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Caritas COLLEGE Newsletter



KEY DATES

Yr 9 Aquatics 17 March 2021

The Rite Journey Calling & Departure Ceremony
18 March 2021

GRIP Conference 18 March 2021

Yr 3-6 Assembly (5/6B) 18 March 2021

Yr 10-12 Assembly (SRC) 18 March 2021

St Joseph Day Class Liturgies 19 March 2021

> **Chrism Mass** 24 March 2021

First Reconciliation Parent Information Night 25 March 2021

Spencer Gulf Athletics Carnival 26 March 2021

SAPSASA Boys Football & Girls
Netball
31 March 2021

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

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Principal's Message

Sr Mary Laurencia's Anniversary

On Thursday we commemorated the 143rd anniversary of the death of Sr Mary Laurencia The Years 5-12 SRC visited the graveside of Sr Mary Laurencia at Stirling North Cemetery to honour her short life of service and the work of the pioneering Sisters of St Joseph. Commemorating important events such as this, helps us to understand and appreciate who we are as a Catholic Josephite school. Sr Mary Laurencia was badly burnt in an accident with a kerosene lamp and died when she was just 19 years of age. St Mary 'of the Cross' MacKillop was with her when she died. Her short story is filled with faith and courage and is one that we can all draw strength and inspiration from.



God of Hope, may we continue to be inspired by Sr Laurencia who graciously responded to the needs of others. May we continue our journey with the same hope, courage and peace that she led with 143 years ago.

Amen



Twilight Sports Day

Sports Day is done and dusted for another year! It was marvelous to see the students participating in the various events and activities. They tried their best and there were many individual and team successes and achievements. I commend their tenacity and good sportsmanship, which made for excellent viewing on the day. The outer edge of the oval was filled with families and friends who added to the atmosphere. I would like to congratulate everyone for their involvement in Sports Day, whether it was as a competitor, volunteer, spectator or staff member. I would especially like to acknowledge and thank Mr Jack Muirhead and Miss Catherine Macks for their planning, organisation and facilitation of the event.

Spencer Gulf Athletics Carnival

We now turn our attention to the Spencer Gulf Athletics Carnival, which will be held on Friday 26th March. We are hosting this event onsite this year and will be proud to 'show off' our wonderful grounds and facilities. I am grateful for our Groundsperson, Mr Myles McCallum, who has been working incredibly hard to develop and maintain the oval in preparation for this event. I look forward to it being an exciting and spirit-filled day where our secondary students can try their best and compete against their peers from our neighbouring Catholic schools.

Year 8-12 students are expected to be at school on this day, however, normal lessons will not run. Students who are not involved in the carnival as an athlete or as a volunteer will be supervised to engage in their learning in the Library for the day. Year 7 students will have a modified program. This allows us to allocate staff to supervise and facilitate the various events and activities required to host such a significant event.





College Board - Annual General Meeting

On Wednesday we held our Annual General Meeting for the College Board, which is an essential element of the school community. It has a responsibility for governance and setting direction for the College and seeks to serve the best interests of the students, staff and families. We welcomed Emma Davies and Adele Broadbridge as our newest members of the Board. I am grateful for their willingness to share their knowledge and skills with the College community. With gratitude I also acknowledge Brett Humphrys, David Finlayson and Cathy Brook who concluded their time on the Board. They have all been incredibly generous in their commitment to our school community. I congratulate the members of the Board for their ongoing work and dedication and look forward to working in partnership with them throughout 2021 to benefit the students and families of Caritas College.

Ex-Officio Members

Fr Jim Monaghan (President) Damian Smith (Principal)

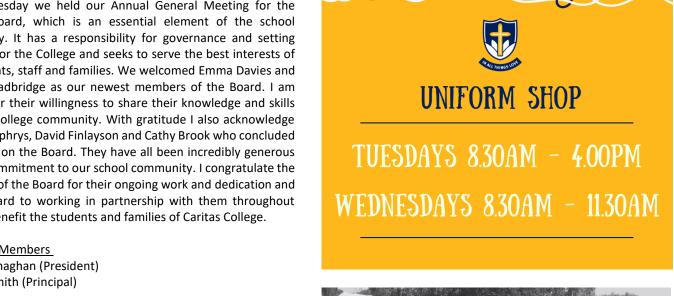
Elected Members

Kimberley Cowey Kym Grover **Aaron Clifton** Alanna Grover **Emma Davies** Adele Broadbridge

Nominated Members

Sr Helen Duke (Sister of St Joseph) Alanah Rowe (Staff Representative)

Damian Smith, Principal





CONGRATULATIONS! TO OUR 2021 SPORTS DAY **RECORD BREAKERS**







Reception Dance

The Reception classes have been learning about the foundations of Ballet. They learnt terminology such as 1st position, plie, pas de chat, a bow and a curtsey followed by tracing and writing out the word Ballet in uppercase and lowercase.



Year 3 Mathematics

The Year 3's have been exploring lines of symmetry. To help consolidate their understanding they went outside for a scavenger hunt. Students had to find the cards and write the correct answer on their record sheet.



Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

The Year 7s recently engaged in a focussed Social and Emotional Learning day. The aim of the day was to address some of the areas that the Year 7s students identified in their Pulse Check Surveys looking into student wellbeing. Throughout the day there were opportunities to build skills and strategies in conflict resolution, assertive communication, problem solving and teamwork. Students were encouraged to interact with their peers, identify and own their character strengths and reinforce the Year 7 cohort as a team entering into middle school.



Year 10 Design and Tech

The Year 10 students have been undertaking an introduction to furniture making. They recently completed a side table with leg and rail construction using a range of different joints.



Year 11 Child Studies

Students recently worked individually to prepare a nutritious meal suitable for pregnant women. Some of the meals included those suitable for lacto/ovo vegetarians, a mum with gestational diabetes and a family with multiple allergies



Vocational Education & Training (VET)

In Week 2 a number of students commenced in their chosen career path through VET (Vocational Education Training). Undertaking VET provides students with the basic knowledge and skills needed for entry level jobs in a range of vocations and trades. Pathways being undertaken this year include electro technology, automotive servicing, construction pathways, business administration, engineering, roofing and more.



















































