



We have listened! Driven by our five Carmel values (excellence, integrity, curiosity, connectedness and courage), we have listened to your feedback and are putting in place the following initiatives for 2024. We look forward to working with you to ensure that Carmel students thrive in our school environment.



Classroom Learning

In Years 7 to 9, we are focusing on consistency of expectations with our middle school students, so it is very clear how they are expected to behave and interact socially with each other. For example, teachers will aim to start each lesson within 60 seconds, with carefully planned starter activities, to maximise learning time.



Our Purpose

“To provide students with an excellent education where they connect meaningfully with their Jewish identity and embrace the opportunity to make a difference”.

Jewish Studies

A fabulous program of learning is in place for our Primary School Jewish learning team to deliver. Continuing their exploration of Jewish history, festivals (chagim) and Israel, the children will learn through interesting and interactive activities. For example, Year 6 students will be involved in a nature photography activity for Tu Bishvat, a tasting of the seven species of fruit and, later in Term 1, investigating the hidden meaning of Purim.



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Supporting All Learners

There are so many ways in which Carmel staff provide what is needed to optimise the learning of our gifted and talented students and those who may need some extra support. Read all about how we cater for the full range of our students here:

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Carmel Academy of Performing Arts (CAPA)

The launch of the Carmel Academy of Performing Arts this year draws on the fabulous drama and music skills of Carmel students and allows our talented performers the opportunity to perform both in school and off campus.



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Behavioural Expectations

In the Primary School, we have clarified our behavioural expectations so that everyone is very clear about how children, teachers and parents work effectively together to optimise learning.



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Pastoral Care and Wellbeing

High School mentors will now care for students in Years 7 to 12 in their houses, providing further social opportunities for students to interact between year groups.

House mentors

Yerushalayim
Zfat
Teveria
Be'er Sheva



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Options

Choice is important. It motivates students and encourages them to embrace the opportunities on offer.

- For High School students, the 8:00 to 8:30 am slot allows them to opt into a number of interesting Jewish Life opportunities, from 'Small Miracles' to 'Interesting characters in Judaism', full minyan, 'Great Jewish Stories', 'Parashat Hashavuah', and 'What is going on in Israel?'.

Our Year 11 and 12 students can choose from a wide array of ATAR and General WACE course offerings, as well as VET pathways.

- Year 9 and 10 students can now opt into a fabulous range of broadening units including Financial Literacy, Neuroscience, Dance, Advanced Jewish Literature and Games Design.

Students in Years 7 and 8 have the choice of broadening units including Dance, Introduction to Python, Photography and STEM.



Year 7/8



Year 9/10



Careerlink



Year 11

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Social Opportunities

Lunchtimes at Carmel include a range of social opportunities for Primary School and High School students alike – from chess to soccer, board games, D&D and basketball. The option of socialising in the library or just sitting and catching up with friends is also chosen by many!



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