



"peace be with you"

KEY DATES

Combined Schools Choir

Rehearsal

3 Apr

R-2 Assembly (Rec B)

4 Apr

Year 6/7 SAPSASA

Netball / Football

5 Apr

8/9 Girls SACA Cricket Carnival

5 Apr

Mamma Lou's Café Excursion

8 Apr

School Board Meeting

9 Apr

Chrism Mass Port Pirie

10 Apr

Flinders Uni Whyalla

10 Apr

Sacrament of Reconciliation

10 Apr

Yr 7-9 / Yr 10-12 Assemblies

12 Apr

Term 1 Concludes

12 Apr

Term 2 Commences

30 Apr

Further information on upcoming events is available on our website
<http://www.cc.catholic.edu.au/news-events/calendar>

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Principal's Message

Our Lenten Journey

As we journey through the season of Lent, the anticipation of Easter becomes more apparent. The excitement of Easter and all the joy and hope that it represents is building. We must remember though, that Lent is not over until Easter Sunday when Jesus rises. In order to experience the full sense of joy at Easter, we must first complete our Lenten journey.

God of the journey, be with us and strengthen us as we await your Resurrection at Easter. May we be brave and steadfast as we walk the mystery of each day. May we trust in you when we become disheartened. May we open our minds and hearts as you light the way ahead. Amen

Spencer Gulf Athletics Carnival

I had the pleasure of attending the Spencer Gulf Athletics Carnival last week at St Mark's College in Pt Pirie. It was wonderful to be involved in an event that was spirit-filled and exemplified a strong sense of belonging. There were strong individual efforts and a collective determination by students that was rewarded with some impressive accolades for our College. Thank you and well done to all students, families and staff for your support of and participation in this inter-school event.



Student Free Day

On Friday 29 March all teaching staff engaged in professional learning onsite. This learning supports teachers to continue to build on and refine the positive and meaningful learning experiences we strive to provide for students across all year levels. Through this learning experience our goal is to develop and build on the College's educational philosophy and pedagogy in order to continue to provide high quality teaching and learning. We will maximise further learning opportunities as we continue to focus on this when we have a student free day for the first day of Term 2 (Monday 29 April).

Mid-Year Intake

We are currently accepting enrolments for Term 3 this year. We ask that an Application for Enrolment form be filled out for any new children starting. This form can be requested from our website or collected from the front office at any time. The relevant dates for new Receptions are:

- If your child turns 5 **on or before the 30 April** they can start school in **Term 1 of that year**.
- If your child turns 5 **on or before the 31 of October** they can start school in **Term 3 of that year**.
- Children starting in Reception in Term 3 will have a minimum of 6 terms in Reception.
- Children whose birthdays fall between 1 November and 31 of December are not eligible to commence school before the following year.

We are committed to continuing to work in close partnership with local preschool educators to ensure that families make informed decisions that best suit the individual needs of each child. If you have any questions regarding enrolling your child and/or starting dates please contact the school and we will happily help you.

Father Paul Crotty

It has recently been announced that Fr Paul will be leaving Port Augusta for the Inland Mission based in Coober Pedy at the beginning of May. Fr Paul has been a committed servant and leader in the Parish and for our College community for many years. We will make a time to farewell Fr Paul in the coming weeks. I also look forward to welcoming Fr Jim Monaghan into our College community when this change takes place. I know the students, staff and families will embrace these changes and offer their prayers and best wishes to both Fr Paul and Fr Jim at this time.



Sister Josie Huppertz

Recently, Mary Manning and I had the tremendous privilege of attending a celebration for Sr Josie Huppertz's Golden Jubilee as a Sister of Saint Joseph. This event acknowledged the 50 years of Josephite ministry that Sr Josie has given to many schools. Indeed, Caritas College was the beneficiary of her work when she was principal here in 1995 and 1996. We are still fortunate to have Sr Josie work with our leadership team through the Rural Josephite Leaders Mentoring Program. I am incredibly grateful for the opportunities we have to continue to work with Sr Josie and foster an ongoing relationship with the Sisters of St Joseph.

End of Term

Term 1 concludes at the usual finishing time on **Friday 12 April**. R-9 students will receive their Learning Portfolios to take home with them and Year 10-12 students will collect their mid-semester reports on the last day of term. We trust that these documents will provide a helpful snapshot of your child's learning throughout Term 1. I encourage parents/caregivers to contact their student's class teacher if you have any questions.

Damian Smith, Principal



CANTEEN HELP

Our school Canteen provides healthy lunches and snacks for students across all year levels. With the help of volunteers, Canteen staff will be able to offer new home made items and provide more exciting choices on the Canteen menu. Any help, even an hour or attendance once a term would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to help please contact Leah Hurley via the School front office.



Students interested in pursuing medicine need to sit the **UCAT** test in **July 2019**. MedEntry is a government accredited institution specialising in UCAT preparation. MedEntry offers discounts of 30% for groups, numerous scholarships and bursaries. For more information, please visit www.MedEntry.edu.au

DRAWN WEDNESDAY WEEK 11

EASTER RAFFLE

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE IN MORNING HOME CLASS
50c EACH OR 3 FOR \$1.00
1ST, 2ND AND 3RD PRIZES WILL BE DRAWN

ANY DONATIONS TO OUR RAFFLE WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED
PLEASE DROP OFF ANY CHOCOLATE PRODUCTS TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY
FRIDAY 5TH APRIL 2019.



Spencer Gulf Athletics – Years 8-12

On Friday of Week 8 several students from Years 8-12 travelled to St Marks College in Port Pirie for the annual Spencer Gulf Athletics Carnival. The carnival includes Caritas College, St Marks, St Joseph's in Port Lincoln and Samaritan College from Whyalla. Our students were absolutely outstanding in their endeavour on the track which saw us come home with the Aggregate Shield, our best effort at this carnival since 2006. Whilst all students were fantastic, Caritas was lucky to have some individuals produce amazing efforts that deserve to be mentioned:

U14 Boys Age Champion: Kane McAuliffe

U15 Girls Age Champion: Louise Hunter

U15 Boys Age Champion: Clancy Morgan

Open Girls Age Champion: Phoebe Hunter

A special mention goes to Ellyssa Myles who broke the record for the U14 girls 1500m who ran a time of **5:53**. This record was actually held by former old scholar Ellie Packard who ran a time of 5:57.94 in 2007.



Student Learning & Wellbeing

Science – Year 1/2 Gold

In Science the Year 1/2 students have been learning about living things and their needs. Students had to think about what kind of shelter their animal would need to survive and then design it utilising materials in the classroom.



Earth Hour – Year 3/4 Gold

Saturday 30 March was Earth Hour. Everyone in the world had been asked to turn off their power for 60 minutes. The students thought and talked about how they can look after planet Earth.

Students created a poster and made lanterns to represent the diverse ecosystems and cultures that come together to remember that Earth is our home.



Psychology - Year 11

The Stage 1 Psychology class has been working through the forensic unit. By looking into how criminal minds work and unpacking how profiles are created to find suspects, the students were able to investigate their own 'crime scene' using the 5 steps in which they needed to present their suspect profile. In small groups of 'FBI' teams, the students worked their way around the evidence to apply their content learning into practical action.



Caritas K's – Year 11

The SACE Stage 2 Integrated Studies course for Year 11 students includes the study of Justice in the Community. Students are required to participate in an action, where practical involvement in promoting justice in the community, will provide them with an opportunity to apply their knowledge and understanding of local and global justice.

To help raise awareness of the needs of others living in developing countries the students participated in a Caritas Ks event during their lessons on Wednesday 20th March by walking from school to Gladstone Square. Students walked in solidarity with those who have to walk vast distances to access resources we take for granted, such as clean water, education and medical facilities. The students will be seeking donations for the 4.2 kilometres covered on the day and all monies raised from the event will go to Caritas Australia to help with their work around the world.

The students participated in the event with a real sense of purpose and enthusiasm and should be very proud of their efforts.



Harmony Week

Harmony Week was an opportunity to celebrate Australia's multiculturalism. Students recognise that the concepts of inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all are not just focused on during this week but adapted throughout the whole school year.

Classes were asked to unpack Harmony Week and make a pledge towards inclusivity and peace within. This gave students the chance to think about how they can play a part in moving towards a society where differences are appreciated, cared for and accepted.





TWINS, TRIPLETS OR MORE...

You are invited to meet up and connect with other families with multiples of all ages and their siblings. A safe enclosed space with play equipment and activities provided so that parents can talk with others. Afternoon tea, fruit and drinks are provided. All welcome. Rupert Street, Port Augusta.

RSVP to Deanna on 0413 047 670

2019 YOUTH WEEK

Participate and celebrate

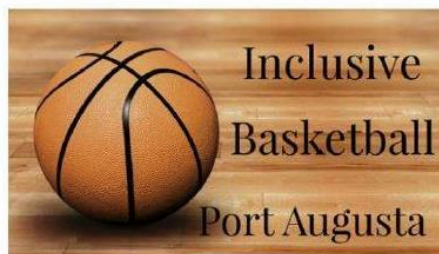
FRIDAY 12th APRIL

3pm - 7pm

Eastside Foreshore

Colour Run	DJ BaconLord
Mechanical Bull	Food and Drinks
3x3 Basketball	Bungee Run
Smoothie Bikes	Tug of War

This is an ages 12-25 event and is 100% alcohol and smoke free
For more info contact Emily 8641 2379 or Dave 8641 4300



2019 Season begins
Tuesday 30th April

Central Oval Complex
Juniors 6pm
Seniors 7pm

Further details
Facebook: Inclusive Basketball Port Augusta
Emily Holden 0427 373 035

ALL VERY WELCOME

We would like to thank our Sponsors:



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JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

WINTER UNIFORM

With the cooler months approaching, a friendly reminder to our families that the Winter uniform is to be worn during Term 2 and 3. Please refer to our Dress Code on our website for details.

Note: Summer or winter uniform may be worn during first two weeks of Term 2.