

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Carlisle families,

As we come to the end of Week 4, time is moving quickly. There is still plenty of learning ahead, and I encourage our students to make the most of each day.

This week, we recognise World Teachers' Day and thank our teachers for all they do. Beyond the classroom, they prepare lessons, provide feedback, connect with families and find ways to meet individual needs. I am grateful for the care, patience and commitment our teachers bring to Carlisle, alongside our support staff. They contribute so much to our students' learning and wellbeing.

If a teacher has made a difference for your child, please let them know. A short message of appreciation can mean a great deal.

Our theme, Grounded for Growth continues to guide us. Colossians 2:7 reminds us to be "rooted and built up in him." Our faith in Jesus provides a foundation as we learn and face challenges together.

Growth happens through everyday choices: trying again, asking for help, responding to feedback and showing kindness. These are things we can encourage and recognise at school and at home.

As the term gets busier, consistent routines remain important. Regular attendance, arriving ready to learn and making time for schoolwork and rest help students finish well. If your child is finding things difficult, please contact their classroom or homeroom teacher so we can work together.

Thank you for your continued support. My prayer is that each student finishes the year knowing they are valued, recognising their progress and growing in their understanding of God's love.

Blessings

Dale Skinner



Term 4, Week 4
30 October, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

CARLILSE AT CENTRAL
Saturday, 31 October

REMEMBRANCE DAY
Wednesday, 11 November

VOLUNTEER APPRICIATION
Thursday, 12 November

SERVICE TRIP
Wednesday, 18 - 2 December

BLUE LAGOON DAY
Friday, 27 November

YEAR 10 - 11 LAST DAY
Friday, 27 November

YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY & DAY OUT
Monday, 30 November

AWARDS NIGHT
Thursday, 3 December

LAST DAY
Friday, 4 December

NOTICES

TERM 4 FEE STATEMENTS

Term 4 fee statements are now available to view via email or through the SEQTA App.

We thank our families for their patience and understanding regarding the delay in releasing this term's statements.

Please remember that the prompt payment discount period closes on Friday, 6 November 2026.

Payments can be made by bank transfer, credit or debit card over the phone, or in person at the College office.

If you have any questions regarding your account, please contact our Finance Team, who will be happy to assist.



REMINDER: HATS ARE COMPULSORY

As the weather warms up, please remember that hats are compulsory for all students when outdoors at Carlisle Adventist College.

Please ensure your child brings their school hat each day. If your child needs a new hat, they can be purchased from the school office for $18.

Students without a hat will need to remain in shaded areas during outdoor activities.

Thank you for helping us keep our students sun safe!



NOTICES

JOIN THE CARLISLE TEAM!

We're looking for wonderful people to join the Carlisle family! As a thriving Christ-centred learning community, we're always looking for passionate, dedicated people who want to make a difference in the lives of children and young people.

We currently have several exciting employment opportunities available:

- **Early Childhood – Centre Manager**
- **Carlisle Finance Officer**
- **Carlisle Casual Teacher Aide**
- **Carlisle Adventist College – Secondary Casual Teachers**
- **Casual OSHC Educator**

Each role offers an opportunity to contribute to our school community and be part of a team committed to supporting students, families and staff.

Help us spread the word! Do you know someone who would be a great fit for Carlisle? Perhaps a friend, family member or someone in your wider network is looking for a new opportunity. We'd love your help in sharing these vacancies and connecting with people who would be a wonderful addition to our team.

For further details about each position, send an expression of interest to Mr Skinner. For information on how to apply, please visit the Carlisle website.

Together, we can help find the right people to join our Carlisle family!

CAN YOU LEND A HELPING HAND?

Our Tuckshop is an important part of life at Carlisle, and we're looking for a couple of volunteers to lend a hand! Whether you can spare a few hours or help out occasionally, your support would be greatly appreciated.

Volunteering in the Tuckshop is a wonderful way to support our students, connect with other members of our school community and help keep things running smoothly behind the scenes.

You don't need any special experience, just a willingness to help and a friendly smile as well as a blue card.

If you have some time to spare or would like to find out more, we'd love to hear from you. Every helping hand makes a difference, and together we can continue to make Carlisle a wonderful place for our students and families.

Please contact the school office if you're interested in volunteering. We'd love to have you on board!

LIVING OUR CARE VALUES





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"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters."

— Colossians 3:23

CHAPLAINCY

M.E.S.H. AND YOUTH RALLY

What an amazing weekend of faith, friendship and fun! We kicked things off on Friday night with our school M.E.S.H. gathering, enjoying all you can eat pizza and spending time together.

We were blessed to welcome our guest speaker from Tasmania, Pastor David Leo, who shared how God has worked in his life. His message, "If God is for us, who can be against us?" was a powerful reminder that we are never alone and can face life's challenges with God by our side. His son, Uriah Leo, also shared his testimony, bringing further encouragement and inspiration to our young people.

Sabbath began with breakfast together, followed by a youth service and lunch. We spent the afternoon and evening enjoying fellowship, worship and sports before farewelling the visiting youth team, Pastor David and Uriah.

A big thank you to everyone who helped make this weekend possible. It was a wonderful opportunity for our young people to strengthen their faith, build friendships and be reminded that God is with us every step of the way.

"If God is for us, who can be against us?"
Romans 8:31 (NIV)





COMMUNITY









ELC

A WONDERFUL WEEK IN ELC KINDY!

What a fabulous week we've had in ELC Kindy!

We loved celebrating our wonderful grandparents, welcoming them into our Kindy for a special afternoon tea and some fun activities together. It was a lovely opportunity to show our appreciation for the support, encouragement and love they share with us. We are so grateful to have them as such a special part of our journey!

We also enjoyed an exciting and engaging sensory clown incursion. Through playful sensory experiences, creativity and interaction, the children had opportunities to build social connections, explore their emotions and enjoy some wonderful moments of laughter and fun.

From special family moments to exciting new experiences, it has certainly been a week full of smiles, connection and happy memories in ELC Kindy!













OSHC
Outside School Hours Care



At Carlisle Adventist Christian College Outside School Hours Care (OSHC), we believe that learning, growing and making memories continue long before and after the school bell rings!

Our OSHC service provides a safe, welcoming and engaging environment where children can build friendships, explore their interests, develop new skills and enjoy meaningful experiences with their peers. Through a variety of creative, physical, social and educational activities, we encourage children to express themselves, develop independence and discover new interests.

Our programs are guided by the children's voices, interests and ideas, ensuring they have opportunities to contribute to their learning and help shape their OSHC experience. From arts and crafts, construction and outdoor adventures to group challenges, cooking activities and special themed days, there is always something exciting to explore!

As part of our Adventist school community, we also encourage kindness, respect, inclusion and care for others. We aim to create a positive environment where every child feels valued, supported and connected.

Currently part of our program, we are running an OSHC Christmas Hamper Drive for RSPCA Mackay. Hampers are in the OSHC Room/Dem 2 if you would like to donate.

We offer Before School Care (6:30-8:30), After School Care (Mon-Thurs 3:00-6:00, Fri3:00-5:30) and Vacation Care (Mon-Thurs6:30-6:00, Fri 6:30-5:30), providing families with flexible support during the school term and school holidays. Our Vacation Care program includes a range of exciting activities, incursions, excursions and opportunities for children to try something new.

We look forward to welcoming new families into our OSHC community! If you would like to learn more about our service, explore our programs or enquire about enrolment, we would love to hear from you.

Carlisle OSHC — a place to belong, learn, play and grow!









YEAR 6 AND PREP MINI GOLF

Our Year 6 students and their Prep buddies have been busy working together to design and create the obstacles for their very own mini golf course!

This exciting project has provided a wonderful opportunity for students to work across year levels, share ideas and use their creativity to bring their designs to life. From planning their obstacles to deciding how each one will challenge the players, there has been plenty of imagination, problem solving and teamwork along the way.

It has been lovely to see our older students taking on a supportive role, encouraging their younger buddies, listening to their ideas and helping them turn their plans into something special. These moments provide valuable opportunities for our Year 6 students to develop their leadership skills while helping our Prep students build confidence and feel supported by their older friends.

The project is about much more than creating a mini golf course. Students are learning to communicate, cooperate, think creatively and work together towards a shared goal. They are discovering that by listening to one another, sharing ideas and giving things a go, they can create something wonderful as a team.

There has been plenty of excitement as the obstacles begin to take shape, and we are looking forward to seeing the finished mini golf course in action! We can already see that each obstacle will bring its own unique challenge, making the course a fun and memorable experience for everyone involved.

At Carlisle, we love opportunities like these that bring students together, strengthen friendships and create meaningful connections across year levels. Projects like this reflect the Carlisle Way, where students are encouraged to show compassion, respect, effort and a willingness to learn from one another.

We cannot wait to see our Year 6 students and their Prep buddies enjoy the fruits of their hard work and creativity. What a fantastic way to learn, build friendships and create lasting memories together!












PRIMARY

HANDS-ON MATHS WORKSHOPS



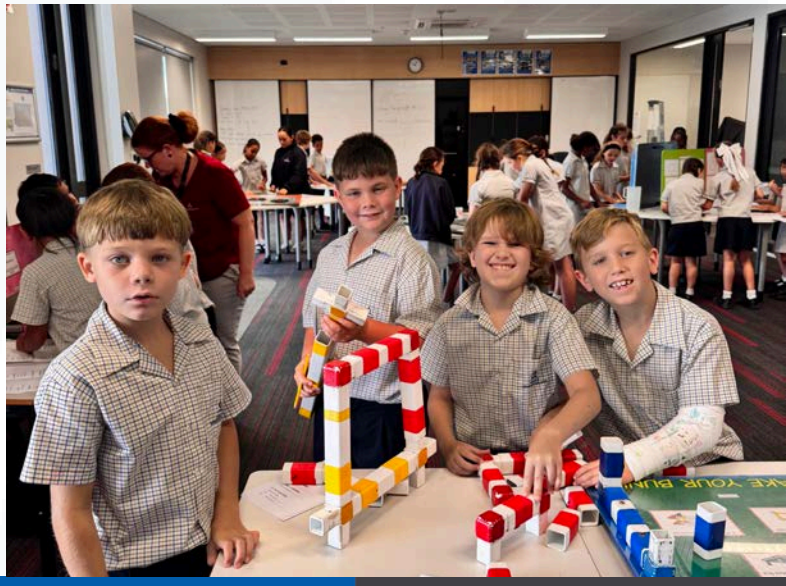
Our students will have the exciting opportunity to take part in the World of Maths interactive workshops this term!

World of Maths is a travelling mathematics workshop that brings learning to life through hands on activities and practical problem solving. Students will explore how maths is used in everyday situations while discovering that mathematics can be both engaging and fun.

Working in small teams, students will be encouraged to share their ideas, communicate their thinking and work together to solve a variety of mathematical challenges. The activities will also connect with mathematical concepts being explored in the classroom this term.

These workshops provide a wonderful opportunity for students to develop their problem solving skills, build confidence and strengthen their teamwork while discovering that maths is everywhere!





SECONDARY



YEAR 6 STUDENT EXPERIENCE HIGH SCHOOL

On Wednesday, 28 October, our Year 6 students had an exciting opportunity to get a taste of what life in secondary school will look like as they prepare for their transition into Year 7!

The students spent time with our wonderful secondary teachers, experienced a little of what secondary classes are like and began learning about the changes and opportunities that come with moving into high school. It was a great chance for them to ask questions, explore what lies ahead and start building their confidence as they prepare for this next stage of their learning journey.

Moving from primary to secondary school is an important milestone, and we want our students to feel supported, confident and excited about the journey ahead. Experiences like this help make the transition a little less daunting by allowing students to become more familiar with the secondary environment, meet some of their future teachers and begin to see themselves as part of our secondary school community.

At Carlisle, we value the relationships we build with our students and want every child to feel known, supported and encouraged as they grow in confidence and independence. We look forward to continuing to support our Year 6 students throughout this transition and watching them embrace the opportunities, challenges and new experiences that Year 7 will bring.

We are excited to see our students take this next big step in their learning journey and continue to grow as part of the Carlisle family!





WHOLE SCHOOL



GOOD WAYS CAMPAIGN AT CARLISLE!

We were excited to welcome JC Action Sports and the Good Ways Campaign back to Carlisle as part of their visit to Mackay and regional schools!

Our students enjoyed an action-packed 45-minute performance featuring a spectacular inflatable half pipe, professional scooter and BMX riders, and an energetic professional rapper.

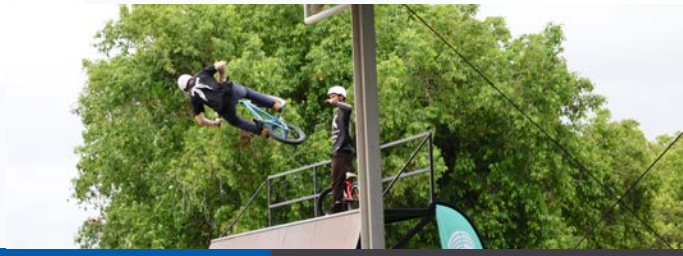
Combining incredible tricks, music and an engaging message, the team shared positive messages about making good choices, standing against bullying, treating others with respect and, most importantly, learning about Jesus and the love He has for each of us.

Students were encouraged to get involved throughout the performance, joining in with dancing, singing and even rapping along to a song! The energy and enthusiasm from our students made it an exciting and memorable experience.

It was wonderful to see a positive message of faith, friendship and kindness delivered in such a fun and engaging way. A big thank you to JC Action Sports for bringing the Good Ways Campaign to Carlisle!







STAFF CELEBRATED

CELEBRATING WORLD TEACHERS' DAY!

We celebrated World Teachers' Day and recognised the wonderful teachers and educators who make such a difference in the lives of our students.

We celebrated a little early with a visit from the drinks van, giving our staff an opportunity to enjoy a special treat and feel appreciated for all that they do.

Teaching is about so much more than delivering lessons. It is about building meaningful relationships, encouraging students to grow, supporting them through challenges and helping them discover their God-given potential. So much of this work happens behind the scenes, but its impact reaches far beyond the classroom.

As part of the celebration, our staff enjoyed some special refreshments and received a small badge as a token of appreciation. We also shared a video message from Jack Ryan, National Education Director for Adventist Schools Australia, who acknowledged and thanked teachers and educators across Australia for the important work they do.

At Carlisle, we were incredibly grateful for the teachers who brought learning to life, encouraged curiosity, showed patience and care, and created an environment where every child was known and appreciated.

We also extended our appreciation to all our support staff, whose contributions helped make Carlisle the special community it is.

Thank you to our wonderful Carlisle team for the difference you made each and every day!





*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord."
Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

WELLBEING MATTERS



HOT WEATHER REMINDER

As the weather heats up, it is important to look after ourselves and stay cool throughout the school day!

Please remember to drink plenty of water and bring your water bottle to school each day. Staying hydrated helps you concentrate, stay energised and feel your best.

It is also a good idea to leave your jacket at home on hot days. Wearing extra layers can make you feel even hotter, especially when playing outside during breaks.

Remember to:
• Drink water regularly throughout the day.
• Wear your hat when outside.
• Choose lightweight, comfortable clothing that follows the school uniform requirements.
• Take breaks in the shade when needed.

Let's work together to stay cool, hydrated and ready to learn, even on the hottest days!
Stay cool and follow The Carlisle Way!

CARLISLE ADVENTIST COLLEGE

SAFE CHILDREN. STRONG COMMUNITIES. BRIGHTER FUTURES.

Child Safe Incident or Concern Reporting

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and protection of every child and young person at Carlisle Adventist College.

If you have a concern, incident or behaviour that may place a child or young person at risk of harm or adversely impact their wellbeing, please use our Child Safe Incident or Concern Reporting Form.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.

THE FORM IS AVAILABLE TO:

- Parents & carers
- Staff members
- Volunteers
- Contractors
- Visitors
- Members of the wider community

HOW TO ACCESS THE FORM:

- Via the school website
- Through SEQTA Engage
- Scan the QR code below
- Through direct links provided by the College

Scan here to report a concern

Reports may be submitted anonymously. However, while anonymous reports will be taken seriously and assessed appropriately, anonymity may limit our ability to investigate a concern fully or provide feedback regarding the outcome.

All reports are managed in accordance with our Child Safety Policies and Procedures.

FOR STUDENTS

An Anonymous Submission of Concern Form is also available. You can access this form via SEQTA Learn, in hard copy in Dem 1 corridor.

Together, we can help ensure Carlisle Adventist College remains a safe, supportive and respectful environment for every student.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

NO BAKE LEMON CHEESECAKE CUPS

Looking for an easy treat to make at home? These no bake lemon cheesecake cups are refreshing, simple to prepare and perfect for sharing with family and friends!

Ingredients

- • 250g cream cheese, softened
- • ½ cup icing sugar
- • 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- • 1 cup thickened cream
- • 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- • 1 packet of plain sweet biscuits
- • Fresh berries or lemon zest for decorating (optional)

Method

- Crush the biscuits into small crumbs and divide them between 6 small cups or glasses.
- In a bowl, beat the cream cheese, icing sugar, vanilla and lemon juice until smooth.
- In a separate bowl, whip the thickened cream until soft peaks form.
- Gently fold the whipped cream into the cream cheese mixture.
- Spoon the cheesecake mixture over the biscuit crumbs.
- Refrigerate for at least 2 hours until set.
- Before serving, decorate with fresh berries or a little lemon zest.

A Little Tip

Make these the night before for an easy dessert the next day. You can also swap the lemon for passionfruit for a tropical Queensland twist!



"Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good." Psalm 34:8

WHATS ON AROUND MACKAY

JOIN US FOR CHURCH AT MACKAY CENTRAL

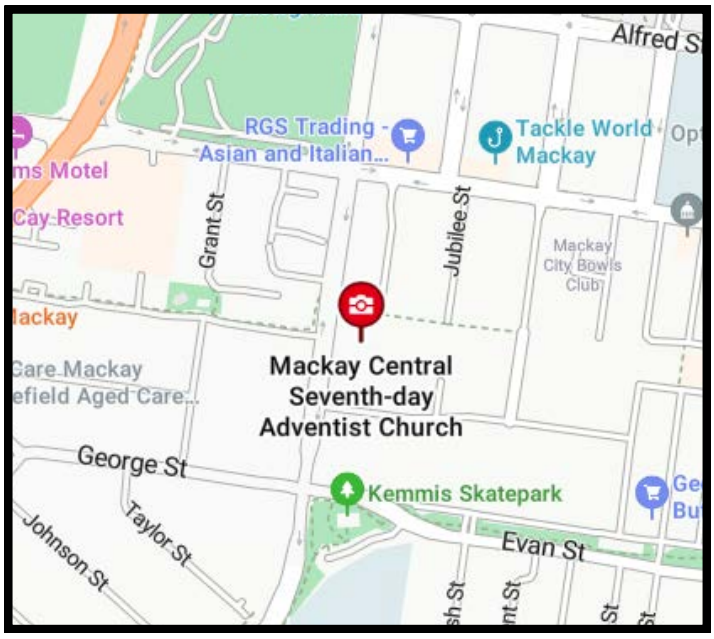
This Saturday, 31 October, Carlisle Adventist College will be leading the church service at Mackay Central Seventh-day Adventist Church, and we warmly invite our school community to join us!

Our students will be involved in welcoming the congregation, prayer, Community Corner, praise and worship, and sharing the Word. We look forward to hearing from students in Years 10, 11 and 12 as they share a message of faith.

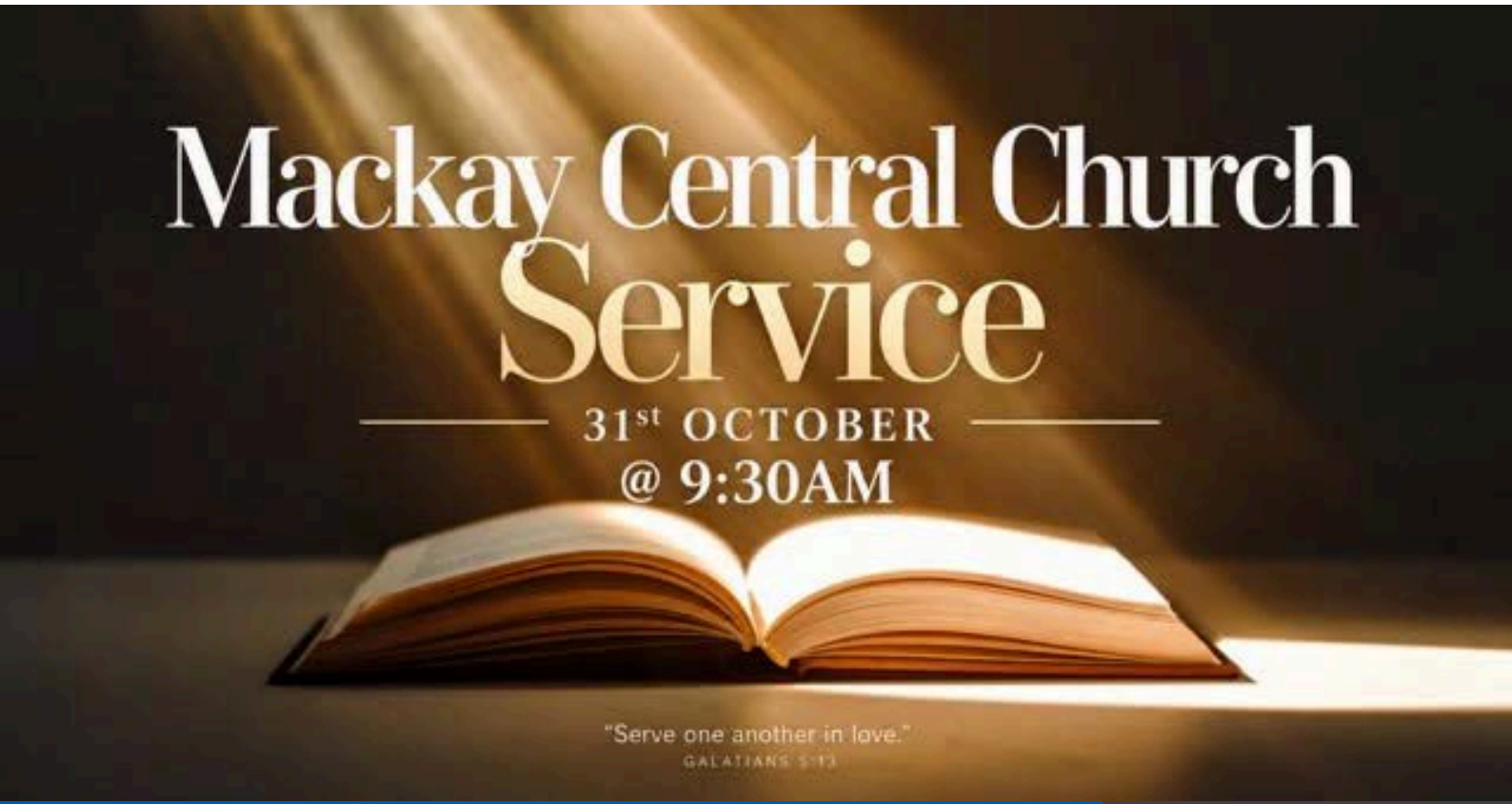
It is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community, worship God and support our students as they use their gifts to serve others.

Sabbath School: 9:30 am
Main Church Service: 10:30 am

We would love to see our Carlisle families, students and staff there to support our students and worship together. We hope you can join us for a meaningful morning of fellowship and faith!



83 Milton St, Mackay



COMING UP

CARLISLE ADVENTIST COLLEGE

CHRISTMAS HAMPER COLLECTION

ADRA



It's hard to imagine, but this Christmas some families in our community will be struggling to meet even their basic needs. The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is working to change that by preparing over 100 Christmas hampers for the most vulnerable in our Mackay community. Together, we can make a difference and bring back some Christmas cheer.

To make this possible, ADRA is hoping to collect at least 70 of each item listed below. We've broken it down by class to make donating simple and achievable.

If you are in a position to bless someone else this Christmas, we encourage you to bring your class items to school between 2 – 27 November.

Prep – Pancake Mix/Tin Fruit
Year 1 – Custard and Jelly
Year 2 – Shortbread and Kantong Sauce
Year 3 – Cordial and Chips
Year 4 – Rice and Toothbrushes
Year 5 – Jam and Shampoo
Year 6 – Beetroot and Corn
Year 7 – Muesli Bars and Sauce
Year 8 – Boxes of Biscuits and Toothpaste
Year 9 – Soap and Tissues
Year 10 - Deodorant and Lollies
Year 11 - Tinned Vegetables and Pasta

An ADRA representative will be present at our morning school assembly on Monday 31 November collect all donated items.


Is perfection far from your grasp?
Are you haunted by your own past?
Does the future make you afraid?
Oh, hear your Saviour say
















"Let us not become
weary in doing good,
for at the proper time
we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up."
Galatians 6:9