



Carinya

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
From Christ and For Him

TAMWORTH

CHRIST • COMMUNITY • DISCOVERY





PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*"For from him and through
him and for him are all things.
To him be the glory forever.
Amen!"*

Romans 11:36

welcome

Thank you for your interest in Carinya Christian School. We enjoy **partnering** with parents in the education of children from our 3 year old Gumnut program, through to Year 12.

Carinya is an independent, co-educational school with over 800 students. Located in the semi-rural suburb of Calala, Carinya offers a **peaceful setting** where students flourish as they discover more about God's amazing world. With well resourced classrooms, a Performing Arts Centre and extensive excursion program, we aim to build students of **character, integrity and faithfulness** in a safe learning environment.

Working in **community**, students are challenged to understand that every ability, talent and opportunity we enjoy comes from Jesus. Our motto "*From Christ and For Him*" expresses our desire to teach children about a world made **through Christ** and how to live for His glory.

Please take the time to visit the school, so that you can **experience the difference** that is Carinya.

David Jones

Principal

At Carinya

WE ARE **CHRIST**-centred
COMMUNITY-minded
DISCOVERY-driven

WE BELIEVE

- ▶ **THAT EVERY CHILD MATTERS**
and is an individual, created in the image of God
- ▶ **IN INTRINSIC MOTIVATION**
by seeking the "reward in the task"
- ▶ **IN HOME AND SCHOOL WORKING TOGETHER**
through a community based on mutually supportive relationships
- ▶ **IN CHARACTER OVER PERSONALITY**
fostering qualities of self-discipline, responsibility and resilience

LOCATION

Carinya is located in Calala, a quiet suburb 5 minutes from Tamworth's CBD within the New England Region of North West New South Wales. The school is situated on 30 acres, with a beautiful rural outlook West across the Goonoo Goonoo Creek floodplain.

The school is serviced by all local bus routes. Parents are also welcome to use the generous parking and drop off facilities via the school's internal service road, "Raywood Drive."



FACILITIES

Construction of the school facilities commenced in earnest in 1995 and have continued since then with further extensions and refurbishments corresponding with the growth of the school and changes to the way education is delivered.

Recent development works have focused upon creating spaces for the whole school to come together and foster community.

Continued investment in school infrastructure and the facilities available to our students has always been a priority at Carinya.



Middle School

Senior Study

Senior School

Large Oval

Library (Upper Level)

Indoor Sports Centre
(Lower Level)

RAYWOOD DRIVE



Reception and Accounts

Performing Arts Centre

Design and Technology

Small Oval

Junior School

Pick Up / Drop Off Zone

Lilly Pilly Cottage

Agricultural Technology Facility

Basketball / Netball Courts

Practice Cricket Nets

STUDENT SUPPORT

INDEPENDENT LEARNING PROGRAM

Carinya's Independent Learning Program helps students engage with, and explore, God's world by providing students in Years 3 to 10 with extended learning opportunities. Students are involved in individual and group work projects aimed at developing skills such as creative thinking, investigating, planning, problem solving and presenting.

LEARNING SUPPORT

The Learning Support team implement programs for students who require additional personal or academic support. Staff work closely with classroom teachers to ensure that identified students are fully and realistically integrated in the regular classroom, at the same time as making provision for the withdrawal of students for specialist teaching.

HEALTH CARE COORDINATOR

Carinya's Health Care Coordinator cares for students with various medical needs, be it on occasional visits to sick bay or regular medical care. The Health Care Coordinator works with parents to create Health Care Plans needed to keep children safe at school or on excursions.

COUNSELLOR

We recognise that mental health and well-being are significant concerns that impact on a student's capacity to engage in their education. Carinya's trained psychologist helps meet these concerns by providing counselling, referrals and support within our Christian framework.

PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care program runs across Kindergarten to Year 12, with teachers providing care and support for students in their classes. Teachers take time to read the Bible and pray with students each day, as they present Jesus as Lord and King. The Pastoral Care program seeks to develop character traits from a biblical perspective and help students become people of integrity, faithfulness and service, in thankfulness to the Lord Jesus.

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds..."

Hebrews 10:24

ACADEMICS

At Carinya children are educated, encouraged and equipped for the future. Teachers are committed to working in partnership with parents to provide a quality, Christ-centred education for every student.

Students remain on one campus throughout their school life and interact with students of all ages. It is a family-like environment, encouraging maturity and responsibility, with consistency and security as each student moves from one stage to the next.

A SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROFILE

Carinya's Satisfactory Academic Profile Policy aims to encourage students in Middle and Senior School to apply themselves faithfully to their learning and studies at school. The key elements of the policy are: completing and handing in homework and assessment tasks on time, engaging faithfully and appropriately with the content of each course / subject, and arriving to each lesson with the required books and stationery.

MOBILE PHONES / INTERNET CAPABLE DEVICES

The school works hard to ensure that students are safe and engaged in their learning at school. To that end, Carinya does not allow students to have mobile phones or other internet capable devices (eg. smart watches or iPods) at school or on excursions or sporting trips. Students have all necessary supervised access to school based internet enabled devices during the school day for the purposes of their education.

HOMEWORK CLUB (Years 5 to 12)

Homework Club provides a great opportunity for students to set aside time each week to study in a safe and settled environment. Homework Club is supervised by teaching staff, and some assistance is provided to students when needed.

- ▶ **More information regarding School Policies and the Homework Club are available on our website.**



Carinya offers extended supervision and activities for students in Kindergarten to Year 12 every afternoon during school term. Moonyah is facilitated within the school grounds and aims to provide continuity of care in the same Christ-centred, community minded, discovery driven environment.

Supervised games and activities are provided for students in addition to opportunities for students to complete homework, independent study or quiet reading.

Moonyah is an Aboriginal word meaning 'a safe house.'



OUR STAFF

We employ

COMMITTED CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE A
PERSONAL CONVICTION

FOR POINTING CHILDREN TO JESUS CHRIST THROUGH
THEIR TEACHING AND WORK

over

109

staff

66 teaching staff
43 support staff

with more than

640

years

combined teaching
experience

FEES

OUR AIM

TO PROVIDE QUALITY EDUCATION AND EXCEPTIONAL FACILITIES AT AN AFFORDABLE COST FOR FAMILIES

Carinya strives to make Christian education affordable for as many families as possible. Since 2014 fees have either reduced or remained the same without compromising the development of new facilities and investment into the work of teachers.

As a low fee paying school, Carinya strives to use it's resources wisely, and as a non-profit organisation, you can be assured that your fees are invested into your child's education. It is the commitment of the school community to pay School Fees on time and in full, that ensures the school is well resourced and positioned to invest for the future.

Carinya's fees are all inclusive. The Annual Fee and IT Levy covers all Tuition costs with no extra charges throughout the year. All inclusive means just that, and includes, *for example*:

- Subject Resources - *Art Supplies and Maths Textbooks*
- Year Camps - *Year 8 Surf Camp and the Year 11 Canberra / Snow Trip*
- Subject Excursions - *Kindergarten Farm Visit and the Year 10 Outdoor Ed Kayaking Trip*
- School Activities - *Junior School Swim Program and the Year 5 and 6 Pancake Breakfast*
- Student Stationery - *Workbooks and stationery (excluding calculators)*
- Student Chromebook Program - *One to One Chromebooks for Years 9 to 12*
- Classroom Technology - *High Speed Internet and Interactive Boards in Junior School*
- And much more..

Carinya students are covered by a Student Accident Policy which assists families when a visit to the hospital or other professional medical assistance is required as a result of an accident at school. This is also included in the Annual Fee.



Gates open
at 8:30am
in 1999

beginning



Welcome to our beautiful Lilly Pilly Cottage, where children from age 3 enjoy a safe, nurturing, play based environment. Parents appreciate our professional staff and modern, fully equipped facility, offering opportunities to explore, feel and experience God's amazing world.

The curriculum in our Gumnuts and Prep programs stimulates a child's natural imagination, curiosity and eagerness to learn. Lilly Pilly provides the consistency and security children need to enjoy their early learning experiences while ensuring a smooth transition to Kindergarten.

GUMNUTS (3 to 4 year olds)

Let's take the time to get to know your children and help them feel safe and cared for. As they settle into our spacious facility, children build relationships and start to explore the world through their hearts, hands and feet. The curriculum provides a rich mixture of directed and undirected play, and activities in language, music, art and craft, specifically designed for their age.

PREP (4 to 5 year olds)

The Kindergarten Preparatory Class (Prep) has an emphasis on school readiness and a smooth transition to Kindergarten the following year. Students are introduced to formal pre-writing and pre-numeracy skills, and in the second half of the year they make regular visits to the Kindergarten room to meet their teachers and prepare for the transition to full time school.

KINDERGYM

Children love to climb, balance, crawl and jump in our purpose built KinderGym room. Students enjoy KinderGym lessons every day, enriching their gross motor skills through endless fun activities. KinderGym enhances each child's physical development and intellectual readiness, as well as personal resilience and confidence. Our fully trained KinderGym instructor looks forward to meeting your child!

- ▶ **Download the Lilly Pilly Cottage Parent/Carer Information Handbook at www.carinya.nsw.edu.au/lilly-pilly-cottage**

*"I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made."*

Psalm 139:14

Junior School

Junior School at Carinya helps give students the best start to their formal schooling. By helping children feel safe and precious, being made in the image of God, opportunities abound for students to learn, play, make friends and grow. With our smaller classes we love the privilege of helping children learn to read, write and count, working hard to meet the needs of every child.

The “flagship” of the curriculum is Living in God’s World (LIGW). This subject integrates Key Learning Areas from across the NESA syllabi and demonstrates the Lordship of Christ over all things. Professional learning, collaboration, coaching and mentoring programs help our staff provide the best education and care for our students.

NURTURING

Junior School at a glance:

- ▶ Explicit teaching of literacy and numeracy
- ▶ Flexible, well resourced learning spaces
- ▶ Access to secondary school facilities and expertise
- ▶ A culture of care and nurture by older students, with the happy mixing of all ages in the playground, formal assemblies, special occasions, and shared curriculum activities
- ▶ A focus on confidence and resilience in Christ
- ▶ The opportunity to participate in many sport and extra-curricular activities
- ▶ An excursion program that builds on classroom experiences and enhances student learning
- ▶ Providing students with a familiar environment to transition into Middle School
- ▶ KINDERGYM program (5 to 6 year olds)
- ▶ GYMFUN program (6 to 10 year olds)



A young girl with blonde hair, wearing a large red hat, pink glasses, a white shirt, a red and grey plaid vest, and a red tie, is smiling and holding a brown chicken. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with a white fence and trees.

nurturing

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

Proverbs 22:6

growing





Middle School

Middle School spans the last years of Primary School (Years 5 and 6) and the first years of Secondary School (Years 7 and 8). At a time in their lives when so much is changing, this structure eases the transition for primary students from the learning environment of one classroom, to the more varied and diverse learning environment of secondary school.

GROWING

Middle School at Carinya seeks to provide opportunities for students to identify and develop their own gifts, abilities, and interests, and to use and enjoy those gifts in thankfulness to God. As individuals made in the image of God, students are encouraged to learn in *"community not competition"*, to be motivated intrinsically and *"seek the reward in the task."* Qualities of character, self-discipline, responsibility and resilience are fostered and emphasised.

As with all other sections of the school, Middle School is making extensive use of Information Technology in the development and delivery of the curriculum.

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen."

2 Peter 3:18

Senior School

What a great privilege we have to prepare our young men and women for the world. In Senior School, students develop positive academic work habits, strengthen their sense of personal purpose and perspective, and in a rapidly changing world, begin to form and consolidate their priorities for life after school. Personal qualities of commitment, integrity and reliability are fostered to prepare for work or further study.

PREPARING

Students in Years 9 and 10 enjoy a dynamic and diverse personal and academic environment which encourages them to develop their academic skills as well as explore and interact with the world God has made.

In Years 11 and 12 students pursue their HSC courses, or preparation for the workforce, in a strong academic framework with high expectations and an emphasis on personal responsibility and the faithful use of their abilities and opportunities.

Students are also able to enrol in externally provided courses at TAFE (vocational education and training) and via Distance Education.

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:10



preparing



OPPORTUNITIES



Being a part of the Carinya community provides students with many opportunities to learn about and experience God's world. Students are welcome to pursue opportunities of interest to them.

EQUESTRIAN

Carinya participates in Horse Sports events held throughout the greater Tamworth region. Riding under the school colours, student riders have a chance to practice and display their skills.

CATTLE SHOWING

Over many months students prepare selected cattle for show at events in the greater New England Region. Students learn all about leading, grooming and presenting cattle for judging before participating in the real thing.

BARISTA CLUB

The Barista Club provides an opportunity for students to learn professional barista skills, using our very own commercial coffee machine. Students receive a Record of Training once they are competent, and often go on to gain casual employment. The Barista Club also make regular appearances at various events, where they can put their skills to practice, much to the delight of parents, carers and staff alike!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Interested in creating crafts, coding computers, strategising war games, dramatising acts, or constructing robots? Throughout the year, students are able to participate in a variety of after school clubs, providing them with an opportunity to learn, have fun and make friends across the school.

WORK EXPERIENCE

"What are you going to do when you leave school?" Year 10 students are better equipped to answer that question following the two week Work Experience Placement Program which is coordinated by the school each year. Be it as a Ski Instructor, Physiotherapist, Information Technology Analyst, or an Automotive or Airplane Mechanic, the program provides students with the opportunity to think about their future.

SERVING

With so much happening throughout the school year, many opportunities exist for students to serve in the school community. Regular events including our Under 5s Storytime or Adventure Mornings could not run without the contribution of our students who always serve the school community with humility and purpose.

TECH AND BACKSTAGE CREW

"The show must go on", but it couldn't without the Tech and Backstage Crew. At all major school events and performances, the students are always busy behind the scenes making sure the little things happen, from sound and lighting to projection and stage curtain operation.

STUDENT LEADERS

All Senior Students are given the opportunity to act as a student leader in Year 12. Student leaders represent the school in official capacities, through leading weekly student assemblies and school events, and supporting the school community via initiatives of their own design.



*"I will sing to the Lord all my life.
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live."*

Psalm 104:33

Carinya has staged:

- ▶ The King And I
- ▶ My Fair Lady
- ▶ Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
- ▶ Oliver
- ▶ The Sound of Music
- ▶ Annie
- ▶ The Pirates of Penzance
- ▶ Beauty and the Beast
- ▶ Annie Get Your Gun
- ▶ Seussical the Musical
- ▶ Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang

Annie Get Your Gun (2015)

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang (2019)



The Pirates of Penzance (2011)



THE ARTS

God gave us not only the skills to play and compose music, but also the remarkable ability to listen, enjoy and be richly touched by its sounds. Carinya offers an extensive music program that includes:

- Elective music
- Individual music tuition
- Musicals
- Ensembles

MUSICALS

Every two years the school stages a full musical which involves students in Years 3 to 12. Students participate and contribute as they are able, in the cast or the orchestra, in sound and lighting, set design and building, costumes, backstage management and makeup.

INDIVIDUAL TUITION and Performance Nights

Carinya offers individual Music Tuition to students in Years 2 to 12 in piano, clarinet, saxophone and singing. Lessons are timetabled to take place on the same day, and in such a way that they do not miss the same lesson each week.

Tuition is conducted in the school's individual music rooms by private music teachers. Tuition is paid directly to the individual teacher and is not included in school fees.

VISUAL ARTS

Visual Arts is a strong elective choice at Carinya, with many works regularly on display around the school. Great opportunities exist to create, explore and design in our well equipped Visual Arts room.

SPORT

Students are encouraged to develop and use their talents to honour Christ, the giver of all gifts, in the way they interact with and compete against others. Throughout the school year, students from ages 4 to 18 years are able to participate in a range of local and representative sports.

FACILITIES

Carinya boasts a wide range of well-maintained sporting facilities including ovals, courts, an indoor sports centre, and a gym. The ovals are fully irrigated to withstand drought and intensive foot traffic. Practice cricket nets, a cricket pitch, goals for soccer and rugby, perimeter fencing, and sports netting all compliment the oval playing areas.

Two fenced courts established for basketball and netball are used for a variety of ball games. Indoor multi-purpose facilities provide flexibility in all weather and cater for indoor football, volleyball and gymnastics. The gym is fully equipped and available to students as part of the before school Carinya Gym.

LOCAL SPORT

Students are able to participate in various local sporting competitions, including:

- ▶ Basketball (*Years 3 to 10*)
- ▶ Cricket (*Years 1 to 10*)
- ▶ Football (Soccer) (*Prep to Year 5*)
- ▶ Hockey (*Years 7 to 12*)
- ▶ Netball (*Years 3 to 12*)
- ▶ Oztag (*Years 3 to 10*)
- ▶ Rugby Union (*Years 5 to 12*)
- ▶ Waterpolo (*Years 3 to 12*)

REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

Carinya's affiliation with the Christian Schools Sports Association (CSSA) and the NSW Combined Independent Schools (NSW CIS) Sports Association allows students to compete at Zone and State levels in individual and team sports. Students who are highly successful in their chosen sport can pursue representation via NSW CIS at National level competitions. Representative sport involves school run overnight trips beyond the Tamworth Region, a highlight for many Carinya students.





*"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed,
do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving
thanks to God the Father through him."*

Colossians 3:17

EXCURSION PROGRAM

Students love to spend time together in the beautiful world God has made. Our excursion program extends the curriculum, providing opportunities to:

1. Stimulate and impact students in powerful ways through challenging activities
2. Develop student's initiative, cooperation, determination, organisation, self-confidence and resilience
3. Form relationships through group work and enjoying time together
4. Share the good news of Jesus as we explore a world made from Christ and for Him

"Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God."

Psalm 90:2



Each year students from Years 5 to 11 enjoy Class excursions during first Term. These excursions are held early in the year to maximise relationships and help prepare students for the year ahead.

Locations for the excursions include:

Year 5 - Lake Keepit SRC

Year 6 - Echidna Gully, Armidale

Year 7 - Camp Elim, Forster

Year 8 - Scotts Head

Year 9 - Blue Mountains

Year 10 - Sydney

Year 11 - Canberra and Mt Blue Cow

These excursions are compulsory for all students and are included within the Annual Fee.

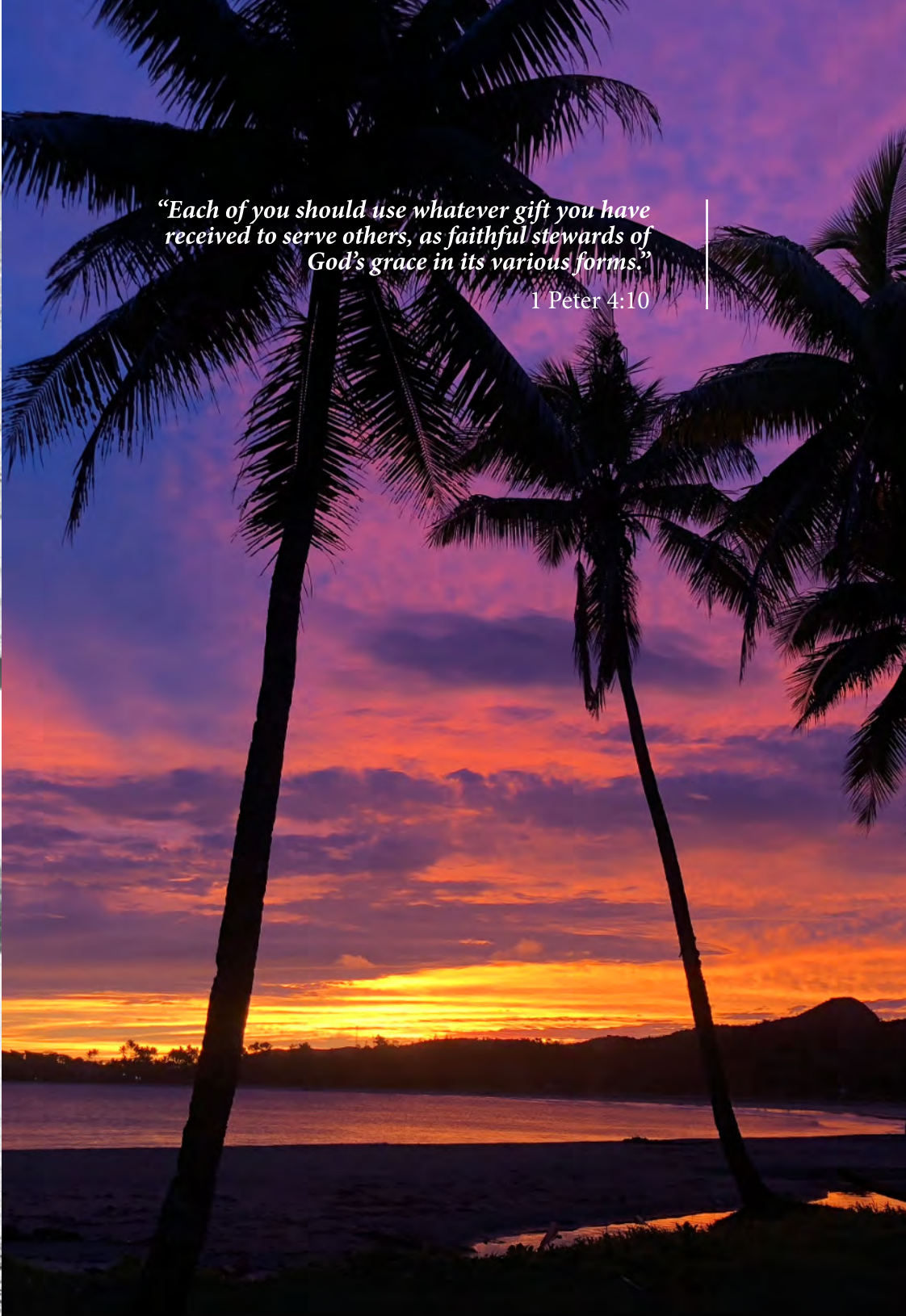
Carinya also offers a range of other excursions as part of the core curriculum and extra-curricular activities.





“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

1 Peter 4:10





CULTURAL EXCHANGE

FIJI

Every second year Carinya offers an Overseas Cultural Exchange Program. This activity provides a rich and diverse learning experience. It is hoped that through this wonderful opportunity students will:

- Recognise the need to serve others and provide a springboard from which students will consider giving to others, humanitarian and mission work.
- View the world differently as they are exposed to different cultures.
- Develop leadership skills as students navigate through the challenges of overseas travel and a range of activities designed to stretch students and take them out of their "comfort zones".

Students are challenged by this experience, helping them to value both what we have in Australia, but also the things we lack.

JAPAN

Carinya is very privileged to enjoy a sister school relationship with Aletheia Shonan High School, Kanagawa, Japan. Students from Aletheia visit us each year, providing us with a rare opportunity to enjoy time with students from Japan. School families host our visitors, and students are involved in a range of great activities, sharing and learning about each other's cultures.

Every second year, students in Year 10 and 11 elective Japanese classes visit Japan. As well as a homestay with Aletheia families, students visit places such as Tokyo, Kyoto, Okayama, Hiroshima and Miyajima. This is an amazing time for our students which provides them with a language and cultural immersion, rich life skills and memories that will last forever.

MORE INFO

▶ **BOOK A PERSONAL TOUR**

Join our Principal on a personal tour of Carinya and gain an appreciation of the outstanding facilities, hear the school's educational philosophy clearly explained, and see the many opportunities offered to students of the school.

▶ **TALK TO OUR REGISTRAR**

Contact us to talk about your next steps and have all your enrolment questions answered by our Registrar.

▶ **VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

On our website you'll find links to all of our policies, downloadable forms, school newsletters, and our calendar of upcoming events.

▶ **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

We like to keep you informed, and following us on Social Media is one of the easiest ways to stay up to date with what's happening at Carinya.

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