Dear Parents,

Summer has finally arrived and it has been quite warm at school but the children have been working really well in their air conditioned rooms. We do have an extreme weather policy in which we monitor the temperature and should the mercury top 35 degrees we keep the children inside.

**Parent/teacher Chats.**

Next week we have the parent teacher chats on Monday and Thursday afternoons. At the time of writing this newsletter parents have made 245 bookings which is fantastic and it seems that everybody is becoming more comfortable with the online booking system. If you are having any difficulties please contact the office or myself and we will be able to walk you through the process.

**School Advisory Committee**

Thank you to those who have volunteered for the School Advisory Committee. I will be contacting individuals over the next couple of days but just to put a date in your diary, we will be having our first meeting here at school, in the staff room at 7:00pm on Wednesday 25th February.

**Bombers come to OLMC**

During the week we had a visit from several Essendon players who came to talk to the year 1/2 students about healthy eating. Pictured below are some of the children who enjoyed the talk. (Shame they weren’t Hawks players)

**First Communion Information and Registration**

Parents of children in Year 4 who will be making their first communion this year are encouraged to attend one of the two sessions either at 2.00pm on Tuesday 3rd March or Thursday 5th March at 7.30pm.

**Community Conversations re sacraments.**

On 25th February at 9.00am parents of children in Year 3 are invited to attend a short meeting about the sacramental program. We have been doing the same thing for a long time now and were are after your input in to the future direction of our Parish Sacramental Program. We will be holding a joint meeting at St Anne’s for parents of both schools to provide us with some feedback as to the strengths, challenges and opportunities and we would really value your input.

**Safety of the children**

The safety of the children is paramount and I have had recent reports of some dangerous practices that are starting to creep in. At the front of the school we have a system of dropping off the children which was explained to new families and a diagram is in the handbook. Please adhere to this system because it works. Also, when crossing the service road near the Ball Court Hotel, please use the crossing and not walk behind cars that are reversing.

Take Care  Paul Hogan
**Terrific Kid**

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<td>For being a good friend and including others in her games</td>
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<td>Liam Joyce</td>
<td>For showing kindness to others and being a Jesus person</td>
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<td>Olivia Flinn</td>
<td>For making a wonderful start to 1/2H</td>
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<td>For a wonderful start to the school year and coming to school with a smile</td>
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<td>Ciaran McMullan</td>
<td>For being a responsible student and working well in class</td>
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<td>Laura Carville</td>
<td>For being such a focused, independent worker</td>
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<td>Isabell Woodvine</td>
<td>For her willingness to always help others</td>
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<td>Vesna Matesevac</td>
<td>For having the confidence to stand for class election</td>
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<td>Aiden Cutfield</td>
<td>For his mature and positive attitude</td>
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<td>Lachlan Fish</td>
<td>For having a positive attitude towards his school work and always wearing his smile</td>
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<td>Andrew Bento</td>
<td>For organizing his time and having a great attitude</td>
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**Assembly 2.45 in the Multi Purpose Room—ALL WELCOME**

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE**

Education Maintenance Allowance has been discontinued from 2015. However, OLMC will provide some fee relief to fee payers who hold a current Healthcare/Concession card. Families who have a valid card must provide the original card to the school office BEFORE FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY, for verification to receive a discount on Family fees.
Japanese Festival

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School will be hosting a Japanese Festival Day for the whole school on Wednesday 22\textsuperscript{th} April. The day will encourage the children to both connect with and extend their current learning about Japanese language and culture. Students of all year levels will participate in the day. Students are encouraged to dress up for the day. The day will begin with a whole school assembly at which students can appear in their Japanese costume. Prizes will be awarded to the best costumes in each year level. You could come as a Ninja, Samurai warrior, Geisha lady or something else typically Japanese.

Keep an eye on the newsletter for more information.

Sayonara

Ozubon-sensei

Russell Osborne (Japanese teacher)

SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS EVERY TUESDAY.

School banking 10/02/2015: 75 students banked a total of $595.10 with 7 new students joining in.

Could all parents make sure deposit slips are filled out in full and that tokens remain at home in a safe place.

CBA Banking Competition In a School Banking first, we are introducing a new Grand Prize competition in 2015. Students who make 25 or more School Banking deposits during 2015 will automatically enter the draw to win a trip to California’s Disneyland where they can enjoy Space Mountain and everything the park has to offer. The prize includes return airfares, five nights’ accommodation, transfers and 3 days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, as well as AUD$2000 spending money.

# OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CANTEEN ROSTER
## TERM 1, 2015

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Trudy Law  
Denise Debrincat | 13<sup>th</sup> Mar | Liz Fahy  
Tamara Moir  
Karen Woodvine  
Raquel Handley |
| 20<sup>th</sup> Feb | Darren Xerri  
Helen Hrkac  
Alicia Weir | 20<sup>th</sup> Mar | Nikki Taranto  
Rochelle Hope Lane  
Denise Debrincat |
| 27<sup>th</sup> Feb | Anita Burnell  
Caroline Dillon  
Lesley Spiteri | 27<sup>th</sup> Mar | Raquel Handley  
Barb O’Brien  
Teresa Paoly |
| 6<sup>th</sup> Mar | Michele Shalders  
Paula Jarski  
Kelly Boyd |

Thank you for volunteering to help in the Canteen, it would be impossible without you!

Please arrive at Canteen at approximately 11.15, and your assistance will be required until around 2.15pm. If you have long hair, please tie it back, and remember to sign in at the office before coming to the Canteen. Your lunch will be provided on the day.

**If you are unable to attend on your rostered day** please ring Sally on 0400 384 403, as soon as possible so a replacement can be arranged.

I look forward to seeing you,
Program Update

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OSH program phone: 0401 850 518
Coordinator: Barbara Mosticone
Assistant : Chelsea Millardship, , Alannah Moule
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

Join Sunbury United Junior Soccer Club in 2015

At Sunbury United Junior Soccer Club you will: Have fun and make new friends .Learn new skills and get fit. Gain confidence and self esteem

Registration Day: When: Sunday 22nd February 2015 Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm Where: Langama Park, Mitchells Lane, Sunbury (Mel Ref 381 K6 ,Males and Females:5 years to 99 years

For more information go to www.sujsc.com.au or call Paul on 0419 530 652
MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Invest in your most precious asset.....Your Marriage!

Forget life’s tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.

There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

2015 Melbourne weekend dates:
17-19 Apr, 19-21 June, 21-23 August and 23-25 Oct

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.

Information/Bookings: PH: Marianne & Marcel (03) 9733 0997 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au www.wwme.org.au
Sunbury Catholic Parish
School Fee Policy for our Parish Primary Schools

There are two primary schools in the Parish of Our Lady of Mt Carmel. The Parish established the two schools through the generosity of parishioners, and their continued support enables the Parish to sustain pastoral and financial assistance to our schools.

2015 School Fee Structure
Family Fee total cost - $1930.00

This fee is charged annually per family. Billing is done at the start of the year for the full year and this account is required to be paid in full by the end of July.

Payment may be made by Cash, Cheque, Credit Card or Direct Debit.
Payment by instalment can be arranged with the office before the end of February.

Per Student Fee

Each student is charged a curriculum levy in November/December ( $300 for 2015). This fee must be paid mid December so that resources can be purchased and distributed. There are additional costs for Sacramental classes (charged by the Parish) and school camps (usually Years 3-6). Interschool Sports are an additional charge (Years 5 & 6).

The two primary schools of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish receive limited funding from government sources. Parents who choose to send their children to our Parish primary schools are therefore obliged to pay school fees in order for the schools to repay loans, running costs, salaries and educational requirements. Parents will also be expected to participate in and support fundraising activities, which assists in the areas of maintenance, playground amenities and additional resources in curriculum.

It is a matter of justice that all parents are meeting their obligation and therefore the school fee policy has been developed to assist all parents.

Process for Collection of Fees

1. At the end of previous year the school will inform parents of the fees, when due and payment options. Payments are to be made by the due date.

2. If there is a difficulty with fees at any stage, onus is on parents to communicate with school and contact the Principal who can negotiate a reasonable fee depending on circumstances. Also, some people, for budget purposes, need to pay weekly, fortnightly or monthly. The school can accommodate time payment plans, but requests are to be made at the beginning of the year.

3. Parents will be issued an account as shown below, and reminders throughout the year

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*Unless payment plan is in place.

4. If full amount is not received by the end of July, an Account Rendered is sent as a reminder.

5. One week later the Principal (or an agent of the Principal), will contact the parents. Arrangements are to be kept confidential between all parties.

6. If the agreed course of action is not implemented, a final letter will be sent one week later informing parents that the matter has been passed on to the Debt Collection Agency / Legal Team. In the event that the customer is in default of the obligation to pay, and the overdue account is then referred to an agency for collection, the commission payable and legal costs incurred shall be added to the amount outstanding and form part of the debt.

7. The Principal is to follow up the matter with the Agency. This will take place at various times during the year.

It is Parish policy that the two Parish Schools, St Anne’s and Our Lady of Mt Carmel, have the same school fees and the same school policy. There may be differences in other costs such as excursions.
Parent/Teacher interviews for Grades Prep – 6, will be held at 3.30pm-7.30pm on Monday 16th February, 2015. 3.30pm-6.00pm on Thursday 19th February, 2015.

You can now book interviews at times that suit your family. Follow the simple instructions below.

BOOKINGS CLOSE: Friday 13th February, 4.00pm.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au
Enter school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.
You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents who don’t have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend’s house or on their phones, parents may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 9740 7344. Interviews are strictly 10 mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by revisiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code.

Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 9740 7344