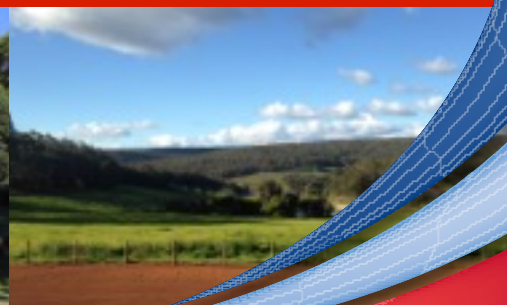




# CARMEL NEWS



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back

I have to say it is a real pleasure to be back for another year at Carmel Adventist College.

I trust that you all took time over the year end to refocus as a family and to build on plans for this new year.

The staff are very ready for what promises to be a very exciting year. While there are no major changes for the year, we are focusing on taking what we do, to the next level through our communication, community approach and quality of education we offer our students.

Please feel free to come and speak with me and your child's teachers if you have any immediate concerns. There will be a formal opportunity early in the term for parent interviews that we will inform you of as it gets closer.

Sincere thanks for choosing Carmel as your school of choice. I trust and indeed pray that your experience with us will be a positive one.

Blessings,

**Mr Nicholas Thomson**  
**Principal**

## CALENDAR

**SENIOR YEARS 10-12 START TERM 1**  
Tues 31 January

**JUNIOR YEARS 7-9 START TERM 1**  
Wed 1 February

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL**  
Tues 28 February

**LABOUR DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**  
Mon 6 February

**OLNA TESTING YRS 10 - 12**  
Wed 8 March  
Wed 15 March  
Wed 22 March

**YEAR 9 HIKE**  
Wed 29 March - Tues 4 April

**YRS 11 & 12 FORMAL DINNER**  
Thurs 6 April

**TERM 1 ENDS**  
Fri 7 April

**TERM 2 STARTS**  
Wed 26 April

CALENDAR

**Address:**  
210 Glenisla Road  
Carmel, WA 6076

**Telephone:**  
08 9293 5333  
**Website:**  
[www.carmelcollege.wa.edu.au](http://www.carmelcollege.wa.edu.au)

**Email:**  
[carmelcollege@adventist.org.au](mailto:carmelcollege@adventist.org.au)  
**App:**  
Skoolbag Carmel Adventist College

# PRAYER WARRIOR

PRAY

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- A great school year
- Us to feel God's presence and guidance throughout the school year



## JUNIOR SPORT

Year 7-9 students will need to wear their PE uniform on the first day of school as this will be their PE day.

Those students who are taking sailing will need to bring their bathers and a towel.

## Skoolbag App

The Carmel Adventist College Skoolbag app is available via the relevant app stores for Apple, Android and Windows devices.



This app is very useful for sharing information via instant messaging, sending reminders, newsletters, etc. from the school to you, and you are able to send change of details and absentee information back. The app is free to download either from [skoolbag.com.au/forparents](http://skoolbag.com.au/forparents) or by searching "Skoolbag Carmel Adventist College" in the app store.

## LATE/ABSENT NOTIFICATIONS

Parents/Guardians informing the school of a student's lateness or absence must inform the front office. This ensures that it is entered into the system records and that all teachers will be aware of the students status. This is critical should there be an emergency where we need to know that each student is accounted for and safe.

Informing the school can be done by phone, email or the Skoolbag app (SMS) mentioned to the left.

## SCHOOL FEES

Your fees for 2017 will be on their way to you by mail shortly. Please check your **green** payment option sheet carefully and then complete and return your **blue** fee payment commitment form by **8 February**. *It is essential that a new commitment form is returned each year as authorisations are not automatically carried on from one year to the next.* For your convenience, you are invited to scan your completed form as a PDF and email directly to [naomithomas@adventist.org.au](mailto:naomithomas@adventist.org.au).

Please remember to include your 5 letter family code (that can be found above your mailing address on the remittance advice slip at the bottom of your fee statement) in the subject line so that we can connect the information with your account.

It is important to note that the Prompt Payment Discount is only made available when payments are made **on or before** the following dates:

Option A:	24 February 2017
Option B:	10 February 2017
	5 May 2017
	28 July 2017
	20 October 2017

### Bursar Office Hours

Tues & Wed	8 am - 4 pm
Thurs	8 am - 1:30 pm

**Naomi Thomas**  
**Bursar**

## ***IPad Program***

As advertised at the end of last year, the College is implementing a 1:1 iPad program in Yr 7-10. This program will give students their own device to look after and use for up to three (3) years. These devices will be on a lease basis, organized by the college office.

Included:

iPad Air 2 – 128gb  
 STM Dux Case  
 Management Subscription  
 24 / 7 Insurance (damage & loss) with \$100 excess on any claim  
 Total cost per year = \$289.66 per student

This program enables 100% device control at school (and at home if desired) in terms of apps and actual hours per day of usage. The device settings cannot be over-written as each device is linked by serial number to the user through Apple.

All the devices will be subject to the College's internet filter system, giving parents relative peace of mind in terms on access to inappropriate sites.

The College will host further information briefing events for parents so that questions that arise may be answered, and feedback can be given.

As an increasing quantity of communication and assignment / research work is online, and access to progress reports and content of classwork is provided via SEQTA, the College Council is confident that this will greatly aid in the education process. It is important to understand that this device is a tool in the process of education – not an end in itself. Consequently there will be classwork that involves some more traditional components.

At present textbooks are not on-line, but this situation will be reviewed as time goes by.

Students will still need to be responsible for caring for their texts and stationery, and ensuring that their iPad is charged for the next school day.

There will be frequent information sharing via newsletter and email as necessary.

***Mr Ron Hiscox***  
***IT Manager***



## 2017 FORMS

Thank you to all those who have sent in their permissions and bus forms. For those who have not, these forms **MUST** be returned **IMMEDIATELY!**

- ◆ Permissions Form - One per Student, completed & signed.
- ◆ NAPLAN Data Collection Forms - Years 7 & 9 Only
- ◆ Bus Forms 2017 (If you have not filled out and returned this form already, your child may miss out on having a seat on the bus in 2017.)

**Mrs Julie McCutcheon**  
**Registrar/Office Manager**



## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 - 4:30

Friday 8:30 - 4:00



## UNIFORM SHOP 2017

Monday 30th January  
9:30am - 3:30pm

**Uniform  
fittings  
must be  
booked at  
Reception**

PH:  
9293 5333



## BUY, SWAP OR SELL

A Facebook page has been created and is run by the P&F for the parents, staff and students of Carmel Adventist College so that you can Buy, Swap or Sell uniforms, books and equipment relating to our school.

Donated uniforms are still able to be dropped off at the school office, but for all other items you can post them on this page.

The page is called "**Carmel Adventist College P&F buy swap and sell**". Should you have any queries, please call or text me on 0409 296 293.

**Tonia Taylor**  
**President, P&F Committee**

Has your child expressed an interest in learning to play piano? Sandra Lowe has limited vacancies for piano lessons at CACS during school hours in 2017. Styles range from classical to pop for enjoyment or exams.

For more information call [0447 006 209](tel:0447006209) or email [sandralowe7@gmail.com](mailto:sandralowe7@gmail.com)