

Principal's Report

Hospitality

*As Christians we are called to be hospitable,
But this is more than serving a meal,
providing a bed,
or opening our door -
it is to open ourselves,
our hearts,
to the needs of others.*

*Hospitality is not just shelter or
sharing what we have,
but the quality of welcome behind it.*

*As we gather around the table of
friendship
we come in thanksgiving
for the countless times we have
been welcomed by others
during this year.*

*As we gather around the table of
friendship
we ask for forgiveness
for the times we have been less than
welcoming to others.*

*As we gather around the table of
friendship
we give thanks
for all who have nourished and
cared for us this year.*

*As we gather around the table of
friendship
we come in hope;
in hope that we are people who
reach out to others.*

*As we have been nourished at the
table of friendship
may we be disciples,
who bring peace and justice to our
world.*

*We offer this prayer through Christ
our Lord. Amen.*

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Catherine McAuley Pins

At our final assembly, we recognised students who have made an outstanding contribution to the life of the school and the broader community. These students have involved themselves in many different aspects of school life, whether that be through service, leadership, fundraising, sport, the Arts, extension programs and clubs.

Congratulations to the recipients of the 2017 Catherine McAuley pin. You are indeed people who make a difference and your willingness to lead, challenge, put in and to be part of things is very much appreciated. Thank you.

Thank you to all the families who were able to join us for the assembly and morning tea. Your presence, support and encouragement are very much appreciated.

Recipients of the Catherine McAuley Pin for 2017 are.....

7 AVOCA: Isabel Jankovic; 7 SNOWY: Emily Gerada, Liam Kilpatrick, Amy Ruel; 7 WIMMERA: Megan, Flores; 7 YARRA: Olivia Barisic, Teresa Tram Bui, Danny Do, Sonany Istaifo, Rejoyce Modi; 8 ATTARD: Karen Nguyen, Lisa Pham, Lynda TheLe, 8 CLARK: Julia Cabaldon, Delvana Dorbor, Hannah Nguyen, Mekayla Tapuala Unasa; 8 EDISSON: Vivian Dang, Rhanel Hao; 8 ORIFICI: Arabella Celine Julian; 9 BARTON: Daniela Alwyn, Wendy Nguyen, Cindy Vo, 9 CURTIN: Daniel Duong, Carl Mikhail Sevillano; 9 DEAKIN: Harrison Gatt, Jordan Luong; 9 HUGHES: Sharelle Lynch, Hayley Nguyen, Janaya Nheu; 9 LYONS: Xuan Dien Vo; 10 LITTLE: Jocelyn Cuzcano, Faye-lene Reyes; 10 McAULEY: Emily Aguila; 10 MacKILLOP: Xavier Ryam Bondoc, Tina Bui, Thuong Nguyen, Nathan Taylor; 10 O'CONNELL: Caitlyn Gonsalves, Kim Huynh, Vincent Le.

Long Tan Leadership Award

Each year the Australian Defence Force provides a scholarship to recognise a Year 10 student who demonstrates outstanding leadership and teamwork within both the school and broader community. This student must also demonstrate a strong commitment to values such as respect for others and strive to always do their best.

*Congratulations to **Jocelyn Cuzcano** (10 Little) who is this year's recipient of the Long Tan Leadership Award. Throughout the year Jocelyn has managed to balance the responsibilities of being School Captain with a strong commitment to her studies. She is a talented young woman who has demonstrated initiative, exceptional leadership skills and the ability to make a difference in our community and beyond.*

Caltex All Rounder Award

*This award recognises one student at each school for their all-round contribution to the school and the community. This year the award was given to **Liam Kilpatrick** (7 Snowy). As well as putting effort into his studies, Liam is an exceptional young man who was part of the school production, is a leader within our community and always acts in accord with our school values. Congratulations Liam.*

Loaves and Fishes Food Bank

*A highlight of our final assembly was the presentation of a cheque for **\$1,400** to Charlie from the 'Loaves and Fishes Food*

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Bank' at Holy Eucharist. Throughout the year students and staff help out at the food bank on Fridays where an amazing group of volunteers collect, parcels and distributes 200+ food packages each week. Where possible, produce from our school gardens is added to food parcels or sold after mass to raise funds for staples like rice.

During 2017 the Student Leaders led by our Social Justice Captains, Thuong Nguyen and Nathan Taylor, and the St Vinnie's group, combined their many talents to raise funds for the food bank. This is an outstanding effort and I'd like to thank and congratulate all involved.

Charlie was absolutely delighted to receive the funds which will be put to good use, however, he was also very appreciative of the assistance given on Fridays. For the volunteers it is heartening to know that there are young people ready to step up and continue what they've begun.

Year 7 Giving Tree Appeal

Continuing the theme of thinking of others – the Year 7 classes are collecting Christmas gifts to be distributed by St Vincent de Paul. This year we are focussing on Christmas foods like puddings and cakes, and gifts for young people who are 5 – 12 years of age. However, all gifts are welcome. I encourage you to support this very worthwhile work and thank the Year 7 House Council for leading this initiative.

School Captains 2018

On behalf of the school community I would like to thank our 2017 School Captains: Jocelyn Cuzcano and Jeremy Lawang, and the Vice Captains: Caitlyn Gonsalves, Piath Monoah, Vincent Le and Xavier Bondoc for their great work as leaders in our school. Throughout the year they've contributed in a very real and practical way to making our school a great place and in ensuring that students 'have a voice' on many issues. I thank them for their time, generosity and willingness to serve our community.

*It is with great pleasure that I can now announce that our School Captains for 2018 are **Jenaya Nheu** and **Harrison Gatt**. Our Captains will be assisted in their role by **Cindy Vo** and **Daniel Duong** who will be Vice Captains. They are a talented and impressive group of young people and I look forward to working with them next year.*

We were privileged to have a fine field of candidates for these roles and the final decision was a difficult one. Thank you to all who applied for this important leadership role and Trixie-May Celestial, Jocelyn Cuzcano and Kennette DeChavez for their great work as members of the selection panel.

Farewell Year 10 2017

At our final assembly our Year 10 2017 students were farewelled by our 2018 School Captains. Thank you to Jenaya and Harrison who spoke so well about the contributions the Year 10 students have made over the past four years. They highlighted the leadership, hospitality and school spirit the Year 10 students have shown, and the sense of peace, welcome and inclusion they've helped to create in our school.

Jocelyn and Jeremy responded on behalf of the Year 10 students, thanking staff, students and families for their support and reflecting on their time at the College; the many terrific experiences they've had and how these have helped shape who they are today.

Report Preparation Day: Friday 1 December

Whilst assessment and finalisation of reports continue into the last week of term 4, Friday 1 December has been set aside for staff to mark exams and to begin the preparation of reports. Year 10 students will have finished by this date and students in Years 7 - 9 will not be required at school.

End of Year Arrangements for Years 7 - 9

Monday 4 – Wednesday 6 December are normal school days and students are expected to attend in full uniform, with the required books and be prepared to finalise their work.

On Thursday 7 December students in Year 7 and 8 will enjoy the annual Ball Sports Day. Year 9 students will have their final Trinity Day which includes O'Brien's Ice-House.

*Students in Years 7 – 9 finish school on **Friday 8 December**. They are required to be at school by **8.40am** (normal time) and will be dismissed at **12.15pm**.*

End of Year Mass

Our mass for the end of the 2017 school year will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church on **Friday 8 December** at 10.00am.

We warmly invite families to join us for this very special celebration.

Williams Cup Update

Guelen House extended its lead in the Williams Cup at the Athletics carnival, however, the cup is far from decided! Reis are in with a real chance if they perform well at the Year 7 and 8 Ball Sports Day in two weeks.

O'Reilly: 48

Corbett: 56

Reis: 76

Guelen: 95

Year 11 2019 Sydenham Information Night

Year 9 families will have received a letter from CRC Sydenham inviting them to attend an Enrolment Information Night on **Monday 27 November, 2017**. The night will include the chance to tour the school and to hear about the many different pathways and opportunities offered at Years 11 and 12.

It is important that **all** Year 9 families attend as information about the enrolment application process will be given out on the night.

Following the Information Night there will be a second meeting for all students who are taking a VET or VCE subject as part of their Year 10 course in 2018. Students and their families will have the opportunity to meet teachers / trainers to get important information about course requirements, materials and times. **All students taking a VCE or VET subject in Year 10 2018 are required to attend.**

School tours will run at 6.15pm, 6.30pm and 6.45pm.

7.00pm: Information for Families

7.45pm: Information session for students taking a VCE / VET subject in Year 10

Newsletter

The newsletter is published fortnightly and distributed on **Day 5 (Friday Week 1)**. Students will have a chance to read it before placing it in their diary to be taken home to parents that evening.

Newsletter Days for Term 4 2017:

The final newsletter will be posted home on 19 December (posted).

The newsletter can also be accessed on Friday morning (Day 5) on the College website at:

<http://www.crcstalbans.catholic.edu.au>

Since our last newsletter.....

Over and above the day to day activities of the school since our last newsletter students, families and staff have participated in the following:

McAuley Assembly

SACCSS Awards lunch

Year 7 Back to morning

Years 9 and 10 exams.

It's again been a busy two weeks. I am sure that students and their families are very appreciative of all these opportunities and the time and energy that staff put into organising and offering these experiences.

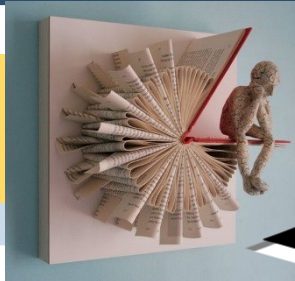


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NOVEMBER 2017

OUR COLLEGE



<http://dishfunctionaldesigns.blogspot.ca/>

READ

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

- WIMMERA
- ATTARD
- AVOCA
- YARRA
- KIEWA
- SNOWY
- EDISON
- ORIFICI
- CLARK
- LITTLE
- LYONS
- MANNIX
- MACKILLOP
- O'CONNELL
- HUGHES
- CURTIN
- MCAULEY
- BARTON

REMINDER TO STUDENTS:

All library books are due back on the 28th November

READERS CUP

The winner for 2017 is:
 7 WIMMERA with 464!
 2ND Place :
 8 ATTARD 385
 3RD Place :
 7 AVOCA 384



TOP 10 BOOKS BORROWED



Wonder
by R.J. Palacio

The Bad Beginning
by Lemony Snicket

Once
by Morris Gleitzman

Soldier Boy
By Anthony Hill

Diary of a Young Girl
by Anne Frank

Betrayal
By Ann Jungman

Company Business
by Carmel Reilly

Time Travel in Ancient Rome
by Nicolas Brasch

Anna's story
by Bronwyn Donaghy

Ghost
by Sue Graves



"...KEEP READING"



Our puzzle experts have completed another difficult jigsaw. A collection of toys and robots and it took a lot of work from many people to get it finished.

Suggested Summer Reading ...



VISIT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY THESE HOLIDAYS TO FIND THESE AND MORE INTERESTING STORIES.

The build-up season
by Megan Jacobson

Little fires everywhere
by Celeste Ng

One of us is lying
by Karen M. McManus

Iqbal: a novel
by Francesco D'Adamo



WEDNESDAY MASS ROSTER

We welcome families to join us on Wednesday mornings from 8.30am. The services are led by both Sacred Heart Primary School and CRC St Albans.

29 November - Sacred Heart

Throughout this year we have been invited to 'Come, gather around our table'.

At the beginning of the year we listened to the story of Abraham welcoming unexpected guests into his home. We recognised in him a strong sense of hospitality and willingness to generously share all he had. This is what we have been called to do.

As a symbol of our hospitality and our collective commitment to living as disciples of Jesus, we have brought together the individual pieces of our diverse lives and formed them into one table. This table will now reside in the Library and be a reminder of the commitment we have made.

The prayer on the front page of this newsletter was read during assembly and it reminds us of what we achieve when we come together.





Key Dates

29 November:
Year 10 Picnic

30 November:
Year 10 Graduation Mass

1 December:
Correction Day
(students not required)

4 - 8 December:
Year 11 2018 Orientation Week
(CRC Sydenham)

5 December:
Peer Support Training Day
(Year 9)

6 December:
Year 10 2018 VCE and VET
Orientation Day
(CRC Sydenham)

7 December:
Ball Sports Day (Years 7 & 8)
Trinity Ice Skating Day (Year 9)

8 December:
Final day for Years 7 - 9
Students finish at 12.15pm

20 December:
School office closes

SCHOOL FEES

We request families on Direct Debit & Credit Card payments to contact the office on 9366 2544 to set up their Direct Debit & Credit Card payments for the 2018 School Year.

We encourage all Yr 7—9 families to finalise their child’s school fees before school closes for 2017 on the 8th December.

Parents with Centrelink Concession Card/Health Care Card please contact Mrs. Ross on 93662544 to make an appointment for 2018 CSEF (formerly EMA). For more information on the CSEF please see the article at right.

If families are having any difficulties with fee payments please do not hesitate to contact me at the college office on:

9366 2544 — Anne Ross



ORIENTATION WEEK @ SYDENHAM
All current year 10 students



Monday 4 December until Friday 8 December is Orientation Week at Sydenham for all students attending Year 11 studies at Sydenham next year. This is a compulsory part of your child’s learning and all students attending must be in full summer uniform.

For further information please contact Gina Zumbo, on:
enrolments@crtsydenham.net or 9361 0004.



“Are you enrolling your child into Year 7 for 2018?”

For all enrolment enquiries call **Eileen Chalmerson** 9366 2544

Application forms are available online at
<http://www.crcstalbans.catholic.edu.au>
or pick one up from Catholic Regional College 10 Theodore Street St Albans



CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE SYDENHAM

ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING - YEAR 11 2019

INFORMATION SESSION - VCE & VET 2018

MONDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2017



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COMPULSORY ORIENTATION WEEK
MONDAY 4 – FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER 2017
FULL SUMMER UNIFORM

For further information please contact Gina Zumbo on enrolments@crccsydenham.net or 9361 0004.

ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING

The Enrolment Information Evening provides students and their parents with vital information about how to enroll and explains the enrolment process. Attendance at this evening is required to receive the information before release to non Catholic Regional College families.

ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION

7:00PM: Multipurpose Hall

YEAR 10 2018 VCE & VET INFORMATION SESSION

7:45PM - 8:30PM: This session follows the Enrolment Information Session.

Tours will also be available, starting from the front of the College at 6:00PM, 6:15PM and 6:30PM

2017 CRC ST ALBANS SPORTS AWARDS

Congratulations to all students who competed this year, to the staff who assisted, supported and encouraged and to those students who won the following awards:

INTERMEDIATE SPORT AWARD—YEARS 9 & 10

RAYVIA McINTOSH—Year 10
TINA BUI—Year 10

JUNIOR BOYS SPORT AWARD—YEARS 7 & 8

AUGUSTINE MORRIS Jnr—Year 8

JUNIOR GIRLS SPORT AWARD—YEARS 7 & 8

This award was a tie between the following two students:

MEGAN FLORES—Year 7
OLIVIA BARISIC—Year 7

JOHN LANDY AWARD

Congratulations to RAYVIA McINTOSH and TINA BUI who both won the **John Landy Award** for their participation and sportsmanship throughout the year in the SACCSS competitions.



Catherine McAuley Award

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Below: Parents and students gather together after the award ceremony:



YEAR 9 ROBOT WARS

Robotics is designed to test skills in team building, perseverance, originality and programming. This semester the Year 9 Robotics class completed their latest piece of work with a robotic sumo battle. After weeks of designing, programming and testing the teams were ready to do battle. After a few surprises the eventual winners defeated all robots pitted against them. Demonstrating excellent programming skills and a well-constructed robot, Alex, Daniel, Harrison and Liam were crowned worthy winners.

