

# Carmel Adventist College Primary Newsletter



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## Welcome...to our Parents, Students and Friends for 2016!

### *From the Principal...*

Dear Parents and Friends,

It is with a sense of great pleasure and anticipation that I greet you all, both our existing families and our new families, and welcome you to 2016 at Carmel Adventist College Primary.

Many of you will be experiencing the College for the first time – it is my prayer that you will soon feel very much a part of our Carmel College community and that your children will settle comfortably into life with us here at the College. To our many existing families, we look forward to continuing our journey together, as we build strong relationships between home and school, relationships that will form a robust foundation for your children's educational journey.

#### **Something to ponder at the beginning of the new year:**

Reflecting upon the beginning of a new year, one of the thoughts that has kept recurring is the need for us to ensure that our children come to develop a clear understanding of *why* we are here on earth! *Our Purpose.*



**More inside!**



### Events Calendar

Parent Information Night – Feb 9

Welcome Back Picnic Tea - Feb 12

Swimming Lessons Start – Feb 29

Labour Day Public Holiday – Mar 7

Pupil Free Day – Mar 24

Easter - Mar 24-28

Pupil Free Day – Mar 29

Parent/Teacher Interviews –  
Apr 6

Combined Sport Day/  
End of Term 1 – Apr 8

Term 2 Commences – Apr 26



## Swimming Lessons Commence 29<sup>th</sup> February

Swimming Lessons commence on **Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> February** and will run for 2 weeks. During this time, ALL students (except Kindy) are required to wear their Sport uniform to school every day. They need to bring their swimwear in a waterproof bag to school in the morning. **PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE CLEARLY LABELLED.**

**If your child has participated in swimming lessons over the year-end break and has passed a level, please send a copy of their certificate to the school. The Swimming Instructors require this certificate to validate the level of swimming your child has enrolled in.**

<b>LESSON TIMES</b>	(NB. Bus return times are <b>approx.</b> )
First Group	Bus leaves 12:00pm
<b>(PP, Yr 2, 3 &amp; 6)</b>	Lessons 12:55 – 1:30pm
	Arrive back to school ~ 2:20pm
Second Group	Bus leaves 1:05pm
<b>(Yr 1, 4 &amp; 5)</b>	Lessons 1:40 – 2:15pm
	Arrive back to school ~ 3:05pm

*If you would like to arrange to personally collect your child from the swimming pool after the lessons, please speak directly to your child's teacher **BEFORE-HAND** and confirm in writing. Any child not collected by a parent by the time the bus leaves, will be put on the bus and returned to the school. **NO** child will be left at the pool unattended.*

Swimming lessons are held at the **Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre, Progress Way, Belmont**. Spectators will be charged an entry fee at the pool.

**Swimming permission slips are to be returned to the office by Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February.**

## Absent/Late Students

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. This can be done by phoning between 8:30-9:00am, emailing [admin@carmelcollegeprimary.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@carmelcollegeprimary.wa.edu.au) or using the SKOOLBAG app on the morning of your child's absence. If your child is late to school for any reason, you **MUST** sign the late register book in the office **BEFORE** they can go to class.

## Visitors

Any one who comes to the school (other than to pick up or drop off their child/ren) **MUST** sign the 'Visitor' book in the office and wear a green 'visitor' sticker with their name on it. This is to clearly mark who is registered person within our school grounds and thereby identifying any person who shouldn't be here.

While this may seem to be a bit of a pain, we do it in the interest of keeping your children safe from undesirables.

## Parking

Please be aware that the area in front of the main entry to the school is the bus drop-off point for buses each morning. There is also a longer section required for buses here each afternoon as well.

If you are dropping-off or collecting your child by car, please park by the second entry way in front of the library or in the car park across the road. Thanks for your help in making our school a safe place.

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It seems to me that unless we all, both as families and as a community, have a real sense of purpose - a reason to get up in the morning - then life could easily become a meaningless parade of days and doings, of frenetic activity that keeps us busy but achieves little, leaving us feeling empty and unfulfilled.

As your children begin a new year at Carmel Adventist College Primary, I want to encourage you to engage with your children's teachers to ensure that they come to class each day with a clear understanding that there is a *purpose* underpinning every lesson, every assignment, every challenge, that they will face in the year to come. Embedding this habit of *purposeful living* is essential, I believe, to each child's ability to achieve to their full, God-given potential.

Ultimately our sense of Purpose is to be found in God. God created the Heavens and the Earth. When we begin to comprehend the implications of this, we begin to understand the responsibility and the *purpose* inherent in being responsible stewards of His Creation. When we perceive our lives as a part of His Plan, no matter what our job, no matter what the challenge - when it is undertaken for God... it provides us with a deep sense of life-directing Purpose. We want our children to understand this and to live their lives accordingly.

#### Staffing in 2015:

We have a number of new staff joining us and it gives me great pleasure to welcome our new teachers and staff members.

- Mrs Janine Beck (Education Assistant in Kindy)
- Mr Brydon Eaton (Music, Sport all classes and Year 5 for 1 day a week )
- Miss Hannah Jaeger (Year 3).

It is my prayer that they will find great opportunities to fulfill their purpose in Christ.

Reflecting on each of these changes it is interesting to note that each of our new staff members is replacing a previous staff member who has elected to do further studies in 2016. Mrs Van Moorsel is planning to complete her Teaching degree, Mrs Adams will be adding an Early Childhood component to her Education Degree and Mrs Coulston plans to study Medical Science. Some of these study arrangements were not finalized until well into the holidays and so we did not formally get to farewell them at our end of year events. We wish Bec, Steph and Alycia all the very best with their studies and thank them for their valuable contribution to Carmel Primary.

In closing, may I wish you all a fulfilling and successful year ahead. I look forward to seeing you in the coming weeks. May I take this opportunity to remind you of our commitment to building relationships with you and your children that will enable them to achieve to the best of their God-given abilities in all spheres of their lives.

May God's peace be in your homes this year.

**Janine Taylor**  
(Principal)

## Who has "Caught the Reading Bug"?



## Library News

Dear Parents,

I am thrilled to have the opportunity to serve your child as his/her librarian this year. I am looking forward to sharing in the wonderful world of books with them. I think our library should be a place where students can create, explore, think, imagine and learn.

Students will attend weekly library classes on the following days:

Monday	Kindy, Pre Primary, Year 2, Year 6
Thursday	Year 1, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5

Students may also visit the library on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the lunch break.

The Scholastic Book Club catalogue Issue 1 has now arrived and the teachers will be handing them out. Feel free to order through school or on-line (LOOP).

Can you tell who has "Caught the reading bug"??? The first four students that can tell me will receive a prize. Happy reading!

Mrs Holly Gunter

## Uniform Shop

The primary campus stocks school hats, summer and winter sport uniforms. As this shop is currently maintained by the front office, we are happy to assist and would appreciate your patience should you require any assistance.

*Please express your interest at the office, if you are able to help with the uniform shop in some way. Thank-you.*

The secondary campus stocks new summer and winter school uniforms. The shop is open on Monday and Wednesdays 9am-4pm or by appointment by emailing Carolyn Harders at [carmelcollege@adventist.org.au](mailto:carmelcollege@adventist.org.au) or phoning the school on 9293 5333.



## Class Sport & Library Days

Each class has a set day once a week when they will participate in sporting games and have the opportunity to borrow books from the library.

On Sport day, your child will need to come to school dressed in their sport uniform (shorts, polo shirt, hat and sneakers).

On Library days, they will need to remember to bring their school library bag and any books that need to be returned.

Please take a note of the days Sport and Library falls on for your child/ren.

Year	Sport	Library
4 Year Old Kindy	Wednesday	Monday
Pre-Primary	Wednesday	Monday
Year 1	Thursday	Thursday
Year 2	Thursday	Monday
Year 3	Thursday	Thursday
Year 4 (Miss Till)	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 4 (Mr Hughes)	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 5	Friday	Thursday
Year 6	Thursday	Monday

## Chapel

Please note that we have our weekly Chapel and Assembly program every **FRIDAY** morning from 8:50am to 9:30am.

This **Friday (12<sup>th</sup> Feb)**, the program will be coordinated by the School Captains. Our speaker will be Mr Nick Thomson, the Principal from Carmel secondary.

### Next week (19<sup>th</sup> Feb)...

Coordinated by: Year 5 class

Speaker: Pr Robert Stankovic

## Canteen Lunch Orders

The lunch orders are supplied by Walliston Deli each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If you would like to order lunch for your child on these days, fill in the supplied lunch bag and put your order in the letterbox in the office by 9am. Orders are delivered at 1pm. Attached is a copy of the menu (*prices have changed*) and sample bags. More bags are available from the office.

### Important FORMS

On Registration Day you would have received an A4 envelope with a bright yellow label on the front with the following forms:

- **Confidential Student Information Form 2016**
- **Swimming Permission Slip**
- **NAPLAN Data Collection Form (years 3 & 5 only)**

If you were unable to attend registration day the envelope would have been sent home with your child on the first day of school. If you have not yet returned your forms please do so by next Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February. Thank you.

## School Fees

If you have not yet returned your 2016 Fee Commitment Form (the blue one attached to your fees) please return it by this Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February. If you have misplaced your form or would like to arrange a payment arrangement outside the advised Options please feel free to contact the front office. It's important that all families return this form. Thank you to those parents who have already done so.

### Fee Options and Due Dates

- Option A: One annual payment with a 5% discount on tuition fees (due 26<sup>th</sup> February)  
Option B: 4 quarterly payments with a 2.5% discount on tuition fees (Term 1 due 12<sup>th</sup> February)  
Option C: 10 monthly instalments due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month (from February to November)  
Option D: 20 fortnightly instalments due on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of each month (from February to November)

If at any time you are experiencing financial difficulty and unable to meet your scheduled payment we encourage you to speak to either Narelle in the front office or Janine Taylor or alternatively email [narelleduncan@adventist.org.au](mailto:narelleduncan@adventist.org.au).

### CENTRELINK PAYMENT OPTIONS

Centrepay - the easy way to pay your bills and expenses. Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service, which is free for Centrelink customers. Use Centrepay to arrange regular deductions to your school fees from your Centrelink payment. You can start or change a deduction at any time. The quickest way to do it is through your Centrelink account online.



## Parents and Friends Committee

### WE WANT YOUR HELP!

The aim of our P&F here at Carmel Primary is to build relationships amongst our school community and to be of assistance to our staff where possible. Some of last years activities included:

- Fundraisers
- Walk to school/Breakfasts
- Morning tea for orientation day
- Busy bees
- Petition to the local shire for safer roads
- Officemax online stationary orders

Our roll within the school is an important one and we would like to do so much more this year.

#### WE NEED PEOPLE WHO:

- Want to be involved in their child/ren's school
- Can bake (eg. Special event morning teas)
- Have fantastic community building ideas
- Have fundraising ideas
- Can assist at special events

If you would like to be involved, please contact Shani Green [carmel.pnf@gmail.com](mailto:carmel.pnf@gmail.com)

## ♪ Music Lessons ♪

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

#### Available School Hours

Piano– Rocco DeBellis	0400 218 850
Piano– Shana Eaton	0408 761 282
Piano– Sandi Lowe	0447 006 209
Guitar– Bernard McDonagh	0405 767 338
Violin & Cello – Julie Harrison	0409 887 766

#### Available out of school

Piano & Flute– Sue Cox	9374 0937
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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, please phone the appropriate teacher.

## Sporting Schools (after school sports)

Watch this space for future details.

## Student Banking

At Carmel College we believe in teaching our children the value of saving their money. By participating in our Student Banking program (Commonwealth Dollarmites), your child will be rewarded with not only seeing their bank account grow, but achieving small awards and prizes for meeting their banking goals. If you would like to join in our banking program, call into the office to pick up your starter pack.

**School banking day is now on MONDAY.**

## 2016 Outback Savers Rewards



The new school banking reward items for 2016 from the Outback Savers range are...

Flying Snake Tail and Wildlife Writer Set, released Term 1

Mud Splat Handball and Outback Pat Bag Tag, released Term 2

Backtrack Eraser Pen, and Jump and Skip Rope, released Term 3

Bush Fly Fan and Wiggly Glow Worm, released Term 4



## Easter Camp

The annual Adventist Easter Camp Convention will be held on March 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. This is an event for the whole family, where spiritually focused, age specific meetings and activities are held.

If you would like to stay at the SDA Maida Vale campground for the duration of the weekend, please call into the office to pick up an application form.

Activities application forms (for ages: 5-6, 7-9, 10-12 and High School age) are available online. Just click on the link below (or copy and paste into your web browser).

### Lower Primary (5-6yrs)

<https://events.adventist.org.au/Registration/Event/969>

### Upper Primary (7-9yrs)

<https://events.adventist.org.au/Registration/Event/970>

### Juniors (10-12yrs)

<https://events.adventist.org.au/Registration/Event/971>

### Teens (13-17yrs)

<https://events.adventist.org.au/Registration/Event/973>



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## Carmel Church News

Come along and join in any of the various age related programs or small groups between 9:30-10:30am each Saturday morning. The Main service begins at 11am. This week (Feb 13), stay for the basket lunch. Bring along some of your favourite dishes to share. All welcome!

### Carmel Church Beach Night

Family night full of fun activities and laughter!

When - 20th February

Time - 5.30pm

Where - City Beach

BYO picnic tea.

A night not to be missed!

## Perth Hills Adventurers

Adventurers is a monthly club for kids aged Kindy to Year 4 to have fun learning about our world, our families, ourselves and our God.

We would love to have any interested children join us. The first meeting for Perth Hills Adventurers will be held Saturday, February 20 from 2:30-4:30pm at Bickley SDA Church, cnr Lawnbrook and Broadway Rds, Bickley. For more information please contact Charlene Eacott on 0409 993 190 or [dceacott18@bigpond.com](mailto:dceacott18@bigpond.com)

## OUTDOOR CINEMA

Fundraising

\$10pp  
suggested  
donation

Snacks  
available for  
purchase

BYO  
picnic tea



Saturday, 13 February 2016, 6pm to 10pm  
ADVENT PARK CAMPGROUND  
345 Kalamunda Rd | Maida Vale WA 6057

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO FAMILIES IN YARLOOP/HARVEY WHO WERE AFFECTED BY THE BUSH FIRES.

Presented by Swan Valley SDA Church. For more info contact Wendy 0408 893 321 or Calvin 0409 803 623

\*Creche provided for children aged 5-12 yrs.

\*contingency in place for wet weather



# New Staff for 2016



**Miss Hannah Jaeger**  
Year 3 teacher

Hi there! I am Miss Jaeger. I am new at Carmel Adventist College Primary this year, but I could not be happier to be here. A little bit about me: I have two adorable dogs, both are Papillons and their names are Sasha and Silas (sometimes I get tongue twisted when I say their names!). They love to curl up on the couch with me when I watch movies or am reading. I also love the colour pink – it's my favourite! Anyway, enough about me – I cannot wait to meet all of you throughout the year, it's going to be a good one.

**Mrs Janine Beck**  
Education Assistant

Hi, my name is Janine Beck and this is my first year at Carmel Primary. I will be working in the Kindy classroom helping Mrs Fehlberg. I have worked at Carmel Secondary for the last 5 years as student support and really enjoyed being able to help students with their journey through school. I am looking forward to working with the staff, students and parents at Carmel Primary as well as getting sand in my shoes and paint in my hair.



**Mr Brydon Eaton**  
Music and Sport

My name is Brydon Eaton and I am the new Music and Sport Teacher for Carmel Adventist College Primary for 2016. My wife's name is Shana Eaton and we have a little 6 month old boy named Banjo. Music has been a passion of mine ever since I was in Primary school at Carmel Adventist College Primary. I also have a passion for Mountain Biking, Cricket and AFL.

**Mrs Nicola Warchol**  
Chaplain

My association with Carmel Primary began back in 1997 teaching a lively class of Year 5's! Sadly, it was a short stay, as at the end of that year I was asked to move across to Carmel Secondary. I spent 10 very happy years there in a variety of roles. One being the Year 8 Bible teacher, which I loved, as while teaching Bible, I was able to nurture and care for students as they entered highschool. When we started our family, I chose to leave to enjoy being a full time Mum.



I grew up always wanting to be a teacher and have found my passion for God and kids combining at my church also. While in Year 11, I was asked to be a helper in the Kindergarten Sabbath School, which was just the beginning. Ministering to children has been a calling I have strongly felt and each year I have found myself working with children in some capacity at our local church, something I love to do.

Last year God closed one door and then in His timing, He swung this door open! I feel so blessed to have been offered this opportunity and I am both excited and humbled, to be able to serve in this role and share my love for Jesus while caring for the staff, students and families at Carmel Adventist Primary.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrated a birthday in January!

**Joshua Lowe, Declan Bishop, Matthew Keating, Nigel Maposa, Evan Weckert, Will Pearson, Judd Pearson, Thandeka Dube, Elizabeth Hiscox and Ethan Major.**

The students celebrating a birthday in February are:  
**Jasper Siemienowicz, Karabo Seofela, Siena Shipard, Andreas Mubi, Zeke Stafford, Daniel O'Connor, Malachi Sheldrick, Faith Sheldrick, Lydia Fui, Grace O'Meara Smith, Dylan Konomba and Cooper Kinghorn.**

We pray that God will bless you in the year ahead.



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### We also welcome...

Mrs Wennie Haberkost who is providing graduate teacher mentor support for Miss Jaeger on a Tuesday for Term 1 and Mrs Marielle Verte who is teaching French on Wednesdays.