John's students had also participated in a fundraiser for our school and sent us a cheque to spend on something nice. We thank them sincerely for their fundraising and especially for their best wishes.

## **Our Lady of Mt Carmel School Codes of Conduct**

### **Breaches of the Code of Conduct**

In our last newsletter we focused on some aspects of our Parent Code of Conduct that appears on our school website .

<https://www.olmc.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/OLMC-Parent-Code-of-Conduct-2020.pdf>

More information around this code includes where a breach of the code may occur. Breaches of the Code must be notified to the Principal and it is a breach of the Code not to do so. A breach of the Code may constitute a failure to follow a lawful direction from the Principal and therefore the Principal will have the discretion as to what action to take, which may include restorative practices, professional development or sanctions under any agreement between you and the Principal. If you are a parent, volunteer or visitor, the Principal may take such action as is appropriate in your circumstances to maintain the safety and well-being of students.

### **Student Code of Conduct and Positive Behaviours for Learning**

Last year, our students were involved in lessons with their classes developing our Student Code of Conduct that operates alongside our Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) across the school. Whilst our code and PBL operate in conjunction with our values reward system that is based on the Fruit of the Spirit, with our students, we recognise that poor choice behaviours are going to occur and therefore consider it important to provide consistent and known consequences to these behaviours.

When responding to behavior not in line with the school expectations our aim is to have the student re-engaged in learning as quickly as possible and behaving in a socially appropriate manner. Therefore, the first step will always be to hold a restorative chat or a low-level response. Initial responses may include:

- Correction and reminder of expected behaviour
- Use of behaviour script or social story
- Use of a visual schedule
- Praising other students
- Redirection to another activity

If behaviour continues:

- Changing seating
- Removal from the group or activity
- Removal to the outside seating area, another classroom, or office

If a student becomes aggressive and students or staff are at risk or injury the steps include:

- If possible, assistance is summoned from other staff using the red card. This may include staff members who the student is more responsive to, the Teacher who is Second in Charge or the Principal
- Student removed from the area to the office where parents will be contacted and decisions made by the Principal as to what actions will take place for the safety and well-being of all school members
- If student cannot be removed from the area or room, other students and staff will be exited so that harm to others is minimised.

### **Absentee Notes**


It is a requirement by law and one of a school's Registration Standards requirements that our school notes and records daily attendance, for all students. Please ensure you inform the school whenever your child will be away. This needs to be done through a phone call or email to the front office and not through individual staff members. Please forward all email absentees to [admin@olmc.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@olmc.wa.edu.au). Alternatively download the Skoolbag app and fill in the Eform - Absentee Form. Whenever a child is picked up during a school day, their exit from the school needs to be recorded in the Sign Out book at the front office. Thank you for your assistance with this.

### **Attendance Procedures and Management of Non-Attendance**



Class teachers and Administration Staff are responsible for completing and monitoring student attendance within SEQTA. In the instance of a student's attendance dropping below 80%, attendance continues to be monitored and a meeting is arranged between the classroom teacher and/or principal and parents to discuss the absenteeism and to develop a plan to improve the attendance. The attendance of the student will then be closely monitored and the Principal will continue to liaise with parents. The school attempts to communicate with parents of those students who are regularly not attending school and implement positive approaches for encouraging students to attend school. All relevant processes are followed and the school reports these absences to the relevant authorities, including both the Regional Office and the Department of Education. When the situation arises that a student has had a prolonged absence of fifteen days or more and when parents or a caregiver cannot be contacted, then the support of outside agencies including the Catholic Education Office and possibly the Department of Child Protection will be involved to assist the school and family to address the situation.

### Positive Behaviour Expectations

|  |             | O L M C  |  |   |  |
|---|-------------|--|--|---|--|
|   |             | Opportunity for all  | Love one another   | Masters of Learning   | Cooperate as a community   |
|   |             | Learning Areas   | In play areas  | Using ICT   | All Locations  |
| <b>L<br/>O<br/>V<br/>E</b>  | Learning    | Strive for excellence<br>Participate positively                | Follow the rules of the game<br>Use the equipment and facilities appropriately | Use ICT as a learning resource<br>Follow teachers' instructions on the use of ICT | Use good manners<br>Take responsibility for your actions<br>Respect all staff instructions               |
|   | Opportunity | Let others learn<br>Listen to others                           | Include others<br>Share with others  | Report any inappropriate use or content   | Contribute to a clean and tidy environment (Put rubbish in the bin)<br>Ask for help                      |
|   | Values      | Show pride in everything you do<br>Respect yourself and others | Play fairly and safely<br>Solve problems together                              | Value and take care of all ICT equipment  | Represent the school with pride<br>Tell an adult or a trusted person if you or someone else feels unsafe |
|   | Everyone    | Work cooperatively<br>Be organised                             | Be sun smart<br>Stay in the designated areas                                   | Protect personal information<br>Ask permission before sharing                     | Respect personal space, privacy and property   |



O L M C

## Student Code of Conduct

At OLMC Primary School we want to feel included, welcomed, respected, confident, not judged and safe.

1

In order to feel **included**, we will include others in games and groups, we will have fun with everyone and when there is conflict, we will try to sort things out with each other.

2

In order to feel **welcomed**, we will be kind, we will praise and encourage others, be fair, look after each other, encourage others to do their best and try not to snap back at others.

3

In order to feel **respected**, we will be polite, treat others the way we want to be treated, not touch other people or their property, and respect their privacy.

4

In order to feel **confident**, we will celebrate differences, stand up for friends, be role models, and we will give our best effort.

5

In order to feel **not judged and safe**, we will follow the positive behaviours for learning, we will not make rude comments about others or compare others.

### *Religious Education News*

#### **Pentecost Sunday**

Last Sunday was Pentecost Sunday, the occasion on which the gift of the Holy Spirit was sent to Jesus' followers, including the disciples. Our Year Six students will be anointed with the Oil of Chrism during the Sacrament of Confirmation, as a sign of the strength of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation Mass will be held on Friday, June 11th, at 9:00am in Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the Confirmation parent meeting with Father Robert where he spoke on the meaning and significance of receiving this Sacrament of Initiation.

#### **Rosary for Month of May**

We finished Week 4 with a beautiful prayer service in the front garden on Friday morning. Some of the Year 4/5/6 students led the rest of the school in saying the Rosary. Every child was able to use their own set of rosary beads to follow along. We had a lovely prayer focus in the garden with the statue of Mary in the grotto, a very large set of rosary beads and vases of beautiful roses and carnations for Mary.

#### **Communio Week**

This week we will be celebrating Communio Week, a week aimed at raising awareness and funds for our Catholic agencies in the Geraldton Diocese that support and help others. These include Centrecare, St Vinnies and Nazareth House. Destruction caused by the recent cyclone has seen a need for these Catholic agencies to support families in need. We will be celebrating a Mass as part of Communio Week on Tuesday morning, as well as calling for donations of blankets to be donated to St Vinnie's. A Dress in Your Pyjamas day will be held this Friday, 28th May, for a gold coin donation. All donations are welcome.

#### **National Mass – Bicentenary of Catholic Education in Australia**



Our Year Six students will be joining other students from our Diocese to celebrate a Mass in St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Geraldton marking 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia. This day is also the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians. Our school will be celebrating this important feast with our school Mass on Tuesday morning. Our Lady Help of Christians is a Patron Saint of Australia.

## *Community News*

### **Mother's Day Stall**

Thank you to Jennifer Critch for once again organising the opportunity for our students to purchase a gift for their mother. Many wonderful gifts were bought and this was the most successful Mother's Day stall yet in terms of raising funds for the P&F.

### **Year Six Leaver's Shirts**

Our Year Six students are proudly wearing their new shirts, marking their final year at OLMC. The students chose the design themselves and they look wonderful.

### **NAPLAN 2021**

Well done to our Year 3 and 5 students who completed all their tests for NAPLAN last week. Fortunately, we had minimal interruption as all testing other than the Year 3 Writing was completed online. Individual student reports will be sent to schools for distribution to parents in early August.

### **Book Fair**

Thank you to Rachel Swift for once again organising our school's Book Fair and to those parents who purchased books for their children. In the instance the book you ordered had been sold out, new orders are currently being placed and will be sent home as soon as they arrive. Once again, all of the students enjoyed dressing up for the costume parade with many simple and handmade costumes on show. Thank you to parents for your efforts in encouraging your children to be part of this.

### **National Sorry Day**

This Wednesday, 26th May, marks National Sorry Day and the beginning of National Reconciliation Week. The Year 4/5/6 class will focus on this during their library lesson and will have the chance to read our new selection of books that focus on the theme of Reconciliation. One of these is the picture book story of Archie Roach's song – "Took the Children Away".









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### *BookWeek Winners*





*Kindy-PP-Yr 1  
Winners*

Matilda and Hunter



*Yr 2/3 Winners*

Olivia and Flynn



*Yr 4/5/6 Winners*

Alivia and Riley



**BOOKWEEK**





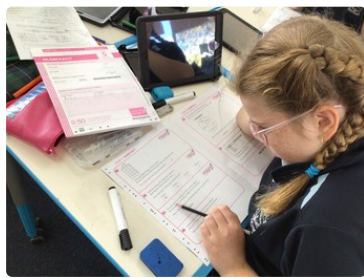




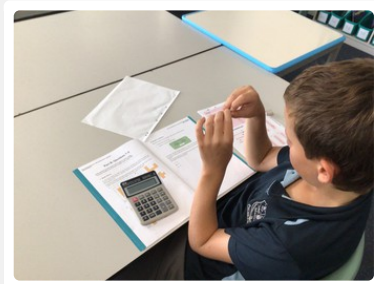
## *The Year 4/5/6's have been busy!*

### *Maths*

The Year 4/5/6 have focused on a range of mathematic skills this term. Our Year 5's participated in NAPLAN and focused hard on doing their best. All students competed in the Mathletics World Math's Day Competition, where our Year 4's came 20th in the Country and 137th in the world. Also some of our Year 6's completed the Australian Mathematics Trust Computational and Algorithmic Thinking Competition. Which is in the process of being marked and results will be returned in the near future.

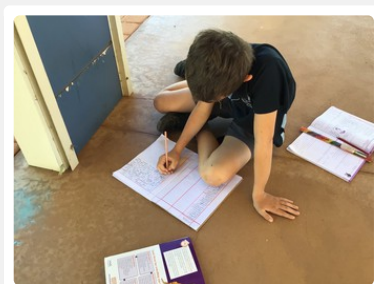
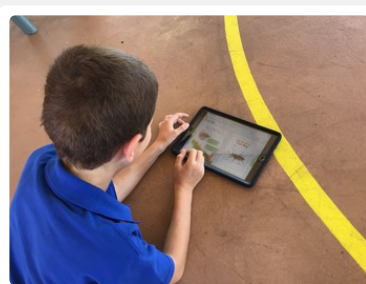
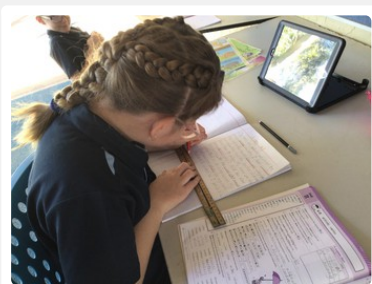






## *English*

This term the Year 4/5/6 have focused on their spelling and word work as well as using technology especially Teams to complete work and upload it to their own Channel. We have worked on persuasive writing and each student has completed their final Brightpaths persuasive writing task. We are excited that every student improved on their persuasive writing task at the beginning on this unit of work. Students have enjoyed working with Mrs. Murray and Mr. Anderson on guided reading and analysing text. Some students have also been performing Reader's Theatre to the class



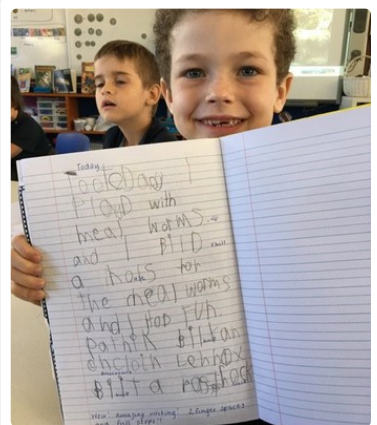
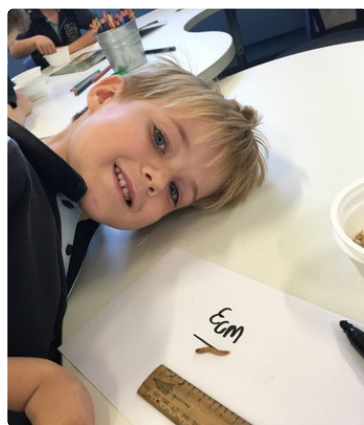
## *Trust Walk for Health*

The year 4/5/6's participated in a trust walk for Health. In small groups a student was blindfolded and were then verbally led through a short course. This focused on trusting your group and carefully and clearly communicating with each other.

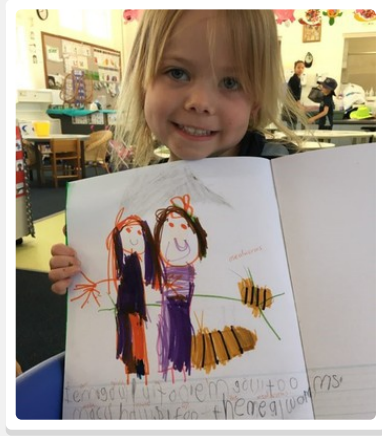




*Kindy Pre-Primary and Year 1's have been busy bees!*







*Year 6 students travelled to Geraldton for Mass at the Cathedral to celebrate 200yrs of Catholic Education.*



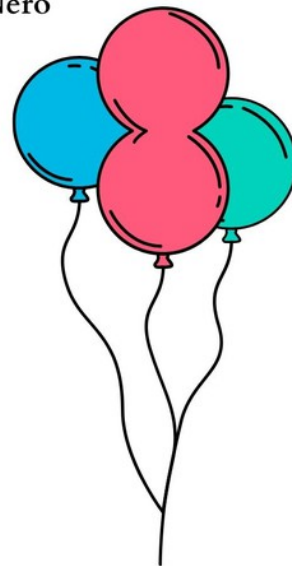
*Happy Birthday to the following students*





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9th May Aaron Rediger  
19 May Cohen Ansell  
29th May Amelia McCuish  
3rd June Aiden Schulz  
8th June Matilda Ward  
12th June Monique Del Nero



## *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.

# Tackling the Worry Monster - Understanding Childhood Anxiety



This session explores anxiety and what is happening in the brain. Participants will gain an understanding of anxiety, behaviour, and practical ways and strategies to support the child/teen.

Suitable for parents, carers, Educators or for anyone that works with children or young people.

Venue- 70 Chapman Rd (upstairs)

Tickets available via website -  
[www.fosteryourmind.com.au/workshops](http://www.fosteryourmind.com.au/workshops)

Enquiries -  
[kate@fosteryourmind.com.au](mailto:kate@fosteryourmind.com.au)  
Phone - 0407 024 051

Presented by  
Kate Foster,  
Counsellor

Date - Monday,  
14th of June  
Time - 6pm-  
7:30pm  
Cost - \$35



*The boxes have arrived! Start sending in your bags and tags!*



# Help Wonder turn **BREAD BAGS** into **SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT**

*It's simple...*

**1**

Collect your empty bread bags and tags



**2**

Recycle them at school in Wonder's pink Collection Bin  
(There is a separate box for bread tags).



**3**

We'll earn reward points to redeem new sports equipment for every 5kg bin filled!



Our school is in the draw to  
**WIN 1 of 5** exercise circuits made  
from recycled plastic we collect!

**LET'S GET RECYCLING!**



Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling**  
to share all your recycling champion stories!



## *Parish Reminders*

**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



