

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Carranballac P-9 College

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College Director

Brendan O'Brien

School Council President

Penny Heron

Dates to remember



Thursday 28 January

First Day Term 1

Wednesday 3 February

Foundation Students to not attend School

Wednesday 10 February

Foundation Students to not attend School

Wednesday 17 February

Foundation Students to not attend School

Wednesday 24 February

Foundation Students to not attend School

Monday 14 March 2016

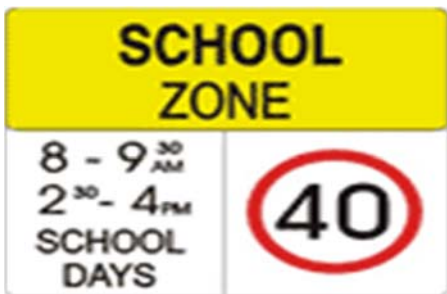
Labour Day Holiday

Thursday 24 March

Last Day Term 1 2pm Finish

Monday 11 Aril

First Day Term 2



Every minute counts!



Welcome to all returning students and all new students of the college. We hope you have a great start to 2016!!

Statement of Purpose

In our unique, innovative and growing community we develop a passion for life long learning so that students achieve individual excellence and are confident, capable, respected citizens of our local and global communities.

Student Absence: Please SMS student absences by 9.00 am to

0429 305 552

D irector's Report

Dear Parents

Welcome back to the College for the 2016 school year. A special welcome to our new Foundation students and to all other families who are joining the Carranballac community for the first time.

2016 promises to be another successful year at the College. We have all of our staff in place and they have been well prepared to ensure that all students meet the high expectations we will set for them.

The transition to uniforms 'off campus' has been undertaken with only a few minor hiccups and the new pathway has been constructed at Jamieson Way (thankyou Parents & Friends, Ian Muir and team).

We would have liked the construction of the Boardwalk oval to have commenced over the holidays but have been delayed by the tendering process. I will keep families posted as this reaches a final decision.

Furthermore I am writing to you today to inform you of some minor changes to the College's operations that you need to be aware of:

Middle Years students (Years 5 to 9) will be permitted to wear the correct and **full *SPORTS UNIFORM to school*** (must be Carranballac Polo and shorts) on their **sport and physical education days ONLY**. A number of students will need to bring their black school shoes if they have Food or Wood Technology on the same day. *This change is the direct result of parent, student and staff feedback and also aims to increase 'on task time' for student learning.* We will evaluate the effectiveness of this procedure term by term.

College newsletters will now be distributed on a fortnightly basis. *This is in response to feedback we have received from the community on the improved effectiveness of the new website, the support we get from the parents' Carranballac facebook page and in line with our continuing move towards 'e' communication.* The College will be moving to new communication software for the start of term two which will greatly improve communication between families and staff. We hope to have an APP for smartphones to compliment College communication in this era of technological change.

One final change that will not directly affect parents, but will impact on daily operations for students is: the College timetable will change FROM a 2 hour block / recess / 2 hour block / lunch / 1 hour block TO a **2 hour block / recess / 1.5 hour block / lunch . /1.5 hour block**. Start and finish times remain the same. *The new timetable will be trialled in terms one and two and is designed to improve staffing coverage of programs across the College, to bring the lunchbreak earlier for students and to improve effective 'on task' teaching allocations.*

I am certainly looking forward to a productive educational year for the College and especially our students.

Brendan O'Brien



Carranballac College P-9 Enrolment Form 2016

Instrumental Music and/or Singing and Performing

Contact: Maddie Owen 0401 844 522 or email: meowen9@gmail.com

ABN 81 556 680 70

If your child would like to have lessons with Soundhouse in 2016, **please complete this enrolment form and return it to the school office and make full payment for Term 1 by Friday 29 January 2016.**

Soundhouse lessons cost \$140 per discipline per term and fees are payable, in advance, by quarterly BPay **or** up-front payments to the office. If you require further information on the program please contact Maddie Owen on mobile or email shown above.

Child's name: _____

Year Level (2016): _____

Parent/guardian name/s: _____

Contact number: _____

My child would like to learn (please tick appropriate boxes):

NB: Foundation Students are able to enrol in SAP only from the start of Term 2, 2016.

SAP (Singing & Performance)

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Soundhouse Terms and Conditions over page

Terms and Conditions, 2016

Lessons (held during school hours)

Soundhouse lessons are held in small groups. The Soundhouse program runs for 12 months and includes a Term 4 concert. There can also be other performances throughout the year. Soundhouse students are guaranteed a minimum of **32** lessons per year. However, children will usually receive more than 32 for the year.

Fees are payable **IN ADVANCE** for the term and there are no refunds for children who drop out during the term. Fees can be paid in 4 equal instalments of \$140.00, each Term, BPay, or directly to the office.

THE FEES ARE NOT CALCULATED PER LESSON.

Withdrawal from the program must be notified via the Soundhouse exit form available from the office. This enables groupings and staff to be organised ahead of any change. Unfortunately, lessons lost due to illness or school activities cannot, in general, be made up. Circumstances such as long-term holidays or illness etc. can be discussed with The Soundhouse Music Schools coordinator and appropriate arrangements can be made.

I have read and agree to abide by the above Terms & Conditions and to encourage my child in routine singing/playing at home, where appropriate, according to the Soundhouse teacher's instructions.

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Date: _____

Parent Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____

If you would like to re-enrol in 2016, or join our program for the first time please return the enrolment form to the school office by Friday 29 January 2016 so we can ensure your child gets a position in the program. Forms are available from the school office and also included in this newsletter.

Maddie Owen

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