



CARMEL NEWS



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hospitals have the unique ability of capturing time and weaving it to suit their schedule, timelines and needs. You step out of life into hospital world and it is as if time has changed its very nature. Night and day blur, a windowless room becomes your reference point and the nurses, your custodians of time. Irrespective of what my watch said, hospital time trumped outside world time: what mattered was the purpose of time - the great healer.

Our workplace, school-land, is so time poor, we are always seeking a bit more time, to do a few more tasks. There is a reason we operate across 4 terms - to keep that pace up all year with no break would not be, is not, sustainable. What must matter for us in these 10 week sprints is the purpose of our time - to lead, to learn, to care.

- To lead students, staff and our communities to know Jesus.
- To learn together as learning communities: staff, students and parents in pursuit of the 'what next'.
- To care for each other in a manner that is professional, accountable and responsible.

Some things are worth waiting for, some things are worth chasing down and some things exist in between. What we need to do is choose what is what and which is which. Once we know this, then this adventure, this gift, we call life: is truly something special.

Mr Nicholas Thomson
Principal

CALENDAR

YR 9 CELEBRATION DINNER

Thur 30th Nov, 5-9pm Yr9 Students
8pm Parents/Presentations

YR 10 DE-REGISTRATION

Mon 4th Dec

YRS 7 & 8 PA CONCERT

Mon 4th Dec

YRS 7-9 DE-REGISTRATION

Wed 6th Dec

YRS 6 & 12 GRAD/ALUMNI BBQ

Fri 8th Dec

GRADUATION

Sat 9th Dec

*The staff would like to wish
you and your families a
safe and happy holiday.
We look forward to
seeing you in the
new year.*



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GRADUATE THOUGHTS...

It's funny how we all start from the same beginnings but end up in completely different places in life. My high school years are coming to an end. Next week, I'll have my last few lessons, clear out my locker for the last time, say my final goodbyes to classmates and teachers, and eventually graduate with all my peers. I know there are a lot of you going through the same thing, and hey, welcome aboard this scary ride to a destination unknown. Some people might think that graduating from high school is just a tiny chapter in the big book called 'Life', and that there are more important events to come – but to me, it's a pretty huge milestone.

Mixed emotions

When I think about graduating from high school, I get a knot in the pit of my stomach. It's difficult to describe: a jumble of fear, pangs of regret, and sprinkles of nervousness, with a side of excitement and expectation. There's a lot of uncertainty in the air, and I suppose that's what makes it both exciting and frightening. Am I moving on to university? Should I just start a job and get work experience? How will I do in my ATAR exams? The fear comes because we're afraid we might not find answers to these questions – or, even worse, we find them but don't like them. The only thing we can control is our decision to work to the best of our ability while trying to look after our health during this gruelling and stressful time. Just give everything your best effort and it will all work out in the end when your hard work pays off.

Saying goodbye to teachers

The next-hardest thing about graduating from high school is parting with the teachers you've grown close to over the years. There are teachers who put so much effort into their classes, inspiring and empowering their students to learn and to succeed. These are the teachers who are the hardest to say goodbye to. But, they were preparing for you to leave all along. They want you to go out into the world armed with as much information as possible so that you're able to tackle all the big issues. It's hard to repay a person who has made such an impact on your life, but a small gift or your thoughts and thanks written in the form of a letter or a card will be appreciated and helps make the parting of ways a little easier.

Farewelling my friends

The most difficult part for me, by far, is saying farewell to my classmates. My six years in high school were spent building close and memorable connections with friends. Seeing everyone moving on to fulfil their respective dreams and ambitions certainly makes me wonder if we'll ever cross paths again. It's funny how we all start from the same beginnings but end up in completely different places in life. It makes me regret not doing more to get to know more people at my school. Perhaps my life could have changed somehow just by having known them? The lesson here is to meet and talk with as many people as you can while you still have the opportunity. Luckily for our generation, there are social networking sites like Facebook that make it easy to maintain some sort of contact after graduating from high school, although nothing really beats having a friend in person.

On to the next bit!

So, this is it – the very last days of the life we've grown so comfortable with. Bidding farewell to high school allows us to keep all the great memories while still moving forward in our lives, ready to change the world as adults rather than holding on to the past like children.

Written by Amy Ma, <https://au.reachout.com/articles/finishing-school>



JERICHO ROAD

This last weekend was the performance of the musical Jericho Road. It portrayed the story of a young christian couple as they face the many challenges life can throw at us and what it means to be faithful to God and to each other as couples and friends.

If you missed this event, be sure to mark your calendar for future productions. It was plain to see the time and effort that the group put into providing a quality performance that was both entertaining and thought provoking. Our very own, Mrs Foster, produced and Mrs Richardson directed the cast of over 20, to more than 450 people over the 2 nights.

Thank you to Melissa Thomson, Zofia Corker, Dana Gallop and Emma McMillan for their contribution in providing cakes as part of the refreshments offered for a gold coin donation during intermission and to Yr 9 student, Megan, who helped serve. All donations went to the Performing Arts programs.



You're Invited!
Yrs 6 & 12 Grad BBQ

**Come along and help us
celebrate the graduating classes**

Friday 8th December, 6pm

**RSVP to reception by Fri 1st Dec
so we're sure to have
enough food!**



GOODBYES

At the end of this year, we say goodbye to 2 of our staff here at Carmel. Mrs Jackie Fabien has been a hard working, prayer warrior amongst our staff and students, and her 2 years at Carmel are much appreciated. Mrs Fabien is taking special leave and moving to the east coast, to Avondale, to undertake study for her Masters degree. We thank her and wish her and her husband, Erikson, all the best.

Our second staff member leaving us is Mrs Kimberly Johnson, one of our ladies at the front desk. Mrs Johnson is leaving for Sydney with her family, where her husband, Pr Terry Johnson, is taking up the Presidency of the Greater Sydney Conference for our church. We have loved having Mrs Johnson and her many skills, including her creativity in planning Open Days, Orientation Days, and many other things in between, and thank her for all she has brought to our school.

I'm sure you will join us in wishing them both well in their new adventures over east.

Mrs Jessica Foster
Deputy Principal

DE-REG DAYS

Monday, 4th Dec, will see Year 10 students undertaking de-registration and Wednesday, 6th Dec, our Year 7-9 students will be de-registering.

Please ensure you children have located all their textbooks, locker keys or combination locks, and submitted all assignments for these days.

They are able to wear their **PE uniform** and also be collected by **1pm, if you choose**.

HOLIDAY HOURS

OFFICE

Carmel College will be closed on the following dates over the holidays

Friday 22nd Dec 2017 to Tuesday 16th Jan 2018

Normal Hours Resume
Wednesday 17th Jan 2018
8:30am - 4pm

UNIFORM SHOP

Over the holidays the uniform shop will be by appointment only.

Opening times and hours

Monday 22nd January 2018
Thursday 25th January 2018
Monday 29th January 2018
Hours 9am to 3pm

To avoid disappointment please call reception and book your fitting as the College will be closed over the Holiday period.

PH 9293 5333

PEACHES FOR SALE



\$20 for 10kg box

Call Nancy Padula

0419 938 564

to place your order!



I think it's safe to say that we are all grateful to those who blessed us this year with delicious food in the canteen with produce provided in part from the school's garden and other places. We look forward to enjoying it again next year!

P&F

Thank you to our P&F team who have held their last meeting for 2017. We greatly appreciate all they've done for the school this year, including the new air conditioner in the uniform shop so there'll be no more melting.



2018 meeting dates will be announced at the beginning of next year. New members are always welcome and any inquiries should be sent to:

barbarino@inet.net.au

SCHOOL FEES REMINDER

All fees accounts should be cleared by **30/11/2017**. Should you be having financial difficulties, please arrange an appointment with myself and Mr Thomson as soon as possible. Enrolment for 2018 may be at risk if no contact is made. Please also be aware that reports will not be issued if fees are outstanding.

BUS APPLICATIONS

Please note that if you intend on using the school bus system next year, all Bus Applications for 2018 **MUST** be completed and returned to the front office before Wednesday 6th December. This applies to both existing and new bus users.

Mrs Naomi Thomas
Bursar

2018 INFORMATION

By now most of you will have received your child/children's information packs for 2018 via the post, if you have not yet received your families pack, please phone reception and one will be posted to you. It is important that you return all forms in the pack by **Thursday 30th November 2017**

Permissions Form – No medication or off-site events and sports until complete

Bus Form – Even if you are an existing bus user (No form, no guarantees that there will be a seat available)

NAPLAN data form – Year 7 and 9's only

Please contact Mrs Julie McCutcheon if you have any questions

Email: juliemccutcheon@adventist.org.au



2018 TERM DATES

Term 1 Starts Wed 31st Jan **Yrs 10-12**
Thurs 1st Feb **Yrs 7-9**
Ends Fri 13th April

Term 2 Starts Tues 1st May
Ends Fri 29th June


Term 3 Starts Tues 17th July
Ends Fri 21st Sept

Term 4 Starts Tues 9th Oct
Ends TBA

BOOKLISTS

Booklist's are now available, and each family should have received theirs. If you haven't, please contact reception and one will be emailed or posted.

When ordering online, please don't forget your access code **W9NW5M** that will give you access to the Carmel College booklists. Order online at: <http://www.officemaxschools.com.au/>



Shop your requirements list with OfficeMax

Get off to a great start and cröss Back to School off your to-do list for 2018. Shop now to take advantage of the free delivery period.

Orders placed after December 31 are not guaranteed to arrive before school starts.
*For participating schools only

SPORT/SPECIAL PHOTOS

We have been advised by Kapture Photography that all sports and/or special team photos taken this year will be removed from their website at the close of Term 4 (**Wed, 6 Dec**). This is your last chance to view and purchase these photographs. Please visit www.kapture.com.au and access the gallery using our school code:

UYFS8W

This code can also be used to purchase class or individual photographs should you have not ordered earlier in the year.

You are Invited to Year 7 and 8:

PERFORMING ARTS PRODUCTIONS

Monday 4th December
Starting at 6pm.
Bring a PICNIC TEA.
Refreshments for sale
Carmel Adventist College Secondary:
Front Lawn and Assembly Hall

STONE IN THE ROAD, RINSE THE BLOOD OFF MY TOGA AND PETE, THE PINT SIZED PIRATE

PRODUCERS: MRS HUGHES, MRS NARLAPATI & MRS RICHARDSON



ROAD TO BETHLEHEM!

Livingston SDA Church runs an annual Road to Bethlehem live production and are in need of volunteers. The R2B serves the community as a free, interactive, family event where the true story of Christmas is told. This year it is running on the evenings of December 11-13. If you have a passion for drama, sound, craft or simply passionate about serving the local community out front or behind the scenes with a festive spirit then please contact Chrysten Fitzclarence at chrystenfitzclarence@hotmail.com.

If you're wanting to experience the story as a guest, visit www.raodtbethlehem.org.au for more information.

SHARING a HILLS CHRISTMAS UPDATE!

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated items so far to Sharing a Hills Christmas. We are currently 4 boxes full and counting.

The boxes will be in homeroom and at College reception until December 8, so please keep donating non-perishable food and new Christmas gifts to help direct Hills families in need.

If you would like to donate some of your time to the cause, from Tuesday the 12th until the 15th of December, 2017 we need help. Volunteers of all age are welcome, and may enjoy the supplied morning tea/lunch. The entire hamper production is hosted by the Kalamunda Church of Christ over the week.



If you need any further information either contact our Chaplain Miranda at mirandaleijser@adventist.org.au or contact the founder of 'Sharing a Hills Christmas' Peggy Mews on 0448 812 534 or email peggymews@bigpond.com.

Thank you!

**Miranda
Chaplain**



What will the City of Kalamunda look like in 2050?

Help shape our digital future by imagining what your community will look like in 30 years time!

Are you
aged 14 - 25?
We want to
hear from
you!

YOUTH WORKSHOP
Wednesday 6 December 2017
4pm - 5:30pm
Zig Zag Cultural Centre
50 Railway Rd, Kalamunda

Free Food
& \$30 Door
Prizes up
for grabs!

RSVP for Catering Purposes

Call - 9257 9959

Email - youth@kalamunda.wa.gov.au

Facebook - @TheInfluence





SCHOOLS OUT POOL PARTY

\$6 ENTRY & EVERYTHING INSIDE IS FREE*

**Waterslides Live DJ Sausage Sizzle
Slip n Slide Bubble Soccer Icy Poles
Island Chill out Zone**

*** FOR AGES 10 – 18**

**THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER
3:30PM – 6PM**

KALAMUNDA WATER PARK

**CNR OF COLLINS & CANNING ROADS, KALAMUNDA
ALL AGES & FAMILIES WELCOME**

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