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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

We are very happy to announce our Student Leadership Team for 2016 - 2017. Congratulations to our new College Captain, **Hannah Azzopardi** and our Vice-Captains **Emma Dimech** and **Danielle Todd**. This newsletter also contains the details of all our student representatives from Year 7 to Year 11. Each student has committed herself to Christian leadership through service and to living out our student leadership mission: to follow in the footsteps of Caroline Chisholm, to empower young women and to reach those at the edges of our community.

It seems appropriate, then, that this section of the newsletter be handed over to our newest leaders. Here is an extract of an article our three captains wrote for the Catholic Education Commission about why they value being educated in a Catholic school.



When we watch the news, or read the stories that scroll through our Facebook news feed, we might reflect on how our world can sometimes seem like a scary and challenging place, where evil is real and suffering is a way of life for many. And yet, each day at our Catholic school, our teachers and our community remind us that we have good reason to be filled with hope. The great joy of being a student in a Catholic school comes from knowing that we are contributing to God's vision for a kingdom of peace, justice and love. That happens every day in the classrooms and playgrounds of Caroline Chisholm College.

As students of Caroline Chisholm College, we strongly appreciate and value the opportunity of attending a Catholic school that allows us to grow in our faith and connect with Christ on a daily basis. We are regularly

challenged as Catholics to fulfil our school motto of 'faith, courage and tolerance' which encapsulates the key values selflessly demonstrated by our college patron Caroline Chisholm. As a Catholic college community, we are reminded to collectively strive for these key values, and those of compassion, justice, dignity and service. We apply these through our relationships with each other and in the ways we respond as a community of hope, to a range of social justice issues within our society. Going to a Catholic school enables us to be guided and inspired by Jesus as our role model and Caroline Chisholm who inspires us as a community to become people of Christ.

A Catholic education enhances deep relationships and creates a positive, happy and welcoming environment for all who attend our school, by fostering a strong set of values and ethics in students. A Catholic school deepens students' faith and helps them strengthen their relationship with not only other students, but with God through prayer. Participating in liturgies and attending church through the school's connection with the local parish builds long lasting relationships within the school but also extends into the wider community. Being at a Catholic school allows us to incorporate our faith into regular conversations and share our values we have as a college. Coming together at Mass and being able to



express your faith as a community, enables everyone to join in the spirit and presence of God. Having different people expressing their own Catholic faith, views and beliefs, helps us know more about the individual and develops a closer connection between the Caroline Chisholm and local Catholic community.

Attending Caroline Chisholm College adds a unique dimension to our learning experiences as students. Not only are we empowered academically, we are also provided with a vital opportunity to grow in our spirituality as young Catholics. We are enabled to be a part of a supportive college community that upholds the importance of following in the footsteps of significant role models and to be able to incorporate our faith and apply it in our own lives. A Catholic school helps enhance deep relationships and our school community empowers students to aspire and grow into better individuals who follow in the footsteps of Christ. We also strive to live out our motto of 'faith, courage and tolerance', and we follow in the example of Caroline Chisholm, to help those on the fringes of society. The shared aspirations and values of our community enable us as students to become strong, optimistic young women, who are empowered to make a difference in our community.

Hannah Azzopardi, Danielle Todd and Emma Dimech

Thank you to **Mr MacNamara** and **Mrs Zammit** who helped with the leadership training day on Friday 19 August. Please pray for all our new leaders as they begin their service of this great college at our Leaders' Commissioning Mass on Tuesday 30 August.



Prayer for Our New College Leaders

Loving God, hear our prayer for our new student leaders.
Give them faith - to share your Good News with all
Give them humility - to serve everyone with grace and care
Give them courage - to reach out to all, especially those at the edges.
May their leadership of our college bring everyone closer to your love.
Caroline Chisholm - Pray for us

Finally, good luck to the following groups representing our college in the coming days:

- **Mrs Wakeling** and the Tournament of the Minds Team, competing on Sunday
- **Mr Fuller** and the Westernauts Robotics Team, competing on Friday and Saturday
- **Mr Clerke** and the Agriculture Team, competing at the Penrith Show on the weekend.

Mr Greg Elliott
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

Tuesday 23 August	Youth Frontier Workshops Penrith Eisteddfod	Sunday 28 August	Year 10 Agriculture Excursion Penrith Show
Wednesday 24 August	HSC Drama Prac Exams PDSSSC Netball	Monday 29 August	Year 10 HSIE Vietnam Veterans Presentation
Thursday 25 August	Year 8 Medieval Day Incursion HSC Body of Work Exhibition 4.30-6.30pm	Tuesday 30 August	Leaders' Commissioning Mass - 9.00am
Friday 26 August	Year 10 Agriculture Excursion Penrith Show	Thursday 1 September	Year 7 Vaccination #3
Saturday 27 August	Year 10 Agriculture Excursion Penrith Show	Friday 2 September	Literature Dress Up Day
		Monday 5 September	Year 12 Reports Issued Years 9 & 10 LoTE PBL PDSSSC Oz Tag Gala Day



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Vaccinations

Vaccinations will be on Thursday 1 September 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 Thursday, 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.

Year 9 and 10 Disco

Last Tuesday, a successful disco was held at St Dominic's College. Thanks to all the girls who were well-presented and well-behaved. 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, Ms Penny Mabon and Mr Ian Fuller.

"Doing the Right Thing Awards"

Students who help with clean up and litter are eligible for a "Doing the Right Thing Award". Congratulations to **Grace Wood** (7 MacKillop), **Emalee Clague** (7 Wright), **Jenna Cashel** (7 Gilmore) and **Jemma O'Hara** (9 Jackson) 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.

Mr Greg King - Assistant Principal

STUDENT LEADERS FOR 2016/2017

Year 12 2017

Hannah Azzopardi - School Captain
Emma Dimech - School Vice-Captain
Danielle Todd - School Vice-Captain

Rachel Bartolo - Liturgy
Ashleigh Camenzuli - Social Justice
Ella Drinkwalter - Wellbeing
Madison Ellul - Student Learning
Sian Johnson - Student Learning
Keeley McCahon - Social Justice
Claire Roberson - Wellbeing
Brianna Saunders - Liturgy

Katarina Yelavich - Gilmore House
Lucy Harris - Jackson House
Madeline Haydon - Kenny House
Kiani Denoord - Macarthur House
Sophie Douglas-Torrie - MacKillop House
Elizabeth Azzopardi - Wright House

Year 8 2017

Ammaleah Astruc
Annlin Biju
Amber Depsey
Montannah Harris

Year 9 2017

Skyla Begnell
Claudia Fava
Nevine Idris
Charlotte Williams

Year 10 2017

Kaitlyn Attard
Lauren Betts
Chloe Daley
Claudia Dixon
Victoria Ellul
Lily Marmont

Year 11 2017

Alissa Anastasio
Ashlin Biju
Cheyne Easthorpe
Claire Henen
Hannah McCrorie
Tamara Reid
Claudine Rule
Abbey Tricot
Alina Wakeling
Georgia Wood



YEAR 9 JAPANESE EXCURSION TO THE TANKEN CENTRE

On Wednesday, 10th August, our Year 9 Japanese class spent an excellent day at the *Nihongo Tanken Centre*, located in the grounds of Kirawee High School.

The *Tanken Centre* is a traditional Japanese house where the staff run all of the activities speaking only in Japanese, supplementing their speech with gestures, demonstrations and humour to facilitate understanding. The emphasis is on learning while having fun and the students certainly responded well, especially to the antics of Taka Sensei.

During the day, the students completed a number of competitive challenges involving all of their communication skills – reading, writing, speaking and listening. The games were based on language structures they were familiar with and also introduced them to many features of a traditional Japanese house. Some lucky students got to try out a Japanese bed (*futon*) and we discovered some excellent acting skills during charades. Some games were also physically challenging and involved things like racing while trying to balance a paper balloon (*kami fusen*) on the palm of their hands.

Our students participated with enthusiasm and it was pleasing to see them overcome their fears to communicate well in Japanese. In addition, to all of the fun activities, they also enjoyed sitting in the glorious sunshine in the traditional garden (*niwa*) while eating a traditional lunch box (*obento*).

Mrs Wendy Merriman -Leader of Learning LoTE

I liked the fact that we were immersed in Japanese as soon as we arrived. The Tanken Centre was very traditional and it looked like nothing I had seen before. We did numerous different activities that broadened our knowledge of Japan and its culture and it was an overall enjoyable and unique experience. Some things we did not understand at all and other things took us a while to understand. It was definitely a unique learning experience and challenged us to try our best.

Chloe Cunningham

I personally enjoyed the learning experience of working with my peers even when the answer was unknown. We as a class were able to unite and face the task requirements as a group. I specifically loved the 'Tanken Restaurant' game along with the 'Theme photo shoot' as it incorporated a fun aspect whilst learning.

Ellie Loughman

The thing I liked most about the Tanken Centre excursion was the food. I had never eaten obento before that day and it was yum. I also learnt that I can do what I set my mind to. I can answer hard questions if I think them through slowly and respond logically.

Erika Plagi

I really liked was our hosts because they were really funny and made everything interesting. I learnt that I could understand what our hosts were saying and I could understand much more than I originally thought I could.

Monique Neill





NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

With **fewer than 2 weeks** until Literature dress Up Day 2016. Are you prepared?

The Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week awards have been announced. To celebrate, all students who borrow for leisure reading will receive a sweet treat in Book Week and Literacy & Numeracy Weeks (weeks 6 and 7).

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge for students in Years 7-9 closed on Friday 19 August and one week remains for the CCC Senior Reading Challenge. So far 31 Juniors and 14 Seniors have completed their challenges. It seems that the Juniors are going to take out the Reading Challenge this year unless there is a late rush of Seniors. Keep reading, log your books and we will see who wins. Details on both challenges are available on the Library webpage. If any student needs help completing or recording their books please call into the Library for help or email me at tokeeffe@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Congratulations to **Rachel Borg, Tahlia Godfrey, Maddison McCarry, Christine Muscat, Emily Vella, Hayley Wacker, Bernadette Wakeling, Lily Marmont, Hannah Stephan, Taylor Hodgson, Isabella Nardi, Imogen Van Stolk, Georgia Mayor, Tara Langford, Nilisha Buksh, Parnia Dehghani Firouzbadi, Kirsten Gearin, Micquella Grima, Hira Tayyab and Alexia Nicholopoulos** for completing the PRC. The following Seniors have recently completed their challenge too - **Tiana Watts, Elizabeth Azzopardi, Sarah Glynn, Savannah Carroll, Tamara Reid, Alannah Gillis, Faria Kazi and Lucy Harris.**

Happy reading!

Mrs Teresa O'Keeffe - Teacher Librarian

SJP St. Joseph's Catholic Parish

August 2016

Dear Catholic Parent/ Guardians

My name is Antoinette Mifsud and I am the Parish Special Religious Education (scripture teacher) Coordinator for St Joseph's Church Kingswood.

Like all parishes in NSW, we are responsible for the instruction of our Catholic faith to the children who attend the state schools in the parish.

For the past 20 years a small number of dedicated parishioners are privileged to sharing their faith to these children.

This letter is an invitation for help. A call to those of you who are active in their faith and are thinking about helping the parish in some way.

This ministry, Special Religious Educators (SRE- Catechist), need people who are willing to teach or help in the classroom or drive SRE's to and from the schools.

Due to my work and family commitment I can no longer teach in some of the primary schools. Which means that the children of 2 schools will have NO scripture teaching. Therefore, if you are thinking about doing something, do it now. If you accept this invitation don't hesitate to call me during business hours or SMS text me on **0413 686 270**, or leave your contact details at our parish office on **02 4721 4080**. We will arrange a time where we can chat and answer any questions you may have concerning this ministry.

God call us at our Baptism to be disciples and spread the Word of God. What better way to do this than by teaching the children about His love for them.

Will you answer His call?

Yours in Christ

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NSWCCC NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016

Congratulations to the three teams who competed on Tuesday 16th of August at the NSWCCC Netball carnival. A warm winter's day saw all teams play strongly and enjoy the day.

Thanks to our umpires-

Bethany Gale Seniors

Chloe Daley Intermediate

Jessica Murray Juniors

It is not an easy task to umpire your peers so we really appreciate their efforts. Thanks also to the parents who came to support.

Junior Team

Sarah Blaikie, Year 8
Chloe Daley, Year 9
Alanah Eisenhuth, Year 8
Alison Gallen, Year 8
Mia Gleeson, Year 8
Emily Hatcher, Year 7

Ruby Lowe, Year 8
Laura Patterson, Year 8
Jasmine Ridding, Year 8
Savannah Roberts, Year 9
Madison Whiteley, Year 7
Tanner Wilson, Year 9



Intermediate Team

Tenealle Bijoux, Year 9
Amber-Bree Cini, Year 9
Jennifer Cooper, Year 10
Demi Greenep, Year 10
Brooke Hoban, Year 9

Indianna Hutchinson, Year 10
Brittany Jones, Year 10
Savannah Roberts, Year 9
Taylah Spaccavento, Year 9
Georgia Waters, Year 9

It was always going to be a tough competition and the fact that our day began with a bye meant that we were a little rusty off the blocks. However, the Intermediate Team demonstrated great skill, enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout the day, which made every game an exciting one to watch.

Senior Netball Team - Championship Division

Jade Culey, Year 11
Kennedi Geyer, Year 11
Madeline Haydon, Year 11
Ashleigh Jones, Year 11
Keeley McCahon, Year 11

Shawnea Micallef, Year 12
Elise Pelle, Year 11
Emily Perring, Year 11
Emily Saunders, Year 12
Ainslee Saywell, Year 12



Congratulations to the Senior team who played seven games, winning two and losing five (2 losses by 1 and 2 points). Our attack was strong with a variety of players able to shoot. We didn't have many regular defence players. However, Jade and Kennedi willingly helped out Ainslee and Elise. The girls shared the load as the day got hotter and players started to tire. They displayed great skills and performed to a high standard in a strong competition.

Miss Clare Thompson, Miss Janine Balite and Mrs Frances McCauley

TARA INTERSCHOOL'S EQUESTRIAN CARNIVAL

Tylah Studdert and **Olivia McCully** from Year 7 (Macarthur) represented the college in the Tara Interschool's Equestrian Carnival held on Sunday, 14 August. There were almost 200 competitors over four different events. Both girls performed extremely well. Tylah placed 2nd in the 90cm showjumping and 2nd in the dressage test and Olivia placed 4th in the dressage test. Both girls also received ribbons for their sporting and hacking classes. Congratulations ladies.

Mrs Jeanette Cocks - Year 7 Leader of Learning





YEAR 8 REFLECTION DAY

On Friday 29th July 2016, Year 8 students gathered at Winbourne, Mulgoa for our annual Reflection Day. Both the venue and weather were perfect for this event. The theme for the day was based on the message from St Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, 'Love is Patient and Kind'. Throughout the day students participated in a number of activities that encouraged them to consider the gifts that God had gifted them and to reflect on how these could be used in our College community to show love and kindness.

The highlights of the day included a spiritual Liturgy where the students were invited to place a stone in a bowl of water, symbolising the washing away of any hurts that they carried. There was an inspirational presentation on the life of Audrey Hepburn that focused on her insights about womanhood and the qualities/strengths she possessed. We enjoyed the fun-filled shared lunch that encouraged stronger bonds between friends and the competitive staff versus student soccer match. We had an opportunity to be still at the end of the day to pause and reflect.

Mr Damien Mills - Leader of Learning Year 8



SCHOOL FOOTBALL KNOCKOUT REPORT

On Monday 15 August **Mr McIlveen** and the Caroline Chisholm Football Team travelled to Kareela in the Sutherland Shire to play Holy Spirit College, Bellambi from the Wollongong Diocese in the NSWCCC quarter final. For much of the game Holy Spirit was attacking the Caroline Chisholm goal but with some brilliant goalkeeping from Anita the score remained at 0-0 until Caroline Chisholm received a free kick in the first half. Sarah took the free kick and scored straight off it to put Caroline Chisholm up 1-0. For the remainder of the game there was a lot of defending from Caroline Chisholm and with more amazing goal keeping. The score line remained 1-0 until the final whistle. The win sends Caroline Chisholm through to the NSWCCC semi final at Valentine Sports Park on Monday 29 August.

Thank you also to **Emma Buckley** for running the lines during our quarter final.

Written by Isabella La Malfa - Year 12 student



Feast of the Assumption



HSC Music Showcase





Catholic Education
Diocese of Parramatta

8th August 2016.

Dear Principal,

I am now recruiting for Year 12 students to register their interest to participate in the 2017 ICT Traineeship Program, offered by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta. The Traineeship provides on the job training and qualifications in the field of ICT (Information Communication Technology). It has been designed to support ICT activities in the workplace and to achieve a degree of self-sufficiency as an advanced ICT user.

The traineeship provides a unique opportunity for students to attain a nationally accredited Certificate III and VI in Information Technology along with 2 years of industry experience.

In preparation for recruitment of trainees for the **ICT Traineeship Program 2017**, please place the enclosed poster in a high traffic area in your school and communicate this amazing opportunity to Year 12 students.

To learn more about this program, students need to register their interest, <https://goo.gl/forms/7C12lllxR4U5kKov1>, to attend an information Session held over two nights.

Information Sessions

Date & time:

6th and 7th September, 2016 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Location:

St Agnes Catholic High School
Evans Road
Rooty Hill

All students interested in the Traineeship Program and their parents are welcome to attend.

Kind Regards,

Linda Pearsall

Manager - Front Office Services