Our Vision:
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School seeks to be a place where children are educated in faith, life and learning so that they may take their places as purposeful people with the courage, wisdom and will to embrace the work of Jesus through Gospel values to build a better world.

Our Mission:
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School is an inclusive and compassionate community where the partnership of parents and school supported by our parish communities is committed to growing and nurturing our young people in faith and learning that is life-long and life-giving.

Our Values:
Service, Compassion, Respect, Wisdom, Love, Justice, Truth
Our Lady of Mt Carmel—SCHOOL STRATEGIC INTENTIONS (2012-2016)

The following goals have been identified for Our Lady of Mt Carmel through consultation with staff, parents and children during 2010/11 and are intended to complement the four priorities for school development outlined in Brisbane Catholic Education’s Strategic Renewal Framework (2012-2016) for Catholic Schooling in the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Those strategic priorities and goals are as follows:

Mission and Religious Education

Our Lady of Mt Carmel is a parish Catholic school where the faith and spirituality of each person in our community is recognised, nurtured and developed. Prayer, liturgy and celebrations are key elements of our spirituality.

(Priority 1 of the BCE Strategic Renewal Framework: 2012-2016)

Therefore we intend to:

- Support the faith and spiritual development of students and staff.
- Promote witness to Gospel values in our everyday interactions
- Provide opportunities for students and staff to prepare for and engage in Catholic rituals and liturgical celebrations, including traditional prayer(s) so that we will maintain and enhance the Catholic ethos of Our Lady of Mt Carmel
- Encourage and support student involvement in community service programs and social justice issues.
- Develop the religious life of the school that recognises the faith background of all students in our community.
- Provide a religious education curriculum that promotes knowledge, understanding and skills about Catholic traditions.
- Provide professional learning and spiritual formation opportunities for staff.

Learning and Teaching

Our Lady of Mt Carmel is a community of lifelong learners committed to quality teaching and learning for all. Curriculum programs respect individual learning differences and focus on developmentally appropriate outcomes for all students.

(Priority 2 of the BCE Strategic Renewal Framework: 2012-2016)

Therefore we intend to:

- Provide quality teaching and learning for all students that is relevant, engaging and future focused.
- Develop inclusive, comprehensive and quality curriculum planning, monitoring, assessment and reporting processes that are inclusive of the implementation of the Australian Curriculum within the context of the Learning Framework.
- Ensure processes are in place to promptly identify and address students’ needs and thus strengthen our capacity to provide for the diverse needs of students with special needs.
- Embed information, communication and learning technologies in learning and teaching processes.
- Implement a coordinated approach to professional learning. An approach that includes providing teachers with the capacity to utilise information, communication and learning technologies to improve learning and teaching.
- Be responsive to the changing structure of schooling including Yr. 7 move to secondary in 2015
- Develop whole school responses to student protection, personal and social development, and behaviour support requirements.

3. Professional Practice and Collaborative Relationships

Our Lady of Mt Carmel is committed to maintaining and further building on our respected and valued position within the community. In so doing we will strive to acknowledge and meet the needs of those within the school, parish, local and wider BCE communities.

(Priority 3 of the BCE Strategic Renewal Framework: 2012-2016)

Therefore we intend to:

- Build strong partnerships among staff, students, parents and parish that are underpinned by the religious and evangelising mission of the school.
- Further develop collaborative partnerships and links with Catholic schools that incorporate professional learning communities within the local area and across the wider BCE community
- Continue to foster effective partnerships within the local and wider community.
- Provide for the well being and development of all OLMC staff including professional learning, professional standards, performance management and pastoral care.
- Ensure that all members of the school community are well informed through a variety of effective communication channels.

4. Strategic Resourcing

Our Lady of Mt Carmel maintains integrity, respect, responsibility, accountability and excellence through sustainable school management policies and practices.

(Priority 4 of the BCE Strategic Renewal Framework: 2012-2016)

Therefore we intend to:

- Ensure that renewal and quality assurance processes are informed by the principle of stewardship and have a clear focus on realising the vision and mission of the school
- Promote quality shared leadership and collaboration at all levels of the school community.
- Provide appropriate financial and resource management that is aligned to the needs of the school and is respectful of financial accessibility for all families.
- Provide and maintain a safe and stimulating school environment guided by a master plan for the future that provides for contemporary learning approaches and acknowledges sustainable environmental practices (See Appendix 7).

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