# 2023

**PARENT HANDBOOK** 



## Mark Oliphant College

To "make learning better" for all in this digitally enhanced age to enable the development of high achieving students and staff.

Mark Oliphant College is open from Monday 23 January 2023, 9am − 3pm for:

✓ Payment of Material and Services Fees ✓ Apply for School Card

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## A Special Invitation

You are invited to a

## **Tour of Mark Oliphant College**

on

## Monday 23rd January 2023

Tours start at 10am with the last tour leaving at 2pm

#### All welcome to attend!

Tours leave reception every 15 minutes and no appointment is necessary.

Tours are run by members of the Student Representative Council and members of the Governing Council.

Prior to the tour you will have an opportunity to speak to a staff member about:

- ✓ paying school fees
- ✓ applying for School Card
- ✓ or organising a payment plan.

The College is open 9am - 3pm Monday – Friday from 23rd January 2023.

#### 2023 Term Dates

Term I:

30 January - 14 April

Term 2:

I May - 7 July

Term 3:

24 July - 29 September

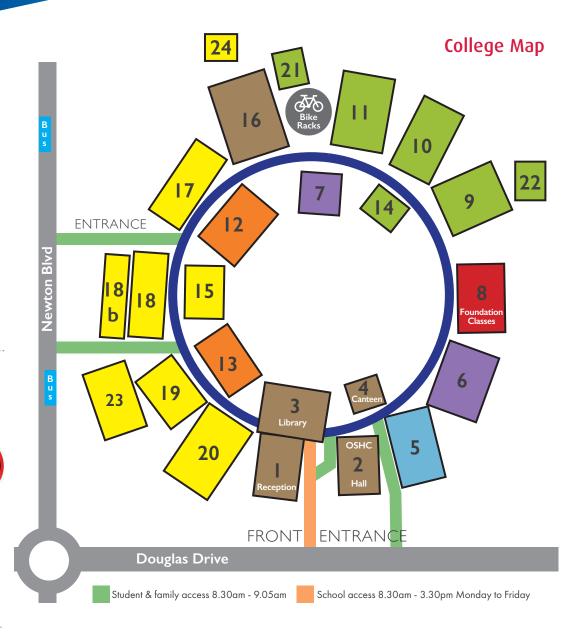
Term 4:

16 October - 15 December

#### **Qkr! Payment App**

The most advanced mobile payments solution

Okrl™ by Mastercard® is the mobile phone payment app designed for Australian schools, delivering an advanced and competitive online payment solution. Okr delivers convenience to parents, efficiency to canteen staff and excellent reporting to school office staff. It's the perfect choice for any school looking to streamline payments.



#### Better for parents

- Make faster, more convenient payments from a secure mobile app anywhere and at any time
- Website payment alternative for parents and carers without a smartphone or tablet
- 24/7 access
- Stores your receipts for easy reviewing
- · Pay direct from a credit or debit card without pre-loading funds to a third party account
- Track transactions easily with online receipts

#### Uniform

Wearing of the Mark Oliphant College uniform is compulsory for all students in Foundation through to Year 12. School uniform is important because:

- we know immediately if there are strangers on campus
- the colour coding ensures that we know to which sub school a student belongs
- it encourages student pride in themselves and their school.

The Governing Council has endorsed our Uniform Policy.

By attending this school, students are agreeing to wear school uniform, and parents are agreeing to ensure that their students have access to the school uniform.

Uniforms can be ordered online at <a href="https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/mark-oliphant-college/">https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/mark-oliphant-college/</a> or at the Devon Clothing Modbury outlet: Shop 24, Clovercrest Plaza, 429 Montague Rd, Modbury SA 5092. Phone: 8350 7930, Email: modcus@devonclothing.com.au. Trading Hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm, Saturday 10am - 1pm. Closed Sundays and Public Holidays.

#### Welcome to Mark Oliphant College

This handbook provides essential information for families of students attending Mark Oliphant College in 2023.

Please visit our website or contact Reception for further information.



#### Attendance & Absences

As a parent or caregiver it is your responsibility to:

- Have your child at school on time and before the morning bell 8.50am
- Collect your child at the end of the school day

3.10pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday2.20pm Wednesday

- Provide your contact details including your mobile phone and email address to Reception staff.
   Ensure your details are up-to-date.
- Please inform the school of your child's absence by ringing 8209 1600

#### **Bikes & Scooters**

There is a secure bike and scooter enclosure that your child can access For added security you can supply a chain and lock.



(Bike racks can be located on map on back page)

#### Canteen

Our canteen is managed by Spotless and complies with healthy eating guidelines. The canteen offers a Term 4/Term 1 Summer menu and a Term 2/Term 3 Winter menu. Lunch orders can be placed.

#### Car Parking

Traffic congestion on both Newton Boulevard and Douglas Drive at delivery and pick up times is of great concern. Parent compliance with traffic laws is essential. This includes parking on the yellow lines, particularly in the Children's Centre drop off zone.

There is restricted vehicle access to the school grounds to ensure the safety of children at all times.

#### **Care Programs**

At Mark Oliphant College we provide a range of care programs.

- Occasional Care Occasional Care operates in building 5.
   Please ring 8209 1600 and ask for the Children's Centre for more information.
- Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) is operated by Happy Haven.



#### **Communication**

The College operates an SMS messaging facility, as well as via Daymap and EdSmart. Foundation to Year 6 Class Teachers also communicate through ClassDojo.

**What is ClassDojo?** ClassDojo is an app that creates a way for teachers and parents to communicate. It allows the teacher to instantly share updates, messages, events and even photos from class.



**How does it work?** Teachers will send an invite to parents via email. Once the parent accepts this invitation, they are now able to access messages and updates instantly from the teacher.

What would we need it for? Parents can use ClassDojo to notify teachers if their child is absent or needs an early pick up. Teachers or school staff members can use ClassDojo to advise parents of any upcoming events, or any information they may need to know about their child.

**EdSmart** is an email based tool for digital administration and community. The platform streamlines communication and will be used to deliver broadcast messages to parents and students along with permission slips and forms as the program is expanded within the College.

#### **Contacting the College**

There are three methods of contacting the College: in person, by phone or via email.

The school's contact number is (08) 8209 1600. When contacting the school by email, please direct your enquiry to info@moc.sa.edu.au. In the title bar please add the name of the person you want the email directed to. The email will be forwarded onto that person directly.

#### Curriculum

Mark Oliphant College follows the Australian Curriculum from Foundation to Year 10, and SACE in Year 11 and 12.

#### Daymap

The Daymap Parent Portal combines communication and student management, by providing parents with access to key school and student information on their child's learning behaviour, progress and performance.

Daymap Connect can be accessed using a login and password per parent. See more information on page 17.



#### **Day Structure**

Students are expected at school ready for Home Group at 8:50am and stay for the entire school day until dismissal. Dismissal is at 3.10pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Wednesday dismissal will now be at 2.20pm.

Early Years classrooms ONLY open from 8.30am, Primary, Middle and Senior Years Buildings are open from 8.45am.

Foundation to Year 6				
ACTIVITY	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	Wednesday		
LESSON 1	8.50am - 9.40am	8.50am - 9.40am		
LESSON 2	9.40am -10.30am	9.40am - 10.30am		
LESSON 3	10.30am - 11.20am	10.30am - 11.20am		
LUNCH	11.20am - 11.50am	11.20am - 11.50am		
LESSON 4	11.50am - 12.40pm	11.50am - 12.40pm		
LESSON 5	12.40pm - 1.30pm	12.40pm - 1.30pm		
RECESS	1.30pm - 1.50pm	1.30pm – 1.50pm		
LESSON 6	1.50pm – 2.40pm	1.50pm – 2.20pm		
LESSON 7	2.40pm - 3.10pm	-		

Year 7 - Year 12				
ACTIVITY	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Wednesday			
HOMEGROUP	8.50am - 9.05am	8.50am - 9.05am		
LESSON 1	9.05am - 9.55am	9.05am - 9.55am		
LESSON 2	9.55am - 10.50am	9.55am - 10.50am		
RECESS	10.50am - 11.10am	10.50am - 11.10am		
LESSON 3	SSON 3 11.10am – 12.00pm 11.10am – 12.00pm			
LESSON 4	12.00pm - 12.55pm	12.00pm - 12.55pm		
LUNCH	12.55pm - 1.25pm	12.55pm - 1.25pm		
LESSON 5	1.25pm - 2.20pm	1.25pm – 2.20pm		
LESSON 6	2.20pm – 3.10pm	-		

#### **Early Dismissal Process**

If you require to collect your child during school hours, the process is as follows:

- Attend the front office in person
- Advise the front office staff who will then locate your child
- Your child will be sent to the front office for your collection

This sign out process may take a substantial amount of time.

Please note, if early pickup is a regular occurrence then it is in breach of our Attendance Policy.

Attendance Policy can be found at www.moc.sa.edu.au

#### **Emergency Contact Information**

Parents/Caregivers are required to update Emergency Contact information at the start of every year. Update forms can be found at Reception.

#### **Evacuation & Lockdown Procedures**

A siren sounding "EVACUATE" will be heard and staff, students and visitors MUST all evacuate to designated areas. In the event of a Lockdown an alert signal will be heard and staff and students are to remain in their classroom.

#### **Excursions & Camps**

These are planned in an organised way over a school year to support student learning. Notification of costs and payment will come together with details of the activity and permission forms ahead of time. All payments can be made via the Qkrl app.

#### Finance Office

#### The Finance Office is available

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	, Friday	.8:30am -	3:30pm
Wednesday		.8:30am -	2:00pm

#### **Gate Closing Time**

Please note that the school gates are locked at 9:05am each morning. After 9:05am please contact the Front Office.

#### Hats

All children in the Children's Centre, Early and Primary Years are required to wear a broad-brimmed hat at recess, lunch times and in outdoor lessons all year round as part of the Department's 'Sun Smart Policy'.

Children who do not have a suitable hat will have to remain in an alternate area at recess and lunch periods. F-6 recommend



#### **Health Care Plans**

These are a critical aspect for the wellbeing of our students. Students with specific and significant medical problems must have a Health Care Plan such that the school knows of the child's medical condition and required actions can be agreed.

Parents are asked to notify the school immediately of such medical issues/problems and to then provide via their GP or Specialist detailed information that will support the school in working with their child.

No medication will be administered without a Health Care Plan. All Health Care Plans need to be updated if a student is attending an excursion or camp. Children will not be able to attend without this.

#### **Identification Cards (ID)**

ID cards are issued to students in Years 7-12. Photographs of students are taken in the first week of the school year. For students that arrive after then it is arranged for them to have their photos taken in the library asap.

The cards are used in the library, on public transport and as general proof of identification for students accessing entertainment and recreational facilities at a student concession.

The initial cost of the card is covered in the Material and Services Charge. Replacement cards will cost \$10.00. This cost must be paid BEFORE a new card can be issued.

#### **Instrumental Music**

Students from Year 7-10 have the opportunity to participate in an Instrumental Music Program. Contact the College for more information.



#### www.moc.sa.edu.au

#### **Materials and Services Charges**

School fees are called 'materials and services charges' and have a legally enforceable component. Fees are set by Governing Council and help provide many of the extras that make Mark Oliphant College a quality school. Fee accounts are sent home at the beginning of each school year, with early payment encouraged to enable the start of year purchases to be made.

To support our community, Mark Oliphant College continues to keep our basic school fees at parity with the School Card. The fees for 2023 are: Primary (Foundation - Year 6) = \$269, Secondary (Year 7 - 12) = \$355.

Materials & Services Charges will be used, together with the Department for Education grants, to provide students with items like: text books, workbooks, art & craft supplies, science materials and supplies, library resources, photocopied material, worksheets that have been copied / printed and materials for chosen curriculum subjects.

Technology devices, text books and materials issued to students remain the property of the school. Payment for this can be made via the Qkr! app.

#### Okr!

The Qkr! app is the mobile payment app designed for Australian schools. It allows you to make faster, more convenient payments and stores your receipts. Qkr! allows you to pay direct from a credit or debit card without pre-loading funds to a third party account. Information on how to download the Qkr! app can be found on page 20.

#### **Services**

Pastoral Care - Jason Aitchison

"Hello, my name is Jason Aitchison and I am the Pastoral Care Worker for Mark Oliphant. I am here Mondays and Tuesdays to support Staff, Students and Parents. I run 2 lunchtime programs, Game Club and the Anime Club. So if you ever need someone to talk to or just a friend do not hesitate to contact me."

#### **Grow up Smiling**

At the end of Terms 2 and 4 the Dentist from Grow up
Smiling visit our School to provide professional assessments
and treatment and it is all covered under Medicare. Take
advantage of having the Dentist on site and forget about having to book
appointments during school time or school holidays. Parents are welcome
to sit in on the appointment. Information packs containing booking forms
are available at the Front Office.

#### **Swimming**

#### For all students F-6: Term 2 - Swimming

We encourage our students to participate in a week long swimming program at the Elizabeth Aquadome. This program teaches important life skills and promotes water safety.

The program covers:

- Stroke development
- Water safety and survival
- Personal development
- Work towards development of a lifelong appreciation of aquatic activities
- Opportunities for progressive success to create a positive learning

Your child will need to bring (ALL labelled): bathers, towel, change of underwear, a brush or comb and a bag to put wet bathers in.

This will be invoiced, and payable via the Qkr! app, cost of this includes entry and equipment hire.

#### **School Card**

The 2023 School Card allowance for Primary students is \$269 and for Secondary students is \$355. **This is the same as our Materials and Services charges**. If you are eligible for School Card, your Materials and Services invoice will be covered in full.

All parents / caregivers / independent students wishing to be considered for School Card Assistance must apply each year to receive the School Card allowance. The Department for Education is making the application process easier – ALL School Card applications are online. Please visit the Department for Education website to lodge your application. The Department for Education automatically informs the school of your application and will inform you of your eligibility.

#### Abstudy

Aboriginal parents of secondary students must apply for Abstudy plus School Card every year. Abstudy is applied for through Centrelink only.

#### Secondary Student Stationery Requirements for 2023

Secondary students are required to supply stationery at the start the school year. Should you have difficulties in purchasing the items, please contact the Wellbeing Leaders.

<b>√</b>	Essential Middle Years items:
	5 x lined books 96 pages
	2 x lined books 48 pages
	2 x lined graph book 5mm squares 96 pages
	4 x lead pencils HB
	4 x blue biros
	2 x red biros
	2 x black biros
	1 packet coloured pencils
	1 x eraser
	1 x pencil sharpener
	1 x 30cm ruler
	Suggested items:
	1 x 16GB USB
	A4 display folders
	coloured textas
	fluro highlighters
	glue stick
	scissors
	writing pad

**Where to buy:** Kmart, Target, Big W, Reject Shop, Cheap as Chips, Coles, Woolworths

All stores have competitive prices and good value for money.

•	Essential Senior Years items:
Г	1 x A4 exercise book 8mm ruled 96
	2 x graph books 96 pages
	1 x A4 refillable display book 20 pocket black
	Generously sized pencil case
	4 x blue or black ballpoint pens
L	4 x HB pencil
L	1 x 30cm plastic ruler
	1 x scientific calculator
L	2 x erasers
L	1 x glue stick
L	1 x highlighter
L	1 x pencil sharpener
	Suggested items:
	Chomebook protective cover

#### Specialist subjects

- Art 1 A3 Visual Arts folder
- PE As all student work is completed electronically, there are no other stationery requirements.
- Mathematics 2 x A4 exercise book
   5mm graph 96 pages
- Mathematical Methods 2 x A4
   exercise book 5mm graph 96 pages,
   graphic calculator, a hiring system
   exists thought the Maths Department.

Note: Students will receive a Chromebook upon payment and the general consent form is returned.

Mark Olip	hant College (B-12) - 1900		
Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2023			
Notice of Cha	arges for Foundation - Year 6		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)	
en /			
Printed and electronic materials	Workbooks	\$0.00	
related to the educational program and which are provided for the	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00	
student	Photocopied Material	\$55.00	
Student	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$55.00	
Stationery items that are provided	Stationery Items	\$60.00	
for the student	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
Gov	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$60.00	
Materials and Services that are	Access to Student Information	\$105.00	
provided by the school for the	Technology	100	
student to consume or use the	Access to Machinery	\$0.00	
materials or take ownership of a	Access to Equipment	\$39.00	
finished article produced by the student with the materials	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$0.00	
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
Departme	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
	SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$144.00	
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$10.00	
student	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$10.00	
Total Materials and Services Cha	rge (excluding Subject Charges)	\$269.00	

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Subject Description	Cost (\$)
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00

Mark Olip	hant College (B-12) - 1900		
Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2023  Notice of Charges for Years 7 - 12			
Printed and electronic materials	Workbooks	\$0.00	
related to the educational program	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00	
and which are provided for the	Photocopied Material	\$70.00	
student	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$70.00	
Stationery items that are provided	Stationery Items	\$0.00	
for the student	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
Gov	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$0.00	
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a	Access to Student Information Technology	\$155.00	
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00	
	Access to Equipment	\$45.00	
finished article produced by the student with the materials	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$75.00	
Danastma	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
Departme	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00	
	SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$275.00	
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$10.00	
student	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$10.00	
Total Materials and Services Cha	rge (excluding Subject Charges)	\$355.00	

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Subject Description	Cost (\$)
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00

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# WHAT IS SCHOOL SOME CARD?

School Card provides financial help to cover the cost of school fees.

#### WHO CAN APPLY?

To qualify for School Card, your family's income must be below a specific limit. This limit depends on how many children are in your care.

You must **also** meet at least one of the following:

- have a child or children aged four years or over who attend a school full time
- be an independent full-time student studying year 10, 11 or 12
- be an adult re-entry student undertaking subjects to complete SACE (years 11 and 12).

You can find more information and apply for School Card here: www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard

#### HOW WILL I KNOW IF I AM APPROVED?

After you apply, you will receive a letter in the mail advising if your application has been approved. Please note, School Card is not a student identification card.

#### WHO CAN HELP ME APPLY?

If you would like more information or need help applying for School Card, please visit your child's school office and show this fiver.

Hi! I would like help to apply for School Card.



sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard





### All types of School Card applications are now online.

You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet, including mobile devices, such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

STEP 1 Visit sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard

STEP 2 Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.

STEP 3 Complete all mandatory fields.

Please note: you cannot submit your application unless all mandatory fields are complete.

STEP 4 Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.

STEP 5 Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.

Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost.

You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the 'SAVE' button.



sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard



#### Mark Oliphant College 2023 Laptop Program

Since inception Mark Oliphant College has a proud tradition of providing the latest technology to all learners from Birth to Year 12. This enables students to learn the ICT capabilities required to use ICT effectively and become responsible digital citizens both at and beyond school.

In the Secondary Years of schooling all students are provided with a Chromebook. These devices are managed by the schools ICT Department but remain the property of the Department for Education.

The cost of providing and maintaining such devices for over 1,200 students in the Secondary Years is becoming increasingly difficult and is not sustainable. For this reason the School has decided with the endorsement of Governing Council from the beginning of 2023 we are updating the way we partner with our school community so we can continue to provide a high quality device for every student.

All Year 7s and 8s will receive a Chromebook, which will require a security deposit of \$100 to be paid prior to being borrowed. This deposit is refunded when the device is returned in the same condition in which it was borrowed at the end of the year. However, in the event the Chromebook is returned damaged/lost the \$100 deposit will be drawn on to offset the cost of the repairs.

Students from Years 9 through to Year 12 will also receive a Chromebook in which a co-contribution payment of \$100 will be paid for the use of that device for the year. Essentially nothing will change for students in terms of how they access devices in the Secondary Years of schooling. Mark Oliphant College Students who make four \$100 payments from Years 9 through to Year 12 will be able keep the Chromebook at the end of Year 12. This \$400 cost represents excellent value as these devices currently cost the school in excess of \$750 each.

## Language Other Than English (LOTE) - Indonesian

Learning a different language provides the opportunity for students to engage with the linguistic and cultural diversity of the world and its peoples.

Studies have shown that speaking a foreign language improves the way in which the brain functions, by challenging it to recognise, negotiate meaning and communicate in a different way. Learning languages has proven to improve student's communication and strengthen literacy skills in their first language. It enhances critical and creative skills and broadens student's horizons in terms of personal, social and employment opportunities.

At Mark Oliphant College, we offer students the opportunity to learn Indonesian as an additional language from Year 1 onward. Indonesia is one of our country's closest neighbours and is also a popular tourist destination for Australians. Indonesian is the tenth most common language spoken around the world and is known as not being overly complicated to learn. Like English, it uses a Latin alphabet and unlike many European languages, it doesn't have noun genders.

Lessons to Years 1-8 will be delivered by a group of dedicated Indonesian teachers, who will work with students over a full year for 100 minutes per week. During these classes, students will learn how to read, write and speak Indonesian and will also be introduced to the customs and culture of this beautiful country.





#### Uniform

Mark Oliphant College uniform is as follows:

#### ✓ POLO TOP

Foundation - Year 6:

Red Cherry Mark Oliphant College Polo Top

Year 7 - Year 9:

Navy Blue Mark Oliphant College Polo Top

Year 10 - Year 12:

Charcoal Grey Mark Oliphant College Polo Top

- ✓ SHORTS Black
- ✓ SKIRT Black
- ✓ TROUSERS Black
- **✓ TRACK PANTS** Black
- ✓ **LEGGINGS** Black under garment only
- ✓ DRESS Chicago Summer dress
- ✓ BUCKET HAT any Sun Smart hat
- ✓ NAVY FLEECE ZIP
- ✓ NAVY SPRAY JACKET (NEW)
- ✓ NAVY SOFT-SHELL JACKET
- ✓ FOOTWEAR respectable coloured, closed in shoes

Please note: Year 12 students will have the opportunity to purchase a Year 12 Jacket

Our uniform is available for purchase from Devon Clothing Modbury. Further information on the back page of this booklet. Our uniform policy can be found <a href="https://moc.sa.edu.au/parent-info/uniform-shop/">https://moc.sa.edu.au/parent-info/uniform-shop/</a>

#### **Not Permitted**

- Inappropriate wording / pictures on any clothing or jewellery.
- X Clothing with large logos.
- X Ripped / torn / jeans.
- X Leggings as outer wear.
- X Thongs, scuffs, sandals, flip flops or ugg boots.
- X Brief shorts.
- X Beanies.
- X Hats, caps and jackets are not to be worn indoors.
- X Clothing not aligned to school Dress Code colours.
- X Hoodies are not permitted to be worn under shirts.

#### Non-compliance with Dress Code

- Parents will be contacted when students fail to comply with the Dress Code.
- Students may not be permitted to participate in learning activities, events or excursions due to incorrect Dress Code.
- All students out of Dress Code will be required to change their uniform with clothes from the Student Office.
- Parents may be contacted to bring appropriate clothing or footwear to enable a student to change.
- Where family circumstances make it difficult to comply with the Dress Code Policy, contact should be made with the appropriate Student Wellbeing Coordinator or Head of School to explore avenues for support.











#### Children's Centre

Our Children's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Parenting is an integral part of Mark Oliphant College B-12. The Centre brings together care, education, health, community development activities and services for families with young children.

#### **Programs**

Our Preschool provides a sessional Departmental funded curriculumbased 3-5-year-old program which operates Monday to Friday during school terms.

Occasional Care operates 5 sessions a week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday with programs for children over 2 and under 2 years of age running concurrently.

A range of playgroups and other family programs are offered, varying each term.

#### **Our Curriculum:**

We are guided by the principles of the National Quality Framework:

- The rights of the child are paramount
- Children are successful, capable and competent learners
- We strive for equity, inclusion and diversity
- Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures are valued
- The role of parents and families is respected and supported
- The provision of high quality education and care is expected

Our play-based curriculum is developed using the national Early Years Learning Framework for Australia: Being, Belonging and Becoming. We recognise, value and advocate for children to learn through play. Through play children experiment, discover, manipulate, invent and draw conclusions.

**Belonging** is the basis for living a fulfilling life, Children feel they belong because of the relationship they have with their family, community, culture and place.

**Being** is about living here and now. Childhood is a special time in life and children need time to just 'be' – time to play, try new things and have fun.

**Becoming** is about the learning and development that young children experience. Children start to form their sense of identity from an early age, which shapes the type of adult they will become.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

Our key learning outcomes are aligned to the National Early Years Learning Framework and encompass the following key understandings:

- o Children have a strong sense of wellbeing
- o Children are confident and involved learners
- o Children are effective communicators
- o Children have a strong sense of identity
- o Children are connected with and contribute to their world



Educators use the Early Years Learning Framework to create learning programs which build on the interests and abilities of your child. They engage in shared sustained conversations with children to extend thinking and take on a variety of roles during play. Educators use the framework to observe your child's learning and then carefully plan activities and create stimulating indoor and outdoor learning environments in order to foster learning and development. Educators' observations, along with the experiences provided for your child will be documented through photos, work samples and learning stories.

Our Bush/Beach Kindy program was developed in response to research that shows outdoor activities in a natural environment are extremely beneficial to children's health, wellbeing and development. Originating in Scandinavia in the 1950s, the forest preschool approach has been used as a framework for Bush Kindy in Australia, where children are encouraged to play in, and learn from, our natural environment.

### Key features of our Bush/Beach Kindy approach include:

- Children spend long and regular periods of time in unstructured or semi structured play in natural environments all year around
- Children experience the daily and seasonal fluctuations in weather and seasons
- Educators play a key role in promoting children as researchers, nurturing their inquiries and engaging in shared sustained conversations.
- Our Aboriginal Education and Community Officer shares knowledge of the Kaurna culture in particular

## Current research on children who regularly play in outdoor natural settings has concluded that they have:

- Increased confidence, motivation, concentration and resilience
- Increased social, physical and language skills
- Deeper conceptual understanding and respect for the natural environment
- Mud, sand, water, leaves, sticks etc. can stimulate children's immune systems, resulting in less illness
- Children are more physically active and more likely to be a healthy weight
- Children are more resistant to stress, have lower incidence of behavioural disorders, anxiety and depression, and have a higher measure of self-worth
- Deepened children's understanding of community and offers better opportunities for children to be present and authentically engaged in real life
- Encourages a well-connected, cohesive community that is environmentally aware

#### **Services**

#### Community Development Coordinator

The Community Development Coordinator works to increase community capacity to support families to provide the best opportunities for every child.

The Community Development Coordinator works with families and focuses on increasing their parenting capacity, linking them with a range of services and encouraging their participation within their community and in the directions of the Centre.

The Community Development Coordinator also promotes partnerships across a broad range of local service and organisations and establishes interagency programs to meet the needs of the community.

Each term there is a Children's Centre Community Program that is wide ranging. The program is published in newsletters, on Facebook and via the Children's Centre.

#### Occupational Therapy

Our Occupational Therapist offers therapeutic workshops and programs on topics pertinent to child and family wellbeing.

#### Northern Area Midwifery Group Practice - SA Health Within Children's Centre Thursday and Friday 9.30am - 2.30pm

Midwifery Group Practice (MGP) enables women to be cared for by the same Midwife (primary midwife) supported by a small group of midwives throughout their pregnancy, during childbirth and in the early weeks at home with a new baby. Midwifery care focuses on women's individual needs, or Woman's Centred Care.

Northern Area Midwifery Group Practice is a referral only service from the woman's GP and hospital visits which deem the woman's pregnancy as low risk.

This service is not a walk in service for local community.

#### **Preschool Charges**

- <u>Preschool</u> invoices will be issued at the beginning of the year and are required to be paid in full by the end of Term 2.
- Preschool is \$400.00 for the year.
- Our Bush and Beach Kindy Program are included in the fees
- The School Card scheme is not offered to preschool children
- Occasional Care invoices will be issued at the beginning of each term and need to be paid in full
- \$5.00 or \$1.50 concession card holders per session
- Preschool and Occasional Care fees are payable by Qkr!, cash or card

#### **Children's Centre Events and Dates to note:**

#### **Kindy Photos**

Session 1 – Tuesday 20th June

Session 2 – Friday 23rd June

#### **End of year celebrations**

Session 1 – Tuesday 5th December

Session 2 – Friday 8th December

**Bush Kindy** – Term 2 & Term 3 **Beach Kindy** – Term 4

**Playgroup, Baby Playgroup** run all year **Babies in Bush Playgroup** runs during Terms 2 & 3



TERM 1			
Staggered Start to Term 1	see Staggered Starts overleaf		
Tea & Tissues 9:05-10am Start of Foundation Day	Monday 30th January		
ID Photo Day	Thursday 2nd February		
Year 12 University Orientation Day	Week 2		
Acquaintance Night F-6	Week 3		
Dux Assembly	Week 3		
Pupil Free Day	Friday 10th March		
Adelaide Cup Public Holiday	Monday 13th March		
National Young Leaders Day	Friday 17th March		
NAPLAN	15th — 27th March		
Harmony Day	Tuesday 21st March		
F-6 Learning Conversations	Week 9		
Secondary Sports Day	Friday 24th March		
Secondary Learning Conversations	Week 10		
Good Friday Public Holiday	Friday 7th April		
Easter Monday Public Holiday	Monday 10th April		
F-6 Sports Day	Week 11		
Last day of Term 1 (Early Dismissal 2.10pm)	Friday 14th April		

TERM 2			
First Day of Term 2	Monday 1st May		
Year 12 Formal	Friday 12th May		
Early Years Swimming	Week 3		
International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	Wednesday 17th May		
National Reconciliation Week	27th May – 3rd June		
Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)	Monday 12th June		
Pupil Free Day	Tuesday 13th June		
Primary Years Swimming	Week 7 & 8		
Kindy Photos (Session 1)	Tuesday 20th June		
Kindy Photos (Session 2)	Friday 23rd June		
NAIDOC Week	3rd July — 10th July		
Last day of Term 2 (Early Dismissal 2.10pm)	Friday 7th July		

TERM 3	
First Day of Term 3	Monday 24th July
Year 11 into 12 Secondary Course Counselling	Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th August
Year 10 into 11 Secondary Course Counselling	Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th August
CBCA Book Week	9th August – 26th August
School Photo Day	Thursday 10th August
Year 10 into 11 Secondary Course Counselling Catchup	Friday 11th August
Mop-up Photos	Tuesday 15th August
Wear it Purple Day	Friday 25th August
F-6 Learning Conversations	Week 9
Secondary Learning Conversations	Week 9
Pupil Free Day	Thursday 7th September
School Closure Day	Friday 8th September
ARA Day	Thursday 14th September
R U OK Day?	Thursday 14th September
Last day of Term 3 (Early Dismissal 2.10pm)	Friday 29th September

TERM 4	
First day of Term 4	Monday 16th October
Pupil Free Day	Monday 30th October
Year 12 Farewell Assembly	Friday 3rd November
Year 12 Exams	Monday 6th November - Friday 17th November
Remembrance Day	Saturday 11th November
Year 7 Transition	Date TBC
Foundation Transition	Week 4
Year 12 Graduation - Starplex	Monday 20th November
Year 11 Exams	Week 6 and Week 7
Last day for Year 11 students	Friday 1st December
Year 10 Exams	Week 8
Kindy End of Year Celebration (Session 1)	Tuesday 5th December
Kindy End of Year Celebration (Session 2)	Friday 8th December
Transition and last day for Year 10 students	Friday 8th December
Last day of Term 4 (Early Dismissal 2.10pm)	Friday 15th December



## Mark Oliphant College B-12

# First day of school for 2023 STAGGERED STARTS

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>
January 2023
F-6, Year 7,
11 and 12

Tuesday 31st January 2023 Years 8-10

If you require further information please visit the Front Office, phone 8209 1600 or email info@moc.sa.edu.au.

# AN INVITATION Whether it's this...

## Tea & Tissues

To all new families of Foundation students,



Or this...





Please come and join us for a cup of tea/coffee and some morning tea after your child is in their classroom ready for learning. This will be an informal session to meet and chat to other parents, ask questions and meet the leadership team at Mark Oliphant College.

Where: Building 1 Staff room

When: Monday 30th January 2023, 9:05-10:00am





## "Say Cheese"





#### **School Photo Day is:**

## **Thursday 10th August 2023**

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP payment envelopes & remember these helpful points:

ALL STUDENTS NEED TO ATTEND on Thursday 10th

AUGUST 2023 FOR PHOTOGRAPHS

#### Pay Now or Pay Later but take your envelope on the day

- **Don't seal envelopes inside each other** You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request.
- Prices range from \$30 to \$52

Pay Later REMINDER NOTICES WILL BE SENT OUT IN TERM 3.

Family Photos - Concession Packs Available!

If students are away both days: MSP Photography provide a studio session each term break in their Norwood office that parents can book in for to get portraits taken – they will not appear in the class photo as this would have been produced by then. Contact MSP Photography for more information.

Please feel free to visit our website <a href="www.msp.com.au">www.msp.com.au</a>
For photo enquiries Phone: (08) 8132 1148 or Email: enquiries.adl@msp.com.au

2023 Whole of College Acknowledgements include:

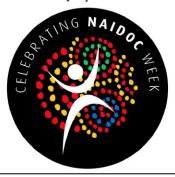
International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia:

Wednesday 17th May

The International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia is observed on May 17th and aims to coordinate international events that raise awareness of LGBT rights violations and stimulate interest in LGBT rights work worldwide.

National Reconciliation Week: 27th May - 3rd June

NAIDOC Week: 3rd - 10th July



Wear it Purple Day: Friday 25th August

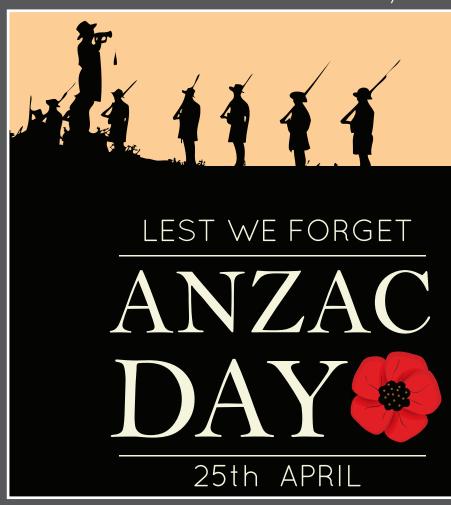
Why we wear it purple -Purpose:

Wear it Purple strives to foster supportive, safe, empowering and inclusive environments for rainbow young people.

(See more on the Events Calendar)

#### **Annual Commemorations**

At Mark Oliphant College we acknowledge our Defence families, the sacrifices of our servicemen and women, and remember all those who lost their lives in service to their country.



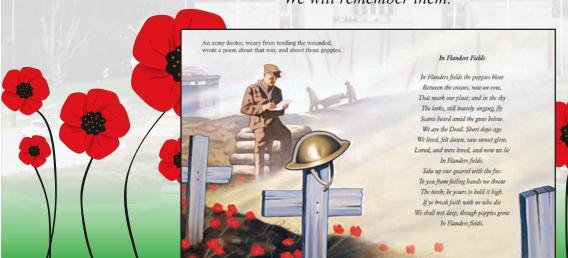




## Remembrance Day

#### 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.





#### **Governing Council**

Welcome to the Mark Oliphant College Governing Council page. The Governing Council welcomes all parents and caregivers to join in and contribute to decision making at the College. Please book in for an information session or come along to a meeting to find out more.

Governing Council supports our students and provides opportunities in a number of ways:

- School uniform
- Playground equipment
- Scholarships
- Fundraising
- Supporting Music events
- Supporting transport

## Just One Thing 2023



Be involved and help out in 2023!

We would be grateful if every family would nominate to do "just one thing" throughout the year.

## Meeting Dates 2023

Time: 6pm - 8pm Location: Building 3

#### **TERM 1:**

Tuesday 14th February Tuesday 21st March

#### **TERM 2:**

Tuesday 16th May Tuesday 20th June

#### **TERM 3:**

Tuesday 8th August
Tuesday 12th September

#### **TERM 4:**

Tuesday 31st October Tuesday 5th December

#### Affiliated Committees

- FAC Finance Advisory Committee
- Fundraising Committee
- OSHC Committee
- Uniform Committee



## Mark Oliphant College GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council needs you. Site governance is the partnership between the College and local community as represented on its Governing Council, and the Principal working together to develop the future directions for the College. Jointly they monitor and report progress to continually enhance the performance of the College and the achievement of its students.







#### **ACCESING THE DAYMAP PARENT PORTAL and DAYMAP APP**

Step 1: Download the Daymap Mobile App from the Apple App or Google Play stores

**Apple App store** 

https://apps.apple.com/au/app/id1494799850



#### **Google Play store**

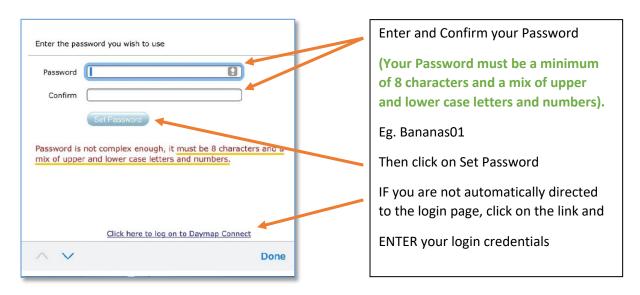
https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.daymap.mobile



#### Step 2: Reset your Daymap Parent Portal password

Send an email from your preferred email account along with your name and your child/children's name/s to: daymap\_help@moc.sa.edu.au

Step 3: Click on the link sent by email to reset your password

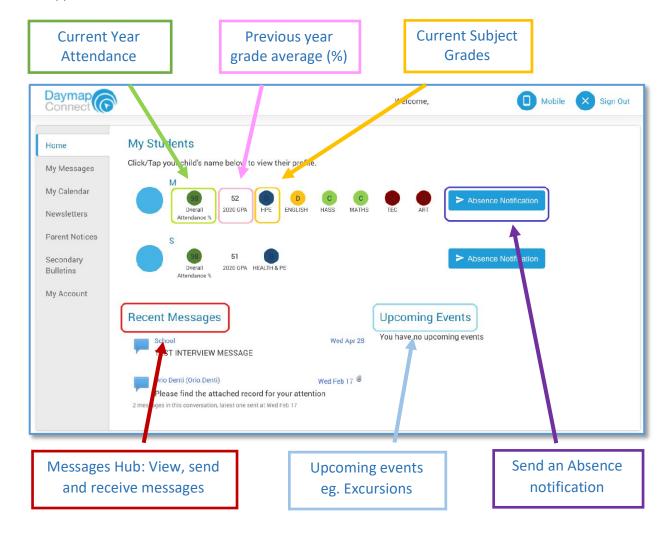


Step 4: Login



**Step 5: The Parent Portal** 

Once you have logged in you will be taken to the Parent Portal where you will have access to a range of information and features. The Portal can be accessed from any device and has more features than the App.



**Step 6: Using the Daymap Mobile App** 

NB: the mobile App does not have all the features of the Parent Portal.

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Sign Out

Link to Daymap login
https://daymap.moc.sa.edu.au







## For quicker, hassle-free school payments, try Qkr! today

Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

#### With Qkr you can:

- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



#### Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

#### Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app





#### Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

#### Step 3 Find our school

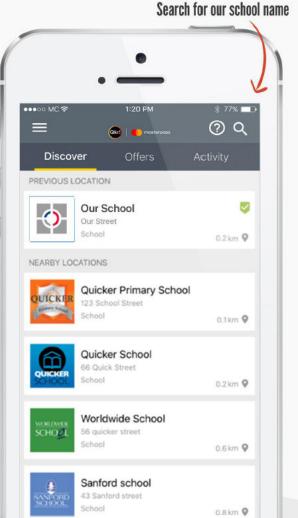
Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

#### Step 4 Register your children

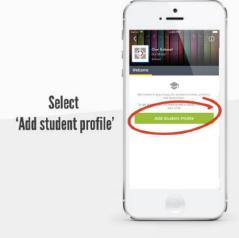
When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them. If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

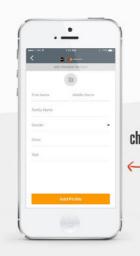


If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'



#### Add your children's details in Student Profiles







Manage each child's details in Student Profiles

#### Purchase school items

Select a menu from our school





Select child you are ordering for



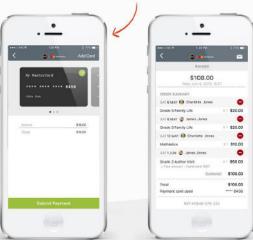
Select your items

Tap 'Checkout' then confirm and pay

#### Making payments







At checkout select which card to pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted by the school.

Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.



## Health & First Aid

@ MOC

## At Mark Oliphant College we take health seriously.

Hi, I am Michelle and I am the Registered Nurse managing our First Aid department. My work colleague Sue is First Aid trained and has qualifications in Administration management which assists me to keep all of our medical records up to date and in order. Together we share a passion for child and adolescent health and each year strive to support and educate our student's to head into the future with a healthy body, mind and soul. We believe learning requires a holistic approach with health playing an important role in success. We are here to support families and empower students to reach their potential goals.

We network with other allied health services, connect with local doctors and work as one big team at Mark Oliphant College with our counsellors, teachers, SSO's and well-being officer all on board to support our students health.

As parents/carers you can help us provide the best possible quality of care by providing us with information regarding your child's health and updating us if there are any changes in your child's condition.



We will require Care plans and medication authority forms to be renewed every 12 months with the doctor and supplied to first aid. This information supports safe practice and a better understanding of your child's health requirements. If your child has an allergy or chronic health condition or acute illness that requires us to administer medication or provide medical treatment in school hours please provide the necessary forms and medication that must be labelled and in date. In case of emergency or illness consider friends or family that may be suitable to be on your child's contact list and make sure phone numbers are current.

Please call us on 8209 1600 to discuss any concerns or drop past our office during school hours.



Michelle Boswell Registered Nurse



Sue Grosser First Aid





