



MOUNT CARMEL COLLEGE

R-12

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CATHOLIC IDENTITY & MISSION
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From the Head of Primary Campus



Welcome back to new and existing families to our college community.

Once again, the Reception - Year 12 Calendar has many events scheduled throughout Term 2. We continue to acknowledge the valued support of the Parents and Friends, with both students and staff looking forward to the organised calendar events throughout this term. Our appreciation also extends to the many volunteers who support as sport coaches or volunteer in class activities. We look forward to another eventful term!

MOTHER'S DAY STALLS

The Parents & Friends have organised a Mother's Day Stall

at our Primary Campus this Friday, 9 May. A flier has gone home to all families promoting the purchase of gifts ranging between \$1 and \$5. Children will be escorted to the Hall in their class groups and be supervised by respective teachers.

To all the mothers, grandmothers, guardians and mother figures in our College community, we extend our appreciation and thanks. Your love, care and dedication are the foundation upon which our future is built.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

This year, CESA celebrates 180 years of Catholic Education in South Australia. We look forward to celebrating this significant milestone next week.

The theme of Catholic Education Week is 'Shine with Open Hearts'. This theme reflects the high-quality teaching and learning in our schools, where students shine, live and lead with open hearts; when our hearts are open, we embrace hope, compassion, love and joy.

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Diary Dates

MAY 2025

- 9 Mother's Day Stall - Primary Campus
- 12 Year 7-12 1pm Dismissal;
1.30pm-5.30pm Year 7-12 Parent-
Teacher-Student Interviews (alt 2)
- 14-16 Year 12 Retreat
- 20 College Tour 4pm
- Secondary Campus
- 21 Crazy Hair & Sock Day
- Primary Campus
- 21 National Simultaneous Storytime
- Primary Campus

Further dates are available
from our website at
www.mcc.catholic.edu.au

2025 TERM DATES:

Term 1: 28 Jan - 11 Apr

Term 2: 29 Apr - 4 Jul

Term 3: 21 Jul - 26 Sep

Term 4: 13 Oct - 5 Dec



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Student Absences/ Late Arrivals

When a student is absent or going to be late, parents should notify the school by 9am on that day by texting the **Absentee Line** on **0438 368 846 (SMS) or phoning (08) 8447 0500**. You will need to state the following:

NAME OF CHILD, YEAR LEVEL, REASON FOR ABSENCE eg *If late approximately what time will your child arrive etc.*

A medical certificate is required if a student is away for more than 3 days. For any planned extended absence, a letter to the Principal is required to explain circumstances.

From the Head of Primary Campus Continued...

YEAR 5 COOKING

Ms Daly's Year 5 class have been scheduled for a 3-week hands on 'Cooking' experience, on the Secondary Campus. We are fortunate to engage in these cross-campus activities which enrich the curriculum and compliment the students' culinary skills!

The national Walk Safely to School Day will be held on Friday 16 May. This is a government initiative, encouraging students to walk to school, and always follow the road rules!



Jenny DeGilio
Head of Primary Campus



Year 10 Immunisations

A reminder that Year 10 students will have their first round of Meningococcal injections on Wednesday 21 May, 2025.

Students must arrive at school on time this day to ensure they receive their injection at the rostered time. Also, it is crucial that students eat a solid breakfast in the morning to help avoid any immediate potential side effects from the injection.

Year 10 students who own a PE uniform are asked to wear this to allow the nurses administering the injection easy access to the upper arm. If you do not own a PE uniform, please wear a singlet or t-shirt under your shirt.

If you require further information, please contact
Caroline Shaw on 8447 0500.

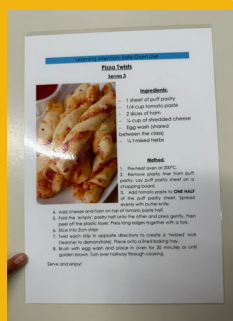
Congratulations to Year 8 Student Nathan Ho

Congratulations to Year 8 student Nathan Ho, who was recently presented with the Piano for Leisure Grade 4 Prize at the AMEB SA & NT Awards Ceremony on 5 April in Elder Hall at the University of Adelaide.

Nathan was presented with his prize for his outstanding achievement by Professor Jennie Shaw, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic).



Year 5 Cooking Class



Catholic Identity & Mission - Secondary Campus

Our first term for 2025 was jam packed with celebrations and events that form a foundation for our Identity and Mission as a Catholic community.

Early in Term 1, we celebrated the beginning of our new school year, coming together for the first time as a 7-12 campus in our newly finished Carmelite Centre. It was wonderful to have Fr Jack celebrate Mass for us and engage students as he spoke about our roles as 'Salt of the Earth' and 'Light of the World' people. Just as salt makes food better, we should strive to make the world better. Just as light dispels darkness, we should illuminate the world with our words and actions. Coming together as a community is an integral part of the Mount Carmel vision and mission and the celebration of our Beginning of Year Mass is always a beautiful example of Catholic ritual.

This year, our Season of Lent began later than usual, and we observed Ash Wednesday in Week 6 with Year Level Liturgies. We also launched this year's Project Compassion with the theme 'Unite Against Poverty'. During the liturgy, students are asked to reflect on the three main actions of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Students received ashes to remind them of their need to turn away from mistakes and ask forgiveness, that we are not perfect and we need God's guidance in life, that life is fleeting so we should live our lives with love and compassion, and as a sign of new beginnings where we can focus on becoming better people. Students from all cultures and faith backgrounds are able to participate fully in this ritual as we support our core values of Belonging and Diversity.

In Week 9, our Year 9 students embarked on their camp at Victor Harbor. A key theme for our Year 9

students as part of their Rite Journey is recognising and giving up childish and immature behaviours. As leaders of the Middle Years, the Year 9s learn how their actions have impact. During our Camp Liturgy, we reflected on the Parable of the Mustard Seed and how even the smallest amount of faith can have a profound impact. There was also an opportunity for students to be honest and vulnerable with their peers as they recognised childish behaviours they have engaged in. They wrote down behaviours they wanted to leave behind on leaves which were ceremonially thrown into the Hindmarsh River. This was a great steppingstone into the remainder of the year as they prepare for their time in the Senior Years.

Week 10 of Term 1 was a busy week. The Year 10 cohort participated in their annual Year 10 Retreat over two days. The theme of the retreat was 'Pebbles in the Pond', a metaphor for the way our words and actions can have a profound and ongoing effect, just like ripples in water. Students participated in a variety of small group activities and individual reflections, all focused on developing relationships with each other and coming to terms with their developing roles in society.

Week 10 also saw the blessing and official opening of our Carmelite Centre and Western Technical College Expansion. This was a significant event with the attendance of many VIP guests, including Archbishop Patrick O'Regan. In line with Catholic ritual and ceremony, the Archbishop blessed the buildings, the crucifixes that will hang in those buildings, the staff that will work within those walls and the students who will learn in those spaces. All secondary students recognised the momentous occasion and went above and beyond, demonstrating our core value of Excellence as they represented our College with pride.

As our very long, busy term came to an end, we observed Holy Week with students coming together to share in the Stations of the Cross. Year 9 Drama students and Year 11 Spiritualities, Religion and Meaning students, with the support of the choir, presented a moving rendition of the Stations through live performance. This is yet another example of the significant importance of ritual in the Catholic tradition and in the Catholic Identity and Mission of our school. It was the perfect way to finish our term as we sent students (and staff!) off for a well-earned break.

In Term 2, we look forward to many more significant events which help us embrace our Catholic Identity. Students on Year 7 Camp will engage in Liturgy, our Year 11 and 12 students will attend their year level retreats, and we will come together to celebrate Mass during Reconciliation Week. We will continue to celebrate the Season of Easter until the 8th of June when we mark Pentecost and the birthday of the church, before returning to Ordinary Time.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge the passing of His Holiness Pope Francis. He was a much loved and progressive leader, a staunch advocate for the environment, and a man who said as much through his actions and his choices as he did through his words. It is now a time of significant change in the Catholic Church as the world's Cardinals begin the Conclave to elect a new Pope. Our prayers are with the Cardinals, that they are filled with wisdom and right judgement as they make this monumental decision.

May God's blessing be with all our Mount Carmel community as we commence Term 2.

Rebecca Wood
Acting APRIM (7-12)





Happy Mother's Day

Mother's Day is a special time to celebrate and honour all the love, care, and hard work that mums, aunties, grandmothers, and other special women do for us every day. Whether it's through hugs, wise advice, or simply being there, their love and strength help shape our lives in beautiful ways. In 1NS, we say thank you and show our appreciation for all they do.



Catholic Education Week

*Tuyet Nguyen
Year 1 Teacher*



Year 12 Child Studies



The Year 1 classes visited the Secondary Campus to have a morning of healthy eating learning and a cooking experience.

The Year 12 Child Studies classes led the morning, with the students teaching the Year 1 classes about the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating and the 5 food groups, playing games to develop language around food, tasting new

fruits and vegetables, as well as some favourites and a cooking experience to make their own pita pizzas. It was a wonderful learning opportunity for all involved.

"I like the pizza that we made! Can we go again?" – Samantha 1NS

"My buddy is sooooo nice, she helped me grate the cheese." – Krystal 1NS

"I didn't eat all my recess and brainfood at school. I ate pizza and watermelon, and blueberries and cucumbers. There was a lot of food!" – Christian 1NS

"The oven was hot, we can't go near it. Only our buddy can take the pizza out." – Matilda 1NS

Katrina O'Malley
Inclusion Coordinator R-12



Parent Calendar - Key Dates for Term 2, 2025

	TERM 2, WEEK 1
Mon 28/04/25	R-12 Pupil free day; Staff PD
Tue 29/04/25	R-12 Term 2 Begins
Wed 30/04/25	3:30-7:30 pm Year 7-12 Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews (alt. 1)
	TERM 2, WEEK 2
Mon 05/05/25 - Wed 07/05/25	Year 7 Camps
Wed 07/05/25 - Fri 09/05/25	
Fri 09/05/25	Mother's Day Stall (Primary Campus)
Sun 11/05/25	Mother's Day
	TERM 2, WEEK 3
Mon 12/05/25	1:00 pm Year 7-12 Dismissal; 1:30 - 5:30 pm Year 7-12 Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews (alt. 2)
Tue 13/05/25	6pm Finance Meeting
Wed 14/05/25 - Fri 16/05/25	Year 12 Retreat
	TERM 2, WEEK 4
Tue 20/05/25	4:00 pm College Tour Secondary Campus 6:00 pm Board Meeting
Wed 21/05/25	Year 10 Immunisations Primary - Crazy Hair and Sock Day Primary - National Simultaneous Storytime
Fri 23/05/25	9:00 am Primary Assembly (Reception students hosting) 7:00 pm Year 11 & 12 Drama Production
	TERM 2, WEEK 5
Mon 26/05/25 – Mon 02/06/25	Primary Dental Van
Tue 27/05/25 - Tue 03/06/25	National Reconciliation Week
Mon 26/05/25	11:40 am Primary Campus Reconciliation Week Liturgy
Thu 29/05/25	11:40 am Reconciliation Week Mass Secondary Campus
	TERM 2, WEEK 6
	TERM 2, WEEK 7
Mon 09/06/25	King's Birthday Holiday
Tue 10/06/25	Mid-year Reception transition visit 1 of 3 6:00 pm Finance Meeting
Wed 11/06/25	2:15 pm R-6 VIP visit
Sun 15/06/25	Pedal Prix (Secondary students) Victoria Park
	TERM 2, WEEK 8
Mon 16/06/25	Year 11 swotvac day
Tue 17/06/25 – Thu 19/06/25	Year 11 mid-year exams
Tue 17/06/25	Mid-year Reception transition visit 2 of 3 4:00 pm College Tour Secondary Campus 6:00 pm Board Meeting
Thu 19/06/25	3:00 pm End of Semester 1 (Year R-12)
Fri 20/06/25	Pupil Free Day Years R-12
	TERM 2, WEEK 9
Mon 23/06/25	Start Semester 2 (Year R-12)
Mon 23/06/25 – Fri 04/07/25	R-4 Swimming
Tue 24/06/25	Mid-year Reception transition visit 3 of 3
Fri 27/06/25	9:00 am Primary Assembly (Year 6 students hosting)
	TERM 2, WEEK 10
Mon 23/06/25 – Fri 04/07/25	R-4 Swimming
Thu 03/07/25	Year 11 Retreat
Fri 04/07/25	3:00 pm Term 2 Ends R-12 students
	TERM 3 HOLIDAYS
Mon 07/07/25 – Fri 18/07/25	School holidays
	TERM 3, WEEK 1
Mon 21/07/25	Term 3 Begins R-12 students

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17 Pennington Terrace, Pennington
Phone: 8447 0500

7-12 Secondary Campus
33 Newcastle Street, Rosewater
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