

*"peace be with you"***KEY DATES**

Carols Night / Arts Showcase
2 Dec

School Board Meeting
3 Dec

Primary Choir
LG Riches Centre
5 Dec

Christmas Pageant
6 Dec

Year 7 Transition
9 Dec

Year 8 Transition
9-10 Dec

Year 7-9 Splash Day
9 Dec

R-6 Colour Explosion
9 Dec

Yr 7-9 Assembly
11 Dec

Yr 10-11 Reports collection
11 Dec
2.00-3.00pm M03

Rec-Year 9 Students Conclude
Normal dismissal time
11 Dec

Further information on upcoming events is
available on our website
[http://www.cc.catholic.edu.au/news-
events/calendar](http://www.cc.catholic.edu.au/news-events/calendar)

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Principal's Message**Advent**

This Sunday the 1st December, we begin the season of Advent, a time of great anticipation and preparation as we wait for the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ. It is easy to become consumed by the hustle and bustle that often foreshadows Christmas. Advent is a time to stop, a time to wait – and not to wait for Father Christmas and presents, but a time to wait for a child. A child born into poverty, a child who will save the world. Just as Mary waited for Jesus to arrive into the world, we must also await his arrival. Advent is a time to re-live the Christmas story, a time to welcome Jesus into your heart, a time to change.

**Transition Visits**

Next Tuesday will be the final transition visit for our new Reception students before they formally start their schooling journey with us next year. A number of students transitioning into Year 7 and 8 next year will join us on Monday and Tuesday Week 9 for transitions visits.

Student Reports

Student reports will be distributed on Wednesday 11 December (Week 9). If you have any questions or concerns, staff will be onsite until Friday 13 December and we encourage parents to contact the College if you would like to discuss your child's report.

2020 School Fee Information

The 2020 School Fee Information is now available on our website. The College Board has worked to ensure that we can continue providing a high-value education in an equitable manner for all of our families. The new School Fee Information has some significant changes. I am confident that these positive changes that will continue to support all families to access a Catholic education in Port Augusta, as has been the case for the last 148 years. The below table outlines some of the major changes in the 2020 School Fee Information:

No increase to school fees for 2020	<i>There is no percentage increase to fees in 2020 (excluding school card holders).</i>
New tier for R – 2 students	<i>A fourth tier has been included for R – 2 students which offers a reduction in fees for families who currently have a student in R – 2.</i>
1:1 Laptop Program	<i>In 2020, we will be commencing a 1:1 Laptop Program for all students in Years 7-12. The implementation of this program will be rolled out over two years. Next year, all students in Years 10-12 will be provided with their own laptop. In 2021, the program will be extended to include Years 7-9. The cost of this device is included within the 2020 School Fee Information</i>
Booklist	<i>The fee structure has been extended to include the supply of stationery items for all students. Families will no longer be required to order stationery items at the beginning of each school year. Stationery items will be distributed to students on the first day of school in 2020.</i>
School Card Holders	<i>As per the School Fee Collection Policy, the collection of fees is necessary in order to complement State and Commonwealth Funding to assist Caritas College in resourcing education. Therefore, it is deemed both equitable and necessary for all families to contribute towards school fees in the current challenging economic environment. All new students to the College whose families are school Card approved will receive a 75% reduction in tuition fees and will need to contribute 25% of the fees.</i>

Damian Smith, Principal

Student Learning & Wellbeing

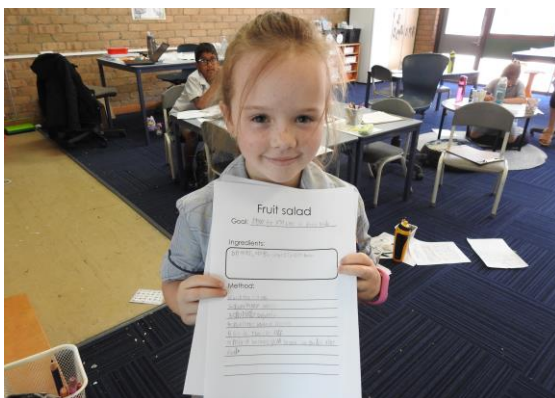
Year 10 Home Economics

This Semester the Year 10s have been looking into food presentation techniques. After practising different garnishes and learning how to present savoury dishes in a visually appealing manner last term, this term students have been focusing on dessert items. Most recently they have planned for, designed and prepared a cake suitable for a specific celebration, using a variety of decorating techniques. Students came up with some very creative and unique designs.



Year 1/2 Blue - English

This term 1/2 Blue have been learning about procedural writing in English. They wrote down the ingredients and method to make fruit salad and enjoyed eating their creation –“fruit salad, yummy yummy”.



Art

A small sample of the brilliant work our students have produced in the Art room. Come along to The Arts Showcase on Monday night to see more amazing pieces of art.



Vocational Education Training

Congratulations to the following students who have completed certificates during 2019.

Certificate II in Automotive Service Technology – Milhan Kirkham, Mitchell McInnis, Sam Zyla

Certificate III in Business Administration – Alisha Fry

Certificate II in Construction Pathways – Ethan Dunning, Geordie Robertson, Jed Waterworth, Max Woodforde

Certificate II in Electrotechnology - Toby Blinman, Jack Fraser, Aidan Fry

Certificate III in Hospitality - Lily Greaves

Certificate II in Kitchen Operation – Lily Greaves



SAPSASA Tennis

At the beginning of November, a number of students were part of a Northern Area team that travelled to Adelaide to participate in SAPSASA Tennis. Both singles and doubles tournaments were held at the Broadview and Collingrove Tennis Clubs. Although rain meant there were some match changes/cancellations, Northern came 4th overall for the week. A big congratulations to everyone involved with a number of these students now on their way to play in the Country Carnival in January 2020.



SAPSASA Cricket

The boys had a great week playing Cricket, making new friends and having lots of fun. They played some great matches at some lovely venues, St Peter College in Adelaide was probably a highlight with spectacular facilities. There were quite a few students in the crowd providing entertainment with lots of cheering for both teams when one game came down to the last ball! Well done to everyone who participated!



Year 8/9 SSSSA Super 8's Cricket Carnival

Last Friday, selected students from Year 8 and 9 participated in the annual SSSSA Super 8s Cricket Competition held at Caritas College. We fielded three boys teams and 2 girls teams and faced a PASS opponent in both leagues. It was a day of strong completion with sixes being hit often and stumps flying regularly. After a tough day of competition we were lucky enough to win the Girls comp in a round robin format, and our boys team also won the grand final in their comp, knocking off a previously undefeated PASS team in the final with an impressive team performance. Thank you to our Year 10 students who volunteered their time to help coach and umpire all games.



SAPSASA Boys and Girls Super 8's Cricket Carnival

Our Year 5/6/7 students played in the Super 8's Cricket carnival at Stirling North Primary School last Friday. They had perfect conditions on the day and students had a lot of fun and all tried their best. The Year 7 boys, coached by Rex, won the boys carnival overall. Thankyou to all the Year 10 coaches who came along, Rex, Jay, Ryley and Cate.

