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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As Christmas is once again upon us, it is also that exciting time of both wrapping up one year while driving the New Year on at the same time.

I take great joy in receiving feedback from parents and teachers of the Year 9 students as they share letters written to themselves of what they have learnt from their experiences this year and the advice they wish to give themselves as a Year 12 (when they next read these letters), as well as attending the Year 7 play held on the front lawn of the school. While these are just two of the great things we see around the College this week, it is also uplifting to see the tireless efforts of the teachers and staff that are all playing their part to ensure that the College not only finishes strongly for 2015, but also starts even stronger for 2016.

While the Christmas season is a time for celebration, it is also a time to review ourselves collectively and personally.

Collectively we ask ourselves how we have contributed to the greater good of life and how can we do it all again, but better next year. Personally, we ask the question 'How am I?' For many of us this is the difficult one to ask, answer, and do something about. So as you set yourself new goals and aspirations for the New Year, take time to reflect on the advice freely given to us all by the one that the Christmas season is all about, Jesus. The Bible offers us so many 'life' answers. Take time to put Christ back into Christmas.

Blessings for a safe and happy summer.

Mr Nicholas Thomson
Principal

CALENDAR

YEAR 9 EXCURSION
FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

FINAL DAY - YEAR 7 TO 9
FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

GRADUATION WEEKEND
BBQ TEA: FRIDAY 11TH - 5PM
CHURCH: SAT 12TH - 11AM
GRADUATION & CLOSING
EXERCISES: SAT 12TH - 7PM

OFFICE STAFF RETURN
MONDAY 11TH JANUARY

**YEAR 10 - 12 STUDENTS
RETURN**
MONDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2016

YEAR 7 - 9 RETURN
TUESDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2016

YEAR 7 - 9 DEREGISTRATION

This coming Friday, 4th December, will be the last day for Carmel Secondary students. Each student must deregister before they leave for holidays. To ensure this deregistration process can occur smoothly, please ensure all textbooks, library books, keys and pad locks are returned this Friday. If text books, library books, locks or keys have been lost, there will be a cost incurred. To replace, keys are \$10 and locks are \$28. Please also note, a student will not be able to deregister if they have outstanding assessment tasks.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

Enrolments are filling up fast for 2016. We still have a few places left and would love you to recommend Carmel to your family and friends. Year 7- 3 places, Year 8 - 6 places, Year 9- waiting list, Year 10 - 3 places, Year 11- 8 places and Year 12- waiting list.

While we do have waiting lists, we will still look at all applications as there is an option to modify current classes. Please contact Mrs Julie McCutcheon if you would like further information on juliemccutcheon@adventist.org.au.

WITHDRAWING FROM CARMEL

If your child is not returning to Carmel Adventist College in 2016, please notify the school of your intentions to withdraw before 11th December, 2015. Our policy states, failure to give a term's notice will result in a term's fees being charged in lieu of notice. This can be done by sending a note with your child to school, or by emailing juliemccutcheon@adventist.org.au.

SENIORS STILL RIDE TODAY!

While our senior students have finished school, it was great to see some back today to go mountain bike riding for sport. Thanks Mr Stafford for taking them out for one last ride!



GRADUATION WEEKEND

Graduation weekend is a special event here at Carmel. For more than 100 years, every December, family and friends gather on campus to celebrate the achievements of the students and congratulate those graduating. This year is no exception. As classes finish up, all teachers now focus on making Graduation a memorable occasion.

FREE 'VEGEBURGER' TEA - Friday 11th December from 5pm

Friday evening, 11th December, we will host a free vegeburger tea here on the front lawns of the College to recognise the achievements of our graduating students. While this event is open to all Carmel Secondary and Primary families to attend, we do especially encourage those with students in Year 12 and Year 6 to attend. ***If you are planning to attend, please RSVP at Reception for this event by this Friday, 4th December.***

CHURCH - Saturday 12th December, 11.00am

All families are invited to share in worship on Saturday, 12th December at the College gymnasium. Year 12 students need to be there by 10.30am.

GRADUATION & CLOSING EXERCISES - 12th Dec, 7.00pm

Saturday evening at 7.00pm, all Carmel families are invited to attend this special event held in the gymnasium. Year 12 students are required to meet in the College Assembly Hall at 6.00pm to get their graduation robes and have their formal graduation photos. The program will begin at 7.00pm and all students in Years 7 to 11 are required to wear **full summer uniform**.

2016 OFFICE HOURS AND UNIFORMS

Our office will close over the Christmas break and will reopen, Monday, 11th January. If you are needing to purchase uniforms, it is important that you phone the office to make an appointment to ensure we have the staff here to serve you.