Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of another term, and we are thankful that we can partner with you in the education of your children. If you remember back to the start of the term, there were very few students at school - learning was being done online and at home for the majority of children, and it was unclear whether students would return this term. But we are thankful to the Lord that the impact of the pandemic in Tamworth was not as significant as it has been in other places, and we could welcome all students back to school for much of the term.

May I also thank you for the support that students and parents continue to show for the health and hygiene measures that we have put in place this term. Your patience and acceptance of these have been appreciated as we care for your children and the wider school community.

Like every term, there has been lots on for students, and while they have not been out on excursions or other “outside” activities, they have been busy and engaged in their learning “inside” the school, whilst enjoying the delight of being back together as a school community.

While finishing the term at school may have seemed unlikely when the term started, this was no surprise for the Living God, who plans and brings about all his Sovereign purposes. RC Sproul says: “If there is one maverick molecule in the universe, then God is not sovereign. And if God is not sovereign, He is not God.” And as Colin Buchanan says: “Nothing takes God by surprise, He is sovereign, He’s in control, nothing takes God by surprise.”

What a great God we have: Jesus, the one who rules over all, is strong and is kind.

We trust that this holiday will be a refreshing break, perhaps with the opportunity to travel away or be “out and about” with family or friends, and we look forward to everyone returning next term.

Peter Weary
Deputy Principal
2. A Christ Centred Education

At Carinya we believe and trust in a Creator God, Jesus Christ, who brought everything into existence. The Bible tells us what He is like and how we are to obey Him in our personal lives and in our school.

In a well known section of the Bible, our Creator describes Himself for us:

“I am God and there is no other; I am God and there is none like me. I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, ‘My purpose will stand and I will do all that I please’. What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned, that will I do.”

Isaiah 46:9-10

And in Colossians (from the New Testament), Jesus Christ is described as:

“The image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things are created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him … so that in everything He might have the supremacy.”

Colossians 1:15-18

These are powerful truths about our Creator. They tell us a lot about Jesus and how He thinks about Himself and the world He has made. They speak about the purpose of creation, and the direction and intent of the creator. Therefore, they need to be taken seriously as we work out the educational goals and objectives of the school, and the policies and procedures by which the school is managed on a daily basis.

At Carinya we seek to build these truths about Jesus Christ as Creator into everything we do in the teaching and learning process: in curriculum, motivation, reporting and all other policies and procedures of the school.

These truths direct the answer we give to the heartfelt and genuine questions children ask, like:

- “Why should I learn what you want to teach me?”
- “Why am I important as a person?”
- “Why am I not as smart as other children?”
- “How should I use my learning?”
- “What will you give me for my learning?”
- “How will I know if I am successful in my learning?”

These are important questions for children: any answer which does not direct children first of all to an understanding of themselves as individuals made in the image of God is going to mislead and misdirect them. They have a Creator who speaks to all of their lives, including their education and their schooling. Therefore, our answers about why students should learn and how they should learn will include ideas such as:

- God made His world, and students should view the opportunity to learn as a privilege and a gift from God.
- A teacher might remind students to seek to be faithful (do my best) in the use of the gifts and opportunities that God has given, avoiding a desire to please others or enter into a spirit of rivalry or competition in the classroom.
- Completing tasks “as unto the Lord” whether they be regarded as pleasurable or painful.

All of these answers start to build an understanding for the student of a sovereign God who runs His world, and gives us the chance to know about Him and how his world works. In this, we can “think God’s thoughts after Him”.

Next Time: Created in God’s Image
**TERM 3**

Over the holidays we will continue to think about how best we can care for our school community during the pandemic and we will continue to take advice and direction from governing authorities as we do this. It is likely that some activities can recommence, such as school assemblies and day excursions, while other measures will remain in place, such as temperature checks and increased cleaning. We will advise parents of any further information as we recommence Term 3.

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**CCTV CAMERAS**

This term the school has improved and increased the CCTV cameras at various locations around the school. These have been installed to provide better security for the school and a safer environment for students, staff and families.

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**RETURN TO SCHOOL**

All students will return to school on Monday 20 July (Week B). Staff will return in the previous week for their Curriculum Week, which is a beneficial time for staff to be together as they prepare for the term ahead.

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**TERM Dates**

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TERM 3 SPORT

As the restrictions begin to ease, sport is beginning to recommence. The following school sports are recommencing or beginning in Term 3. Information for each of these sports has been emailed home to the parents of students who are playing.

Teams have been organised, however, in some age groups there is room for more players. If your child would like to play, please contact Mr Charles Bickersteth at school.

Currently, all CSSA Sport has been cancelled until the end of Week 5, Term 3. A decision for the rest of the term will be made at the end of the holidays.

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CALALA INN CAR PARK

Calala Inn has recently raised concerns that a number of parents are using their carpark as a drop off and pick up area. With lots of parents’ cars parking in the carpark, as well as patrons, the risk of an injury to a child is increased. As part of our duty of care for students, in the interest of their safety, and to respect the wishes of the local business, parents should not use the Calala Inn car park to pick up and drop off their children. The best option is for parents to pick up their children via Raywood Drive where sufficient parking options and supervision is available. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.
During the holidays, some work will be completed to upgrade the pick up and drop off area on Raywood Drive. The works will include a pick up lane with a dedicated pick up and drop off point, removable bollards, fencing along the pick up lane and around the top of Raywood Drive, new signage, and the installation of a concrete “tear drop” to provide a turning circle.

These changes should be in place for the beginning of Term 3, and information will be provided to parents to explain how the pick up and drop off lane will work. We hope that these new structures will provide a safer experience for students and families, as well as improved traffic movement at peak times.

We ask for your patience as we make these changes to Raywood Drive. A diagram of the changes to Raywood Drive is below.

**WHAT’S NEW OVERVIEW**

- A new lane dedicated to drop off and pick up with a single dedicated drop off and pick up point
- Fencing that extends from the entrance of the drop off/pick up lane to the top of the turning circle (indicated below by the blue line)
- No Parking zone at the end of the turning circle (indicated by black and white striped areas below)
Why not warm up with a good book from Carinya eLibrary?

Some students in Years 3—9 have been challenging themselves to read more through their participation in the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC). The PRC offers a challenge to each student - to read, to read more, and to read more widely while enjoying the experience of both imagined and real worlds.

These winter holidays are a great time for all students to warm up with the challenge to read more and read more widely. While many students have borrowed books from the library's print collection in the last week of term, we have a large number of titles on the Carinya eLibrary site ready for borrowing right now!

Carinya has two eBook collections—the first collection has a wide range of titles suitable for Years K—12 (includes 2040+ eBooks and 660+ audiobooks). The second collection is primarily suitable for Years 7—12 (includes 1880+ eBooks and 650+ audiobooks). Titles in both collections may be subject to age / year group restrictions.

An easy way to access the eBooks and audiobooks using a desktop computer or digital device is via the Library tab on the School Web Page. This will take you to the Library website from where you can visit all the Carinya digital library collections. Click on the eBook Library Tab to download eBooks and audiobooks.

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Kind regards,

Elayne Townsend
Teacher Librarian

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