

# WISDOM NEWS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF WISDOM COLLEGE

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**WISDOM COLLEGE ANNUAL FETE**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**DATE: 15 OCTOBER 2022**

**LOCATION: WISDOM COLLEGE 97 FORMBY STREET, ALGESTER 4115**

**TIME: 11AM-3PM**

**AGES 3+ \$2 ENTRY**

If you would like to become a sponsor for this event please contact [a.wazir@wisdom.qld.edu.au](mailto:a.wazir@wisdom.qld.edu.au) for more information

If you are interested in holding a stall please contact [c.coskun@wisdom.qld.edu.au](mailto:c.coskun@wisdom.qld.edu.au)

**FOOD & DRINKS FOR SALE, RIDES, STALLS AND ACTIVITIES**



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

MR. DAMIEN BARRY

Welcome to the new Term!

The end of last Term saw us host two important events. The first one being our inaugural cross country. The second one being our Qurban festival. Both were extremely enjoyable and well attended events by both students and parents. Congratulations to all students for their involvement and thank you to staff who assisted.

Already this Term we have started with camps, excursions, incursions, assessment, and new facilities and we have only finished Week 2! Our Year 9 and 10 students attended camp this week which was quite a rustic affair with tents, hiking, camp fires and survival skills. New facilities have included pathways, toilet upgrades, and wheelchair access points. We are also about to install basketball hoops within our new multi-purpose court near the Secondary oval.

Over the recent school holiday break, all families would have received access to Semester 1 academic reports. These provide valuable feedback on results for all subjects as well as conduct, work ethic and general participation. Please contact the respective teacher or teachers should you have any questions around these reports and areas of improvement.

We have had some new staff join us recently as well. Mr Richard Maze will be teaching Primary Music and Year 9 English, Mrs Lisa Yallamas will be taking Secondary Humanities and English; Mrs Amanda Nicholls is doing administrative tasks and is located in Wisdom House. We have already formally welcomed these staff at various staff gatherings as well as a student assembly.

I hope that everyone has an enjoyable Term ahead. I look forward to seeing many families at various events over the next few months.



## SECONDARY INFORMATION

### Wisdom College Careers Centre

We provide our students and parents with information on subject pathways, tertiary options, vocational courses, and University options.

There are some key personnel who provide this advice:

- Head of Secondary
- Head of Teaching & Learning
- School Psychologist
- Principal

The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) is the avenue that students in Year 12 must register through and apply to in order to attend University.

**QTAC** | **CHOOSE  
THE FUTURE**

We also partner with TAFE Qld to enable our students to complete a variety of vocational courses of study from Certificate 1 through to Certificate 4.

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We deliver a Diploma of Business through Barrington College.

**BARRINGTON COLLEGE**

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**AUSTRALIA**

We deliver Health Service qualifications through Mater Education.

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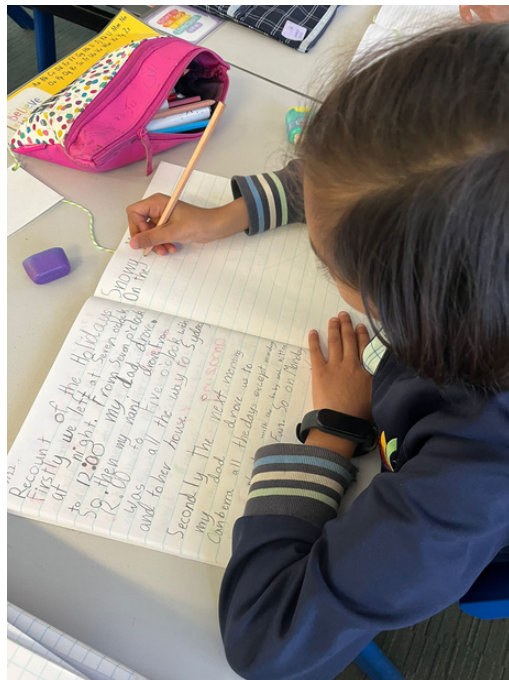


# HEAD OF PRIMARY

MRS. OLIVIA STARKEY

Welcome back to another exciting term at Wisdom College. Despite the low temperatures, enthusiasm is high and we are ready to embark on new learning journeys with our students. Term 3 is one of the most exciting times for a lot of our students as they are looking forward to school camps, excursions and the annual Sports Carnival. For teachers, Term 3 is when we start to see students achieve a lot of their learning goals and develop meaningful relationships with their students. For myself I love term three because my favorite week of the year is creeping closer... BOOK WEEK! Yes, that wonderful week where we are able to dress up as any character from a book we love.

This term, we will be focusing on our College value, Integrity. At Wisdom we believe that students need to display the different qualities of integrity to be an effective member of our community. Wisdom College defines Integrity as showing strong moral principles such as honesty and unity. We will be encouraging our students to be honest and to help each other do the right thing even when it is easier to take a different route.



I wanted to take this opportunity to mention a few housekeeping items that allow our College to function smoothly. Firstly, school pick ups, please remember that Upper Primary students do not finish until 3:05pm. This means, if any of your children are in grade 4, 5 or 6 you are required to park until 3:05pm. Parents are also to remain in their cars if they are in the 'drop off zone' this ensures that the line keeps moving and avoids traffic on the streets. I kindly ask that parents and carers utilize the laminated name tags that were handed out at the beginning of the year when collecting their students. I understand that it can be a very frustrating time of your day, however, please avoid the use of your car horn unless it is an emergency.

Secondly, I have noticed a lot of our girls have returned from holidays wearing necklaces, bracelets and dangly earrings, while a lot of the boys have been wearing incorrect jumpers, hats and socks. It is a part of our enrolment policy that students are wearing the correct uniform and it is important that parents are sending their children to school with the correct uniform.

Lastly, please ensure you are keeping yourselves up-to-date with all our primary news by logging onto your My Wisdom Accounts and reading the weekly news blog. My Wisdom is also where you will be able to find curriculum information for your children. We are still creating an APP for this system and appreciate your patience and understanding regarding this. Emails also need to be checked daily as this is now the main form of communication between College and home. If you are not receiving emails, please check with the front office that we have your current email address.



PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE BACK INTO THE SWING OF THINGS



## HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

MRS. DOGAN

I hope that everyone has had a well-deserved break from school and have settled back into a good school routine. Over the holidays you would have received your child's Semester One report card. I am very pleased with the academic progress of our students and have no doubt that with your support and their continued commitment to their studies, they will achieve great things. It is important that we continue to encourage our children to develop good study habits whilst at school and at home. This includes being organised, having good time management, actively involved in learning and most importantly having a consistent study routine. Take the time to talk to your child about what they have learnt during the week, you will be surprised by how much they know. Ask lots of questions and allow them to share their knowledge with you. Learning should not stop once the 3 o'clock school bell goes and students leave the school grounds. With our new online learning management system - 'My Wisdom' it is easy for our families to also engage with the learning.

Our current Year 12 students are counting down the days until they sit their final external exams in Term 4. With less than 70 days to go, our students are feeling nervous, stressed, overwhelmed but at the same time very excited. Our amazing teachers have been working very hard with our senior students to support them through these challenging times. We are so proud of their efforts so far and are looking forward to seeing our very first Year 12 graduates this year.

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Finally, I wanted to share with you some exciting curriculum events coming up this term. We have our Science Week celebrations in Week 6, followed by Book Week celebrations in Week 7. Our students always look forward to these events as they get to share all of their science learning during our science fair and also get to see a great performance by Street Science. Our annual costume parade is always a big hit and I am sure our students are already thinking about what costume to wear. We also have some exciting competitions coming up with lots of prizes to be won.

I am certainly looking forward to this term and hope to catch up with our families soon.





# HEAD OF CO-CURRICULAR

MRS COSKUN

Hello Wisdom Family

I'm sure you are all thinking like me and wondering how we got to Term 3 week 2 already! We are looking at a huge term full of events, learning, growth and opportunities for engaging and meaningful learning for our students.

One of these many events are our camps which we have two of this term, year 9/10 and Year 4 Students. The learning that happens during these camps are just phenomenal and I really urge parents who are apprehensive in sending their children to camp to please let them experience this opportunity. Our camps are designed to cater for the needs of our students and alongside learning this also includes their religious and cultural needs. All camps are checked for halal menus and prayer facilities for our Muslim students and boys and girls are always in separate sleeping areas.

I spent a day with our year 9/10 students on their Camp Kokoda Tent Camp and was absolutely delighted with the learning I could see taking place! Students were being forced out of their comfort zones through challenging outdoor activities and learning independence through duties such as cooking, tent setting and cleaning in the great outdoors braving the elements. We only grow in times of discomfort and challenges and this also applies to our children.

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*Whatever makes you uncomfortable is your biggest opportunity for growth.”*

Some exciting things happening in the Co-curricular and Community Engagement Department this term:

- Lower Primary Parent Breakfast- Friday 29th July 8.45-10am
- Learner English Classes- Starting Tuesday 2nd August, 9am-11am
- National Tree Day- Sunday 31st July, 8-10am
- Ladies Night Fundraiser- Friday 12th August (Tickets can be purchased from the office or contact me)

Lastly if any of you have any suggestions, ideas or can help in any way with our Co-Curricular programs please reach out to me. I always look forward to hearing from you and collaborating with our community to deliver our growing programs.



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# CALENDAR

## KEY DATES

### JULY

- THURSDAY 28TH & FRIDAY 29TH YEAR 4 CAMP
- FRIDAY 29TH LOWER PRIMARY PARENT AND CARER BREAKFAST

### AUGUST

- WEDNESDAY 10TH - EKKA SHOWDAY HOLIDAY
- FRIDAY 12TH - WISDOM COLLEGE LADIES NIGHT
- MONDAY 15TH-FRIDAY 19TH SCIENCE WEEK
- MONDAY 22ND-FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST BOOK WEEK
- MONDAY 22ND BOOK WEEK COSTUME PARADE

### SEPTEMBER

- WEDNESDAY 14TH - YEAR 11 SEMI FORMAL
- THURSDAY 15TH - MAD (MUSIC, ART & DRAMA) SHOWCASE
- FRIDAY 16TH ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
- FRIDAY 16TH LAST DAY OF TERM 3

### OCTOBER

- MONDAY 3RD QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
- TERM 4 START



# WISDOM INFORMATION AND EVENTS



## Lower Primary Parent and Carer Breakfast at Wisdom College!

Organised by our Co-curricular and Community Engagement Department with the aim of helping our school community to connect and to meet our new families.

### Details

When: Friday 29nd July

Time: 8.45-10am

Where: Entrance Undercover area

We look forward to seeing you all next Friday.



FRIDAY AUGUST 12TH, MICHAEL'S ORIENTAL, EIGHT MILE PLAINS, 6.30PM



- Middle Eastern menu inc dips, shish tawook and more
- Decadent dessert buffet
- Lucky door prizes
- Games, dancing and fun!

\$60.00

For tickets, please contact  
Razeena - 0404807863  
Sumaya - 0405472505  
Canan - 0404866934



### Shop Online Anytime

Shop online and choose to have your order shipped directly to you, or collect it from the School Locker Oxley store. Scan the QR code below to find your uniforms online.

Visit [theschoollocker.com.au/schools/wisdom-college-calamvale](https://theschoollocker.com.au/schools/wisdom-college-calamvale)

### School Locker Oxley

Discover a convenient one-stop-shop for uniforms, school footwear, stationery, technology, musical instruments, sports equipment and more at the School Locker Oxley.

The Zone Oxley  
2118 Ipswich Road  
Oxley

Phone 3725 2500

Monday to Friday 9:30am- 5:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am- 3:00pm

### Student Advantage Membership

Be sure to set up your free Student Advantage Membership. Login each time you shop online to access special pricing and ensure your school earns revenue from all your purchases. Get started by visiting [theschoollocker.com.au/customer/account](https://theschoollocker.com.au/customer/account). To learn more scan the QR code below and watch our explainer video.



School Locker Oxley opens Monday - Sunday during January



**Wisdom College**

**TUESDAY**

**3:15 - 4:00**  
**D Block Room 101**

Weekly classes will help improve:

- Creativity
- Memory
- Concentration
- Planning Skills
- Independent Decision Making
- General Aptitude for Learning
- Problem Solving
- Teamwork



Learning chess has been shown to improve overall performance at school by nearly 20% compared with children who have not

To book online, scan or go to [chessmates.com.au/schools](https://chessmates.com.au/schools)

**INFO@CHESSMATES.COM.AU**  
**1300 CHESS MATES**

## WISDOM COLLEGE

### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC STRINGS LESSONS

Violin, Viola, Cello & Double-Bass

**Helen Brereton**

An enthusiastic and committed teaching professional offering with a bachelor degree in Performing Arts and a Master's degree in Education with a proven track record of highly commended performances, teaching grades Prep through to year 12, with a passion for education and an unhesitating commitment in contributing to my students' benefit and the school's prosperity.

As a classical artist I have performed for sold out concerts in Europe, America, Middle East, and Australia.

In Australia performance include the Sydney Opera House Concert Hall, Sydney Parliament House, Brisbane on Parade, Friends of Gold Coast Philharmonic Society, Brisbane Multicultural Centre, Logan Factory Concert Hall, River Feast, Broilga Theatre, Woodford Folk Festival, and multicultural events.

A member of the Brisbane and Noosa Symphony Orchestra, Sydney Lyric Orchestra, Soloist and of the Inspiration Orchestra.

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