



## Newsletter

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### Principal's Press

KEN GREENWOOD



**Term 4 is a time of great finishes and new beginnings!** Our HSC students sit their exams this week for a great finish to their Secondary schooling. Staff are busy planning for a new year while bringing the current year to a positive conclusion. Lots of exciting things are planned for Term 4. Prep has a new look to their play area – take a look through the fence!

**I am pleased to announce the following staff appointments for 2024** as we restructure our executive staff team under the leadership of incoming Principal Yooie Choi:

- Mr Stephen Price: Deputy Principal (Students and Christian Foundations)
- Mrs Nicole Johnston: Deputy Principal (Staff and Operations)
- Mr Dean Johnston: Maths/Science coordinator
- Mr Adrian Lee: English/History coordinator in addition to his current role

**With these additional staff** our school adds further expertise to our staff leadership and expands our team to support current staff and students, and to be well prepared for the growth phase ahead. Please pray for them.

### Prayer and Praise

#### Let us thank God for:

- The term that lies ahead. May we glorify Him as we put into practice loving Him and loving each other.
- His provision of New Staff for 2024. Please continue to pray for our other vacancies.
- The maintenance team, "Eden Garden & Rural", who have been extra busy at OCS during the holidays taking advantage of an empty school.

#### Please pray for:

- The new students and their families who have joined our School community this term.
- Our students who will be sitting HSC exams and our youngest students who will start kindergarten orientation this term!
- The conflict in Israel and the members of the OCS community who currently have family members in Israel.

## Introducing...



**SLT 2024:** Aelish Perez (Senior SLT), Eleazer Armytage (Vice Captain), Leila Johnston (Captain), Malachi Krkac (Captain), Pip Parkinson (Vice Captain), Lydia Kinsella (SLT Leader), Hannah Manhood (Senior SLT)

## For your Calendar...

### Coming Up at OCS

- HSC Exams begin – **11th Oct**
- Year 2 Swimming begins – **11th Oct**
- Kindergarten Orientation – **30th Oct + 1st Nov**
- Year 7-10 Exams – **3rd + 6-7th Nov**
- Year 10 Celebration – **8th Nov**
- Rite of Passage Camp – **9th + 10th Oct**
- Year 7 Orientation – **15th Nov**
- Year 12 Graduation – **16th Nov**

### Regulars

- STAR – **M-Th 3:15-5pm**
- After School Care – **M-F 3:15 – 5:30pm**
- SQUAD – **M + T 3:15 – 4:30pm**
- Primary Assemblies – **Friday fortnightly 9:30am**
- Secondary Assemblies – **Friday fortnightly 10:50am**

More information on





*Please Pray...*

**These students are all going to be sitting one or more HSC exams in the coming weeks. We believe in the power of prayer, so we are asking our community to put some prayer into these students over the HSC period.**



## Primary School

CATH BUCHANAN



We have several new students joining the Primary School this term and we extend a very warm welcome to you and your families.

HOPE Groups begin again this week, continuing working through the Fruit of the Spirit. The Year 5 and 6 students lead these groups each fortnight. Assembly also begins this week on Friday at 9:30am, with the Primary

Leaders leading. 4M will lead in week 3, Year 6 in week 5 and Prep in week 7. All welcome!

Year 2 students commence swimming lessons this Wednesday as part of our Sport program. See the app for further details.

We look forward to a great term.

## Secondary School

MEL COLLINS



Can you believe that it is Term 4 already? Welcome back. I'm looking forward to seeing what opportunities God has ahead for us this term. Please uphold all our Year 10, 11 and 12 students who are sitting HSC exams over the coming weeks. May God bring each one of them the peace that transcends all understanding.

As we head into the new term please remember to be on time and come with a good attitude ready to learn.

## Teaching and Learning

BELINDA ELLIOTT



The Higher School Certificate begins on Wednesday, 11 October. Please uphold all of our students sitting an HSC examination in prayer. This includes all of Year 12, Year 11 students doing Chemistry, Legal Studies or Modern History and Year 10 students studying VET Construction or Hospitality.

Also this term, Years 7 to 10 students will sit their Yearly Examinations.

Students are encouraged to begin revision and not leave it to the last minute. When there are several examinations, it is best to create a revision timetable. Does your child have a space where they can study away from distractions? Finally, it's not new but the Pomodoro Technique: 25 minutes study with 5 minutes break time is recommended.





## From the Deputy

YOOIE CHOI



Welcome back to students and families to Term 4. A key event this term is the commencement of the HSC for our senior students. Let's be mindful of their preparation and be quiet around examination areas.

Term 4 also requires students to wear their summer uniform. Students are reminded to keep their hair neat and tidy, wear proper black school shoes and wear no visible jewellery (other than

those specified in the Uniform Guide).

Students are reminded to bring a hat, and water bottle as the weather warms up.

I look forward to students commencing the Term with renewed goals and a positive attitude.



## HSC Schedule WEEK 1

ENGLISH ADVANCED PAPER 1  
WEDNESDAY 9:50AM

ENGLISH STANDARD PAPER 1  
WEDNESDAY 9:50AM

ENGLISH ADVANCED PAPER 2  
THURSDAY 9:25AM

ENGLISH STANDARD PAPER 2  
THURSDAY 9:25AM

- BE READY -  
MUSIC 1  
THURSDAY 1:55PM

MODERN HISTORY  
FRIDAY 1:55PM

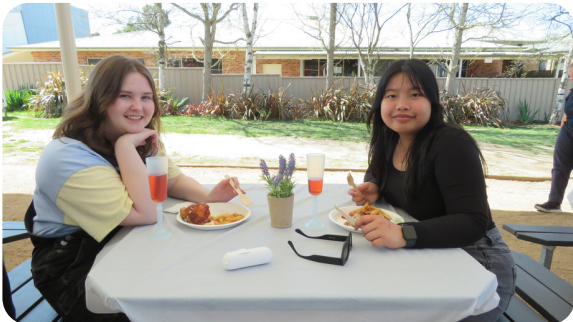


"At times sports injury happens and affects performance. These cause mental strain as we worry about impacting our team or about our recovery. I have learnt that I will get through the hard times and to make sure I allow my body to recover using the right process to avoid injuring myself even more."

-Finn



# Photo Gallery



Year 12  
Stress Less

Year 12  
Farewell  
Assembly

