Dear Parents,

On behalf of the staff at Carmel Adventist College Primary, I am happy to welcome you to the 2017 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential.

My dream for your child this year is that they will achieve slightly better tomorrow than yesterday. That they will come to know Jesus Christ as a friend. And, that they come to understand that ‘who they are’ is even more important than ‘what they do.’

We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child’s education.

As partners, we share the responsibility for our children’s success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

We ask that you guide and support your child’s learning by ensuring that he/she:

• Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day’s learning experience.
• Completes homework assignments given by teachers.
• Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills.
• Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life.
• Knows that you expect him/her to succeed in school.

I know that many of you have already had an opportunity to catch up with your child’s teacher this year, and I thank both you and the teachers for taking the time to meet and share together. Over the course of first term there will be a number of opportunities for you to meet with teachers.

**Events Calendar**

Meet & Greet Picnic Tea @ 4:30-7:30pm.....February 26
Swimming Lessons (PP-Yr 6)..........February 27-March 10
Labour Day Public Holiday....................March 6
School Photo Day..............................March 20
Parent/Teacher Interviews....................March 29
Combined Schools Sports Day...............April 7
Final Day of Term 1............................April 7
Easter.............................................April 13-17

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GENERAL

Before School Supervision
A teacher is on duty from 8.30am each day. No students are permitted to be left unsupervised on campus before 8.30am (without prior approval from the Principal).
Thank you for noting this.

Attendance and Punctuality
It is great to have our students back and settled into the learning agenda with their teachers. We really do appreciate your efforts to have the children at school on time for the start of school. For Primary, this is 8:50am. It is a requirement that Attendance Rolls are marked and it is a huge help if everyone is on time.
If your child is late to school for any reason, you (parent or guardian) MUST sign the late register book in the office BEFORE they can go to class.

After School Supervision & Pick-up
The Kindy and Pre-Primary classes are dismissed at the 3:10pm bell. The final bell for the day is at 3:15pm. For Years 1–6 classwork is finished and students dismissed at this time. If parents have not arrived by this time, students from Year 1-6 are to make their way to the front of the school (near the library) and sit on the wall where teachers are on duty to supervise until parents arrive.
If students are riding their bike home, students are to collect their bike, walk to the drink fountain outside the Yr 4 class and wait for a teacher to assist with crossing the road.

Fire Safety
Please note that any day classed as being a CATASTROPHIC FIRE DAY in the Perth Hills will result in school being cancelled for the day.
All schools in the Hills are on a special alert system and will be notified if such a day is forecast. This alert is normally done by 1pm of the day preceding and allows us time to notify parents.
ABC radio (720AM) announces all fire warnings and regularly keeps up to date. Therefore on extreme weather days, the school office will have the radio playing in the background to simply stay in touch with any current fire warnings.
If ever the school needs to be evacuated off site for events such as a bushfire, our destination is Advent Park Campground, Kalamunda Road, MAIDA VALE. Advent Park has a kitchen, toilets, shade, water and shelter available. This is also the location of off campus evacuation for the High School Campus.
If you at any stage hear of schools in this area being evacuated, please do not rush to school to collect students as you may create traffic issues that would prolong evacuation.

Uniform Orders
Those families who placed an order on Registration Day, we hope to have our order arrive this week. Once they arrive your order will be sent home with your child. We have appreciated your patience with this matter.

2017 SCHOOL BANKING REWARD ITEMS
As part of the Future Savers theme, the following rewards are a great way to keep students motivated and demonstrate the value of saving...
• Cyber Handball – Term 1
• Colour Change Markers – Term 1
• 3D Chalk Set – Term 2
• Tablet Case – Term 2
• Smiley Emoji Keyring – Term 3
• Volt Handball – Term 3
• Pencil & Tech Case – Term 4
• Epic Earphones – Term 4

To redeem a reward, students must cut out the corresponding coupon from the Rewards Card and hand it in at school along with their 10 silver Dollarmites tokens.

School banking day is Tuesday.
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The first is a Meet and Greet later this month. Parent/Teacher interviews will follow Interim Reports. I encourage you to come along.

However, you do not need to wait until these formal meeting times to catch up with your child’s teacher. If you would like to catch up, either contact the teacher directly or call the office to make a time to suit you both.

The wonderful, hard-working staff at CACP and I feel privileged to be a part of this school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to working with you.

I pray that God will bless you and your family.

Your partner in education,
Mrs Janine Taylor
Principal

Canteen Lunch Orders

Lunch orders are delivered to the school by Walliston Deli each Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Lunch order bags and menus are located outside near the office entrance and must be placed in the letterbox (located in the office) by 9am.

Skoolbag (Smart Phone App)

We have a FREE App that can be downloaded from the respective App stores. The App can be used for a whole variety of purposes, but especially for the purpose of instant communication between school, parents and students.

We encourage ALL parents to install the App on their phone. The calendar of school events and newsletters are all regularly updated on the App. When you need to know about issues (e.g. bus delays, an update on excursions and special events can be sent out as soon as that information is available). Student absences can be sent via the App (under eForms).

In your App store, search SKOOLBAG and then scroll down to Carmel Adventist College (the App is for both the primary and secondary).

Lost SmartRiders

If your child misplaces their SmartRider and you need to order them a new one, the easiest and quickest way is online at www.idcards.monitorwa.com.au.

In the drop down box, scroll to find Carmel Adventist College and follow the prompts. You will need a credit card to make the payment. If you don’t have a credit card you are welcome to collect a form from the front office.

Chapel

Please note that we have our weekly Chapel program every Friday morning from 8:50am to 9:30am in the Year 6 classroom at the end of the Library.

Refreshments will be available before and after the program.

This Friday (10th Feb), the program will be coordinated by our Student Leaders and Mrs Warchol.

All parents are welcome to attend.

Swimming Lessons commence on Monday, 27th 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.

LESSON TIMES WILL BE ADVISED IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

In previous years there has been the option for parents to personally collect their child/ren from the swimming pool after the lesson. Due to the lesson times we have been allocated this year, we encourage ALL students to return to school to continue with their afternoon subjects.

However, if for any reason you need to collect your child, 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, 8th February.
**SPORT**

**Sporting Schools**

Sporting Schools (after school sports) will commence next week. Permission forms will be sent home this week.

**Water Bottles**

Just a reminder to parents to please give your child/ren a water bottle to bring to school on the days they have sport. Please take a note of the day Sport falls on for your child/ren:

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**Carmel Kids MTB**

**Sunday Funday**

We invite all students and parents to be a part of the Carmel Kids Mountain Bike group. Riding is around the Kalamunda and Gunjin areas.

If you would like more information, email Mr Brydon Eaton at BrydonEaton@adventist.org.au and/ or request to join the Facebook page Carmel Kids MTB Sunday Funday.

**Our next ride is...**

**Sunday, February 19.**

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**After School Arts**

Enrolment is on Thursday, 9th Feb 4-5pm at Jorgenson Park in Kalamunda. Vacancies exist in all classes of Pottery, Painting and drawing and Hooked on Hessian. Classes commence Thurs Feb 16th from 4-6pm for 8 weeks. Pls ph Norma 9293 4486 with bookings and enquiries. Ages from 6yrs up.

After School Arts has held classes for 15 yrs in the Hills and all tutors have “working with children”

**KiddyKeys**

KiddyKeys classes are back in 2017 at Mrs Lowe’s Piano Studio in Carmel and your first visit is FREE!

Three class times are available for your 3-5yo child running throughout Term 1:
- Tuesday, February 7 9:00-9:30am OR 10:00-10:30am
- Wednesday, February 8 10:00-10:30am

RSVPs are essential as places are limited.

All materials are provided and a home instrument is not required.

www.kiddykeysperth.com

For more information contact Sandi Lowe on 0447 006 209 or sandralowe7@gmail.com

**Weet-Bix TRYathlon**

This annual event will be held again here in Perth on April 6. It is a fantastic event for children aged between 7 and 15 years of age. Each we year have a growing number of students who participate and we encourage you to be involved again this year.

When registering, please ensure you nominate Carmel Adventist College – Bickley as your school. When we have more than 15 entries, Carmel Primary goes into the draw to win significant prizes for our school.
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 2017
- 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 this Wednesday, 8th February.

Thank you to our families who have already returned these forms.
Welcome back! It was so nice last Wednesday when the wonderful noise of children filled our campus. While holidays are very peaceful here at Carmel Primary, it's just not the same without the happy sounds of our children. Playgrounds are empty, classrooms are quiet, and we miss seeing parents catching up on the verandah! So we do want to say ‘welcome back’, and a special hello to all our new families. We trust you will feel very much part of our school family – soon!

For those who were able to join us for Chapel Friday morning, our Principal shared an inspiring story with us. Johny was a boy who made a difference in the way he served others. He went the extra mile in his job and people loved what he did. This story was shared with all the staff, one morning prior to the students returning and we have been challenged to think outside the box in the way we serve, just like Johny did. I encourage you to take the time over dinner tonight and ask your child/ren to tell you the story of Johny. We are hoping that each student, maybe even each family too, catches the vision as we can all do something special, just like Johny did. Let’s see what we can do to serve others?

Last week we met with our 2017 Student Leaders for the first time and we are really looking forward to working with them. The Student Leaders will work in all three areas through out the year serving where needed.

**Grace Mentiplay and Munashe Mururi** - Administrative Student Leaders - Mrs Taylor & Mrs Keating

**Claire Gissing and Joshua Sewell** - Sport Student Leaders - Mr Eaton

**Emily Green and Tayla McCutcheon** - Chapel Student Leaders - Mrs Warchol

I saw a quote recently, ‘*If serving is below you, leadership is beyond you.*’ Being a leader isn’t all about being the boss! The Bible reflects a very clear picture of service to others and Jesus showed us this too in the way He lived.

As 2017 unfolds, may we all be challenged to reflect on the story of Johny and see how we can serve others.

God bless,

Mrs Nicola Warchol

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*Student Leaders for 2017 with the Pre-Primary Buddies*
Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrated a birthday in January!

Joshua (Kindy), Declan (Yr 2), Lomani (Yr 2), Matthew K (Yr 5), Evan (Yr 2), Judd (Yr 2), Will (Yr 2), Thandeka (Yr 5) and Elizabeth (Yr 2).

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

Going back to school safely

From...Constable Care Child Safety Foundation

As kids and parents get back into the swing of school, it’s important to keep safety in mind.

Drivers, remember that as the new school year begins, children will be walking, crossing streets and maybe even fooling around a bit on their way to school. Stay vigilant and be sure to slow down to 40km in school zones.

Parents, take the opportunity now to talk with your children about getting to and from school safely. Read these tips from Constable Care to make the start of the 2017 school year a safe one.

Got some old uniforms to sell?

Join the Carmel Adventist College Primary – Buy, Swap or Sell page on Facebook and post them there!

We have our ‘Storytime in the Bush’ happening again this term. If you can assist with placing some flyers in our local community, your help would be greatly appreciated. Drop in to the front office to pick up some flyers. Thank-you

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CARMEL PRIMARY ADVENTIST COLLEGE

p. (08) 9291 6399
e. admin@carmelcollegeprimary.wa.edu.au
w. www.carmelcollege.wa.edu.au
COMMUNITY MEMBERS WELCOME

9:30AM - 11:00AM

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COMMUNITY MEMBERS WELCOME

EXPECT TO GET WET!

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL on 9291 6399
or email admin@carmelcollegeprimary.wa.edu.au

- $10 family/session or $5 child/session
- Enclosed shoes and a change of clothes recommended
- Suitable for 2-5 year olds • A parent or guardian must accompany children.

Hosted by: Carmel Adventist College Primary – 18 First Ave, Bickley
Forrestfield Youth Initiative

Free Sport Activities & Chill Out Zone

Thursdays during the school term
3:30pm - 5:30pm
Hartfield Park Rec Centre
199 Hale Road, Forrestfield
Free Drop In Activities for 9-15 year olds

For more information contact Tessa on 9257 9968 or email youth@kalamunda.wa.gov.au
NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Our fortnightly Newsletter is emailed, available to view on the Skoolbag App and on the website. If you would like to receive your Newsletter in paper format, you will need to fill out your details on this form and return it to the office by Friday, February 17.

FAMILY NAME ___________________________________________________________

CHILD NAME ____________________________ YEAR _______

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I would like to receive my school newsletter in paper format.

If you have not received this Newsletter via email, please contact the school to verify your email address.