



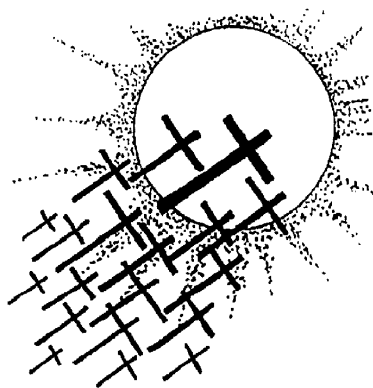
"peace be with you"

## Principal's Message

### All Saints Day

#### 1 November/All Souls Day – 2 November

On the 1st November we celebrate All Saints' Day, which is the first of a two-day celebration where we acknowledge the lives of the many ordinary men, women and children, the known and the unknown, who have gone before us. We connect in a special way with this Feast Day through our belonging to the parish of All Saints, and recall the lives of St Joseph and St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop as our patron saints, along with all saints. We pray for inspiration to follow their example and live good lives. We honour the many people over the ages who have inspired us through their living, their courage, their acceptance, their goodness, their strength, their sanctity, their generosity, their patience, and their suffering. They were not always perfect, but they were authentic in the way they lived their lives. On All Saints Day, and then All Souls Day, the Church gives us time to reflect on and celebrate the lives of these holy people, saints in our eyes and saints in God's presence.



*Gracious God, through the presence of your Spirit and the unity of the church, you hear and answer us. Strengthen in us the gift of prayer and deepen in us the gift of faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

### Year 12's Last Day

Last Friday we celebrated Year 12's final day of formal schooling. This day can sometimes draw the interest and attention of people for all the wrong reasons as it's colloquially known as 'muck up day'. In the past and even now for some schools, this day is characterised by students damaging and disrespecting school property as some kind of strange ritual to celebrate the end of 13 years at school. This does not happen at our College. In fact, I observed quite the opposite. I am proud of our students, who selflessly camped out on the Thursday night before their last day to raise awareness for homelessness. On Friday, they then held an assembly which captured their time at Caritas College. At this assembly, they thanked their teachers who have supported them with their learning and development throughout Year 12. After the assembly, the Year 12's hosted a lunch for all the teachers and ESOs in the staff courtyard. Stories were shared from days gone by and photos were taken to capture memories. It was a wonderful way to conclude their schooling journey. I am grateful and proud that our Year 12's last day embodied a sense of gratitude and reflected the maturity and humility of these young people.



## KEY DATES

**Book Fair**  
4-8 Nov

**Year 10 Headspace / Bodycare Excursion**  
4 Nov

**Rec-Yr 2 Assembly**  
7 Nov

**Reception Transition**  
12, 19, 26 Nov & 3 Dec

**Year 12 Graduation**  
15 Nov

**Year 8 Immunisations & catch ups**  
15 Nov

**SSSSA Boys / Girls Super 8's Cricket**  
22 Nov

**Yr 3-6 Assembly (5/6W)**  
28 Nov

**Yr 10-11 Final Assembly**  
29 Nov

**Year 10-11 Students Conclude**  
29 Nov

**R 6 Family Carols Night**  
2 Dec

**Year 8 Transition**  
9-10 Dec

**Rec-Year 9 Students Conclude**  
11 Dec

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

**T: 08 8648 9700**

**Absentee SMS:**  
**0428 937 348**

[www.cc.catholic.edu.au](http://www.cc.catholic.edu.au)

### Class Placements for 2020

In the coming weeks, teachers will begin the process of class placements for next year. Teaching staff will spend a considerable amount of time placing students into classes, taking into consideration a range of factors. These factors include:

- Progress of learning
- Student's individual needs (social/emotional, learning, physical, behavioural)
- Relationships
- A balance of sexes

Sometimes other factors may also need to be considered. Requests by families to have a specific teacher can have some implications for class placements. Firstly, staffing may not be determined until January and we are unable to confirm who will be teaching what year level. Therefore, we may not be able to honour all requests for a particular teacher. Secondly, by granting some requests by parents and not others, the school is placed in a position of conflict. In the interests of fairness and equity, we cannot make accommodations for some and not others. I value and respect the professional judgement of each of the teachers who will endeavour to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of students when determining the class placements for 2020.

We welcome any concerns you may have and you can discuss these with the Wellbeing Directors in the respective cohorts. I thank you for understanding the College's role in this important process. Please be assured that the process focuses on the overall learning and wellbeing needs of each student and supports them to develop a love of learning that leads to personal excellence and holistic development.

*Damian Smith, Principal*



## NEW PHONE SYSTEM

The school has a new phone system. If we are phoning you, our phone number 08 8648 9700 will now appear instead of a 'private number'.

Our absentee SMS number remains the same, 0428 937 348.

Save these numbers to your contacts and then you will see that it is 'Caritas' contacting you!

A hand holding a smartphone. The screen shows a contact named 'Caritas' with a blue circular icon containing a white 'C'. Below the name are options for 'message', 'call', 'video', and 'mail'. Further down, it lists 'mobile +61 428 937 348' and 'home 08 8648 9700'. At the bottom, there is a 'Notes' section.

## YEARBOOK COVER COMPETITION

Entry box located in the Library

Yr 3 - Yr 12 Students

PICTURE ONLY BE CREATIVE

PRIZES TO BE WON

ARTWORK TO REFLECT OUR SCHOOL 2019 THEME  
ARTWORK MUST BE ORIGINAL - ANY MEDIUM  
PAPER ORIENTATION: PORTRAIT A4 & MARGINS 1CM (AT LEAST)  
WRITE YOUR NAME / CLASS ON THE BACK

CLOSING DATE: FRI 29 NOV

A collage of various art supplies including paintbrushes, a palette with colorful paint, and a bottle of paint. The background is dark with colorful triangular flags at the top.

## LOST PROPERTY

At the end of the year, all uniform items will be taken to St Vinnies.  
If you are missing an item, please come and check in the front office / junior school courtyard.

A pile of dark grey school uniforms, including a jacket and a cap. The cap has a white logo on the front.



## Year 8 Design & Technology

Students in Year 8 are continuing to develop their design skills and using sewing machines during their Design and Technology lessons to create cushions this term. They have come up with a wide variety of creative designs so far.



## Year 7 Fundraiser

On Wednesday our Year 7 class held a fundraiser with the proceeds going to those who are less fortunate. They made and sold pizza scrolls and scones with jam and cream. The lineup of students at recess was very long and by the time the bell had rung, they had sold out. A fantastic effort by everyone involved and **\$100.00** going to a very worthy cause.



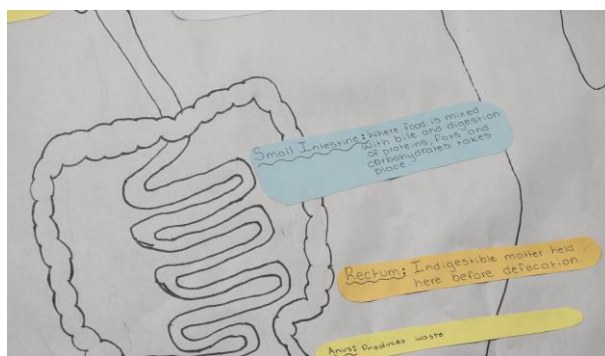
## Year 12 Community Sleep out

Last Thursday a group of our Year 12 students and teachers participated in a community sleep out, raising awareness for those Australians who are homeless. They slept outside under St. Mary's Shelter with a sleeping bag, pillow and mat. Although the night was about raising awareness, there were also a lot of activities to keep everyone busy.



## Year 8 Science – Digestive System

Year 8 Gold students have been learning about the digestive system and have put together life-size posters of the digestive system including descriptions of the function of each part and whether mechanical or chemical digestion occurs at that location. They also considered what disorders affect the digestive system.



### 'Wonder' - Year 3/4 Gold

As part of the English curriculum, Mrs Niedorfer read the novel 'Wonder' to the class. The students then had the opportunity watch the movie and complete an activity, drawing the novel cover and writing positive words that describe them. Students gained a deeper understanding about respect and kindness. #choosekind



### Lions Peace Poster Competition Winners

Congratulations to Tori, Darshana and Isobel who won the top prizes in the annual Lions Club Peace Poster contest. The contest allows children to create peace posters to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity. In addition to their drawings, students wrote a quote about peace.

*"Peace means kindness, love and family"* Tori

*"Peace is about celebrating our multicultural earth's society represented by significant and unique flags and cities which shape our wonderful world"* Darshana

*"Peace is all over our Earth. We all need to find it"* Isobel

The winning posters will be displayed at the Lions Club District Convention later on in the year alongside entries from all around the state.



### Proud to Represent South Australia

In September I was given the opportunity to travel to Darwin NT and represent South Australia in the Australian School Sports Track and Field Championships. I was selected for this team after receiving a gold medal in high jump at the South Australian School Sports Track and Field Carnival earlier this year.

After some fund raising, where I received great support from the local community and businesses and lots of trips to Adelaide for Training, I travelled to Darwin with 65 other South Australian athletes aged 10-12 where we attended an opening ceremony, 3 days of competition, an Adelaide River Jumping Crocodile Cruise and a fun activity day to conclude with a closing ceremony.

I competed in three events, 4 x 100 metre relay, shot put and my main event high jump for the 11 year old boys' age group. With the help of my coaches Aaron Toome and initially Shane Packard I went away feeling very confident.

I competed well in all events but was most proud of my high jump where I equalled my personal best and finished in the top 8, this making me a finalist. It astounded me that my personal best jumping height could be so competitive at a National Competition and I came away very proud of what I had achieved.

This experience meant so much to me and to do it all while proudly wearing my state colours, competing at a national standard and making lifelong friends was truly amazing and something I will always treasure.

### Gus





Caritas College

# Class of 2019



## Congratulations and Good Luck!