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Welcome back for Term 2!

When I consider the night sky...

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When was the last time you looked at the night sky? I don't mean glancing up at the moon as you drive home after sunset, but really studying the night sky?

For me it was over the Easter long weekend. My husband and I visited the Gravity Discovery Centre Observatory near Gingin. The evening included a guided tour of the night sky with indigenous elder Dr Noel Nannup, who pointed out various constellations and explained their significance according to local Aboriginal tradition. This included being shown the kangaroo, emu, goanna, and echidna constellations. We finished the tour by looking through some very powerful telescopes and gazing in wonder upon the Orion Nebula, the Tarantula Nebula, the Carina Nebula, and the Sombrero Galaxy.

As I sat, blanketed in darkness and contemplating the heavens, a few lines from Psalm 19 came to my mind:

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

<u>Events Calendar</u>

Primary Campus - Term 2

Week of Worship (WOW)Apr 19-23
ANZAC Day Public HolidayApr 26
Storytime in the BushMay 4
Mother's Day Morning TeaMay 7
NAPLAN Testing (Years 3 & 5)May 11-14
WA Day Public HolidayJune 7
Year 6 CampJune 16-18



Secondary Campus - Term 2

Year 11 Geo/Bio Excursion	Apr 27
Year 11 OED Hike	Apr 28-29
NAPLAN	May 11-17
Athletics Carnival	May 19
Year 12 Exams	May 27-June 4
Year 11 Exams	June 10-18
Year 10 Exams	June 21-25
Parent/Teacher Night	June 23
Yr 10 Wk Experience	June 28- July 2
Year 7-9 Exams	June 28-July 2

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GENERAL

Absent

At Carmel we take your child's duty of care seriously and, as such, we need to be informed whenever a child is absent from school and the reason for absence (eg sick, family reasons, doctor, dental or specialist appointment), so that this can be noted on our attendance records.

This can be done by phone call, emailing <u>primary.admin@cac.wa.edu.au</u> or <u>secondary.admin@cac.wa.edu.au</u> or using the SKOOLBAG app on the morning of your child's absence.

Late to school

We really do appreciate your efforts to have the students on time for the start of school.

If your child is late to school for any reason, please ensure they come to the front office to be signed in BEFORE they go to their classroom.

ANZAC Day Public Holiday Monday, April 26

The front office's will be closed on the Anzac Day Public Holiday.



Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Carmel Primary (Sports Uniform)

The uniform shop at the Primary school is open every:

Tuesday | 8:45am - 9:15am Friday | 8:45am - 9:15am



Carmel Secondary (Formal Uniform)

The uniform shop is open:

Thursday (22 Apr) | 8:30 - 9:30am Tuesday (27 Apr) | 8:30am - 9:15am Wednesday (28 Apr) | 8:30am - 9:15am Thursday (29 Apr) | 8:30am - 9:15am

Phone and email orders are still encouraged. These will be pre-packaged and can be collected from the Secondary Front Office. The uniform shop email is -<u>uniform@carmelcollege.net</u>.

Parent Insight Survey

Each year, every Adventist School across Australia completes a series of 3 surveys: Year 3-12 students, staff and parents. The purpose of these surveys is to help us improve!

In the coming days, you will receive an invitation to complete the survey via email. Please let us know if you do not receive this so that we can follow this up for you.

We want to know what you think!

Your feedback is anonymous. Carmel Adventist College does not collect or collate the information in any of these surveys, this is done by Insight and a summary of results is fed back to the campuses early next term. The School Council and teachers use this information to help us update our School Improvement Plan. The more people who give feedback, the more useful the information is as it represents a much broader view. We would love to hear from every family.

Insight tells us this will take between 10-20 minutes of your time to complete the online survey. It really does make a difference to us to know what you think.

PRIMARY

Sporting Schools (After School Sports)

Sporting Schools implements a competitive assessment process each term for Primary School grants to ensure equal access to funding.

Due to high demand for program funding and limited places, Sporting Schools will not be happening this term.

Mother's Day Morning Tea

To celebrate the wonderful mothers that we have as part of our Carmel Primary Family, we would like to invite all Mother's and Grandmother's of our current students to a morning tea on Friday, May 7.

The morning tea will take place following the chapel program (that our Year 1 class is taking) until recess (just before 11am).

Please let us know if you are able to attend by emailing <u>primary.admin@cac.wa.edu.au</u>.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!!!

School Banking rewards now available!

There is a selection of rewards available from previous years to make sure you don't miss out on the ones you wanted!

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a Dollarmites token. Once students have individually completed 10 deposits/ reached 10 tokens they can redeem them for a School Banking reward item.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, **School Banking day is every Tuesday.**

Mountain Biking

This term, Mr Eaton will be offering mountain biking for students in Years 4 - 6. This will be running on Tuesday afternoons, after school from 3:30pm - 5:00pm.

First ride will be on Tuesday, April 27.



Permission forms will be sent home this week and will also be available in the front office.

Mother's Day Stall

Some of our lovely parents will be operating a Mother's Day Stall on Friday, May 7 to give students an opportunity to purchase a special gift for their Mum.



Please remember to send some money with your child to school so that they can buy a present. Gifts will be priced between \$2 - \$10.



to the below students who celebrate an upcoming birthday!

Mila (PP) Millie (Yr 2) Addelyn (Kindy) Zee (Yr 5)

Have a wonderful day and we pray that God will bless you in the year ahead! The Message puts it this way:

God's glory is on tour in the skies, God-craft on exhibit across the horizon. Madame Day holds classes every morning, Professor Night lectures each evening.

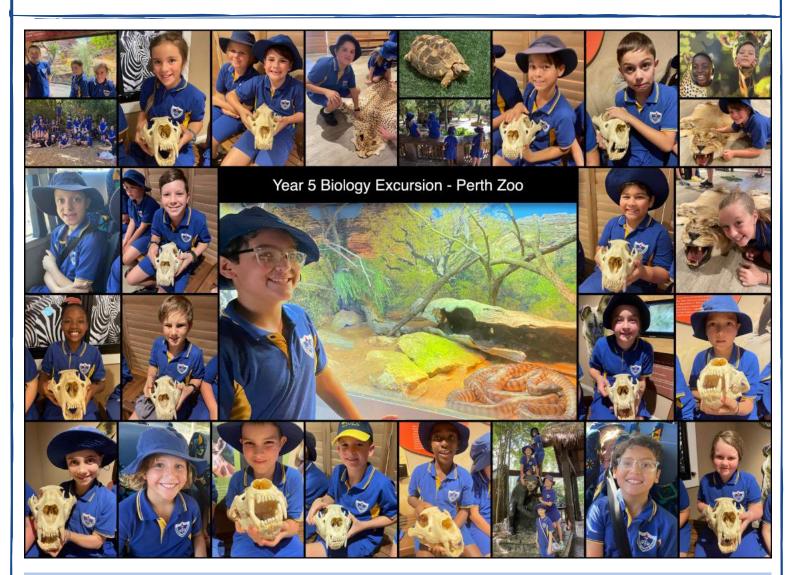


I have worked in schools and tertiary institutions for over 30 years so I am very familiar with holding classes and lecturing. As an educator I hope my students will be intrigued, informed, and inspired. I can't help but wonder if this is what God wants us to experience under his night sky tutelage. This was certainly my experience as I took part in God's "lecture" at the Observatory.

I was intrigued: How is it that something can be so far away and yet so constant for many thousands of years? How did our Creator-God make all this? And how come our God who made all this would care about me?

I was informed: Indigenous astronomy guided communities with hunting, harvesting and meeting together. Advances in science enable us to view nebulae and galaxies that sit thousands and thousands of light-years from Earth.

I was inspired: I've got to share this experience with others. I need to get my husband a telescope! Next time you are outside after sunset, look up at the night sky and consider the God who created the heavens; the One who also created and loves you.

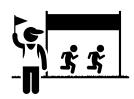


Chapel

We have our weekly Chapel program on FRIDAY morning from 8:50am to 9:30am.

This **Friday (April 23)**, we conclude our Week of Worship. **Next week (April 30)...** Coordinating: Year 5 class Speaker: Pr Andrew Olsen

SECONDARY



Athletics Carnival

We encourage families to come along and support the students at our annual Athletics Carnival on **Wednesday, May 19** at the Ern Clark Athletic Track in Cannington.

Further information relating to this day will be communicated in the next newsletter or via SEQTA.

After School Volleyball

Calling students of all grades! If you are keen on being involved in playing volleyball, Mr Smoker and Mr Narlapati are going to be running some after school training sessions during the school term, to be held in the gymnasium.

Training Day - Tuesday afternoon Time - 3:30pm - 5pm

If you would like more information or to be involved, please contact either staff member mentioned above in person or via email. <u>suresh.narlapati@cac.wa.edu.au</u> OR <u>shannon.smoker@cac.wa.edu.au</u>. Interested students see Mr Smoker or Mr Narlapati.

Under the Sporting Schools funding, a professional volleyball coach will also be provided for students

If you are in Year 7 or 8, and would like to partake of the professional coaching, please register your

Professional coaching will begin on Tuesday 27th

April (week 2) and will run for five weeks.

in Years 7 & 8 at this same time, so students in

these year levels are particularly invited to

Special Volleyball Coaching for Students in Years 7 & 8



Study Hacks

Students often struggle when balancing homework, assignments and study. We encourage you to check out the Study Hacks Portal on SEQTA for ideas!

School Positions Available

Positions: Boarding House Tutors

Applications Close: Friday, 30 April 2021

Role Description: Carmel Adventist College Secondary is seeking expressions of interest from people able to tutor boarding students during the following hours or part thereof:

participate.

interest with Mrs Tonkin: anne.tonkin@cac.wa.edu.au.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday each week 4pm – 5:20pm (Years 7-9) 7pm – 9pm (Years 10-12)

Tutoring duties will include assisting students with set homework that is provided by teachers. It may also include tutoring in specific areas of literacy and numeracy as suggested by teachers. Successful applicants will possess the interpersonal skills to build a strong rapport with students, support the needs of individual students, and be able to work collaboratively with the boarding house supervisors. Further information about the role can be obtained by contacting the Boarding House Manager, Mrs Anne Tonkin on 08 9293 5333 or by email: anne.tonkin@cac.wa.edu.au

All applicants will need a current Working With Children check, or have an application for the Working With Children check submitted.

Application Requirements: Applicants should apply in writing to Anne Tonkin: <u>anne.tonkin@cac.wa.edu.au</u>, and should provide details of three referees.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Lest We Forget...

We think of these words on Anzac Day to remember. We remember the sacrifice that many brave young men and women made for this country and world in which we live. Remembering what has been in the past, helps us to realise how far we have come.

Everyone has milestones in their lives, birthdays and anniversaries of the good and the bad events that have happened in our lives. Some things we want to remember and others we want to forget.

The Bible says there is a time and a season for everything: "There is a time to be born and a time to die...a time to cry and a time to laugh...a time to be sad and a time to dance...a time to look for something and a time to stop looking...a time to be silent and a time to speak...a time for war and a time for peace." (The full list is in Ecclesiastes chapter 3).

Whatever event you are celebrating or trying to forget, remember this: Our future can be stronger as we remember what has gone before. The memories will spur us on to repeat the same actions or they will challenge us to make the changes needed to make this world a better place. Are there any changes that you need to make in your life today? We thank the Anzacs for standing strong and making our world a much better place.

As this new term begins we are wanting to look forward. We're hoping that Covid is in our rearview mirror. Let's move forward as a school family and support each other in whatever is coming next in this world.

Please be in touch with the chaplaincy team if there is anything we can pray for your families this term.

Pr Andrew Olsen Chaplain



Pr Andrew Olsen

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CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Carmel SDA Church

Come along and join in any of the various age-related programs or small groups between 9:30am-10:30am followed by the church service at 11am. Everyone is welcome!

Livingston SDA Church

Come along and join in any of the various age-related programs or small groups between 9:30am-10:30am. Two church services are running at either

9:30am or 11:00am. Everyone is welcome!

What's On...

Toddler Musical Playtime - April 22 Craft Group & Mother's Time Out - April 28 Toddler Musical Playtime - April 29 Adventurers - May 1 Working Bee - May 2



iCHOOSE returns for 2021! iCHOOSE is an interactive Bible study group, running Friday afternoons during Terms 2 & 3 at Carmel SDA Church. Suitable for young people who are in Year 6 or above. Sign up now to the iCHOOSE experience for 2021.

https://forms.gle/fjDjgeBwD5npjK446



the hub

[noun] centre; a focal point

anyone who is high school age or older come along for an evening of good vibes + a space to connect with friends

Friday. 23rd April 2021 7pm - 9pm

@ carmel college church (216 Glenisla Rd, Carmel)



THE HUB with be very similar to youth cafe just a new name

Pre-Loved School Uniforms

Go to our 'Carmel Adventist College Primary & Secondary – Buy, Sell or Swap'. This page is for both Primary and Secondary Uniforms. Simply click the 'JOIN GROUP' button and Admin will get you off and running.



Like us on Facebook for regular information, updates and photos.

Search for Carmel Adventist College Primary and Carmel Adventist College Secondary.

School Term Dates 2021

Term 2 Term 3 Term 4 Monday, April 19 – Friday, July 2 Tuesday, July 20 – Friday, September 24 Tuesday, Oct 12 – Friday, December 10

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