



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School

School Advisory Council Chair Report – Karyn Cooper

Tuesday, 18 November 2025

Good evening everyone,

It has been a privilege to serve as Chair of the Our Lady of Mt Carmel School Advisory Council for a second—and final—year. Being part of this vibrant, faith-filled community has been a true honour. There is so much to celebrate in our school, where the Catholic ethos of *Christ-centred, child-focused* education continues to flourish.

This year, our community embraced the Jubilee Year theme “*We are Pilgrims of Hope*”, deepening our Catholic identity through rich liturgical experiences, sacramental celebrations, and meaningful engagement with parish life. From Confirmation and First Holy Communion to the joyful visit from Andrew Chinn, our students have been immersed in faith and fellowship.

In education, our staff have shown incredible dedication, engaging in professional development and curriculum renewal, particularly in literacy and wellbeing. The Berry Street Education Model and our partnership with Our Lady of Fatima School have strengthened teaching practices and supported student growth.

Our community spirit continues to shine through events like the Open Night and Father’s Day Breakfast, supported by our wonderful P&F Association.

I’d like to take a moment to thank some key contributors. To our P&F Executive—Melissa F, Nadia, Michelle and Melissa —and all the families who’ve volunteered their time: thank you for your energy and commitment. To our incredible staff, who show up every day with passion and care—thank you for making OLMC such a special place. And to my fellow Advisory Council members—Kelly, Deanna, Tom, Carmel and Rachael—your wisdom, generosity and dedication have been deeply appreciated.

Thank you all for attending tonight’s Annual Community Meeting. On behalf of the Advisory Council, I wish you a joyful end to the school year and a safe and peaceful Christmas break.