

# CARMEL NEWS



#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Community is a great thing and is something we all want to be a part of in some shape or form.

This is not the first or second time I have written on this very dear topic, but THIS time I want to talk about an authentic community. This is a term I have been familiar with for a long time, but never fully understood what it was all about, until I experienced it for the first time. For this, I have Carmel to thank. Therefore, I have you to thank.

The difference between a community and an authentic community, I believe, is the avenues we create for you to connect. For a school, this is almost entirely through the academic offerings within the institution. We speak about holistic education, but so often it is only a very narrow offering that we supply. I have the privilege of listening to your stories that come in weekly about how you, students and families alike, are taking us up on all that is offered within the Carmel community. This may be through out-of-hours clubs and interest groups, or through church and its related activities. The fact is, that more and more of you are taking us up on the things we offer and we, as a school, find this very motivating. Authentic communities are all about connecting people to the right areas and then enjoying life.

Thank you for all you do to support this college and I strongly encourage you to come and have a conversation with me about how we can join you to the right people in the right place, and really start living.

Blessings,

Mr Nicholas Thomson Principal

# CALENDAR

**OPTION A FEES**Fri 24 February

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL** Tues 28 February

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

**YR8 IMMUNISATIONS - ROUND 1** Tues 7 March

**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

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#### **SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

The current forecast for the swimming carnival is 30°C with plenty of sunshine. We will be asking all students to properly cover up for the day. If students are not actively racing, they must be wearing a t-shirt or rashie top at all times.

#### Mrs Carly Smoker



#### Protect yourself in five ways from skin cancer

#### **SCHOOL FEES**

Please be reminded that all families are required to complete and return a blue Fee Payment Commitment Form for 2017. These were due to be returned to the school by Wednesday, 15 February and there are a number of families who have not yet done so. I would appreciate it if you could see to this as a matter of highest priority. If you are returning forms directly to my email address, please include your 5 letter family code (which can be found below your address on your green Fee Payment Option Sheet, or above your address on the remittance advice section of your Fee Statement) in the subject line.

Should you have any issues that you need to discuss regarding your fee account please contact me by phone 9293 533 ext 128 or email <a href="mailto:naomithomas@adventist.org.au">naomithomas@adventist.org.au</a>

Payments should be made on or before the below dates, unless other arrangements have been made:

Option A: 24 February 2017 Option B: 17 February 2017

5 May 2017 28 July 2017 20 October 2017

Option C: 15 of each month

Option D: 14 & 28 of each month

Naomi Thomas Bursar

## **Temporary Bursar Hours** until Thursday 2 March 2017

Monday: 8:00am - 2:15pm Tuesday: 9:15am - 2:15pm Wednesday: 9:15am - 3:15pm Thursday: 9:15am - 2:00pm

#### **Office Hours**

Mon - Thurs 8:30 - 4:30 Fri 8:30 - 4:00

### **Uniform Shop Hours**

Mon & Wed 9:00 - 3:30

or by prior arrangement

#### **SECONDARY ASSISTANCE**

Yrs 7 to 12 may be eligible for up to \$350 towards school expenses

Do you have:

Centrelink Health Care Card or Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card or Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card

Applications Close Friday 7 April 2017

#### **CHAPLAINCY FUNDING**

The Chaplaincy Program at Carmel Adventist College is available for all members of the school community (staff, students and their families). The program is designed for student welfare and to build resilience in students. Another important part of the program provides pastoral care and spiritual guidance while respecting other faiths and differing spiritual beliefs.

The Chaplaincy Program is jointly funded by the State Government, under the National School Chaplaincy Program, and the Western Australian Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. As a College, we would like to say thank you to these to entities for their funds and support.

If you do not wish for your student/s to partake in any Chaplaincy services, then please inform the College Chaplain, Miranda, at <a href="mailto:mirandaleijser@adventist.org.au">mirandaleijser@adventist.org.au</a>.

#### CARMEL COLLEGE YOUTH EVENTS CALENDAR

Carmel College Church is located less than 400m from the high school and welcomes you to join in on connecting events throughout the year. To assist in some of the connecting Youth events, the attached calendar is available for your family to assist in knowing what is happening. This calendar is not all-inclusive so for any more information regarding other events please email <a href="mailto:judithrowe@iinet.net.au">judithrowe@iinet.net.au</a> to join the weekly Church newsletter.

Hard copies of this magnetised calendars have been handed out to students in homeroom. If you do not wish to have a calendar/s please return them to reception.

We look forward to seeing you soon! Carmel College Church.

#### Miranda Chaplain

### PRAYER WARRIOR



#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Boarding
- Students preparing for OLNA tests
- Health of our school community



#### YR 8 IMMUNISATIONS

**Round 1** 

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

#### **THANK YOU**

We would like to thank the parent community for the feedback that we have received regarding changes to mobile phone use in our school. It has been so encouraging to hear of your support as we work together to further nurture a safe and engaging learning environment, here at Carmel.

Mrs Foster & Mr Thomson

#### HAIR SCRUNCHIES

There are Black and school Tartan scrunchies for sale at the front office.



#### WACE, Literacy and Numeracy Standards and OLNA

To achieve the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), students will need to demonstrate minimum standards of literacy and numeracy. These are the skills regarded as essential to meet the demands of everyday life and work.

For example, it would be expected that a young person leaving school can write a good job application, read and follow instructions and complete the sorts of maths adults encounter all the time when shopping or balancing the family budget.

There are two ways students can demonstrate the minimum standards:

- pre-qualification through the Year 9 NAPLAN or
- performance in the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment (OLNA).

Students who achieve Band 8 or higher in any of the three components of reading, writing and numeracy in their Year 9 NAPLAN are acknowledged as having demonstrated proficiency and are not required to sit the corresponding OLNA component, e.g. if a student achieves Band 8 or higher in reading in their Year 9 NAPLAN they will not need to sit the reading component of the OLNA.

The first round of OLNA assessments will occur within the following time frames:

Writing: Tuesday 7 March to Friday 10 March Reading: Tuesday 7 March to Friday 24 March Numeracy: Tuesday 7 March to Friday 24 March

For students that have attempted the ONLA last year, we have individual diagnostic reports outlining areas that your child needs to develop. To obtain a copy, please contact the following teachers:

Year 11-12 English (Reading / Writing) Mrs Jackie Fabien Jackie Fabien@adventist.org.au Year 11-12 Maths (Numeracy) Mr Ron Hiscox RonHiscox@adventist.org.au

Students can access a practice / example test using the following website, username and password web address: assess.scsa.wa.edu.au

Username: 1037 Password: prac14

For more information, please go to the OLNA section of the SCSA website here:

http://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/assessment/olna/students-parents-carers

Mr Brad Flynn Director of Studies

# CARMEL SECONDARY SCHOOL BAGS

The Carmel College Secondary school bags are here and available for \$55 each. Students still needing a bag have until Friday 3 March 2017 to purchase one. After that date, they will be in dress code violation.



#### **WEEKEND TUITION CLASSES YRS 7-10**

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#### 2017 CARMEL ADVENTIST COLLEGE SECONDARY CALENDAR

TERM 1	Feb 28 Mar 6 Mar 8 Mar 15 Mar 22 Mar 29 – Apr 4 April 6 April 7	Swimming Carnival PUBLIC HOLIDAY OLNA Testing (Yr10-12) OLNA Testing (Yr10-12) OLNA Testing (Yr10-12) Year 9 Hike Year 11 & 12 School Formal Dinner Last Day for Term 1
TERM 2	April 26 May 10 May 12 May 16 May 17 May 18 May 24 – June 2 June 5 June 7 – 16 June 21 – 23 June 30 June 30	Classes Commence – all students NAPLAN (writing) – Yr7&9 NAPLAN (reading) – Yr7&9 NAPLAN (language) – Yr7&9 Athletics Carnival NAPLAN (numeracy) – Yr7&9 Year 12 Exams PUBLIC HOLIDAY Year 11 Exams Year 10 Exams Year 10 Work Experience (Pt1) Last Day for Term 2
TERM 3	July 18 Aug 3 Aug 23 Sept 4 Sept 11 Sept 15 Sept 18 – 29 Sept 22 Sept 21 – 29	Classes Commence – all students SCHOOL PHOTO DAY Team Sports Carnival OLNA Testing (Yr10-12) OLNA Testing (Yr10-12) OLNA Testing (Yr10-12) Year 10 Cambodia Service Trip Last Day of Term 3 Year 12 Exams (in school holidays)
TERM 4	Oct 10 Oct 19 Oct 20 Nov 1 Nov 3 – 10 Nov 8 – 17 Nov 22 – 24 Nov 27 – Dec 1 Dec 4 Dec 6 Dec 9	Classes Commence – all students Year 12 Graduation Banquet (pm) Year 12 Last Day Year 12 ATAR Exams Begin Year 9 STORM CO Trip Year 11 Exams (Last Day De-registration on 17 <sup>th</sup> ) Year 10 Exams Year 10 Work Experience (Pt2) Year 10 De-registration Year 7-9 De-registration Graduation & Awards Night – Saturday night

#### <u>Please note – </u>

2017 Camps are still being finalised – dates will be released as confirmed

There may be changes and inclusions to this calendar, throughout the year, but you will be informed of these as quickly as possible.