Dear Families, Staff and Friends of Cardijn

Year 12 Farewell
This time of the year brings a myriad of emotions to a school community. It is the time of year when our Year 12 students finally draw to a conclusion their time as secondary students. Last Friday, our school community experienced a range of emotions, as we said goodbye to our Year 12s. There was excitement as our Year 12s take that next step in their lives, along with sadness as we finally realise that their time with us has come to an end.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our Year 12 cohort of 2016. While I rarely compare one year level with another, I do want to acknowledge the amazing contribution and leadership of this group of young men and women. Simply, they have been outstanding in all they have done. Their leadership in particular has been exceptional, not only as Year 12s but as a group throughout the years.

Our College Captains, Michael and Emily gave a heartfelt and brave farewell at the final Assembly and Mass on Friday. I was moved by their sincerity and clear love of the College and their peers. I believe that they have set a new benchmark for leadership at Cardijn. Their role modelling has been exceptional and with the support of their leadership peers have started many new initiatives at the College.

As a year level they will be missed by our community, but I am confident that they will transition into the wider community and make a wonderful contribution in all that they do.

Year 7 Parent Information Night
On Monday night, the College officially welcomed our new (and some not so new) parents at our Year 7 Parent Information Night. The night provides an opportunity for parents and carers to come into the College and meet with our Senior Leadership team and House Leaders. Again, to see so many families in attendance demonstrates the importance of this evening.

The House Leadership team greatly values this opportunity to meet and greet the families of our new students to the College. It provided an opportunity for families to also ask questions and develop an understanding of our procedures as well as just getting to know a few key people and the layout of the school.

Later in the term, the Year 7 students will be involved in our Year 7 Transition Day, allowing them to also get to know the layout of the school as well as meeting their House Leader for 2017.

Art Show
On Friday 18 November our Year 12 art students will hold their final Art Show for 2016. The night is an opportunity for our students to show off their amazing pieces of art, which in some cases have taken all year to complete.
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If your child is going to be absent, late, leaving early for an appointment etc, please send either an SMS text message on 0428 937 348 or leave a message on the Absentee Line - 8392 9505.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Our student’s work is outstanding, and I congratulate them all on their efforts this year. I also take this opportunity to acknowledge their teachers who have been fantastic in their support and dedication.

Spring Fling
On Thursday 27 October our Year 8 and Year 9 students celebrated with our annual Spring Fling. This is a great social event for our Middle School students and to see a great turnout was again very pleasing.

I thank Mr Steve Rhodes, the Middle School Leadership team the House Leaders and the Middle School teachers for the organisation and support of the night.

Michael Wilcock | Deputy Principal

Spring Fling 2016
An exceptional community celebration

One of the wonderful celebrations that occurs at this time each year, is our farewell closing Mass for our Year 12 students. It is an opportunity to give thanks for the contributions these young people make to the life of this College throughout their time at Cardijn, and for the community to pray for them and bless them as they embark upon the next phase of their journey of life. Also, for our Year 12 students, this was an occasion where they too, could acknowledge and express their gratefulness for all the people: parents, family, peers, teachers and support staff who have helped them along the way, who walked alongside them and educated them to be upstanding women and men for the world. If the manner in which students engaged with this celebration, the College Captains delivered their farewell speech, students expressed their gratitude to staff after the Mass and requested selfie photos with them, and the amount of families that remained to take photos with their children and chat to staff affirming their work and expressing their thanks for all they did is any indication of how wonderful it was, then Friday’s Eucharistic celebration mass was certainly an exceptional community celebration.

God’s blessings on the Year 12 cohort of 2016 and their families.

Joseph Catania, Assistant Principal Religious Identity & Mission

Vibrant colours, elegant fashions, bright smiles, and memorable dance moves. If you can picture these elements in unison you will have gained an impression of the Year 8 and 9 Spring Fling, an annual school dance held in the Cardijn College Gymnasium. In the beautiful afternoon sunlight, the students arrived clad in floral dresses and buttoned shirts, and posing for the camera. As the sun went down and all began to spill into the gym, the music started to pulse and the night took off.

“Spring Fling was definitely a night to remember,” commented Sophie Meynell, Year 9 MacKillop, “it gives you the opportunity to spend time with people you have never spoken to and make friends with people outside of your year level. I would say that we are now closer as a whole group and I couldn’t be happier. To see people from all different friendship groups coming together to enjoy something special is truly heart-warming. If I could say one thing before my time as a Middle School student ends, it would be that not attending the Spring Fling is a big mistake. Trust me, nobody is ‘too cool’ to have a good time and make some amazing memories.”

“It was a great experience and I loved dancing with my friends and the teachers too! I definitely will not forget the 2016 Spring Fling!” Jade Tanucan, 9 Romero

Overall, the Spring Fling was a wonderful experience for students and staff, and an exciting way to celebrate the end of an action-packed year. We are grateful for all who attended the event, and were thrilled with the energy, enthusiasm and positive attitude shown by all. This was truly a night to remember!

Ryan Brown, Assistant Head of Middle School
**INDIGENOUS CAMP**

In Week 2, 10 students and two teachers travelled to Iga Warta for this year’s camp. The purpose was to enable the students to develop their understanding and connections with Aboriginal Culture, and strengthen positive relationships with each other. Iga Warta is a camp site run by the Adnyamathanha People.

Iga Warta is located 57km east of Copley in the Northern Flinders Ranges. It was a long but beautiful drive and we arrived at about 5.30pm on Tuesday. The boys slept in tents and the girls had a bunk house to share, accompanied by the occasional lizard and spider!

The trip gave us a unique opportunity to experience some traditional Adnyamathanha way of life and we were hosted by Terrance Coulthard, who has been a teacher and now is a well-respected member of the community.

We were fortunate to experience a variety of activities including:

- Visiting an Ochre Pit where we participated in ochre painting and learnt the meanings of the different coloured ochre
- Trekking to a Painting site where we witnessed 35000-year-old rock paintings and “Sharpie” explained the meaning and significance of the paintings
- Swimming in a waterhole near Nepabunna
- Learning about some of the history of the Adnyamathanha people and the impact the European people had on their way of life
- Singing songs around the campfire and tasting traditionally cooked damper.

Most significantly, we were able to learn about the culture, spirituality and language of the Adnyamathanha people through first hand experiences.

The students entered into the camp in a mature and positive way and their behaviour at all times was excellent. Terrence spoke highly of them and their potential as future leaders of the community. I also thank Pernille Birt, who generously gave up her time to accompany us and drive all those kilometres!

*Tom Morris, Indigenous Education Coordinator*

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**ACADEMY CUP**

On 27 October Cardijn College’s Year 11 students organised and ran a sporting carnival as part of their Stage 1 Academy assessment where students were required to plan, manage and reflect on the carnival. This event, called the 2016 Academy Cup involved students from Galilee, All Saints, Emmaus and Antonio Primary Schools, who came together at Cardijn College and competed in mixed football, netball and soccer. The carnival was a participation based event with the aim to encourage good sportsmanship, to teach students how to win well and lose graciously, and to foster positive relationships between competitors while promoting a healthy active lifestyle.

The Cardijn Sports Academy students were responsible for the overall management and delivery of the carnival under the supervision of the Academy teachers. This included the setup of playing fields and facilities, umpiring matches, providing coaching and also scoring games.

The carnival was a huge success and it was enjoyed by all who were involved, with noticeable improvement in the ability of the athletes. With such a high level of success the cup may just become an annual event at Cardijn!

*Tyler Orr, Year 11 Academy Student*
Hello everyone, our names are Megan Davidson and Hunter O’Neil and we are your 2017 Music Captains for Cardijn College. We would first like to congratulate our 2016 music captains Caleb Edge and Shaun Freeborn on doing an amazing job this year and we want to wish them luck in their future endeavours. We both hope that we can live up to what they have achieved this year. Throughout the last term we have done many exciting things with the music department. Our year 11 quartet performed at the Year 12 farewell assembly and the graduating mass for the wider community. The music department is also having a farewell BBQ on Thursday next week where all of our ensembles will perform their pieces to their families for the last time this year. It is a wonderful celebration to finish a fantastic year!

On Tuesday 1 November, 16 lucky music students had the privilege of taking part in a song writing workshop with the amazing Lior Attar and Grant Windsor. This was an extraordinary experience that every student will remember for the rest of their music lives. The first day consisted of brainstorming ideas for our brand new songs, creating a song map, and then finally, writing both music and lyrics to a song we can call our own.

“I guess writing the key song map of what we wanted to do from nothing was the most difficult thing of the first day by far”. - Sebastian Macaspac

It truly was a delightful experience, working with such talented mentors such as Lior and Grant. The second day, Wednesday 2 November, was the recording day. Each group had a designated time allocated in the studio with both of our mentors helping us record and produce our own original songs. “Learning about the processes of recording and editing was my favourite part of the second day”. - Simone Hendrick-Buchanan

This experience was truly incredible, and an amazing opportunity for all the students that participated, resulting in four brand new songs finished and polished after only two days. We thank the school for organising this event, as well as the wonderful Lior Attar and Grant Windsor who not only mentored us, but helped us to create unique, brand new songs, that we may call our own.

2017 Music Captains signing out,
Megan Davidson and Hunter O’Neil
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