Primary Calendar - Term 4
Pupil Free Day .....................................................Nov 26
Handball Competition ......................................Nov 27
Y2 Blackbutt Reserve Excursion ........Nov 28
Kindy Concert .....................................................Nov 28
K-6 Final Chapel ..........................................Nov 30
Primary Closing Celebration 5pm .........Dec 6
K-6 Celebration Day Events ....................Dec 7
Last Day of Term 4 .............................................Dec 7
Last Day for Staff ..............................................Dec 12

Secondary Calendar - Term 4
Y12 Cambodia Service Trip ..............Nov 11 - 26
Pupil Free Day ...............................................Nov 26
Y7 Nelson Bay Excursion .......................Nov 28
National Schools Basketball ..............Dec 2 - 7
Y7-11 Sign Off Day ............................................Dec 6
Secondary Closing Celebration 7pm..Dec 6
Last Day of Term 4 ..............................................Dec 7
Last Day for Staff ..............................................Dec 12

School Terms 2019
Term 1 ..........................................Jan 29 - Apr 12
Term 2 .........................................................May 6 - Jul 5
Term 3 .....................................................Jul 22 - Sep 27
Term 4 .....................................................Oct 14 - Dec 6

THE VIEW

The 'Four Cs'
Critical thinking, creativity, collaboration and communication are words or skills we like to think of as the driving force behind what happens in active learning environments, aka 'cool schools'. This sounds good, right? We all want our kids to grow and learn, and there are so many choices to make and things to do that it can be overwhelming when we try to encourage them to be 21st Century learners.

When looking at this notion here are some ideas to think about:

• Creative thinking encourages children to explore, enquire and discover, which are all crucial for innovation.
• Because children are more engaged and interested, creative learning gives them a deeper understanding of what is being taught and they retain more of their learning.
• Creative thinking encourages children to feel safe in taking risks in their enquiries.
• Without feeling there is right and wrong, children have the opportunity to question and grow.

• Creative thinking encourages thinking outside the box and develops problem-solving skills.

Encouraging these 4Cs at home:
• Use resources that support investigations, critical thinking and reflections. Use information books, journals and IT, like innovative apps to help kids figure things out themselves. You might learn new things too.
• Accept the mess that goes with creative interactions and pursuits - there is ALWAYS going to be a mess, but it’s a ‘cool’ mess!
• Make the time to have conversations about the how, when and why? Children’s interests are as diverse as they are … spend some time exploring together.
• Visit nature, the museum, art galleries and other events, encouraging your child’s interest and your own. Learning should be fun, because learning is for life!

Adapted from an article by Angela Sutherland https://kidsonthecoast.com.au/read/education/article/the-four-cs-creativity-in-the-21st-century-classroom

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Pupil Free Day
Monday, November 26
Just a reminder this coming Monday, November 26, is a Pupil Free Day to allow our teachers time to complete student reports.

Term 4 Sport Uniform
Kindy - Year 2 – Sport Uniform on Mondays.
Years 3 & 4 – Sport Uniform on Wednesdays.
Years 5 & 6 – Sport Uniform on Fridays.

Years 3-6 Swimming Program
Years 3 & 4 - Wednesdays
Year 3 depart at 1.15pm, return at 2.25pm
Year 4 depart at 1.50pm, return at 3.00pm

Years 5 & 6 - Fridays
Year 5 depart at 1.15pm, return at 2.25pm
Year 6 depart at 1.50pm, return at 3.00pm

Kindy Concert
Wednesday, November 28 (6.30 PM)
This coming Wednesday, November 28 is our Kindy Concert to be held in the MPC, commencing at 6.30pm. Kindy students need to arrive at 6.00pm (earlier as advised by teachers if hair needs to be done). Everyone is welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Final Chapel
Friday, November 30 (9.00am)
Next Friday, November 30 we have our final Chapel program for 2018 for all students in Kindy to Year 6. We will be marking the rolls and heading straight over to the MPC for this program. This Chapel is a celebration of the year and a farewell to our Year 6 students. Student Leaders for 2019 will also be announced and presented to the School. Parents and friends are most welcome to join us. This is also the day we give our food donations to the Salvation Army non-perishable food donations. Why not help your child understand that Christmas is about giving by supporting our food drive.

Christmas Shoe Boxes
As part of our Bible unit this term, we have seen how important it is to fill other people’s buckets and show generosity to others. As a result, 3D have packed 28 shoeboxes for children less fortunate than them. Some families packed 4 boxes! They are filled with toys, clothing, stationery, toiletries and something to love.

Girls Soccer Gala Day
Last Tuesday, the Girls Soccer Team played Lakes Grammar School in the annual Soccer Competition. Our girls had a very convincing win 6/1. Congratulations to the team for playing so well and most importantly showing great sportsmanship on the day. A big thank you to the team coach, Mr Michael Calculli, who volunteered his time to train the girls several weeks prior to the event.

Tri Cricket Gala Day
Congratulations to our Cricket Team for coming second in the Tri-Schools Cricket Gala Day held at Martinsville Oval. Well done to Central Coast Adventist School for taking 1st place. A great day was had by all with weather holding out and excellent sportsmanship displayed by all teams.

Knight/Rookies Finals
Congratulations to our Knights and Rookies Chess Teams who played in the finals at Broadmeadow PCYC on Wednesday. Well done to both our Rookies teams who tied for 2nd place! A special mention to Jake B for winning all his games 6/6!

National Athletics Carnival
We wish Tegan C all the best as she heads to represent the school in Nationals held in Melbourne this Friday to compete in Shotput.
Year 10 Birthday Fun
Year 10 Food Tech students created some awesome children's birthday cakes this week, displaying a range of cake decorating skills and creativity. Don't they look awesome!

Year 11 Geography Field Trip
Our Senior Geographers began their HSC journey by engaging in valuable ecosystems fieldwork this week at the Hunter Wetlands Centre.

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End of Year Sign-off
Thursday, December 6
If for some reason your child(ren) will be finishing earlier than the scheduled Friday, December 7, you will need to notify the Secondary Office ASAP please. This will allow us to provision time for all the school processes to be completed by your child(ren) before leaving. Each student must complete a sign-off sheet to ensure all books/resources have been returned, and that their locker has been cleaned out. We are required to record official attendance to December 7. Please be reminded that if your child will be absent for more than 2 days, an official extended leave form needs to be completed (available from the Office). This is a government requirement.
Private Music Tutors
Are you interested in having music lessons? We have many great tutors and instruments available to learn on. Please contact tutors directly to arrange lesson times.

Piano
Kylie Stacey (Simply Music, AMEB, traditional) / 0409 939 302
Angela Miller (Simply Music) / 0421 464 797
Cybèle Coutet (AMEB) / 0423 455 977
Jan Hughes / 4977 2037
Henry Higgins / 0490 0404 308

Voice
Cybèle Coutet (AMEB) / 0423 455 977

Strings
Henry Higgins (cello) / 0490 040 308
Esther Albert (cello / violin / double bass) / 0439 420 661

Woodwinds
Emma Jones (flute) / 0432 925 199
Fred Cracknell (saxophone / clarinet) / 0404 082 151

Brass
Fred Cracknell / 0404 082 151
Anna Howard (trumpet) / 0430 106 953

Guitar
Jake Bisognin / 0400 389 612
Toby Zeuschner / 0405 405 131
Henry Higgins / 0490 0404 308
Garry Lawler (group lessons / ukulele) / 0438 608 180

Drums
James Dennett / 0401 549 084

LIBRARY
2018 Library ID Cards
Just a reminder to please keep your 2018 Library ID cards for use next year until the 2019 cards are processed.

Parent Library
Thanks to most parents who have returned their Parent Library books already. If you still need to do so, we'd love to see you next week. We'll look forward to seeing you again next year in the iCentre.

K-6 Library Parties
Big congratulations go to the 171 students who have borrowed books EVERY week this year! That's a massive achievement with many hundreds of books being read! Our Year 3-6 students have enjoyed their library parties this week with Kindy-Year 2 looking forward to their library parties next week. All the students are to be commended for their excellent manners and library party behaviour! Library party photos can be viewed on the iCentre Landscape page. https://landscape.avondaleschool.nsw.edu.au/homepage/1762

Return All Library Books
Thanks to most K-6 students who have returned all their library books. Please note that if your library books are lost then you need to pay the replacement cost listed in your overdue library book reminder note that was issued to you this week. It would be appreciated if all lost library books can be paid for as soon as possible so that these books can be replaced.

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