Dear Parents

No Entry off Norfolk St

Please be aware that access by vehicles to the school grounds off Norfolk St is no longer permitted on school days. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, this area was transformed into a staff car park from the beginning of this term to free up some space out on the school’s surrounding streets. Despite a sign being painted at this entrance indicating “no entry” we still have quite a number of vehicles that are entering the school grounds at this Norfolk St driveway. Many of these vehicles are dropping off and picking up students. Can I please ask all to refrain from this practice and use the school drop off/pick up zone instead.

Fete – This Sunday

It is only a few days now until the Mt Carmel Fete. I am very much looking forward to seeing how it all comes together this weekend. Over the last few weeks, and months, I have been witness to mammoth efforts, coordinated by our convenor Tracy Laidlaw, in preparation for Sunday. Many volunteers have given up countless hours to ensure the success of our Fete this Sunday. The best way we can say thank you for all of these efforts is by coming along on Sunday and enjoying a great day. I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday. Let’s pray for perfect weather!

Grandparents

Another great example of a vibrant community at Mt Carmel was our grandparents day, last Friday. Under the enthusiastic direction of our APRE, John Bates, we were overwhelmed by the number of grandparents who joined us for what turned out to be a great morning. The streets around the school were packed, as was the hall that was standing room only during our assembly lead by Sarah Esbensen’s 2A class and our Yr. 7 leaders.

I received many very positive comments from grandparents, parents, children and staff about the day. I would also like to thank all of the parents who helped coordinate the morning tea provided to our many visitors.

External Review Report

I have recently been presented with a copy of the external review report for Our Lady of Mt Carmel that was prepared following a day long visit to our school at the end of May. The report was forwarded to me by Pam Betts the Executive Director of Catholic Education in the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

I am very proud that the report acknowledged the good standing of the school in the local community, our above average learning results and the positive support provided by our community. The report also provided evidence that Mt Carmel satisfied accreditation under the Education (Accreditation of Non State Schools) Act 2001.

The report also made a number of suggestions that will help us move positively into the future. These suggestions aligned with further developing pedagogical consistency, extending and refining engagement with cyclical review and the focussed use of student learning data. These are areas that are already being actioned within our strategic planning. External review has proven to be a very valuable and affirming process for all at Mt Carmel and I am most grateful to all who contributed to the process.

Best wishes to all for a great weekend. I hope I get to see many of you at the fete on Sunday.

Go the Brumbies!

Regards

Peter Delaney
Principal
Our Lady of Mt Carmel Catholic Primary School
Coorparoo
mailto:pdelaney@bne.catholic.edu.au
News from the Assistant Principal Religious Education

Grandparent’s Day

I would like to thank everyone involved in making this year’s Grandparent’s Day such a successful community event. Our 2A class led a beautiful prayer ritual, paying tribute to Grandparents by comparing their attributes to those of Jesus. My thanks to Mrs Sarah Esbensen and 2A for leading prayer in such a reverent manner. It was also great to see such a large group of grandparents, parents, uncles and aunties present to spend precious time with our students. Our children are blessed with such loving and supportive families. Events like this are not possible without our generous teachers who so willingly opened their classrooms to our guests for the morning. Finally I’d like to thank each and every parent who brought along morning tea to share and for the large group of parents who were present to serve and clean up afterwards.

Villa Boys

Two of the year five classes from Villanova spent some quality time with our prep classes on Thursday morning. It was amazing to see how engaged the children were as they read, played games and chatted. This was a great experience for all involved, so it is my hope that this wonderful tradition continues well into the future.

Family Mass: Sunday 18th August

Just a reminder that we will have a Family Mass this term on Sunday 18th August at the 5.30pm mass. Notes regarding the mass will be given out early next week. Please mark this in your calendars.

Jesus Day: Thursday 15th August for Under 8’s

Our early year’s teachers are busily planning Jesus Day which will take place on Thursday 15th August. With each of the infant classes focusing on the Life and Times of Jesus in their R.E programs it was decided to make this the focus of this year’s under 8’s day. I’m sure you’ll receive further information from the class teachers in the very near future.

Zumalai

Traditionally we raise funds for our sister school, Our Lady of Mt Carmel Zumalai, in term four each year. For many years we have organised a Spellathon as a fundraiser. If there is anyone in the community who has a new innovative idea as to how we could support our friends in Zumalai, please don’t hesitate to share your ideas with me. jbates@bne.catholic.edu.au

School Vision for Religious Education

As part of the process of implementing the new R.E curriculum, our teaching staff collaboratively developed a Vision for Religious Education in our school which has been attached for your perusal. The vision provides a big picture look at what we hope our students will take with them as they complete their studies here at Our Lady of Mt Carmel. For the teaching staff; this Vision Statement can be a point of reference and a reminder of we are striving towards through our Religious Education program. Once again please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions regarding the vision statement.

Enjoy the rest of your week!

John Bates
### CALENDAR

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### REMINDER

The next P&F meeting Tuesday 13 August 7.30pm (this is the night before the Ekka holiday)  
**pandfmtcarmel@gmail.com**

### Tuckshop News

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*Please call Kelly on 3395 5236 if you cannot work on your rostered day.*
LEARNING CENTRE CORNER

Choosing a school for your child can be a difficult process for parents, especially if your child has special educational needs.

A list of possible questions which may be beneficial to parents when thinking about your options for high school could include:

- Does the school have any experience in helping children who may have similar difficulties to your child?
- How is the school organised – into departments/age/ability/subject groupings?
- What does the school do to ensure that staff know about your child’s individual needs?
- How would other children be helped to understand my child’s special needs?
- When and how often are children taught outside the classroom?
- How does the school arrange for extra support for children who need it?
- Is extra support provided in the classroom, individually or in small group situations?
- How regularly would my child’s progress be reviewed and who would be involved?
- How would I be involved in the individual planning for my child’s special educational needs?
- Will there be any adjustments/accommodations made for assessment?
- What kinds of support /guidance does the school offer for parents of students with special needs?
- How are parents involved in school life?
- Is there a parent group?
- How would you get to know my child before they start at the school?

It is worth remembering that parents are often the best educational advocates for their children, especially children with specific needs.

LEANNE CROFT AND KERRY KEARNS

Villanova Music Festival 2013 for Senior Choir members

Mt Carmel Senior Choir will perform at the Music Festival at Villanova on Thursday 15 August 2013. Parents will be responsible for their child’s transport to Villanova and back home. The performance will be at the Goold Hall at 5.23pm and will finish at 5.43 pm.

The students will then be taken back to the audience at 6.05 where the results will be announced. All choir members need to arrive at Goold Hall at 4.45 pm dressed in their brown and white uniforms, brown socks and polished shoes. Parents are required to pay an entrance fee of $5.00 and will need to park in 8th Avenue (if possible) Please be early enough to get a parking spot and be seated in the audience in time for the performance.

All the choir members who have been selected to take part in the QCMF, will receive a copy of the Performance schedule and an important information brochure about the QCMF. Hope to see all parents there to support their children.

Music regards, Mrs Christa Cloete
Resource Centre News

Popcorn Party Fun

The winning class (Year 7A) from my National Simultaneous Storytime “Guess the Voices” competition finally got their prize with their popcorn party. It was a fun lunchtime and yet another chance to use our FRA (Funky Reading Area)!

Another Countdown is about to begin....

By the time you read this, the countdown to another wonderful school Fete will nearly be over. From next Monday, it will be time to start a new countdown to our next big school event – School Book Week! Early next week you will receive a special email detailing all of the planned activities, including lunchtime events, Book Week Author Visits, a Book Swap event, competitions and a special Whole School Book Week dress up day. Please keep an eye out for this special email and so you can note some dates in your calendar.

O L M C Parish News

ENROLMENT IN THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2013/14

This week children in Grade 2 and 3 were given a letter outlining details of the next Sacramental program to prepare them to continue their Initiation into the Church through the Sacrament of Reconciliation in 2013 and Confirmation and Eucharist in 2014.

The enrolment form will commence in Term 4 at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, Coorparoo. The enrolment form is due back at the Parish Office no later than Friday 23 August. (Late enrolments cannot be accepted.)

If you have a child in a grade higher than grade 3 who you would like to participate in this process, they are more than welcome to join the program.

For any questions at all regarding this program please contact me on 3397 1587 (Tues-Fri)

Kate McGuckin, Parish Secretary

P&F Update

Grandparents Day

Last Friday saw another massive Mt Carmel turnout, this time for Grandparents’ Day. Thank you to everyone who helped make our visitors feel so welcome. We were overwhelmed with offers of baked goods for morning tea, but almost nothing remained after a very social morning tea in the Hall. We are grateful to those who helped by cooking, manning the urns, and cleaning up afterwards – and special thanks to the ever-tolerant Kelly Collins and her tuckshop crew who juggled bench-space to accommodate us on one of the biggest Tuckshop days so far this year. If anyone is still looking for their plates/platters, they are stacked on the shelves in the school office.

Fete Three sleeps to go! See you there.....

Kim Broadfoot , P&F President
pandfmtcarmel@gmail.com

Student of the Week

Prep A Lauren Carlyle
Prep A Jack Elher
Prep B Edward Fletcher
Prep B Chloe Greentree
Prep C Jonah Abraham
Prep C Holly Seymour
1A Lydia Berkman
1B Aoife Ward
1C Thomas Anderson
2A Josh Moffett
2B Isabelle Ehler
2C Sophia Angeli
3A Lachie Park
3B Ignatius Weier
3B Evie Becconsall
3C Olivia Lyons
4A Nicholas Green
4A Nicolas Manero
4B Cooper Prestridge
4C Sasha Kratzmann
5A Nina Sherlock
5B Hugo Scott
6A Audrey Blunt
6A Jasmine Kozionsas
6B Sophie Carroll
7 Andie Nicolaou
7 Lydia Blunt
PITCH BURST SUPER SOAKER

Kids, take the opportunity to pay back your teacher for all the homework with the new PITCH BURST SUPER SOAKER. Get this game right, and you could see your teacher covered in litres of water!

The following staff have very bravely volunteered to take the challenge: Mr Delaney, Mr Bates, Mr Shaw, Mrs Halstead, Mrs Brady, Miss Daigle, Mr Thomson, Mrs Atkinson, Mr Anderson, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Isaac, Mrs Magometovs, Ms Ponti and Mrs Lyons.

Here is the roster for when these teachers will take on the SUPER SOAKER challenge. So start practising your aiming skills to hit the target and soak the teacher in the wet seat!

Michelle Haddock, Siobhan Stafford and Kate Lyons

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Outside School Hours Care
We offer some suggestions and children can choose to participate or be involved in other tasks:

**Monday** Pom- Poms, Lean and leave, Decorate your own creation, Ultimate Frisbee fun, Catch tail ball games, Paddle ball games.

**Tuesday** Create various shape cut-outs, My grandmother went to the market, Bookmarks, Martial art activities, Foam ball activities.

**Wednesday** Design your own super hero, Chinese whispers, Create your own canvas, Basket ball, Throw and kneel. Tiger feet.

**Thursday** Treasure hunt for leaves, twigs and other natural objects to use for collage craft, Silent ball, Paper craft, Hula- hoops, Scoop ball.

**Friday** Creative bead shapes, I spy, Design your own felt shape, Ball skill activities, Forty four home, Ultimate hand ball games.

Thank you to Cooper and Joshua for their contribution to the weekly program.

Grace Pitt, Coordinator
Our Lady of Mount Carmel OSHC

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**PARENTS NOTE:**

Reference No: Child’s full name
Norfolk Street, COORPAROO 4151

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**INTERNET BANKING DETAILS :**
BSB 064-786
Account# 310861800
Account name: OSHC Mt.Carmel
Reference No: Child’s full name

Before school capped at 15
After school capped at 30

PARENTS NOTE:

Please come and see Grace personally about casual bookings. Permanent bookings are charged on being ABSENT or in ATTENDANCE.

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P: 07 3847 9585
F: 07 3847 9858

Norfolk Street, COORPAROO 4151
**Fete Update**

**Be Sun Smart** - Remember to pack your hat, sunscreen and water.

**Pre-Paid Ride Armbands** - Collect your pre-paid ride armbands from the Information Tent from 9.30am on fete day. You have until 3pm Thursday 1 August to pre-purchase ride armbands.

**Parking** - Consider walking to the fete as parking around the school on fete day requires patience! Please consider our neighbours when driving and parking around our school. The oval end of The Crescent will be closed for fete vehicles and the Norfolk Street Childcare Centre is reserved for our guests with VIP parking permits.


**Sponsors** - We have a record number of sponsors again this year. Please support them however you can. Links to all of our fete sponsors can be made from our website where we will continue to promote them until April 2014.

**Facebook** - We have 489 Facebook likes and growing! Please like us on Facebook [facebook.com/mtcarmelfete](http://facebook.com/mtcarmelfete)

**THANK YOU!** Once again we would like to thank you so much for your hard work, contributions and valuable time. The Mt Carmel spirit is in full swing and we are on track for another fantastic fete! Now all that's left is to have some fun! See you at the fete!

*The 2013 Mt Carmel Community Fete Committee*

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**Fete News**

**The Book Stall** - The bookstore will begin setting up this Friday at 8.30am. We would appreciate some strong people to help us to shift books from the storage shed near grade one - up to the hall. We will have a couple of trollies available. Just turn up at the shed at 8.30 if you can make it. Thanks, Michelle and Orla

**Art Show** - During this past week, with some wheeling and dealing...we have been fortunate to have agreement from some local artists to display and sell some of their paintings at the fete. We have some very talented artists' work, including some pieces from Cath Black, Jacqui Conias and Lisa Jones, on display at the Art Show in the hall for purchase on fete day. The fete will earn commission from any sales.

Also don't forget to come and see the children's paintings in the Mt Carmel Art Gallery - in the hall...

**Chance Cellars Stall**

In the Chance Cellars Pizza Party race, 1C currently has a healthy lead over 1B thanks to an extremely generous donation from the Craig Family in 1C. But it's not over yet!

We would love more donations! If you have a bottle to donate, please leave it at the office. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks, Tim O'Brien
Roll Up … Roll Up!

Sunday is Fete Day!

One of the most important dates on the school calendar – the Mt Carmel Community Fete – is this Sunday!

Following are some last minute reminders to ensure you enjoy your day at the fete:

**Choirs and Performers** - All students from Prep, year 1, 2 and 3 perform an item at the fete. This year we also have a number of soloists, the year 7 Vocal Group and year 6 dancers.

Performers please note:

The stage at the Fete is located on the school oval this year (near the day-care facility)

Can all performers **meet 15 minutes prior** at the marshalling area to the left of the stage prior to their performance

9.30am “Coco Pops” Prep Percussion Band and Soloist Eloise Crawford with dancers Sallie Littleton & Maddy White (for 9.45am performance)

9.45am Year 1 Choir and Year 7 Vocal Group (for 10am performance)

9.55am Year 2 and Year 3 Choirs (for 10.10am performance)

1.35pm Year 6 dancers (Charlie Greer, Eloise Rieck & Lucy Ware), Vocal Duet (Sophie Isaac and Molly Amorous), Year 7 Dancers (Siobhan Lyons, Tara Pigott & Ruby -Leigh O'Brien), soloist (Charlotte Gavin) (for 1.50pm performance)

Students will be available for collection from the oval in front of the seating below the tennis court

Teachers will have percussion instruments for the Prep Percussion Band

Could performers in the Year 1 and Year 2 choirs please bring their decorated headpiece with them

School uniform is not required

**Lots of Prizes** - We have a great range of prizes for all budgets in the Multidraw raffle, Live Auctions and Art Union. The Live Auctions will be held at 10.20am and 2.15pm at the entertainment stage. So don’t be shy and put in a bid for an item you would like. Remember to also enter into the free Lucky Door Prize of a child’s bike at the Information Stand.

**Fete Photographers**

Our beautiful and colourful photos on the fete website and fete promotional material would not be possible without a number of fete photographers each year. If you have an interest in photography and would like to capture the fun and frivolity on fete day while spending time with your family, then this role is for you. On fete day all you need to do is collect a convener lanyard from the information stand and snap away! Afterwards make a copy of your photos and leave them at the office for Tracy Laidlaw.