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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

Last week I attended an Education Symposium with the Minister for Education, Adrian Piccoli and leaders of learning from across NSW. The purpose of the symposium was to help the government set its policy direction for the future. I was very encouraged that, at Caroline Chisholm College, we are already doing so many of the things that are being called for in NSW schools. I heard from industry leaders who said that, alongside good marks, they are looking for employees who are great problem solvers, creative and insightful. They are looking for people who make teams work brilliantly together and who can communicate complex ideas with clarity. They want team members who don't give up when faced with challenges and who have grit and determination, people who have learned that adversity and failure are necessary ingredients of learning. These are all features of our purposeful learning at the college, and it is so important that we value these things as much as we value marks and grades. In fact, it is **ONLY** these things that lead to real growth in learning. Having just read all the Year 11 reports, it struck me that those students who had the best results and best attitudes to learning also had the most community involvement, whether that be through sport, performing arts or community service. That is no coincidence. These activities teach the lessons that the world expects of our students beyond the college gates. Parents and families can help develop these skills quite intentionally. By being encouraging in the face of challenges, by suggesting that your daughter reaches out to her network for support, by never letting her settle for less than her best we can show just how important these habits of learning are.

Ever tried.
Ever failed.
No matter.
Try again.
Fail again.
Fail better.

Samuel Beckett

On Friday night we enjoyed the Dance Showcase, highlighting the talents of so many of our students. Sitting in the audience and watching the show, I was reminded of how much Caroline Chisholm College does to support girls' confidence and creativity. These are two of the skills that were mentioned earlier. It is one of the special gifts of a girls' school, that girls are always centre stage and can express themselves without worrying about what boys may think of them. We are especially grateful to **Mrs Brooke Hughes**, our dance teacher, who works tirelessly to prepare the students for this, and many other shows and eisteddfods, ensuring that every student has an opportunity to grow, challenge herself and perform at her best. Thank you also to **Miss Alara Cassells-Forward** and the many other teachers who have supported our dancers over the year, as well as Mr Richard Caws and the staff and students in the support crew for Friday night.



In this edition of our newsletter, you will read about the Parramatta Diocese Education Service Awards. Many of our Caroline Chisholm teachers were recognised for their significant milestone in their service to Catholic education. Special mention must be made of **Ms Bernadette Murray**, our REC, who was awarded for 35 years service as a teacher. **Ms Murray** is currently on well deserved leave!

We are about to begin our Kenny House Initiative next week, which focuses on supporting victims of family violence. During the previous school holidays, I was privileged to meet Rosie Battie, Australian of the Year 2015, whose son was murdered by his father in an atrocious act of domestic violence. Since that awful time, Rosie Battie has dedicated herself to campaigning against this silent curse in our communities. Research shows that one in four women will be affected by family violence and one in five children. That figure is obviously too

large, and all families should be places of respect and safety. Our Kenny House captain, **Madeline Haydon**, is about to invite students and staff to participate in the Penrith White Ribbon Day walk on 25 November from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. I will be walking to show my commitment to ending family violence. A large Caroline Chisholm contingent, walking in uniform and in solidarity with women who are victims, would be a very powerful statement and a way of living out our college values of justice and courage. If you or someone you know is a victim of family violence, help is available by calling the 24 hour Domestic Violence Line on 1800 65 64 63.



The Caroline Chishom Community
**STANDS AGAINST
FAMILY VIOLENCE**

Join with me in praying for families suffering conflict or violence.

God our redeemer and sustainer,
we pray for the survivors of violence, abuse and neglect.
Be with them in confusion and pain.
Give your power to the powerless,
your fullness to the empty of spirit.
Heal their wounds, free them from fear and restore them to true health.
Strengthen them to face the future with faith in you.
We ask this through Jesus your Son,
who was himself a victim of abuse
and yet in his resurrection, triumphed over the oppression.

And now, may your Spirit draw us together,
both in our church family, and in the community.
May we face our mistakes with complete honesty.
Help us reach out, care for the hurting, and support each other.
Strengthen us with the gospel of your grace, for Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen.

Mr Greg Elliott
Principal

SEMESTER 2 PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

The College Principal's Award is given to students who have demonstrated outstanding commitment in all areas of their learning. It encourages all girls to strive for excellence in their work.

We congratulate the following recipients of the Principal's Awards for Semester 2 for Year 11.

Nadia Abram	Emma Dimech	Nadia Khouri	Claire Roberson
Phoebe Anderson	Sophie Douglas-Torrie	Emma Lonard	Farkhanda Russull
Chantelle Arancon	Madison Ellul	Tia Madden	Brianna Saunders
Elizabeth Azzopardi	Manreet Gill	Keeley McCahon	Clare Sheridan
Hannah Azzopardi	Alannah Gillis	Lauren Micallef	Arabella Steele-Allen
Courtney Barnes	Laura Green	Ceren Narli	Emma Thomas
Rachel Bartolo	Sarah Hackenberg	Lillian Neal	Danielle Todd
Jessie Beckhaus	Jodie Hall	Orielle Nielsen	Leia Townsley
Ashleigh Bridge	Lucy Harris	Abby Parkes	Erin Turner
Ashleigh Camenzuli	Madeline Haydon	Kiara Pearce	Eliza-May Vickers
Bree Campbell	Angela Hocking	Elise Pelle	Tiana Watts
Savannah Carroll	Melanie Hooper	Zoe Penson	Ally Wells
Shumi Chauhan	Kaitlyn Horne	Georgia Pirrone	
Kiani Denoord	Sian Johnson	Lily Popovich	
Yar Dhieu	Nadyne Kemister	Isabella Richardson	



FROM THE ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Uniform

Just a reminder of the information in the last newsletter – please check that your daughter’s uniform is meeting college expectations, particularly in regard to skirt length and correct footwear and make sure you address any areas which might need attention. Most girls wear the uniform very well and it’s important that the pride students have in their school is reflected in the way they wear the uniform and the way the college is represented in public.

Uniforms - shoes

Students must wear black leather-covered lace-up polishable shoes that cover the top of the foot. This is both a uniform and a WHS requirement. Please note that black leather gym style shoes (like Converse) are not acceptable, nor are completely flat shoes without any moulding on the sole. If shoes need to be replaced before next year, please make sure they conform to this requirement as it will be expensive if a newly-purchased pair has to be replaced.

Uniforms - skirts

I need to emphasise that the uniform length is to the bottom of the knee. Some students’ skirts have crept up to nearer the top of the knee as the year has progressed. This is the time to address this. All students must start the year with skirts to the bottom of the knee. Students whose skirts do not come to this length will receive reminder notices over the next few weeks and will need to lengthen or replace the skirts.

Doing the Right Thing

Congratulations to **Emily Vella** (7 Jackson), **Shalisse Mifsud** (7 Kenny), **Maria Sanchez** (7 Kenny) and **Mia Hosking** (7 Wright). They have been selected to receive a \$5 canteen voucher for college service.

Miss Debbie White - Acting Assistant Principal

PARRAMATTA DIOCESE EDUCATION SERVICE AWARDS

5 Years of Service

Lydia Bianchi
Wendy Merriman
Roslyn Radford
Wendy Slaughter
Clare Thompson
Luisa Wood

10 Years of Service

Karen Chester
Penny Mabon
Melanie McKee
Amanda Parnis

15 Years of Service

Vanessa Brown
Janene Clifton
Jeanette Cocks
Alison Field
Jacqueline Morley

20 Years of Service

Richard Caws
Helen Johnston
Stephen McIlveen
Damien Mills
Natalie Vella
Deborah White

25 Years of Service

Martin Edwards
Gregory Elliott
Teresa O’Keeffe
Marc Petit

30 Years of Service

Junelle Dunne

35 Years of Service

Bernadette Murray

DIARY DATES

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

Wednesday 2 Nov	HSC Exams AM - Legal Studies HSC Exams PM - Food Technology Year 7 Sculpture by the Sea Excursion	Tuesday 8 Nov	Year 10 Exams Year 11 HSC Information Night Cancelled
Thursday 3 Nov	HSC Exams AM - Chemistry HSC Exams PM - Drama	Wednesday 9 Nov	Year 10 Exams
Friday 4 Nov	HSC Exams AM - Business Services HSC Exams PM - Design & Technology	Thursday 10 Nov	Year 10 Exams
Monday 7 Nov	Kenny House Initiative this week Year 10 Study Day	Friday 11 Nov	Year 10 Exams Remembrance 11 am College Assembly
		Monday 14 Nov	Year 12 sign out procedures Year 10 Exams
		Tuesday 15 Nov	Year 7 (2017) Orientation Day

NSWCCC OPEN FOOTBALL

On Monday 29 August, the Caroline Chisholm College Open Football Team attended Valentine Sports Park, where they represented the college in the NSWCCC semi-finals against Marian Catholic College from Griffith. The game started off with plenty of opportunity and great defense from the Caroline Chisholm team, however, Marian managed to score the 1st goal of the game. As a team, we were able to hold this score out until half time. The second half we came out strong, scoring within the first 5 minutes. The goal was scored by **Ashley O'Malley** after **Tanya Borazio** assisted by placing a corner kick directly to Ashley who was able to convert a goal. However, although we continued to play strong as a team, Marian ended up scoring another 3 goals to win 4 - 1. On behalf of the younger girls, I would like to say congratulations to the Year 12 students who displayed strong leadership skills throughout all games played, you'll be missed by the CCC football team. A big thank you to **Mr McIlveen** for being a great coach and supporting the girls throughout the tournament. Overall the outcome of this tournament meant that the Caroline Chisholm Football Team placed equal third in the state!



Written by Abbey Tricot

**PDSSSC OZ TAG GALA DAY**

On Monday 12 September, Caroline Chisholm entered three teams to compete in the PDSSSC Oz Tag Gala Day held at Kingsway Fields, St Marys.

Special congratulations to all teams, who were undefeated and finished first place in their pools. The Junior and Intermediate teams then went on to win the grand final, which is a great achievement for the college.

All students are to be commended for their impeccable sportsmanship and effort on the day. All teams showed a range of both individual talent and teamwork skills. All girls proudly represented the college.

A special thanks to **Georgia Burgess** of Year 10 for refereeing on the day.

Mr Stephen McIlveen - Sports Co Ordinator





CCC STUDENTS IN FUJIEDA

Four students from Caroline Chisholm were selected to be Penrith Ambassadors to Penrith Council's sister-city, Fujieda in Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan. This opportunity is available to CCC students each year, with the only requirement being fifteen years or older.

The girls had an amazing time and wrote the following:

Visiting Japan was an amazing experience! I was able to take part in a multitude of things that I will never forget. My home stay family was absolutely wonderful, though the language barrier made communication challenging. It was interesting and I thoroughly enjoyed every moment with them and most definitely plan to visit them again. Fujieda City was beautiful, it was peaceful and calm and full of nature!

We went to a hot spring, visited Disneyland, went out to many restaurants and tried lots of different food. Going to the temple and participating in Zazen meditation was quite nice and relaxing. We visited schools and all the people were so eager to greet us, we were allowed to participate in Judo which was one of my favourite things. Despite not studying the language, I picked up a lot of phrases, everyone was patient and very encouraging whenever I attempted to speak Japanese. I learnt how to use chopsticks! That was one of my best achievements.

The visit to Hiroshima was quite heartfelt, the deer at Miyajima were great, Kyoto city was just beautiful, and I'm glad I was able to visit such amazing places and meet so many wonderful people. I would definitely go back again, and I would recommend that those who haven't, try and take a trip to Japan! The council program was definitely worth doing.

Mona-Lisa Banda



I had an amazing opportunity to travel to Fujieda Japan with three other students from Caroline Chisholm College. I stayed with Bethany Neal at our host sister's home with her family for the extent of three weeks. We experienced the various Japanese customs and cultural aspects of Japan and what Fujieda is most well known for, including green tea and soccer.

We went on daily excursions visiting many places and widening our food pallet by trying a range of Japanese cuisine. We were lucky enough to visit Hiroshima, which was a very confronting yet an incredible place filled with history and beautiful sites, including Miyajima Island. Also, we visited Kyoto and went to the beautiful temples such as Kinkaku-ji, which is one of the most treasured golden pavilions. I have learnt so much about the Japanese culture, heritage and customs through this cultural exchange that I will be grateful for forever. I hope to visit Japan again soon.

Natasha Mills

My time in Japan has been the greatest experience of my life so far. I felt incredibly lucky to have been representing Penrith along with six other students in Japan. Personally I've been wanting to go to Japan since Year 6 when our class started learning about the country, so after a long 5 year wait I was finally able to go. The trip lasted 3 weeks which obviously felt like 3 days because of how busy and fun our schedule was.

Everyday was a new activity. It could be as intense and fun as Disneyland or as relaxing as tea picking. One of my favourite parts was the schools we went to. The group went to four different schools yet I was able to visit my host sister, Mio's school, which made it five. We



went to mostly primary schools and all the kids were so energetic and happy and just really fun to be around. I played dodgeball and oz tag with them and for someone who isn't fond of sports it was really fun!

Monalisa and my host family were truly the best thing about the trip. One day we had a free day, so our family asked what we wanted to do. We wanted to go to Akihabara and Ikebukuro, otherwise known as the land of *anime*. These places were all the way in Tokyo which was two hours away. I had the most fun there and also spent the most money.

Our host family was so kind and caring, and I truly want to visit them again sometime in the future.

Overall this was the best thing to ever happen to me considering how long I waited. I would like to thank the Penrith City Council for giving me the opportunity.

Hannah Riles

I was fortunate enough to be provided with an eye-opening opportunity to visit the beautiful city of Fujieda in Japan. The trip was filled with many laughs and great times shared with three other students from Caroline Chisholm. During our journeys we visited places such as Disneyland, the longest wooden bridge, many schools, temples, Hiroshima, Kyoto and many more wonderful sites. We also participated in activities such as karaoke, traditional festivals, crossing a suspension bridge and exploring the dam. I was very fortunate to have experienced all these amazing things. My host family was welcoming and I had no trouble feeling at home, I would definitely recommend looking into Penrith international friendships exchange program.

Bethany Neal



CREATIVE ARTS NEWS

Year 11 Drama Excursion



On Tuesday 25 October, Year 11 Drama went on an excursion to The National Institute of Drama Art (NIDA). Students participated in workshops focused on their Individual Project choices including performance, costume design, director's folio and scriptwriting. This workshop was run by professionals in the industry and was a valuable experience for Year 11 as they are about to embark on this journey.

Year 9 Drama Incursion

On Friday 28 October, Year 9 Drama had the opportunity to work with Matriark Theatre who ran a workshop during class on Commedia dell'Arte. This theatrical art form was a popular form of comedy, which began in Italy in the 16th Century. Year 9 explored the physicality of a variety of stock characters, improvised short scenes and worked with leather masks. It was an enjoyable experience for all of the students.



Mrs Sara Lemaire - Creative Arts Drama

Dance Showcase



To view more photos from the Dance Showcase, please use the following link:
<http://www.cccglennmorepark.catholic.edu.au/Current-Families/Gallery/Dance-Showcase-2016>

Year 11 Retreat

