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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Friends, Staff and Students of Caroline Chisholm College,

I have just farewelled our Japanese exchange students who have been generously hosted by families within our school. Our families welcome these girls into their homes and into the fabric of their family lives. They do this with great joy and openness and generosity. What have our Japanese students gained from their experiences with their host families? While I am sure that there will be many stories about movies and outings and being in Australia, these girls will have felt welcomed, made to feel, even for a brief time, part of someone else's family. It is a gift freely given by our host families that is incalculably valuable.

Pope Francis, in his homily to the people of Paraguay (July 12), posed the question

“How much good can be done if we welcome?”

In referring to the gospel passage John 15:15 where Jesus tells his disciples “... No longer do I call you servants ... but I have called you friends ...”, Pope Francis argues that a Christian is someone who has learned to welcome others, to show hospitality ... (and that) ... the Christian journey is about changing hearts. It is about learning to love differently ... It is about turning from the paths of selfishness, conflict, division and superiority, and taking instead the path of life, generosity and love. It is about passing from a mentality which domineers, stifles and manipulates to a mentality which welcomes, accepts and cares ...”

“... How much pain can be soothed, how much despair can be allayed in a place where we feel at home...welcoming those who do not think as we do, who do not have faith or who have lost it. Welcoming the persecuted, the unemployed. Welcoming the different cultures of which our earth is so richly blessed. Welcoming sinners ...”

His words are powerful reminders for all of us - parents, students, teachers - of the gift and challenge that is “welcome” Welcome comes in many forms and in different ways: in what we say, in what we do, in how we relate with those who are part of the fabric of our family – not just the family that lives in the same house, or our school family, but the whole human family.

Let our daily prayer echo the words of Jesus “... I have called you my friends ...”

May we feel welcomed in our lives and may we, in turn be people of welcome for others.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mr Gerlach for receiving the award of Regional Educator of the Year award. Like all teachers at Caroline Chisholm, Mr Gerlach strives to be of service to his students.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Mary Leask
Principal





FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Parking Outside the College

I would like to remind parents and carers that I mentioned in the last newsletter that there have been some changes to parking on The Lakes Drive. In particular, the driveways are now “No Stopping” which means you can’t even stop momentarily while waiting for someone to move off or up in the Kiss and Drop Zone (or drop a student off in the driveway). You will have to move up or around or face the prospect of being fined. I have been informed by the Safety Officer of Penrith Council that rangers will be patrolling and issuing fines to offenders.

Vaccinations

Vaccinations will be on Wednesday 19 August for Year 7 students. This is the third part of the HPV vaccine. Students who missed the diphtheria/tetanus/whooping cough or varicella (chickenpox) vaccine earlier in the year can get it then and those who missed the second HPV can get it on that day as well. For students getting their second HPV vaccination, parents will be informed by Western Area Health about how to get the third part later. It is important that students come to school on the Wednesday, even if they are a little unwell, as long as they don’t have a fever. If they are unwell (but not with a fever) it is possible for them to be brought to school for the vaccine then go home. Please contact the college in the morning of the vaccinations if this is the case.

Blazers

Students are reminded that it is still compulsory until further notice to wear the college blazer to and from school each day, regardless of what students perceive the weather to be.

Year 9 and 10 Disco

Last Tuesday, a successful disco was held at St Dominic’s College – even if it was a bit chilly for the outside supervision. Thanks to St Dom’s for organising the event and providing the venue. Thanks to all the teachers from both schools who gave up their time to supervise. Thanks especially to our Year 9 and 10 Leaders of Learning, Ian Fuller and Adam MacNamara.

“Doing the Right Thing Awards”

Students who help with clean up and litter are eligible for a “Doing the Right Thing Award”. Congratulations to **Thalia Coomber** (7 MacKillop), **Sarah Mundy** (8 MacKillop), **Leia Townsley** (10 Macarthur) and **Shehzil Sharif** (11 Wright) who receive vouchers for the canteen for being the students drawn from the box. All students who put in award slips will have points credited to their house.

Appreciation of Honesty

Students at Caroline Chisholm College regularly display outstanding honesty in returning items they find on the college grounds. Often these can be of quite substantial value. Students handing in found items receive a certificate of appreciation. I would like to congratulate the following students who have handing items in over the last fortnight: **Alexia Nicholopoulos** (8 Gilmore), **Micquella Grima** (7 Kenny) and **Emily Smith** (9 Kenny).

Mr Greg King - Assistant Principal

DIARY DATES

Year 7 Items, Year 8 Items, Year 9 Items, Year 10 Items, Year 11 Items and Year 12 Items, Whole School Items

Thursday 6 August	HSC Trial Examinations	Friday 14 August	Assumption Liturgy Assembly
Friday 7 August	HSC Trial Examinations		PDSSSC Dance Competition
Monday 10 August	HSC Trial Examination	Monday 17 August	HSC Body of Work Exhibition 4.30-6.30 pm
Tuesday 11 August	Parent Listening Forums 1.30 & 6.00 pm	Tuesday 18 August	Year 7 Maths Activity Day
Wednesday 12 August	Year 12 Music Showcase 6.30 pm		NSWCCC Netball Championships
Thursday 13 August	Year 9 Japanese Tanken Centre Excursion	Wednesday 19 August	Year 7 Vaccination #3
			PDSSSC Athletics Carnival



FROM THE LEADER OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

World Refugees and Migration Day

The Holy See (Pope Francis) has set aside Sunday 30th August as a special commemoration day for celebrating World Refugees and Migration Day.

In his message titled “Church without frontiers, Mother to all”, he speaks about Jesus as the role model for all Christians as to how we should treat the underprivileged and those living on the margins of society. Pope Francis refers to the scripture quote from Mt 25:35 “I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was naked and you clothed me, I was in prison and you came and visited me”. He speaks of the great responsibility passed on to followers of Christ to be people who are the hands and the feet of Christ in the world today.

Pope Francis says “the Church opens her arms to welcome all people, without distinction or limits, in order to proclaim that ‘God is love’” (1Jn 3:8-16). If this is the case and we the Church have been given the responsibility to welcome everyone no matter their race, creed, culture or economic status, especially the poor and the marginalized, then we have a great responsibility in ensuring that we look after and care for migrants and refugees.

So over the coming weeks we are encouraged to rethink our position on migrants and refugees; to examine the way in which we welcome and accept them, and to pray not only for them but for our leaders that they may deal fairly and justly in all situations pertaining to these often disadvantaged and forgotten members of our society. This prayer is taken from the booklet “Church without frontiers, Mother for all - 101st World Day of Migrants and Refugees” distributed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office.

We pray for the leaders of the nations of the world:

That they may actively promote peace amongst all nations and people.

We pray for leaders of our country:

Australia, which shines with the precious gifts of our traditional owners and of all who through the centuries have come across the seas, that they may enact policies of dialogue and understanding, of welcome and solidarity.

We pray for all refugees, with particular attention to unaccompanied minors:

Who are forced to escape violence, war and persecution in the hope of finding a safe home and brighter future. That we may become ever more aware of their plight and do all within our power to shed light and truth of their situation to our wider society.

We pray for all migrants, and the families of migrants left behind:

Who, through the years, have graced Australia with the gifts of their lives, culture, work and their faith. May we be attentive to the needs of migrants in our communities and become witnesses to the Gospel of Christ.

National Vocations Awareness Week 2-9 August

In 2015, the Australian Catholic Church will celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week from 2-9th August. The first weekend focuses on the vocation of all the baptized; the second focuses on vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. Below is a copy of the prayer card for all Year 7-9 and staff.

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,

*Help all of us to know our vocation in life,
And assist us to prepare for it.*

*Through your Divine grace
Less those You call to married life,
Priesthood, religious life and single life.*

*Give those whom you call grace
to respond generously,
And to persevere faithfully.*

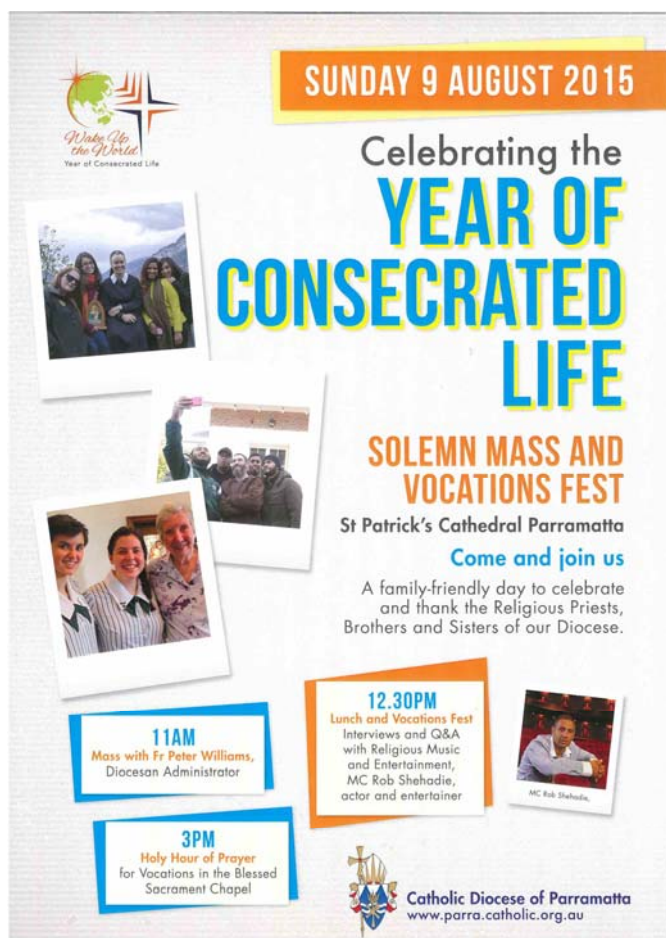
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

St Vincent de Paul Door knock

On the weekend of the 29th and 30th August the Glenmore Park St Vincent de Paul Chapter are running the annual door knock appeal to collect money to support the various works of their organisation. They are seeking assistance from students and adults in conducting the appeal. Drivers are also needed. For registration forms students can go to their year group moodle page and download the permission slip. These needs to be returned to the student office by Friday 21st August. Parent forms are also available on the student moodle page.

Ms Bernadette Murray - Leader of Religious Education



SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2015

Celebrating the
**YEAR OF
CONSECRATED
LIFE**

**SOLEMN MASS AND
VOCATIONS FEST**


St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta
Come and join us

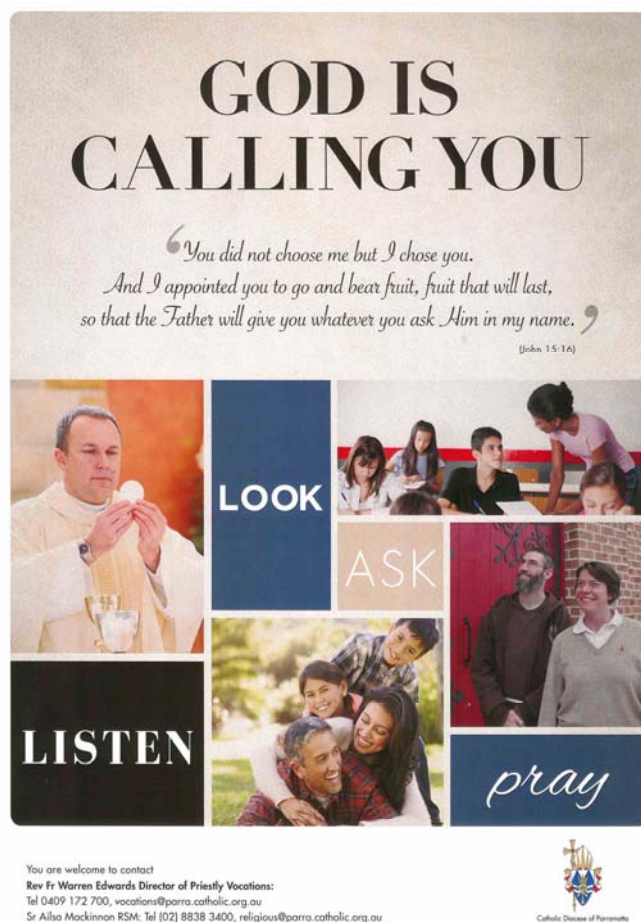
A family-friendly day to celebrate
and thank the Religious Priests,
Brothers and Sisters of our Diocese.

11AM
Mass with Fr Peter Williams,
Diocesan Administrator

12.30PM
Lunch and Vocations Fest
Interviews and Q&A
with Religious Music
and Entertainment,
MC Rob Shehadie,
actor and entertainer

3PM
Holy Hour of Prayer
for Vocations in the Blessed
Sacrament Chapel

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**GOD IS
CALLING YOU**

*“You did not choose me but I chose you.
And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last,
so that the Father will give you whatever you ask Him in my name.”*
(John 15:16)


LOOK

ASK

prayer

LISTEN

You are welcome to contact
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Sr Ailsa Mackinnon RSM: Tel (02) 8838 3400, religious@parra.catholic.org.au

 **Catholic Diocese of Parramatta**

Caroline Chisholm Interesting Facts



Caroline Chisholm gave birth to two sons, Archibald and William, as well as following her husband around the Indian subcontinent.



FROM THE LEADER OF INNOVATION & LEARNING

Subject Selection Interviews (Year 11, 2016)

It was wonderful to see so many Year 10 parents and students attend the subject interviews on Tuesday to discuss elective choices for the 2017 HSC, and the openness and willingness to take part in important conversations with teachers about making the best possible choices for study.

Whilst the majority of the students who attended have already submitted their final subject choice form, we would like to remind everyone that the final form is due in to the office on **Monday 10th August**.

This will allow us to enter all the choices into our timetable programme and inform students of their subject offers more promptly.

We hope that all everyone found these interviews helpful in assisting their daughters to make the best choices for their HSC and would welcome any feedback to help us to improve the process in the future.

Formal Assessment Tasks – Term 3, Weeks 5-8

Year Group Term/Week Due	Term 3, Week 5	Term 3, Week 6	Term 3, Week 7	Term 3, Week 8
Year 7	Mathematics	CoLe Music	PDHPE Japanese	Science Music
Year 8	Mathematics	History Music	Science PDHPE Visual Arts	Technology Music
Year 9	Agriculture Textiles Technology	Mathematics	History Dance PASS	Food Technology Japanese History Elective Science
Year 10	Religious Education Mathematics PASS	NIL	PDHPE Commerce	History Agriculture Food Technology
Year 11	Biology Senior Science Business Studies CAFS Legal Studies	Ancient History Music English STA/ADV Chemistry PDHPE	Agriculture Design & Technology English Fundamentals Food Technology	Drama Preliminary Exams commence 4 th Sep- tember
Year 12	Trial HSC Exams (MON) Visual Arts	NIL	NIL	NIL

Mr Stephen Casni - Leader of Innovation & Learning

ILLINIOS STATE UNIVERSITY VISIT TO PENRITH SCHOOLS

Art Educators from Penrith schools, Caroline Chisholm College and St Dominic's College alongside curatorial and education staff from Penrith Regional Gallery and The Lewers Bequest hosted a visit from academics and pre-service teachers from Illinois State University (near Chicago). Led by Associate Professor Dr Judith Briggs, the international exchange group are here in Australia to research the diversity of approaches to the Visual Arts curriculum as it is taught in NSW. They were particularly interested to see how comprehensive high schools in the Western Suburbs implemented the curriculum.

The delegation began the day with a visit to St Dominic's to look at the ways that Visual Arts teachers, led by Mr Steven Lewis, the Creative Arts Coordinator, have developed Visual Arts programs for the boys at the College. Year 11 students spoke to the group about their innovative approaches to drawing and printmaking in their artworks for their unit *Disaster Zones* in which they are representing their responses to natural or man-made disasters.

At Caroline Chisholm College, Year 10 students met the Illinois delegation and discussed their ceramic works, which are based on the site and collection at Penrith Regional Gallery. The ISU delegation was able to see the ways that students had chosen to interpret aspects of the garden or the work of Margo and Gerald Lewers in their artmaking. Mrs Karen King, Leader of Learning, Creative Arts, and Year 10 class members spoke to the visitors about the ways they had interpreted the gallery site in their current Ceramic works for Visual Arts. They also spoke about their work for their collaborative *River Voices* unit, based on the Nepean River and to be exhibited at Tench Reserve in September with the Year 10 students from St Dominic's. Year 10 students, Phoebe Anderson, Roisin Cairney, Isabella Richardson and Ashleigh Whitbread spoke about their involvement with the *City of Plenty* project at Penrith Regional Gallery earlier in the year.

Following their morning in schools, the Illinois group, along with some NSW teachers, visited Penrith Regional Gallery & The Lewers Bequest. At the gallery, Director, Dr Lee Anne Hall and Zona Wilkinson, Aboriginal Programs manager spoke about significant works from the Robin Gurr collection of Aboriginal artworks. The group also toured behind the scenes in the gallery's collection of works to see more works in this collection as well as works by the original owners, Gerald and Margo Lewers in Ancher House. They looked at the works by Caroline Chisholm College students in the *Notanda: On Site* exhibition currently in the Modernist Research Centre that are based on the modernist works of Margo and Gerald Lewers. Naomi McCarthy, Education manager at the gallery also spoke about the innovative education partnerships that the gallery has developed for engaging local students in work with the gallery.

St Dominic's College and Caroline Chisholm College are two of 8 schools in Sydney selected to be part of this exchange program that is also working with UNSW School of Education and the NSW Visual Arts and Design Education Association. As part of an ongoing research project, Dr Judith Briggs is using their visits to these Penrith schools to build new approaches for Illinois Visual Arts teachers. "Our experience provided us with a very useful overview of your rich visual arts programs and their relationships to the local community. We were truly inspired, and this partnership between schools and community is something that we hope to take back to the schools in which we will teach. We thank you for your welcoming hospitality".

Mrs Karen King - Leader of Learning Creative Arts



CREATIVE ARTS NEWS**HSC Creative Arts works and performances**

Over the next month, our Year 12 Creative Arts students will be completing their HSC performance works in **Dance, Drama and Music** and **Visual Arts** students will be completing their HSC Bodies of Work. They have been working very hard with their teachers to complete their works and are now in the final stages working on completing and refining works. Students have had many extra opportunities to work with their teachers in the recent holidays and in workshops that have been held over the previous two terms. As they near completion dates, students are encouraged to take up any opportunities offered as well as act on the feedback they have been given to resolve these works well. An important part of this final stage are the Performance nights and exhibition that show their finished works and provide a chance for final feedback.

Dance

On Friday 17th July, **Dance** students performed their work in an entertaining evening. The girls were required to complete a Core Performance Dance and a Core Composition piece, which they are required to choreograph themselves. They were required for this piece to teach it to a dancer from a younger year group who then performed it for the audience. Most of the students also took up the major study options of Performance and Composition. Thanks go to Mrs Hughes who worked very hard with these students to prepare them for this evening and for their final exams.

They are currently completing their HSC Dance exams this week with the BOSTES examiners in school over three days. We wish them the best of luck as they complete 80% of their Dance exam.

**Drama**

Drama students presented their performance pieces for their individual projects as well as their Group Devised work on Thursday 24th July in the Performance Centre. Students are required to develop a Group Devised Performance in which the students had to work as an ensemble and build their own piece of theatre in response to some titles provided by the Board of Studies. The student's individual pieces range from interpretations of contemporary Australian scripts and adaptations of significant works as well as individual projects in Costume and Set Design. Their performances were entertaining and moving and it was a great opportunity to test these performance skills in front of a live audience before the final exam. Ms Sarah Fernando, Year 12 Drama teacher, has provided the girls with strong feedback that has enabled them to refine their work and she has given a great deal of her time to work with them outside class time.

Drama students will be examined on **Monday 17th August**. They will be given a specific schedule for the day shortly.

Visual Arts**Bodies of Work Exhibition Wednesday 19th August, 4 – 6.30pm (please note change of date)**

Visual Arts students will be exhibiting their HSC Bodies of Work on Wednesday 19th August in the top floor of the South Block. This is an opportunity for the parents and friends of the girls to see the works in their finished form and to celebrate their achievements before the works are sent to the Board of Studies marking centre. We would like to invite all members of the College Community to come and see the exhibition. It would be of particular interest to Visual Arts students in Years 9 -11 so that they can see the wonderful standard of the work being submitted. It will only be open on



that evening, as students will need to work on final touches during the following week. The works are being marked for the final assessment and then they will be submitted on **Monday 24th August**. Students will then be packed to send off in the next week and then their works are picked up by the Board of Studies.

The Visual Arts students have had workshops throughout the year and during holidays with their teachers, **Ms Wood** and **Mrs King** and assisted by **Ms Cusack** and **Ms Eyles**.

Music

On **Wednesday 12th August**, the Year 12 Music I students will present their Performance Program for their HSC exam to an audience of their parents and friends as a rehearsal for the exams at the Senior Music Night. Performance pieces range across a wide range of styles. You are invited to attend to support these girls and enjoy a great night of music.

Their actual HSC exam will be held at the College will be held during the two-week period beginning **Monday 31st August** and we wish them well. Mr Caws, their class teacher and Mrs Lewis, and other staff musicians have supported them through their advice and work as accompanists for their pieces.

Sydney Eisteddfod

On Sunday 19th July, the College representative Jazz and Contemporary Dance troupes performed at the University of NSW as part of the prestigious Sydney Eisteddfod. The girls have put in an enormous effort with dedicated rehearsal and they are to be congratulated on their performances. **Mrs Brooke Hughes** rehearsed with the girls over many afternoon and lunch rehearsals and we thank her for her hard work and generous commitment.

Contemporary Troupe

Natasha Robinson	Leslie Buadromo
Skyla Begnell	Lily Danby
Emilie Donohoe	Keeley McCahon
Holly Smith	Melanie Hooper
Keisha Chilmaid	Tara Lawson
Laura Parker	Jennifer Neilson
Holly Desmond	Breanna Stewart
Kaitlin Patterson	Courtney Hooper

Jazz Troupe

Jorja Sagwell	Isabella Dicenso
Natasha Robinson	Kaitlin Patterson
Chloe Pelle	Lily Danby
Imogen Van-Stolk	Leslie Buadromo
Taylor Hodgson	Melanie Hooper
Lauren Paslini	Courtney Barnes
Holly Smith	Ashleigh Camenzuli
Brooke Hoban	Keeley McCahon
Holly Desmond	Brooke Hinchcliffe
Isabelle Attard	Courtney Hooper
Laura Parker	

Year 9 Visual Arts and Photography Excursion

At the end of Term 2, Year 9 Visual Arts and Photography students visited the city and Cockatoo Island to visit the "Light Show" exhibition at the Museum of Contemporary Art and to take photos for their work in Term 3.

Visual Arts students are working on a painting unit titled "Hidden Secrets" in which they explore the history of Cockatoo Island and 'hide' images, symbols and text connected to a particular aspect of the island's history in their abstract paintings.

Photography and Digital Media students are developing a series of photo essays that show their point of view about particular sites, both in the city and locally. As part of their unit, Within Walking Distance, they have to select walks that focus on a particular theme such as history, the environment or local culture and present these in digital portfolios and blogs.

While it was a wet day, the students were still able to take great images using reflections and wet surfaces to create interesting shots. Our multi coloured rain ponchos on the day also helped to keep us dry and manage the challenges of the weather



Mrs Karen King - Leader of Learning Creative Arts

**SPORT UPDATE - VOLUME 2**

Since our last sport update there have been many achievements from our students at Caroline Chisholm College. They have been involved in sport at both a school level and also a representative level.

At the College level, Years 7 to 10 have been involved in the following sports / activities

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| • Games | • Zumba | • Basketball |
| • Bootcamp | • Jazz dance | • Roller-skating |
| • YMCA | • Netball | • Yoga / Pilates |

Our representative teams have experienced great success. They have followed the Sporting code of conduct and participated to the best of their abilities in their pursuits. The following sports have had representatives from our College.

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| • Basketball | • Swimming | • Equestrian | • Cross country | • Futsal |
| • Touch football | • Netball | • Soccer | • Softball | • Rugby League |

A number of our talented students have made representative teams and participated successfully at higher levels in their chosen sports. We are very proud of the following students who have excelled and displayed great qualities.

- **Demi Greenup** – NSW Equestrian Championships representative
- **Hannah McCrorie, Lucy Harris, Lauren Dahl, Jennifer Cooper, Rhiannon Philp, Abbey Slaughter, Lauren Wolsey and Megan Cooper** - NSW All School swimming representatives
- **Megan Cooper, Lauren Dahl** – NSW swimming representatives at the Pacific School Games in Adelaide (later in the year)
- **Megan Cooper and Keisha Chilmaid** – PDSSSC Cross Country representatives
- **Shaylan Whatman, Emma Finlay and Cheyne Easthorpe** – U/17 state softball champions
- **Shaylan Whatman** – NSW state softball representative at the Pacific School Games in Adelaide (later in the year)
- **Keely McCahon, Harmony Matthews-Hau and Georgia Wood** – PDSSSC touch football representatives
- **Harmony Matthews-Hau and Georgia Wood** – NSWCCC touch football champions
- **Megan Cooper** – NSWCCC cross country representative
- **Kennedi Geyer** – Penrith rugby league U/16 representative squad

Many thanks to the coaches and parents who have given up their time to assist with our teams so far this year. These sports would not have been possible without your efforts .

A big thankyou to the following Caroline Chisholm staff who have taken the following:

- **Mr Damien Mills, Mr Ian Fuller, Mrs Michelle Cook and Mrs Francis McCauley** – basketball
- **Mrs Suzanne Muscat and Mr Greg King** – football
- **Alison Field and Brooke Hughes** – PDSSSC cross country
- **Clare Thompson, Jessica Camilleri and Janine Balite** – netball
- **Richard Caws** – Futsal

It has been an enjoyable and successful sporting year to date. Keep an eye on future announcements for up and coming sporting opportunities at Caroline Chisholm.

Mr Stephen McIlveen - Sport Coordinator



PDSSSC U15S GIRLS FOOTBALL GALA DAY

A team of girls from Years 7-10 represented the college at the annual PDSSSC U15s Girls Football Gala Day. The girls trained well before the carnival and were skilled and enthusiastic on the day. In the short time available, they did a great job of coming together as a team. We played 3 pool matches, with the first game being a 1-0 win over the Cerdon 1 team. Unfortunately, we then had two narrow losses (0-1 each) to Marian College and the St Columba's 1 teams. There were good chances in both games but we weren't able to get an equaliser. A win and two losses meant we didn't progress to the knockout rounds but we did have two consolation games which resulted in a strong win and a draw. I'd like to thank a few students in particular: our inspirational captain, **Olivia Robinson** (Year 10), our assistant coach, **Tanya Borazio** (Year 11) and our referee for the day, **Anita Lopez** (Year 11). The team played with great spirit and represented the college proudly. The team was **Emma Buckley, Erin Tavares, Emily Davies, Isabella Bruce, Tahlia Faint, Erinn Cleghorn** (from Year 7), **Rafaela Safadi Egg, Taylah Vitetta, Brittany Arfmann** (from Year 8), **Hannah McCrorie, Abbey Tricot, Jessica Williams, Bianca Esterhuizen, Georgia Burgess, Ashley O'Malley, Jacinta Rastegorac** (from Year 9) and **Olivia Robinson** (from Year 10 and captain).

Mr Greg King - U15s Girls' Football Coach

PDSSSC NETBALL CARNIVAL

On Tuesday 21st July, Caroline Chisholm entered three teams to compete in the PDSSSC Netball Gala Day held at Jamison Park.

Special congratulations to the junior team, who were our most successful team on the day. Unfortunately, they lost their grand final to Catherine McCauley; however, they played extremely well the whole day.

The intermediate team did not make the semi final; however, should still be proud of their efforts competing with no reserves for the entire carnival due to injuries.

The senior team were very unlucky not to progress to their grand final. The semi final was a tough game! After a 17 all draw at the end of normal playing time, the game went to overtime and the girls unfortunately lost by 3.

A big thank you to umpires of the day for volunteering their time, **Elizabeth Paluzzano** (Year 11) and **Jessica Wingate** (Year 9).

All students are commended for their impeccable sportsmanship, proudly representing the college. The girls are congratulated for their talent and efforts on the day, as well as teamwork.

Miss Jessica Camilleri - Senior Netball Team Coach



SWIMMING ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulation to Megan Cooper from Year 7 and Lauren Dahl from Year 12 on their swimming achievements, as they recently qualified to represent the school at the Pacific School Games which will be held in Adelaide mid November. Megan will compete in 5 individual events and 4 relays and Lauren will compete in 1 individual and 2 relays.

We wish these students all the best.



Megan Cooper



Lauren Dahl

NATIONAL PLANT A TREE DAY

Caroline Chisholm College is one of the 3,000 schools that participated in Planet Ark's National Plant a Tree Day this year. This event has been held annually since 1996, with over 21 million seedlings and plants that have been planted nationally since its introduction. On Wednesday the 22nd July, a number of students travelled to the college agricultural plot, and under the guidance of gardening gurus, **Mr McIlveen** and **Mr Clerke**, we planted six fruit trees of different varieties. This event was not only beneficial in allowing us to limit our carbon footprint as a college, but it enabled us to learn some gardening procedures that we can implement in our own homes and surrounding communities. We learnt how to dig sufficient holes for the size of the plant. We also learnt how to place the plant in this hole without damaging its all-important roots. We now know that applying mulch is integral to the plant's survival, as it enables the plant to retain moisture. This experience was very fun and also rewarding as we learnt that a small task could have such a large impact. As these fruit trees grow, their produce will hopefully contribute to the College, and enhance the relationship between students, as they reminisce about the day they planted fruit trees on the agricultural plot.

Written by Rachel Bartolo - Year 10 Student



NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Thank you to all the students and families that have helped with the return of overdue books from last term. We appreciate your support with making resources available to students and in encouraging responsible readership here at the College.

Congratulations to **Caitlin Sheridan** and **Naveena Stephen** who have recently completed the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge and also to **Laya Mathew**, **Alannah Hader**, **Hira Tayyab**, **Elizabeth Ajopour**, **Alina Wakeling** and **Shaylan Whatman** who are over halfway through.

It's great to see that we have more students completing the CCC Senior Reading Challenge, even Year 12s, despite their heavy workloads. Congratulations to **Sarah Glynn**, **Faria Kazi**, **Lillian Neal**, **Elizabeth Azzopardi**, **Aman Nagra**, **Alison Lucantonio**, **Madelyn Kroon**, **Jasmine Neal**, **Elizabeth Bakous**, **Laura Ross** and **Mahrukh Khan**. There are still 3 weeks to go to finish both challenges, so there is still time to get reading.

In the words of one of our senior students, **Aman Nagra**...

"I think it's a good idea as it motivates you to read. As you get in the older years, you let go of reading which is so important as it helps to calm you (therapeutic)."

Happy reading!

Mrs Teresa O'Keeffe - Teacher Librarian

“REAL-LIFE” JAPANESE AT CCC

“Speak your language and you touch their head,
Speak their language and you touch their hearts!” (anonymous)

We have seen this in action at CCC over the past few weeks as we have been hosting twelve Japanese students from our sister school, Tokyo Junshin Catholic Girls’ High School. Thirteen generous families from our school community have been hosting the students, along with their accompanying teacher, Sister Mori. It has been exciting and heart-warming to see the Japanese girls, their host sisters and other students throughout the school, communicating using a variety of methods – English, Japanese, sign language and even “Japlish” (not normally allowed in the classroom!).



The Junshin students have been participating in intensive English lessons, going on some excursions and joining in a variety of regular classes throughout the College. Some highlights have been art lessons with Mrs King, bush dancing and learning “the madison” with Year 7, science experiments and woodwork lessons with Year 8 and playing a variety of Japanese and Aussie games in class.

I would like to thank all teachers who have welcomed the students into their classrooms and, in particular, thank the families of the following students: **Hannah Parsons, Bonnie Steel, Maddison Law, Milinda Ranathunga, Emma & Victoria Cutts, Molly Kemp, Emily Davies, Lily Franich, Gemma Parkes, Jessica Curtale, Briannan Nand, Savannah Carroll and Grace Morrissey.**

Three of our Year 10 students **Tia Madden, Lillian Neal and Jade Dangerfield**, have been selected to represent Penrith City Council, in the councils sister city of Fujieda, for three weeks in September. These girls are currently hosting students from their future Japanese host family and we have also enjoyed having those students visit our College for a few days.

Year 7

Year 7 students have reached a major milestone in their study of Japanese having recently completed learning all of the Japanese *hiragana* (phonetic alphabet). They have also learnt the three (yes, just three!) *hiragana* spelling rules so they now have the tools to be able to read and write ANY word in *hiragana*!!



Year 8

Year 8 cohort recently enjoyed a fun-filled Japanese Day which kicked off with a noisy but fun Japanese trivia competition using an amazing quiz tool, Kahoot! Students enjoyed seeing the teachers dressed up - Smith *Sensei* in traditional male clothing (*hakama*) and I in a *kimono*. Students also rotated through activities which included doing Japanese calligraphy with a brush and ink, playing a variety of traditional games and participating in Japanese drumming, *taiko*. They finished the day, enjoying Japanese lollies while watching a funny (bizarre?) Japanese comedy, “Sumo Do, Sumo Don’t”.

Our College has been able to purchase some *taiko* drums and we have started a lunchtime drumming group, aimed at Year 8 students to begin with.





Stage 5

The Year 9 Japanese elective class has continued to enthusiastically explore everything Japanese. They will soon be experiencing an “immersion” experience when we visit the Tanken Centre on a combined excursion with St. Dominic’s College.

At the Tanken Centre, students will get to experience a day in a traditional Japanese home where the only language used will be Japanese. This excursion is always a highlight for students of Japanese.

Students in the Year 9 class and Year 10 classes will soon be creating short films in Japanese to enter into a number of foreign language film competitions.

They will also be sitting the benchmark Assessment of Language Competency.

CCC Study Tour

The bi-annual CCC Japan Study Tour is now a little over six weeks away. Unfortunately, **Mrs Mary Leask** is no longer able to accompany the tour but we are very excited to have **Mrs Megan Blakers**, from TAS, join us.

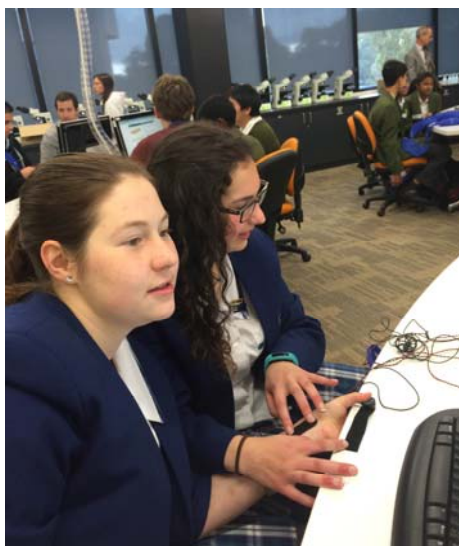
The students have been working very hard to prepare for the trip and, thanks to all students in the College, we have almost finished making 1000 paper cranes to take with us to the Children’s Memorial in Hiroshima.

Mrs Wendy Merriman - Leader of Learning LOTE

BRAIN BEE CHALLENGE

On Thursday 16th, two students were lucky enough to participate in Round Two of the Australian Brain Bee Challenge, after completing Round One, an online neuroscience test. These two students achieved scores which put them in the top 9% of NSW, **Rachel Bartolo** and **Katelyn Warburton** went to the University of Western Sydney, where they proceeded into Round Two, competing in the individual challenge against over 130 other students from school around NSW. Unfortunately neither of them made the top nine and furthermore didn’t compete in the final elimination rounds. Although, they learnt about neuroscience and saw the very competitive final rounds. As the day progressed they were also privileged to listen to guest speakers talking about university life, the progression of neuron science and what is set for neuroscience in the future such as a device which stimulates the brain prior to learning making the process more efficient, we also explored the extraordinary bionic eye. They also participated in self run experiments that involved attaching electrodes to the wrist and measuring and graphing the force of involuntary stimulation of various hand muscles. The students had a great time participating in this event and getting to meet many like minded students from around the state. They recommend that the Year 10 students of next year continue their involvement in this Brain Bee program as it is incredibly worthwhile, educational and fun.

Written by Katelyn Warburton and Rachel Bartolo





Year 7 Reflection Day



Year 9 Reflection Day

YEAR 9 REFLECTION DAY

On Friday 24th July, Year 9 travelled to Lutanda Yarramundi to participate in their annual reflection day. The focus of the day was to recognise the beauty of God's creation and to understand that God is always with us through nature and in the natural environment.

Throughout the duration of the day, we participated in various activities that helped us to recognise and appreciate the beauty of God through nature. One of the activities consisted of us viewing various pictures of nature and discussing why these pictures connected with us and how God shone through these images. Another required us to walk around whilst blindfolded while our partner guided us using unique bird calls. The purpose of the activity was to trust that God would keep us safe. The final activity required us to decorate two leaves that represented the personality of ourselves and a friend. The day was concluded with a reflective liturgy.

Overall, the day was very enjoyable and spiritual and all of Year 9 were enlightened by the day. All of Year 9 found it to be a pleasant day and everyone enjoyed having a picnic lunch in a beautiful place. It was great to reflect on how God connected with us through nature whilst in such a beautiful natural environment.

Written by Alina Wakeling - 9 MacKillop





Do you know a female student in Years 9 or 10 with an aptitude and interest in Maths and Science, who might also be interested in a career in Engineering?

In January 2016, the University of Wollongong will be hosting the Women in Engineering Summit, a week-long camp filled with hands-on activities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). The program has been developed around theme days related to Medicine and the Human Body; Renewable Energy and the Natural Environment; Sustainability and the Built Environment; Creativity and Design. This STEM camp for girls is a great way for students to be exposed to activities such as coding, testing water quality, soldering, animatronics, star gazing, 3D printing, industry site visits and much more!

The camp seeks to build confidence, resilience and success within girls so that they may grow to take on some of the world's greatest challenges. We will create an environment of learning where risk is rewarded, curiosity is encouraged, and creativity is expected.

Please recommend this event to your female students who would benefit from this fantastic opportunity.

WHERE AND WHEN

The Women in Engineering Summit will run from Sunday 10 January to Friday 15 January 2016. Summit participants will stay (in small groups) at a UOW student residence with a live-in student leader, a young woman who is a UOW Engineering student or a recent graduate working in the industry.

COST

The Summit fee** of \$198 covers all meals, accommodation and activities during the Summit. Bookings made before 30 September will be eligible for the early bird fee of \$165.

HOW TO APPLY

To register and pay online, please visit eis.uow.edu.au/wie-summit

Registrations are open until 31 October 2015, but places are limited so students should get in quick!

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information.

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