

Newsletter

KEY DATES

SAPSASA Boys Netball / Girls Football 22 Sept

Yr 9 Boys Rite Journey Stirling North Golf Club 22 Sept

Port Augusta Combined Choir Movie Sing A Long 23 Sept

> Yr 11 Work Experience 21 - 24 Sept

Term 3 Concludes normal dismissal time Fri 25 Sept

Term 4
Students commence
Tues 13 October

Book Week / Book Fair 19-23 Oct

Further information on events is available on our website http://www.cc.catholic.edu.au/newsevents/calendar

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Principal's Message

World Peace Day

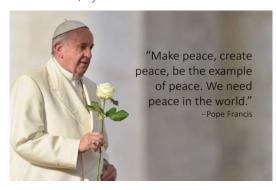
The International Day of Peace ("Peace Day") is observed around the world each year on **21 September**. Established in 1981 by unanimous United Nations resolution, Peace Day provides a globally shared date for all humanity to commit to Peace above all differences and to contribute to building a Culture of Peace. In the spirit of our long Catholic Christian tradition we have the words attributed to have come St Francis in the Peace Prayer; may this be our intention for the expression of our spirituality. Our current pope, Pope Francis, echoes this call for all to be people of peace.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy;

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.



Student Free Day

Monday 12 October is a student free day. Teaching staff will be using the day to continue to deepen their understanding of planning for teaching and learning using a thinking framework known as Understanding by Design, and in using our student management system, SEQTA. We look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday 13 October to commence Term 4. May all students and families have a relaxing and enjoyable term break.



Student Leaders 2021

The process for the selection of Student Leaders for 2021 is a very considered one, that begins with the Year 11 students participation in a Seminar Day focused on Servant Leadership. Nominated students then have the opportunity to present their vision for student leadership to their peers and College leaders in the form of speeches. The standard of the 2020 speeches was very high; students were very articulate in their expression of what leadership at Caritas College means to them. These students were then interviewed by Mr Smith and Mrs Grover, where they had the opportunity to further expand on their ideas.

We are very pleased to announce that our College Captains are Ella Chamberlain and Clancy Morgan and the Vice Captains are Cate Dunemann and Tom Clancy. The Senior student leadership team is comprised of Meg Heritage, Sienna Poole, Jenna Cuffe, Madelene Press, Annika Searle and Lauren Howell. Sincere congratulations to all of these students, I have great confidence in how they will lead during our 150th Year during 2021.

1:1 Laptop Program for Years 7 – 9

As you may be aware our College started its implementation of a 1:1 Laptop Program at the beginning of this year. Originally, it was planned that students in Years 10-12 would receive a laptop this year, while students in Year 7-9 would be issued a laptop device in 2021 as part of the staged implementation of the initiative. However, due to a number of factors brought about because of COVID-19 the College has worked to implement 1:1 Laptop Program in Years 7–9 sooner than initially intended. Therefore, every student in Years 7-9 will be provided with their own laptop device from the beginning of Term 4 this year. A letter has been distributed to all families with children in Years 7–9 outlining this information. The early implementation of the 1:1 Laptop Program in Years 7-9 completes our College's transformation into an exciting and vibrant school community that fosters new technology, creativity and innovation.

R U OK? Day

Students and staff took up the opportunity to express their support for R U OK Day at Caritas College last week. The theme of this years' R U OK day being There's more to say after R U OK?

It is important that we do stop as a learning community to focus on the issue of mental health and to consider what we may say that makes the difference for someone. Equally important is that this attitude is ongoing and that we take the time to stop and genuinely ask people how they are travelling.

The R U OK activities were also a showcase of the standard of student leadership at our College. If you have yet to view the film created by our senior students take the time to access this from the following Facebook link R U OK Video site. As part of this ongoing awareness and to strengthen social and emotional health we teach Social and Emotional Literacy from Reception to Year 10 in a dedicated SEL lesson once a week. This provides the space for students to develop the skills and knowledge aligned with the Personal and Social Capability from the Australian Curriculum and aligns with our wholistic approach to education.





Learning Portfolios & Reports

Years R-9 Learning Portfolios and Years 10-12 reports will be distributed to students at the end of the day next Friday 25 September. Students need to be at school to collect their learning portfolio or report. Due to privacy and confidentiality we do not send reports home with friends or other families. Given that it is an expectation that all students attend school on the last day of term, then they should be able to pick up their learning portfolio or report. We will not be posting these documents out before the term break. If for any reason your child won't be at school on the last day of the term please inform their class teacher and the Learning Portfolio or report can be picked up from the Front Office by a parent. Otherwise, students can pick up their learning portfolio or report when school resumes in Term 4.

Cyber Safety

We are aware of reports about a deeply distressing and harmful video circulating on social media in recent weeks. Below are some 'tips' for parents to help limit young people's exposure to harmful content online:

- Engage in your child's online activities ask what apps, sites and games they're using and make sure they're ageappropriate
- Use parental controls on devices to help limit what your child is exposed to
- Help them report and block upsetting content they see on social media sites or apps
- Let them know they can come to you about anything upsetting they see online
- Head to <u>www.esafety.gov.au</u> to find out the latest advice on apps, social media and online safety issues

Mary Manning, A Principal

Stage 1 and 2 Holiday Seminar Workshops





Please note: changes have been made to some locations since distribution of the letter

Stage 1 Holiday Seminar Timetable – End of Term 3











Vice Captains

Cate Dunemann Tom Clancy



Meg Heritage Sienna Poole Jenna Cuffe Madelene Press Annika Searle Lauren Howell







WE LIKE TO SAY

Thank you

to our families who kindly donated items for our Father's Day stall

Reception - Science

In Science the Receptions are learning about materials. They discovered that you can see through some materials like plastic and glass. They made sunglasses using transparent paper.





Primary - Physical Education

Mr O has been out in the sunshine during PE over the past couple of weeks teaching the students Frisbee Golf. Frisbee Golf is much like traditional golf, but instead of using clubs and balls, you use a frisbee. It has been a huge success with only a fee strays landing on the roof.





Inspired by the Influential

5/6 Gold students recently had to choose a person who inspired them and to write a biography pretending to be their person. Students then had to make a diorama to represent a significant scene from their person's life. Finally, the students dressed up as their influential person and brought them to life in a wax museum by pretending to be them and shared information about their life. The students did an amazing job and stayed in character when staff and students visited the museum. This task was the student's English, Drama and Tech assessment for the term.









Year 12 Child Studies - Cultural Diversity

The Year 12 Child Studies students were asked to educate children about cultural diversity in regard to food choices. They each chose a country, created a powerpoint presentation then prepared tastings of foods for Miss Malchow's Year 1/2 class. Students were provided with 'Passports' and received a stamp for any food that they tried. The children got to try Spanokopita from Greece, Arancini Balls and Strawberry Gelato from Italy, Spring Rolls from China, Mini Nacho Bowls from Mexico and Croquettes and Churros from Spain. It was great to see so many students enthusiastic about trying different foods







Year 7 - STEM

The Year 7's are beginning their Forces and Motion unit. To investigate the forces present, they performed a number of tasks including balancing a table tennis ball in a stream of warm air with a hairdryer.



R U OK? Day

R U OK? Day was an opportunity to discuss some important issues, it was also a reminder that the questions asked are not only for one day. The senior leaders worked collaboratively to provide a learning platform for students of all ages, standing in solidarity with them but also raising awareness around mental health. With the support of Headspace and Centacare our leaders provided resources, daily prayers, filmed a short video to demonstrate a conversation and participated in a silence circle.





Open Boys & Girls Basketball Carnival

Selected Years 10, 11 and 12 students made their way to Whyalla to represent Caritas College at the Open Basketball Carnival. Other schools competing included Samaritan College, Eyre High School and Peterborough High School. Our two teams in boys and girls carnivals showcased their skills and played some exceptional team basketball which saw our boys and girls teams make it to the final to advance to the next stage of the Knockout program. Unfortunately, both teams came up short at the final hurdle losing in close matches. A huge thanks to Mr Wallis who umpired all day, as well as the student volunteers who helped umpire and score when not playing. Thanks also to Sue Tansell and Angela Corbett for their assistance scoring on the day. Great effort by everyone!







Year 10 - Design and Technology

The Year 10 Design and Tech students were able to sit back and enjoy the fruits of their labour. This term they have been looking at metal fabrication and designed and built a BBQ. They then took them for a test run and cooked some sausages in bread!



SAPSASA Netball and Football

Congratulations to the students who represented Caritas College as part of the SAPSASA Football and Netball teams in Adelaide. The girls came 4th out of 10 in Division 1 in the Netball competition and the boys came Division 2 Runners Up after winning 8 out of 10 matches. Great effort by everyone involved.



