Ian Wake has been at William Carey Christian School since 1991.

He arrived as a new teacher, fresh out of university, and taught Science and some Mathematics, and a bit of Music. He soon started the musical tradition in the school, firstly with “Cool in the Furnace”, and from then on biennially. Until becoming principal, Ian was usually the producer of the musicals.

Ian was the Head of Welfare and Creative Arts for many years, and then one of the Deputy Principals. During this time he set up our pastoral care system, did the main timetable for years, as well as continuing to teach Science, including senior Biology, and Biblical Studies.

In 2006, our founding Principal, Warwick Wilkie, retired, and Ian became Principal. He has led the school well, through many changes.

He established the Maphutseng project (with World Vision) as a mission involvement for the school. Maphutseng is located in Lesotho, one of the poorest countries in the world. Over the years we have built classrooms and a bridge, set up ongoing sustainable agricultural projects at the school, sent ambassadors to Maphutseng and have hosted visitors from there. We have distributed Bibles to all students at Bethesda High School, been involved in setting up a chaplain at the school, supported a community based agricultural program called Growing Nations, and supported double orphan families where a student is the head of the family.

Ian established the PEP (Pursuing Excellence Program) here at Carey, which has examined many areas of the school and made significant improvements to them. This has included the new timetable structure to support our new wellbeing program, new uniforms, the growth of the high school advanced learning, the expansion of the primary educational support – plus countless smaller changes that have meant improvement in the school’s academic, extracurricular and community culture.

Ian has set up air conditioning throughout the school; he has overseen major building projects, including Prep, Metals Trade Training Centre, new Creative Arts facility (including specialised Drama room) and extensions to both the Library and the Hall. Expansion of school opportunities include both OOSH and Vacation Care for young students. He has established our biennial Fun Fairs – save the date – May 2016. Now he is leaving us, and going to St Paul's Grammar School. Come and join us as we farewell Ian on the 15th November – see invitation below. Pray for him and his family as he applies his wealth of knowledge and skills to a new situation.
We are now well into our final term for the year. Even at this late stage, however, there is still much happening that parents need to be aware of and involved in. The 16th November is the day we welcome our “new” Year 7 students for 2016. The school has a full day of transition events, including students participating in sample lessons in the high school, combined sporting activities, a variety of informative presentations and a number of opportunities for staff and students to build relationship. This busy day will be followed by an evening where students and staff join together for dinner. Then at 7pm we will hold an hour long meeting with the parents of these students where we address many of the issues and concerns of having children in the high school.

On Thursday 19th November there will be a time of celebration and fun as we share in the Year 10 Dinner Dance and on Thursday 3rd December we look back at the year that was, and acknowledge the involvement, personal growth and achievements of all of our high school students in our Awards assembly. You are very welcome to attend this assembly.

All of our Year 12 students have (finally) finished their HSC examinations. This is a time of great relief for many students and families alike. It may also be a time of significant anxiety and uncertainty as our students move from the security and predictable nature of school life, to the more unknown realm of university admissions, tertiary studies, TAFE training and the world of work. As a school community, I would like to encourage you to pray for these students as they make this very significant transition.

Our 2015 Year 11 cohort of students, are now known as Year 12 as they begin their HSC studies. Year 11 (or Preliminary Studies) concluded at the end of Week 2 of this term. We congratulate these students having successfully completed these studies and we look forward to their results being included as a part of their Board of Studies Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) Record of School Achievement (RoSA). Years 7 to 10 final examinations have also concluded. Reports for these students will be posted home in the last week of term (Week 9). Reports for Year 11 will be mailed out in Week 5.

Please allow me to take this opportunity to also make you aware of the 2016 Parent Seminars that are currently being organised. These seminars proved to be extremely popular this year with over one hundred parents attending our final meeting. The seminars have been designed to meet the needs of parents offering relevant and specific information on issues such as: common mental health concerns like stress, anxiety and depression, issues relating to gender identity, hyper-sexualisation and the effects of the adult world on a developing adolescent mind, cyber safety and social networking, body image, teenage sex, adolescent relationships and so on.

We hold these seminars in Term 1 and early in Term 2 and they are designed to be pertinent to all parents with students in Years P-12. The seminars are attended by the school’s counsellors and psychologists and well as the school’s Senior Welfare Team and some members of the senior executive. A variety of teaching staff also choose to attend. Seminars are held in the evening from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm. They are advertised as “adult only”, and students are instructed not to attend. This facilitates full and frank discussions on a variety of topics that may not normally be addressed with parents in a public forum.

The topics we are planning to cover in 2016 are, “Adolescents and Relationships” (Your Choicez - David and Katie Kobler), “Body Image” (Butterfly Foundation) and “Dealing with anxiety and depression” (Black Dog Institute). Please plan to attend these important nights, more information will be available shortly.

In His service,
Brad Milburn
Deputy Principal Welfare (On behalf of the High School Deputies)
You will note from the dates below, that Mr Wake’s Community Farewell is coming up soon. I am looking forward to this opportunity to appropriately farewell a friend and colleague, who has been such an integral part of William Carey for so long. I would encourage you to come along, to help farewell Mr Wake.

Have you even noticed just how much our Library staff bring to William Carey? We have recently enjoyed Book Week, complete with a huge Book Fair and associated activities. Grandparent’s Day featured a strong Library component, with both the book fair and photo booth hosted by the Library staff. Your children have been part of the Premier’s Reading Challenge for another year, ensuring they engage with quality literature. Add to that the intentional teaching that goes on each week, focusing on, amongst other things, research skills and technology, and you start to see what a large part the Library plays in your child’s school life. Many parents would also be familiar with the Library, as they borrow books each week to share with their children. Thank you to the amazing library staff, and all that they bring to Primary.

We continue to work on staffing and classing for 2016, and would value your prayers for this process. It is a complicated jigsaw puzzle, but one that God always sorts for us in time.

As we organise staffing for 2016, I need to inform you of the retirement of a long serving staff member. Mrs Judy Craig has been involved with the school for almost all of its existence, initially as a parent and then as a staff member. Mrs Craig has taught a variety of grades and served the school in many capacities, most recently working with children from non English speaking backgrounds. She will be missed as she retires at the end of this year and we wish her all the very best for her retirement.

Recently Mrs Connellan’s morning assembly focus has been around generosity. It has been a great reminder for the children, of the generous God we have and how they can display generosity at school. It has also reminded me of just how generous our school families are. The Christmas hamper donations have been flowing in, as families demonstrate their care for others in a practical fashion. Thank you for your ongoing support of these endeavours.

As the year heads towards a close, it is a good time to remind parents of uniform requirements, as you begin to prepare for 2016. Almost all uniform items are purchased from the Uniform Shop, which makes it easy. Could I ask parents to please carefully check the shoe requirements, in order to ensure you purchase the correct type/s. This includes sneakers/joggers. If in doubt, ask the ladies at the Uniform Shop or come and see me.

Upcoming Events

**Wednesday 4/11**
- IPSSO ASG vs. WCCS

**Thursday 5/11**
- Year 3 Kurnell Excursion

**Friday 6/11**
- Year 5 Primary Pals Movie Afternoon

**Monday 9/11**
- Year 6 Leadership Day

**Wednesday 11/11**
- IPSSO THAC vs. WCCS

**Friday 13/11**
- Maphutseng Talent Show

**Sunday 15/11**
- Mr Wake’s Community Farewell – 2:30pm to 4:30pm in the School Hall

**Monday 16/11**
- Year 6 into 7 Transition Day/Orientation Evening

**Wednesday 18/11**
- IPSSO Finals
- Kindergarten Open Afternoon

“For All flesh is like grass, and all its glory like a flower of the grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures forever. And this is the word that was preached as the gospel to you.” 1 Peter 1:24-25

In His service,
Robert Burgess
William Carey’s Year 12 students are currently in the midst of sitting their final HSC examinations, with the last few exams to take place this week. The final year of High School has been epitomised by many highs and lows; moments of satisfaction and celebration, as well as moments of stress and hardship. We are incredibly proud of the perseverance and resolute attitude that the Year 12’s have demonstrated. As a council, the SLC continuously pray for not only their schooling, and that the work they have put in will provide them with the results they desire, but that the Year 12’s will also remain healthy and strong throughout these final moments of the HSC. We pray that all the Year 12’s recognise that there is in fact life beyond the HSC, and that their best years are yet to come.

William Carey has been in partnership with World Vision and the community of Maphutseng in Lesotho for quite some time now, and throughout the years we have achieved many things in order to support this community. To further our contribution, this term William Carey will be running the Maphutseng Challenge Race for all high school students to participate in. We encourage students to not only contribute sponsorship efforts themselves but also raise funds from neighbours, friends and family members and be in the running to win some great prizes whilst enjoying a great day completing the Maphutseng Challenge Race.

Just recently, the Year 11 PDHPE students attended a fulfilling 3 day camp at Glenbrook National Park. This was the final High School camp for these students, as they begin the next significant chapter in their lives; the HSC. They were given the opportunity to undertake many challenging activities such as mountain bike riding and knee-boarding; with many students showing incredible character and courage, and taking the leap to step out of their comfort zone. We pray that the students will be able to demonstrate this courage and adversity throughout the coming year. Students had the opportunity to witness God’s creation beyond what we see on a daily basis, and had the opportunity to bond and become more tightly knit as a grade. As the students begin to prepare for their final year of High School, the SLC prays that the students will take every opportunity that comes before them over the coming year, as well as for the safety and wellbeing of the grade.

The term was kicked off in the most perfect way, with a successful J-Walk gathering. We introduced the new J-Walk band comprised of many talented high school students whilst also re-welcoming Matt Smith who discussed the topic of our beloved God’s grace. He dwelled on the confronting idea that grace is the unmerited mercy God granted us by sending His Son to die on the cross, thus delivering us eternal salvation. On that note we would like to restate the importance of this truth with this verse: “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God” – Ephesians 2:8. During this busy lifestyle of all students year 7-10 who are completing their yearly exams and the year 12 students who are in the midst of their HSC exams, we encourage students to appreciate and acknowledge that the grace of God is the greatest treasure to the least deserving, every one of us.

In His name,

Saisha Ram and Brian Bokalawela
Our last trading day for this year is Wednesday 2nd Dec 2015.

We then open again:

- Wed 20th Jan 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Thurs 21st Jan 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Fri 22nd Jan 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
- Mon 25th Jan 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
- Tues 26th Jan CLOSED Public Holiday
- Wed 27th Jan 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
- Thurs 28th Jan 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
- Fri 29th Jan 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

After which we return to
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm.

We try to keep a wide range of sizes in uniforms, but if you think your child may need a special order please see us as soon as possible.

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End of Year Assemblies

You are invited to William Carey’s End of Year Presentation Assemblies on:

**THURSDAY 3rd DECEMBER 2015**

- Primary 9:00 am
- High School 1:30 pm

A time to reflect on 2015, distribute awards and be entertained by performances from many talented students. Please note that the High School assembly will start at 1:30 pm sharp. Parents and friends are asked to be seated by 1:15 pm.

Join us in celebration of all that our students have achieved in 2015.
Christmas around The World

Vacation Care
At William Carey OOSH

Bookings Open 16th Nov

Monday 7th December – Friday 18th December
Tuesday 8th December

Excursion - Dumasquez St Cinema

$70 fee for today. Claimable on CCB.

Friday 11th December

Create your own Edible Christmas House with our favourite baker Mr Morris.

Friday 18th December

Celebrate Jesus birth.

Fun games and Party day

$70 fee for today. Claimable on CCB.

Wednesday 16th December

Excursion - Tik Tocs

$70.00 fee for today. Claimable on CCB.

$50 per child per day or $70 for excursion day. Costs even less with Child Care Benefit. Contact William Carey OOSH directly with any enquiries or bookings

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Find the forms at http://www.wccs.nsw.edu.au/
Grandparents’ Day at WWCS!

Thank you to all of the grandparents who attended this event. We hope you had a very special day with your grandchildren.
Christmas Hampers

As Christmas approaches, our Primary classes and High School Pastoral Care groups will be collecting items to be placed in food hampers for families within our school community. The hampers consist of non-perishable foods with a reasonable amount of time before the use-by date. Please consider what yummy items (no old cans of asparagus from the back of the cupboard please) you might have available to contribute to this ministry. A good rule of thumb is to consider what you would like to receive in a Christmas hamper.

In Primary: items may be left at the Primary Office.

In High School: items should be delivered to Mrs Paterson in the Student Office.

Thank you for supporting this annual ministry of the school.

Week 4. Sweet and savoury biscuits
Week 5. Soft drinks, poppers, long life juice.
Week 6. Snacks, chips, lollies, chocolate etc.
Week 7. Christmas items: serviettes, bonbons, paper plates etc.

If you would prefer, gift cards for Coles or Woolworths are always welcome.

New Disability Lift for G Block

William Carey Christian School were the beneficiaries of a disability grant from the Australian Federal Government. With the money we were able to install a new lift to G block. This will give all students the ability to access the specialist music rooms.

William Carey Christian School is extremely grateful to the Australian Federal Government for this funding.
High School Advanced Learning
Open Night

Thursday 5th November
From 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the school hall

An evening to showcase to parents the exciting opportunities that have been occurring this year for advanced learners at William Carey and also what is in store for 2016.

Come along to celebrate the achievements of these students and to gain a taste for what will be available for your child in 2016.

The invitation is open to anyone who is interested in learning about the advanced learning opportunities available next year for high school students. Tea and coffee will be served from 6:15 pm, so feel free to drop in early for an informal chat.
Summer Sizzle
Vacation Care at William Carey OOSH
Monday 11th January – Friday 22nd January

Avoid the summer sizzle and come to OOSH for a fun, wet, colourful and messy time.

Don’t forget, you will need spare clothes and swimmers. You will be getting dirty.
Thursday 14th January
Bricks 4 kidz
$15.00

Friday 15th January
Ambulance visit and
Water Safety Day
(Ambulance visit is pending emergencies and availability on the day

Monday 18th January
Excursion-Ice
Skating $10.00
9:30 - 11:30 am

Wednesday 20th January
Tropical
Jump n Splash

$50 per child per day and $70 for excursion day. Costs even less with Child Care Benefit. Contact William Carey OOSH directly with any enquiries or bookings
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16th Nov
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It's a movie.
It's not so gory.

A peaceful journey through the Chinese culture.

A mesmerising cultural experience

This excursion left us filled with amazement.
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 5/11: Year 3 excursion
High School Advanced Learning Open Night

Monday 9/11: Year 6 Leadership Day

Thursday 12/11: High School Maphutseng Day - Obstacle Challenge

Friday 13/11: Year 11 Geography excursion
Year 10 Commerce excursion
Primary School Talent Show for Maphutseng

Sunday 15/11: Community Event to Farewell Mr Wake - all welcome!

Monday 16/11: Year 7 (2016) Transition Day and Orientation Night

Thursday 19/11: Year 10 Dinner Dance

Friday 20/11: Year 11 Legal Studies excursion

Monday 30/11: Year 6 Graduation and Social

Thursday 3/12: Primary School End of Year Assembly (9:00 am)
High School End of Year Assembly (1:30 pm)

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William Carey Health Care

If your child has been diagnosed with an infectious disease please advise the school by contacting the school nurse via email clinic@wccs.nsw.edu.au or by phone 9608 2277.

The Public Health Act 2010 requires schools to report certain diseases and medical conditions to the local Public Health Unit. It is also vital for the school to have a good awareness of your child’s health status as well as what infectious diseases may impact on other students and staff. All notifications are strictly confidential.

Your child recently brought home a Pertussis (Whooping Cough) notification letter from South Western Sydney Public Health Unit. If your child is experiencing a dry, continuing cough I would strongly encourage parents to take the Whooping Cough letter to the doctor and request your child be tested. Whooping Cough is a notifiable infectious disease.

Mrs Anna Huynh
Senior School Nurse
CCS Shopping Trip
Saturday 21st November 2015

Ladies, get a girlfriend or a group of girlfriends together and treat yourselves to a day of shopping and lunch without husbands or kids. This is a day set aside for bargain hunting and getting ready for Christmas. Outlets we are visiting for the day include: KB Toys, Manchester Imports, Shire Sweets, Home & Gift Warehouse, Proklean, Gordon Smith, Sullivans, Barcs, Corningware/World Kitchen, Crossroads/Katies/Autograph/Saba, Pure Gelato.

We will have an air-conditioned coach, a great hostess and will stop in the middle of the day for well-earned rest and sit-down two course lunch at the Rocksia, on the Princess Highway, Arncliffe. Morning and afternoon tea are included in the cost. We will also have light refreshments available for you during the day. You have the option to pay this off in small amounts between now and November at the Uniform Shop.

Lunch options include a choice of chicken, steak or fish, as well as a vegetarian option and dessert, with tea and coffee available.

Outlets visited usually donate a gift and these gifts are distributed on the way home at the end of the day, when each person’s name tag goes into the draw on the trip home. To make this a fundraiser for the school, we need a minimum of 20 people to receive 3% of the total spent on the day, with up to 12% for 40 or more people.

For further enquiries, please call: Caroline Young Mobile 0414 583 103 Sue Antakley Office – 9608 2277

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