# Carmel Adventist College Primary Newsletter



### Term 2, Issue 7

### The Park Bench...

The park bench was deserted as I sat down to read beneath the long, straggly branches of an old willow tree. Disillusioned by life with good reason to frown, for the world was intent on dragging me down.

And if that weren't enough to ruin my day, A young boy out of breath approached me, all tired from play.

He stood right before me with his head tilted down and said with great excitement, "Look what I found!"

In his hand was a flower, and what a pitiful sight, with it's petals all worn, not enough rain, or to little light. Wanting him to take his dead flower and go off to play, I faked a small smile and then shifted away.

But instead of retreating he sat next to my side and placed the flower to his nose and declared with overacted surprise, "It sure smells pretty and it's beautiful, too.

That's why I picked it; here it's for you."

The weed before me was dying or dead. Not vibrant of colors, orange, yellow or red. But I knew I must take it, or he might never leave.

So I reached for the flower, and replied, "Just what I need."



But instead of him placing the flower in my hand, he held it mid-air without reason or plan.

It was then that I noticed for the very first time the weed-toting boy could not see: he was blind.

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### 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

### Events Calendar

WA Day Public Holiday – June 6

P&F Meeting – June 7

Year 6 Camp – June 8 - 10

End of Term 2 – July 1

Term 3 Commences – July 19





### Sporting Schools Permission Form

Last Friday (13<sup>th</sup> May), a letter and permission form were sent home with the eldest sibling of families who have shown an interest, or have participated in, the Sporting Schools program (after school sports).

Could you please ensure these forms are returned by tomorrow, 17<sup>th</sup> May.

The front office has forms available should you wish to drop in and fill one out.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Many people in our community and even in our school have a food allergy that they live with every day. While some of these allergies are milk, others are life threatening. Due to the rate of 1 in 10 babies born in Australia with a food allergy, we believe that education is imperative.

On Friday (May 20) we encourage students to paint ONE fingernail (1 in 10) in awareness of today's alarming birth statistics. The school will have some bottles of nail polish for children to do this at school should they wish to participate. We will also have nail polish remover available. Participation in this event is strictly optional and no charges are involved.

### Save the Date

On Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 11am (in the Assembly Hall), Carmel Adventist College Secondary Campus is hosting **AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA COMMUNITY CHAPEL** – a morning designed to gather, share and give.

If you are able to donate a delicious plate of food, it would be greatly appreciated.

All proceeds fundraised will go to the Cancer Council to assist further research.

We look forward to seeing you there and supporting this very worthwhile cause!



Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

### Primary School Parents Survey Request

I am writing to you to request your participation in a survey for a research project at Andrews University.

Your responses will help her evaluate the relationship between lifestyle habits, dietary patterns and children's development.

The survey is very brief and will only take about 5-7 minutes to complete. Please copy the link below into your browser to go to the survey:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HXL7DZJ

Your participation in the survey is completely voluntary and anonymous. All the responses will be kept confidential. No personally identifiable information will be associated with your responses to any reports of these data.



Should you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact Valerie at <u>valerie@andrews.edu</u>

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrate a birthday in May!

Ethan Mpofu (16<sup>th</sup>), Claire Gissing (16<sup>th</sup>), Kai Leitis (18<sup>th</sup>), Qhubeka Ndlovu (22<sup>nd</sup>), Millie Ker-David (23<sup>rd</sup>), Alayna Walker (26<sup>th</sup>), Evelyn Bacea-Anton (26<sup>th</sup>), Grace Laffrey (28<sup>th</sup>).

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



I heard my voice quiver, tears shone like the sun



as I thanked him for picking the very best one.

You're welcome, he smiled, and then ran off to play, unaware of the impact he'd had on my day. I sat there and wondered how he managed to see a self-pitying woman beneath an old willow tree. How did he know of my self-indulged plight?

Perhaps from his heart, he'd been blessed with true sight.

Through the eyes of a blind child, at last I could see the problem was not with the world; the problem was me. And for all of those times I myself had been blind, I vowed to see the beauty in life, and appreciate every second that's mine.

And then I held that wilted flower up to my nose and breathed in the fragrance of a beautiful rose. And smiled as I watched that young boy, another weed in his hand about to change the life of an unsuspecting old man.

Author unknown



## Late Students

Please be aware that all students need to be signed in and out of the school if they are arriving late (after 8:50am) or leaving school early (before 3:15pm).

The parent or guardian MUST sign the late/leaving register

book in the front office BEFORE the student can go to class or leave the school.



## Chapel

Our weekly Chapel and Assembly program is every **FRIDAY** morning from 8:50am to 9:30am.

This **Friday (20<sup>th</sup> May)**, the program will be co-ordinated by the Year 4T class.

Next week (27<sup>th</sup> May)... Co-ordinated by: Yr 4H class

All parents are welcome to attend.





#### **Carmel Church News**

Come along to Carmel Church each week on Saturday mornings. There are various age related programs or small groups between 9:30-10:30am. The main worship service begins at 11am. Everyone welcome.

### Quiz Night

#### Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7 – 9pm Victoria Park Christian School

Fundraising for our Year 5/6 Class Canberra trip. Invite your friends and fill a table or join a table on the night. Tables of 10. \$10 Adult and \$5 Child. Call Sam to book your tickets on 9362 2626. Snacks and drinks will be available to purchase. There will be a silent auction, prizes and lots of fun for all ages!!

### **Uniform Shop Opening Hours**

The Secondary Campus school uniform opening hours are Monday and Wednesday from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Please make arrangements to collect uniforms on these days.

### Mothers Day Morning Tea

A big **THANK YOU** to Shani and the P&F for organising another smashing function !!





## From our Chaplain...

Those who could make it last Friday enjoyed a morning in the Perth Hills at its best!

We were blessed with perfect weather, enthusiastic students, a hilarious Chapel interview with Mr Wallis and Pr Derek and an engaging and thought provoking Chapel, kick started our day for our school family.

While students went back to class, families and friends enjoyed a delicious morning tea (huge thanks to Mums and staff), while waiting for the WA Police Pipe Band to begin. This was the first time the band has visited Carmel Primary and no one was disappointed. What a fantastic service provided by our men in blue. Out in the open air, the pipes and drums kept everyone entertained and will be remembered for many years to come. Take the time to ask your children what they enjoyed and also what they learnt! Great memories need to be remembered and relived.

Carmel Primary is so grateful for all our families who make up our school community. We aim to provide a community that is safe and nurturing, a place where we see our children not just grow but flourish, a place where each child and family knows they are valued and of great worth. We read in Isaiah 43:1, 'Don't be afraid for I will protect you, I will call you by name, you are mine.'

Teach this to your children and hold tight to this Bible verse of encouragement Carmel families.

God Bless,

Mrs Warchol.



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## Supporting Children with Speech and Language Development at Home and in Educational Settings

Date: Wednesday 1st June 2016 Time: 5:30pm—7.30pm Where: Telethon Speech & Hearing Tomasi Room, Bendat Parent and Community Centre 36 Dodd Street, Wembley, Perth Cost: A\$77 (GST inclusive) with refreshments A\$55 for Parents/guardians of children with speech and language difficulties

Speech and language is not only vital for communication of our needs and wants, but it also impacts significantly on learning and emotional wellbeing. Without solid oral language foundations, children are at risk of school failure, low self-esteem and poor social skill.

This interactive seminar will provide you with a deeper understanding of speech and language development of children, its importance in learning and psychosocial wellbeing. Practical strategies to best support children's speech and language development at home and educational settings, including those who have speech and language delay or impairments will be discussed.



**Presenter—Associate Professor Cori Williams** B.A. (A.S) (Hons), B.App.Sci (Speech and Hearing), Dip. Ed., PhD.



Cori is employed in the School of Psychology and Speech Pathology at Curtin University, Western Australia.

She holds degrees in linguistics, teaching and communication sciences. Her research interests include

language development, the relationship between language and literacy and multicultural issues in speech pathology.

# Who may benefit from attending this seminar?

- Parents
- Teachers working with young children at Preschool, Kindy, Childcare and Primary School
- Education Assistants
- Allied Health Professionals
- Students studying for relevant professions

To register, please submit the registration form and complete the payment by Monday 23 May 2016. Booking Essential. Enquiries to Yuriko Kishida (TSH) at

ykishdia@tsh.org.au or 08 9387 9862.

Telethon Speech & Hearing would like to thank the Commonwealth Bank for their contribution to the resources for participants of this seminar, and Associate Professor Williams for donating her time.



Telethon Speech & Hearing is a Western Australian based not-for-profit organisation and registered charity assisting children and adults with hearing, speech and language impairments since 1966.



# **TSH Public Seminar Series Registration Form**

Wednesday 1st June 2016, 5:30pm -7.30pm

#### Supporting Children with Speech and Language Development at Home and in Educational Settings

To register, please complete the following by Monday 23 May 2016.

- Complete the payment; and
- Fill this form in and send it to Yuriko Kishida via: -
  - $\Rightarrow$  Scan (or save) and email (ykishida@tsh.org.au);
  - $\Rightarrow$  Fax to 08 9387 9889 (ATTN: Yuriko Kishida);
  - $\Rightarrow$  Post to Telethon Speech & Hearing, PO Box 186, Wembley, 6913; or
  - $\Rightarrow \qquad \text{Visit Reception at Telethon Speech \& Hearing}$

Admission Type	Quantity	A\$ Price (GST Inclusive)	Subtotal
General		77	A\$
Parent		55	A\$
Total			A\$

#### Please select the payment option from the following.

Cheque/Money Order made out to Telethon Speech & Hearing Ltd.

Direct Deposit to Telethon Speech & Hearing (BSB: 306-127, Account Number: 011986-9)

Reference Code PS-2 followed by attendees last name (e.g., PS-2Kishida)

Credit Card (Please provide card details)

Name on Card:	Card Type Visa	Mastercard
Card No	Expiry Date/	CCV (3 or 4 digits)

**Information about Attendees** - Please provide each attendee's details if you are registering more than one participant. Please contact us if you have additional requirements to access this event.

Mr	Miss	Mrs	First Name:		Last Name:		
Ms	Dr						
Phone:	hone: Err			Email:			
Organisation:				Role:			
Address:							

TSH Public Seminar Enquiries Yuriko Kishida (08 9387 9862, ykishida@tsh.org.au)

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