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## 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 22 January 2024, 9am – 3pm for:

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

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## 2024 Term Dates

- Term 1:**  
29 January - 12 April
- Term 2:**  
29 April - 5 July
- Term 3:**  
22 July - 27 September
- Term 4:**  
14 October - 13 December

## Qkr! Payment App

The most advanced mobile payments solution

Qkr!™ by Mastercard® is the mobile phone payment app designed for Australian schools, delivering an advanced and competitive online payment solution. Qkr 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
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- Track transactions easily with online receipts

## Uniform

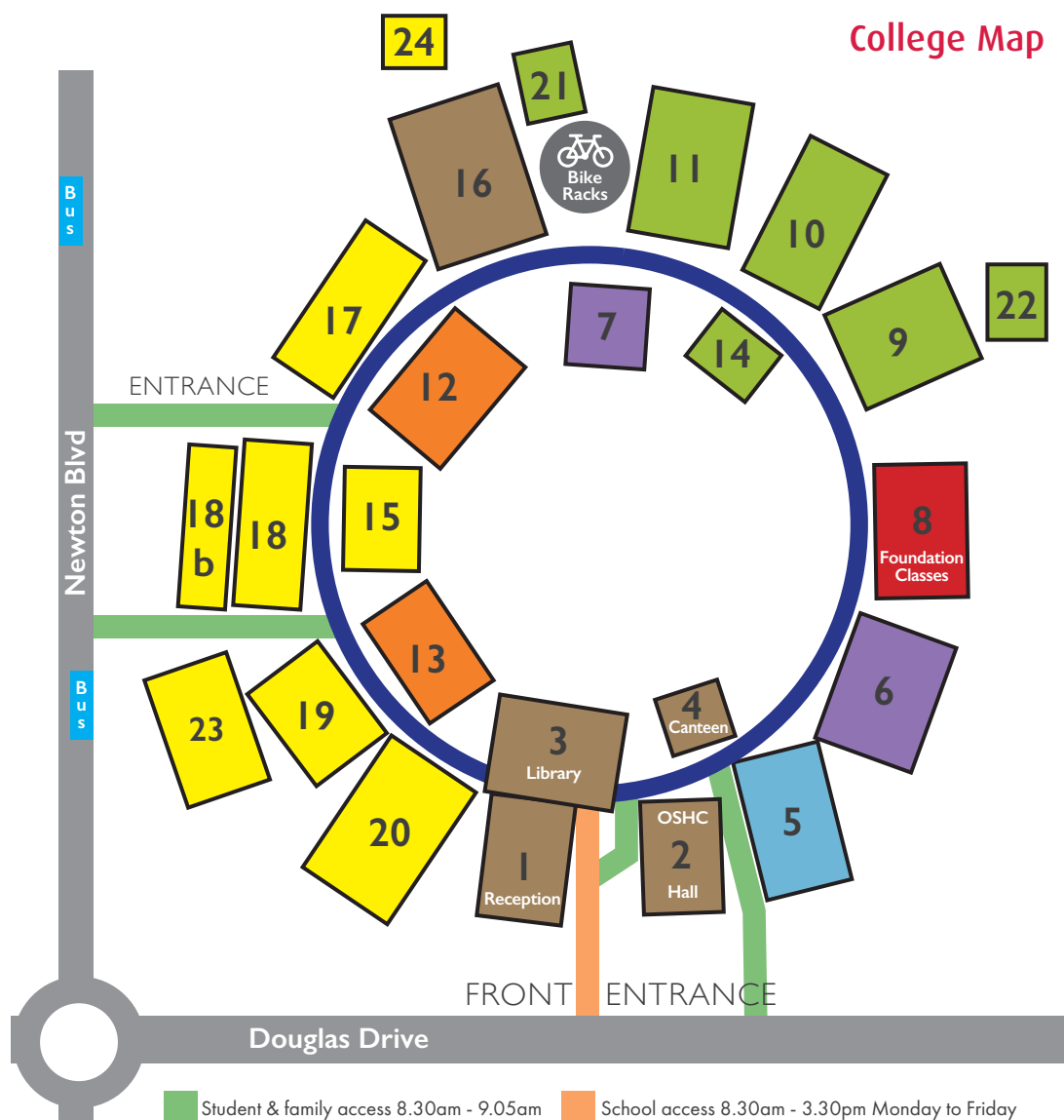
Wearing of the Mark Oliphant College uniform is compulsory for all students in Foundation through to Year 12. School uniform is important because:

- 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 <https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/mark-oliphant-college/> 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 2024.

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, Friday**  
**2.20pm 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 page 3)



## Canteen

Our canteen is managed by Downer 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 on the Qkr! App.

## 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 YMCA.



## Communication

The College operates an SMS messaging facility, as well as via Daymap and EdSmart.

**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 [dl.1900.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.1900.info@schools.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 18.



## 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	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](http://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 Qkr! 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 purchasing a hat from a retail outlet (such as Kmart) as Devon Clothing do not stock specific Mark Oliphant College Hats.



## 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 by MSP on Friday 9 February 2024. For students that arrive after this date, it is arranged for them to have their photos taken in the library as soon as possible.

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.



## 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 2024 are: Primary (Foundation - Year 6) = \$287, Secondary (Year 7 - 12) = \$379.

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.

## Qkr!

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 dentists 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 environment.

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 2024 School Card allowance for Primary students is \$287 and for Secondary students is \$379. **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 2024

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.

✓ Essential Middle Years items:	✓ Essential Senior Years items:
5 x lined books 96 pages	1 x A4 exercise book 8mm ruled 96
2 x lined books 48 pages	2 x graph books 96 pages
2 x lined graph book 5mm squares 96 pages	1 x A4 refillable display book 20 pocket black
4 x lead pencils HB	Generously sized pencil case
4 x blue biro	4 x blue or black ballpoint pens
2 x red biro	4 x HB pencil
2 x black biro	1 x 30cm plastic ruler
1 packet coloured pencils	1 x scientific calculator
1 x eraser	2 x erasers
1 x pencil sharpener	1 x glue stick
1 x 30cm ruler	1 x highlighter
<b>Suggested items:</b>	1 x pencil sharpener
1 x 16GB USB	<b>Suggested items:</b>
A4 display folders	Chomebook protective cover
coloured textas	
fluoro 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.*

### 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 through the Maths Department.

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



Mark Oliphant College (B-12) - 1900		
Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2024		
Notice of Charges for Foundation To Yr 6		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$0.00
	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00
	Photocopied Material	\$53.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)</b>	<b>\$53.00</b>
Stationery items that are provided for the student	Stationery Items	\$60.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Student Information Technology	\$105.00
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
	Access to Equipment	\$39.00
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$20.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$10.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)</b>		<b>\$287.00</b>

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 Oliphant College (B-12) - 1900		
Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2024		
Notice of Charges for Years 7 - 12		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$10.00
	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00
	Photocopied Material	\$60.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
Stationery items that are provided for the student	Stationery Items	\$15.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Student Information Technology	\$155.00
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
	Access to Equipment	\$45.00
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$84.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$10.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)</b>		<b>\$379.00</b>

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

# WHAT IS SCHOOL 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).

## 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 flyer.


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

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

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# APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL CARD



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](http://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](http://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)



## Mark Oliphant College 2024 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:

<b>✓ POLO TOP</b> <b>Foundation – Year 6:</b> <i>Red Cherry</i> Mark Oliphant College Polo Top <b>Year 7 – Year 9:</b> <i>Navy Blue</i> Mark Oliphant College Polo Top <b>Year 10 – Year 12:</b> <i>Charcoal Grey</i> Mark Oliphant College Polo Top
<b>✓ SHORTS</b> <i>Black</i>
<b>✓ SKIRT</b> <i>Black</i>
<b>✓ TROUSERS</b> <i>Black</i>
<b>✓ TRACK PANTS</b> <i>Black</i>
<b>✓ LEGGINGS</b> <i>Black under garment only</i>
<b>✓ DRESS</b> <i>Chicago Summer dress</i>
<b>✓ BUCKET HAT</b> <i>any Sun Smart hat</i>
<b>✓ NAVY FLEECE ZIP</b>
<b>✓ NAVY SOFT-SHELL JACKET</b>
<b>✓ NAVY SPRAY JACKET</b>
<b>✓ RUGBY JUMPERS</b> <i>Years 6 -11</i>
<b>✓ FOOTWEAR</b> <i>respectable coloured, closed in shoes</i>

**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 page 3 of this booklet. Our uniform policy can be found <https://moc.sa.edu.au/parent-info/uniform-shop/>

## Not Permitted

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

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

#### Kindy Photos

Session 1 – Tuesday 4th June

Session 2 – Friday 7th June

#### Kindy Farewells

Session 2 – Wednesday 26th June

Session 1 – Wednesday 4th December

**Bush Kindy** – Term 2 & Term 3

**Beach Kindy** – Term 4

**Playgroup, Baby Playgroup** run all year

**Bush Playgroup** runs during Terms 2 & 3





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 Kurna 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.

## Playgroups and Parenting Programs

We offer a number of playgroups and a variety of parenting programs all year round. Our playgroups support your child's development through sharing songs, rhymes, oral language, painting, drawing, writing and sharing books.

There are many benefits to attending a playgroup with your child including:

- Focus on respectful relationships, wellbeing and learning
- Supporting positive interactions between parents or carers and their children
- Working individually with families through modelling, providing an environment and resources for interactions and providing a framework for parents and carers to observe their children's learning
- Support families to be their child's first teacher by supporting early literacy, numeracy, development and engagement with learning through play and interactions
- Improve early learning opportunities for children
- Support the development and wellbeing of children and their parents
- Empower parents and increase parent capacity to support their children's learning and development
- Provide access to quality information and resources
- Strengthen communities through interagency collaboration and coordination in the provision of family focused programs and services
- For families to connect with their local community, and for carers and children to connect with each other through play
- Promote and support positive relationships between families and early childhood services and schools, including transitions from home to early childhood settings and schools.

## Allied Health Program

The allied health program supports early intervention for children aged birth to 3 years to minimise developmental delays. The program builds the capacity of children's centre preschool staff to identify children at risk of developmental delay, and supports staff and parents in promoting child development.

Allied health staff are:

- speech pathologists, who assist with all aspects of communication including speech, language, literacy, signs, symbols and gestures and can also assist with issues around eating and drinking
- occupational therapists, who support children's participation in and performance of daily activities involving the strengthening of play skills, fine and gross motor skills, concentration and self-regulation skills.

Allied health staff build the capacity of parents and carers of the centre through:

- parenting groups, parent consultation, referrals and distribution of resources to assist children with toileting, feeding, play, speech and language skills.

## Preschool Charges

- **Preschool** 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.**



## TERM 1

Staggered Start to Term 1	see <i>Staggered Starts overleaf</i>
Meet & Greet for Foundation Families	Monday 29th January
VET Student Induction Day (WorkPRO)	Friday 2nd February
Year 12 University Orientation Day (Adelaide University)	Monday 5th February
MSP Photo Day	Friday 9th February
Mop-up Photo Day	Monday 19th February
Whole College Meet & Greet	Wednesday 21st February
Secondary Sports Day	Thursday 7th March
Pupil Free Day	Friday 8th March
Adelaide Cup Public Holiday	Monday 11th March
Deadly Night	Week 7
NAPLAN	13th March - 25th March
Harmony Day	Thursday 21st March
Learning Conversations F-6	Week 9
Learning Conversations Secondary	TBC
Good Friday Public Holiday	Friday 29th March
Easter Monday Public Holiday	Monday 1st April
F-6 Sports Day	Thursday 11th April
Year 10 Work Experience	Week 11 Monday 8th April - Friday 12th April
Year 12 Formal	Friday 12th April (TBC)
Last Day of Term 1 (Early Dismissal 2:10pm)	Friday 12th April

## TERM 2

First Day of Term 2	Monday 29th April
Early Years Swimming	Week 3
International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia	Friday 17th May
National Simultaneous Storytime	Wednesday 22nd May
National Reconciliation Week	27th May - 3rd June
King's Birthday Public Holiday	Monday 10th June
Pupil Free Day	Tuesday 11th June
Year 11 Semester 1 Exams	Week 7
Deadly Night	Week 7
Primary Years Swimming	Week 7 & 8
Year 10 Semester 1 Exams	Week 8
Kindy Photos (Session 1)	Tuesday 4th June
Kindy Photos (Session 2)	Friday 7th June
Kindy Farewells (Session 2)	Wednesday 26th June
Last Day of Term 2 (Early Dismissal 2:10pm)	Friday 5th July
NAIDOC Week	7th July - 14th July



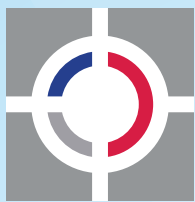
# 2024 Events Calendar

## TERM 3

First Day of Term 3	Monday 22nd July
Secondary Career and Subject Expo	Wednesday 24th July (TBC)
Year 11 into 12 Secondary Course Counselling	Week 2 - Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th July
Year 10 into 11 Secondary Course Counselling	Week 2 - Wednesday 31st and Thursday 1st August
Secondary Course Counselling Catchup	Week 2 - Friday 2nd August
Science Week	Week 4
CBCA Book Week	17th August - 23rd August
SSO Week	Week 6
PAT Testing	2nd September - 27th September
Mid-year intake School Photos	TBC
Deadly Night	Week 7
Wear it Purple Day	Friday 30th August
F-6 Learning Conversations	Week 9
Secondary Learning Conversations	Week 9 (TBC)
Pupil Free Day	Thursday 5th September
School Closure Day	Friday 6th September
ARA Cultural Showcase Day	Thursday 12th September
R U OK? Day	Thursday 12th September
Last Day of Term 3 (Early Dismissal 2:10pm)	Friday 27th September

## TERM 4

First Day of Term 4	Monday 14th October
Pupil Free Day	Monday 28th October
Year 12 Farewell Assembly	Friday 1st November
Year 12 Exams	Monday 4th November - Friday 15th November
Remembrance Day	Monday 11th November
Year 7 Transition	TBC
Foundation Transition	TBC
Year 12 Graduation	Monday 18th November
Year 11 Semester 2 Exams	Week 7
Deadly Night	Week 7
Year 10 Semester 2 Exams	Week 8
Last Day for Year 11 Students	Friday 29th November
Kindy Farewells (Session 1)	Wednesday 4th December
Last day for Year 10 Students	Friday 6th December
NASSSA VET Awards	Tuesday 10th December TBC
Whole School Presentation Night	Monday 9th December
Last Day of Term 4 (Early Dismissal 2:10pm)	Friday 13th December



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# First day of school for 2024 **STAGGERED STARTS**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup>  
January 2024**

**F-6, Year 7,  
11 and 12**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>  
January 2024**  
**Years 8-10**

If you require further information please  
visit the Front Office, phone 8209 1600  
or email [dl.1900.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.1900.info@schools.sa.edu.au).



AN INVITATION

# Meet and Greet for new families



To all new families of Foundation students,

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 3 Staff room**

**When: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024, 9:05-10:00am**



## "Say Cheese"



**MSP Photography  
are on their way!!!**

**School Photo Day is:**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

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

**All students need to attend on Friday 9th February 2024 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.

**Pay Later** REMINDER NOTICES WILL BE SENT OUT

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 [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au)

For photo enquiries Phone: (08) 8132 1148 or Email: [enquiries.adl@msp.com.au](mailto:enquiries.adl@msp.com.au)

2024 Whole of College Acknowledgements include:

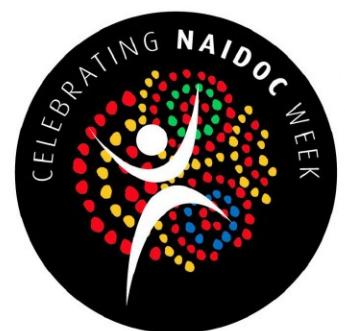
**International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia:**

**Friday 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 rights violations and stimulate interest in LGBTQIA+ rights work worldwide.

**National Reconciliation Week: 27th May - 3rd June**

**NAIDOC Week:  
7th - 14th July**



**Wear it Purple Day:  
Friday 30th 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.



LEST WE FORGET

# ANZAC DAY



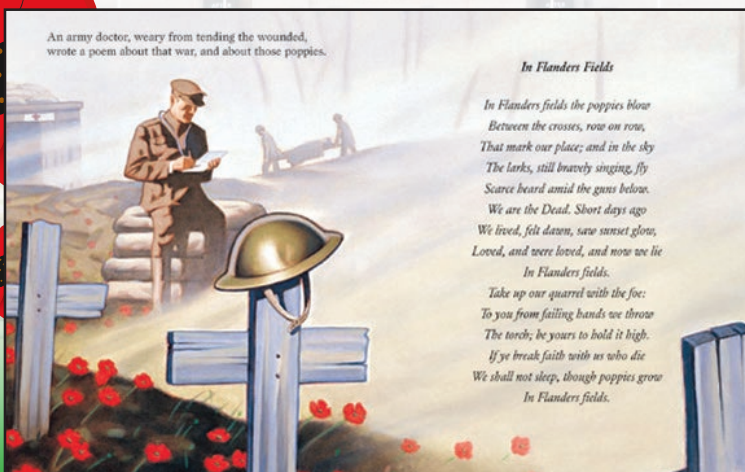
25th APRIL

## 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.*

An army doctor, weary from tending the wounded,  
wrote a poem about that war, and about those poppies.



### In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.  
We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.  
Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from falling hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.



# 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 2024



Be involved and help out in 2024!

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

## Meeting Dates 2024

**Time:** 6pm - 8pm

**Location:** Building 3

### **TERM 1:**

Tuesday 13th February

Tuesday 19th March

### **TERM 2:**

Tuesday 14th May

Tuesday 18th June

### **TERM 3:**

Tuesday 6th August

Tuesday 10th September

### **TERM 4:**

Tuesday 29th October

Tuesday 3rd 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.**



## ACCESSING 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

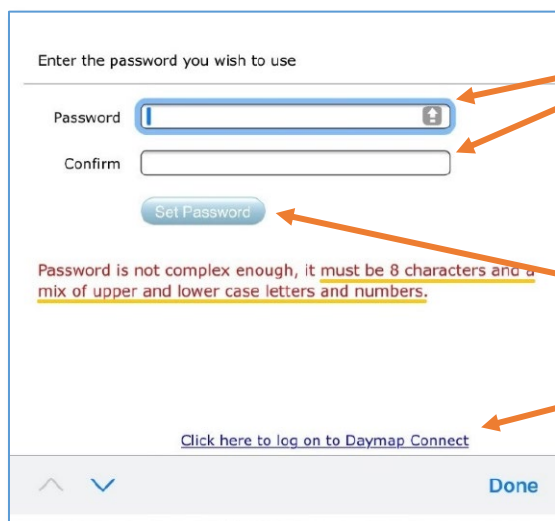
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.daymap.mobile>



### 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



Enter and Confirm your Password

(Your Password must be a minimum of 8 characters and a mix of upper and lower case letters and numbers).

Eg. Bananas01

Then click on Set Password

IF you are not automatically directed to the login page, click on the link and

ENTER your login credentials

## Step 4: Login

Mark Oliphant College

Username :

Password :

[Forgot your password?](#)  
[Can't access your account?](#)

☐ Remember Me

To login enter your...

**Username:** (youremailaddress.com.au)

**Password:** Bananas01 ...and press 'Sign In'

(For ALL future logins you can login in with your email address OR your Daymap Code. Your unique Daymap Code is visible from the 'account' section of the Parent Portal / App.

Eg. Johnny Parent

Daymap Code: PARE01

## 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.

Current Year Attendance

Previous year grade average (%)

Current Subject Grades

Daymap Connect

Welcome,

Mobile Sign Out

Home

My Messages

My Calendar

Newsletters

Parent Notices

Secondary Bulletins

My Account

My Students

Click/Tap your child's name below to view their profile.

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Overall Attendance % 58

2020 GPA 52

HPE D

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MATHS C

TEC D

ART D

S

Overall Attendance % 58

2020 GPA 51

HEALTH & PE D

Absence Notification

Absence Notification

Recent Messages

School

ST INTERVIEW MESSAGE

Orio Denti (Orio Denti)

Please find the attached record for your attention

2 messages in this conversation, latest one sent at Wed Feb 17

Upcoming Events

Wed Apr 28

You have no upcoming events

Wed Feb 17

Messages Hub: View, send and receive messages

Upcoming events eg. Excursions

Send an Absence notification

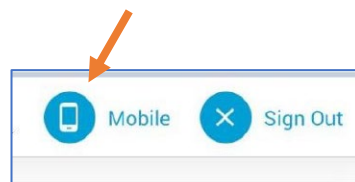
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### Link to Daymap login

<https://daymap.moc.sa.edu.au>





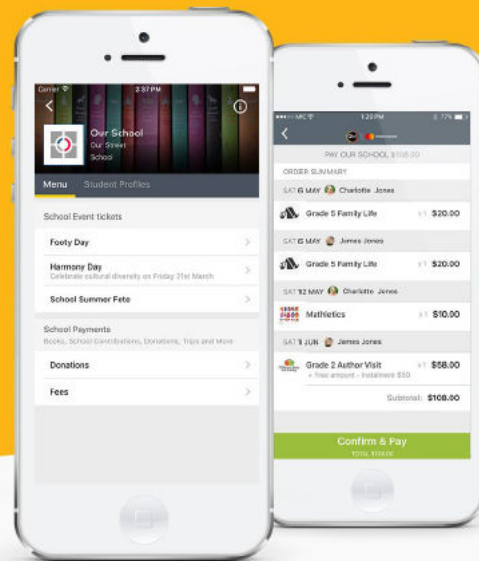
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on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



### 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.

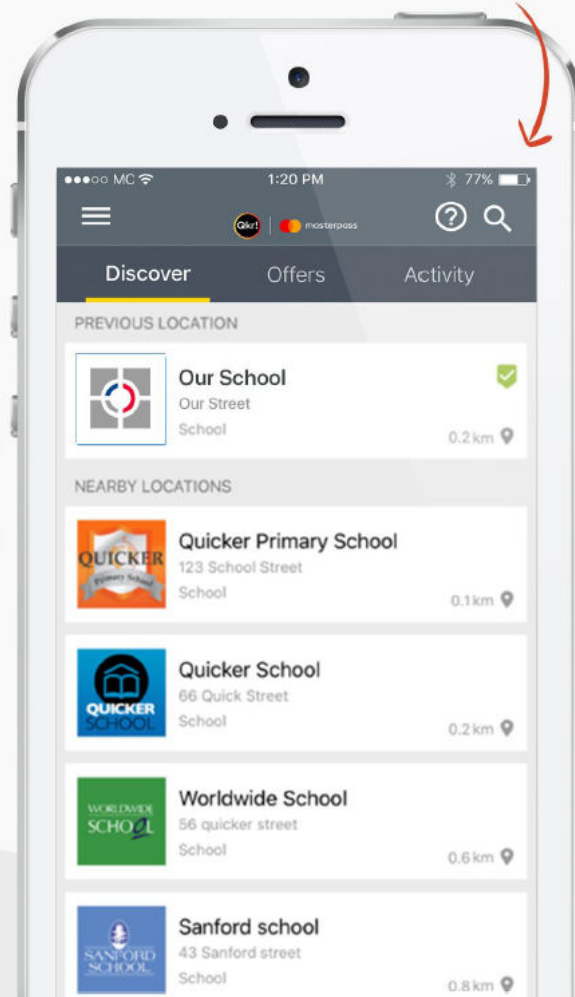
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When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

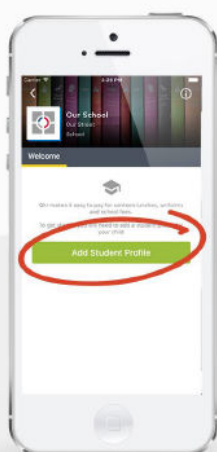
If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name

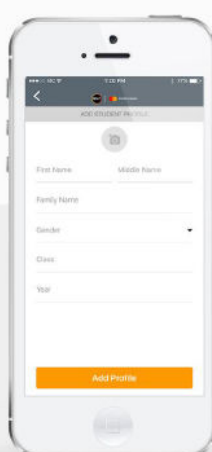


## Add your children's details in Student Profiles

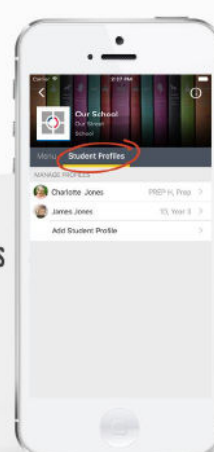
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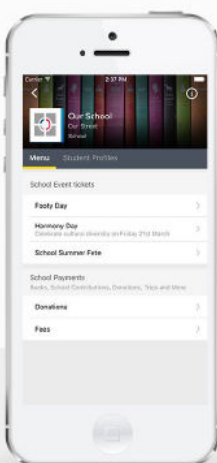


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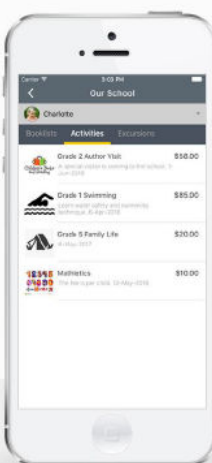


## Purchase school items

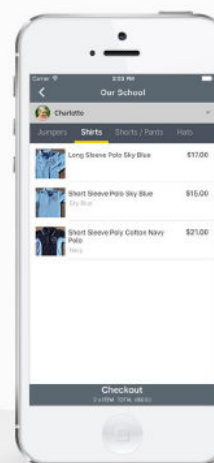
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from our school



Select child  
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ordering for



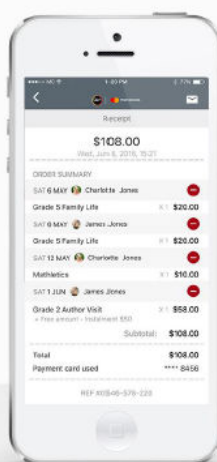
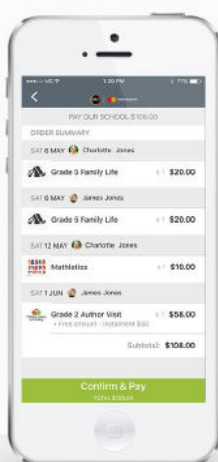
Select your items



Tap 'Checkout'  
then confirm and pay

## Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



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.







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