



# NEWSLETTER



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

Feb 13 - 24 (Mon-Fri)	Swimming Lessons (PP-Yr 6)
March 6 (Monday)	Labour Day Public Holiday
March 14 - 16	Naplan Testing (Yrs 3 & 5)
March 17 (Friday)	Naplan Catch-up Tests (Yr 3 & 5)
March 24 (Friday)	Science/Slime Messy Day
April 5 (Wednesday)	Parent Teacher Interviews
April 6 (Thursday)	Term 1 Concludes
April 7 - 10 (Fri - Mon)	Easter (Adventist Easter Camp)

## SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons have now commenced and will run daily for all students in PP - Yr 6 until Friday Feb 24.

If you would like to collect your child from the swimming pool after their lesson the school **MUST BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING** before the child leaves for swimming lessons on that day.

Please be reminded that the 'grading system' used by the Dept of Education for Interm swimming can differ from private providers/instructors or such. All children were assessed by the Dept of Ed swimming instructors at the pool on Monday and put in the appropriate levels.

*For God*   
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 ONLY  
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 SON SO   
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*Life* 

## CHAPEL

We have a weekly Chapel and Assembly program on FRIDAY mornings from 8:50am to 9:30am in our Multipurpose Room (located next to Library). All parents are welcome to attend.

### *Upcoming Chapel Programs*

DATE	PRELIMS	SPEAKER
Feb 17	Year 5	Pr Steve Goods
Feb 24	Year 4	Pr Amy
Mar 3	Year 3	Pr Andrew Olsen
Mar 10	Year 2	Pr Miranda

## NAPLAN TESTING

NAPLAN testing commences March 14. We encourage all students to participate. If you would like to seek an exemption/withdrawal for your child from this year's testing, please speak with Mrs Taylor or your child's classroom teacher urgently.

## PRIVATE MUSIC TUTORS

If you are interested in your child/ren taking music lessons here at the school, please see information below.

### Available School Hours

Piano - Shana Eaton	0408 761 282
<i>(extra spots now available with Shana)</i>	
Piano - Rocco DeBellis	0400 218 850
Guitar - Bernard McDonagh	0405 767 338
Violin & Cello - Julie Harrison	0409 887 766

Whilst we provide the facilities for these lessons, they are operated privately. Fees are set by individual teachers and are payable directly to them. For all enquiries and availability, please phone the appropriate teacher.

## IMPORTANT FORMS

### Medical Plans

Please ensure you have provided an up-to-date Medical Plan (Asthma Action Plan, Anaphylaxis Action Plan etc) for your child. Medical Plans should be reviewed regularly by your child's medical practitioner and the school notified of any changes.

### School Fees

If you haven't already done so, please complete the blue 2023 Fee Payment Commitment form and return it to the school ASAP, to confirm your fee payment option. If you need to discuss your fees, please contact the school by phone or email.

## CLASSROOM SUPPORT

(Students with Learning Difficulties)

We are delighted to have Miss Lara Drinkall and Mrs Holly Gunter in our Education Assistant team this year. You will know Mrs Gunter well because she has worked for many years in our Library. Some of you may not be aware that she is also a trained Education Assistant as well. Miss Drinkall recently graduated with an Arts Degree in Linguistics and Korean. She is a very capable lady and has helped out as an Education Assistant for the last two years on a relief basis whilst completing her studies. She has agreed to come on board to help as an Education Assistant for 2023.

Lara has been busy completing testing for new students and, also testing students previously working on Toe-by-Toe etc to check their progress. This process takes a little time, but provides valuable information for teachers and for the EA's. This initial testing is almost complete.


For the next two or three weeks, some of the EA's time will be spent in PP, Year 1 and 2 as teachers complete the On Entry Testing. This is a test of Literacy and Numeracy Competency for our younger students and will help us determine which students in the early years are at risk. The EA's will be fitting in as much of their regular work with other grades as possible during swimming and On Entry Testing.

By the time swimming lessons are over, things will be back to normal and the timetable for classroom support will be finalised.

## UNIFORM SHOP

If you have pre-loved school uniforms that you no longer need or have outgrown OR if you are wanting to purchase pre-loved uniforms, check out our Facebook page... 'Carmel Adventist College Primary & Secondary - Buy, Sell or Swap'. This page is for both Primary and Secondary Uniforms. Simply click the 'JOIN GROUP' button.

## OPENING HOURS

Primary Campus   
Monday | 8.30-9.15am  
Friday | 8.30-9.15am

Secondary Campus  
Tuesday | 8.30-9.30am  
Thursday | 8.30-9.30am

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