



CARMICHAEL

Chronicle

Term 1 Week 9, 25th March 2021

IMPORTANT Dates

MARCH

26th Year 4 Camp

APRIL

1st Easter Service

Term 1 Finishes

19th Term 2 Commences

23rd ANZAC Service

26th ANZAC Day Public
Holiday

MAY

3rd Labour Day Public
Holiday

5th-7th Mother's Day Stall

7th Mother's Day Breakfast

Dates subject to change

Dear Families,

Easter holidays are just around the corner! And you know what that means. Wandering the aisles of Woolworths deciding which type of chocolate eggs and hot cross buns to buy! For 2021, Darrell Lea eggs will now be taking priority over the classic Cadbury eggs that were previously favourites amongst my Easter chocolate shopping. Easter time in Australia is an iconic time of year. It involves chocolate, long weekends, hot cross buns, caravans, camping and family barbecues. Certainly a busy time of year after a very hot (and also rainy) Term 1!

Despite the craziness and family commitments that come with Easter, there is a deeper meaning. It is about a remarkable man who genuinely cared for people, who healed and fed and comforted. Who reached out to the marginalised, the widow, the orphan and the strangers and confronted the religious and political hierarchies.

Who called out hypocrisy and declared God's love for everyone. Who faced injustice and with quiet resolve confronted his tormentors. Who, having predicted his demise, was beaten and scourged and nailed to a cross but spoke words of forgiveness and of hope.

This is the other story that **cannot be silenced**, the message of Jesus the Son of God and his death and after three days his resurrection. This is the real meaning of Easter that offers the possibility of restoration (healing) and renewal and hope for all of us. This a great reason to celebrate, to enjoy these holy days. You can read the record of the first Easter in the Bible in the Gospel of John chapters 19 and 20 (excerpt taken from [Australian Baptist Ministries](#) website)

Carmichael College will be holding Easter Chapel services on Thursday the 1st of April. Special guest Sean W Smith will also be at P-5 Chapel sharing an Easter message. We hope to see you there so you can celebrate the deeper meaning of Easter with us. Have a great Easter break!

Yours in Christ,

Chris O'Loughlan
Head of Upper Primary



"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1

EASTER FUNDRAISERS



We are currently running two Easter fundraisers to help send three children in Vanuatu to their local school. There is a "Guess the number of eggs" competition which has been generously provided by one of our school dads, Mr David Huynh from Ray White North Lakes. Guesses are \$1 each or 3 guesses for \$2. The winner will be announced at Easter chapel on Thursday 1st April. First prize for the correct or closest guess is a HUGE Easter hamper. The Runner Up prize for the second closest guess is the jar of eggs. Guesses can be submitted in Admin.



Our second fundraiser for the same cause, is a sausage sizzle which will be held on Thursday 1st

April. Pre-orders are being taken on our School Stream app or by emailing Admin. These will close tomorrow, Friday 26th April. Students who have not pre-ordered can buy on the day, only while stock lasts. A sausage in bread will be \$2, poppers will be \$2, or Meal Deals (sausage and drink) are \$3. Gluten free will also be available. Students in Prep to Year 3 will have their sausages during First Break, and Years 4 to 8 during Second Break. We hope you will support both of these initiatives being run by our Student Council.

PARENT SURVEY



A reminder that we are currently conducting a survey to better understand the reasons why parents choose to send their children to our school. [This national survey](#) is being run by Christian Schools Australia. All families are asked to participate in the survey. It is conducted online and will only take 15-20 minutes to complete. **All responses to the survey are anonymous.** The survey will close on **Thursday 1st April 2021**. We thank those families who have already participated.

NAPLAN TESTING



Our Year 3, 5 and 7 students will be completing online [NAPLAN testing](#) on the 11th-14th May. If you would prefer your child not participate, please submit a [Parent Withdrawal Form](#) to Admin prior to **Monday 10th May**.

PREP 2022



Enrolments for Prep 2022 are now at "Waiting List Only" status. Unfortunately availability of places **cannot be guaranteed past this point** as we will not be offering more than 4 Prep classes next year. We recommend any existing families who have younger siblings not yet enrolled for Prep beyond 2022, lodge enrolment forms promptly to avoid future disappointment.

CARMICHAEL APP IS HERE



The Carmichael College School Stream App is here so this will be our final newsletter! All communication from the College from here on in will be through the app. It can be viewed on your phone or device (viewing through a browser not recommended). Any families with a business who would like to list in the FREE Community Business Directory folder of the App, are welcome to email their business details (phone number, website/facebook page, logo etc) to w.maxsted@carmichael.qld.edu.au. Please let us know if you have any issues working the App so we can get them rectified for you. Click here for the [Carmichael College app download guide](#).

CREEKSIDE CAFÉ NEWS



The Creekside Cafe will be open during the school holidays - Monday to Friday from 9am to 1pm. There will be lots of Easter craft activities for the kids!

*He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. - Micah 6:8*