



Lighthouse Christian College Cranbourne

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank all our families that prioritised and attended the Dedication Service last Sunday! We had a large number of families who came to honour the Lord for all that He has done so far and to seek His blessing for this academic year. We dedicated all the students, staff and families to the service of the Lord in raising Godly children who will become the hope of our nation as the majority of our nation continues to ignore Jesus Christ and what He has done for us. We were a nation that acknowledged Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and the blessings we have experienced were a byproduct of our dependence on the God of the Bible. When we started moving away from God and started becoming atheistic and now resorting to other religions and Eastern Mysticism, Australia is slowly crumbling – losing its prosperity and greatness as are the other nations like Britain, USA etc. with a similar Judeo Christian heritage. It is important that we teach our children that God is the source of their blessings and to maintain success and prosperity we need to draw near to Him and make Him our dependence. We also made sure that all parents who came to the Dedication Service understood that Lighthouse Christian College Cranbourne's primary purpose was and is to raise Godly children. One thing that all our parents can do is to make sure that all their children have a vibrant relationship with God and that starts with them being born again. Lead your children in repentance before God and in making Him their Lord. Teach them to forgive others because if they hold unforgiveness they cannot be forgiven by God. Another important aspect of raising Godly children is to give them less presents and more of your presence. The amount of time you spend with them is the true value you place on your "precious" children.

We have been reading about Jacob and his sons. Of all the sons Jacob had, he spent the most time with Joseph who was born in his old age. Jacob was able to instruct him without haste and hassle. Joseph turned out to be a man of impeccable character because more effort was placed on nurturing and training him and the training given was more consistent and Godly. That is because by now Jacob himself had become more mature and godly. At LCCC we want to be in partnership with parents in raising morally upright young people, like Joseph, who will bring hope to multitudes. Please remember we are not doing this on our own but this is a task that requires the partnership of parents. The consistency of home with what is being taught at school will significantly enhance the impact on a child's life. Aligning your family devotions and discussions with our Bible Comprehension would be a wonderful way to reinforce and practically apply what your children are hearing and learning at school.

From the educational development side of things, maintaining a routine and following up your children's homework to ensure its daily completion will reinforce concepts taught at school. Remember, majority of our families have language backgrounds other than English and do not speak English at home. The lack of familiarity and use of English poses a disadvantage and real

challenge, when all instruction at school is in English. The regular homework set will help our students extend the hours of using the English language. This must be encouraged by parents so that students perceive the importance of doing homework. I am always stunned by non-English speaking parents who have a high ambition for their children (for example they want their children to become a doctor) but fail to place importance on their children's English and Maths foundation and continual progress. These parents should take note that a child from an English speaking home would have had 4 years of advantage over their child in using the language and continues to have daily advantage throughout their schooling years in developing their English vocabulary simply from daily use at home. We are trying to close the gap by increasing their productivity by doing more bookwork. By doing this our 'tortoises' can catch up with the 'hares' in their language proficiency race. Our teachers in NAPLAN classes are doing just that to prepare them for the Literacy and Numeracy examinations. Some of our teachers are also getting the students to practice typing the memory verses to upskill their typing speed; a needed skill when doing NAPLAN online. Our teachers are amazing when it comes to preparing our students academically. I would like to honour all our staff for their dedication to student academic success and their general well-being. You would be surprised at how a child's academic improvement and success positively impacts their mental health. The converse leads to long term stress and lack of confidence.

As parents the biggest contribution you can make towards the academic success and mental wellbeing of your child is not just in the form of ensuring good habits and following up homework. Your biggest contribution will be in the form of maintaining a Godly and harmonious environment at home. Where there is love and unity between parents at home, children flourish. When parents make God a central part of family life, the children are greatly blessed. I would request that all our families humble themselves under the mighty hand of God and work in humility so as to maintain the bond of peace. Separate yourself from the moral pollution of this world and repent of any evil. Dedicate yourself to holy living. He gives grace to the humble. May the grace of God be your portion in raising up a Godly generation.

The next **COMPULSORY** event is the **Parent Information Night which will held on Monday 13th February starting 7pm**. I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting on Monday. We will endeavor to make your attendance worthwhile by summarising the administrative and academic requirements for the 2023 school year. Class teachers will have their class expectations available for you. As a bonus you might get to touch base with the class teachers of your children. The **Accounts Department will have your 2023 Billings pack ready for collection** on the night. Attendance at this function also attracts a financial rebate of \$70. God bless you all!

Jacob Mathews - Principal

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

PARENT INFORMATION COMPULSORY EVENT NIGHT - 7PM

Be it your 1st or 10th... It's **IMPORTANT** for **EVERY LCCC FAMILY** to have 1 parent **SHOW UP!**

Please ensure you sign in on arrival and stay for the **FULL** duration. All apologies need to be emailed **OR** texted to

admin@lccc.vic.edu.au /
0480 290 064



\$2 - 300ml OAK

\$3 - 600ml OAK



There has been a change of plan... Your LCCC Billings Pack will be handed out at the Parent Information Night. This will ensure all present on the night will have the relevant paperwork handy and be able to follow along. Thank you!

DEDICATION SERVICE

THANK YOU to the **255 FAMILIES** in our school community that took time out of their busy Sunday schedule last week to be present at one of our **MOST IMPORTANT** events on the School calendar!

The **\$30 Attendance Incentive Rebate (A.I.R)** will be applied to your account by the end of March.



13 Feb (Mon)	2023 Billings Pack given at PIN
13 Feb (Mon)	Parent Information Night (PIN) - 7pm COMPULSORY EVENT
17 Feb (Fri)	SUBMIT Billings Forms
18 Feb (Sat)	1st Working Bee- 9am till 1pm
20 Feb (Mon)	P-T Interview Bookings OPEN
1 Mar (Wed)	1st Canteen for 2023
1 Mar (Wed)	P-T Interview Bookings CLOSE
7-9 Mar (Tu-Th)	Parent-Teacher Interviews
13 Mar (Mon)	Labour Day (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)
15-27 Mar	NAPLAN
21 Mar (Tue)	Year 7 & 10 Immunisation
5 Apr (Wed)	Term 1 Excursions
6 Apr (Thu)	Last Day of Term 1
7 Apr (Fri)	Good Friday (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)
24 Apr (Mon)	Term 2 commences

**NEED BUS
TRANSPORT
IN 2023?**



Join the waiting list at:

lcccecms.com/bus.php



Praise Points

- ◆ Students have started the year on a good note, determinedly working to improve
- ◆ 55% of LCCC families at the Dedication
- ◆ Godly families at LCCC who believe in the vision and mission
- ◆ Cooperation of parents, students and staff



Prayer Points

- Parent Info Night this Monday to be clear, beneficial and well attended
- Our students to be Spirit-led in 2023
- Perseverance and Excellence to be demonstrated in our student body



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