Dear Families, Staff and Friends of Cardijn

Outstanding Achievements

On Friday of last week, the College celebrated and acknowledged the wonderful achievements of our Year 12 students from 2015. The College prides itself on providing pathways for all our students as they progress from Year 8 to 12 and it is of great importance to acknowledge all of our Year 12 students from last year.

The Dux Assembly celebrates the achievements of students who receive an Australian Tertiary Acceptance Rank (ATAR) in the top 15% of Australia, as well as those students who received Merits from the SACE Board of South Australia, and of course our Dux of the school.

We were blessed on the day to have as our special guest Mrs Katherine Reid who was also the Dux and College Captain in 2006. To have Katherine present the award recipients with their certificates as well as share some of her educational journey post school was indeed a great privilege.

The bar has now been set, and I am sure that our Year 12 students this year will endeavour to do their best and maybe even better our results from 2015.

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday last week the College celebrated the start of the Lenten period with our Senior School and Middle School Ash Wednesday liturgies at St Lukes Church.

This period leading up to Easter is a significant time for the Catholic Church. It is a time for reflection as we acknowledge the sacrifice Christ made for us all. During this time the community is asked to demonstrate their ability to support those less fortunate than ourselves by donating to Project Compassion. We ask the staff, students and families of the College to give up something small during this period. Each class has a Caritas Project Compassion box and I hope that we all try to make a simple sacrifice over the next few weeks and give to those in need.

Music Week

This week our music students have been engaged in Music Week. Our talented musicians have been off site at the Port Noarlunga Arts Centre practising their art under the guidance of our music teachers. The students have been fine-tuning their skills, practising with the various ensembles, getting to know each other better and just having fun!

The week concludes today (Friday) with a concert for the friends and families of the students. I am sure that the evening will showcase the amazing talents of our students and I congratulate them all for their efforts and acknowledge their music teachers for their fine work.
ATTENDANCE MATTERS
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.

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Students dismissed 1pm.
Principal’s Tour - 9.30am 3
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Interviews: 3.40pm - 8.00pm 7
Board AGM 7.30pm 9
Faulkner House Mass 11
Adelaide Cup Holiday 14
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Yr 8 Retreat Days 21-23
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Principal Tour - 5.30pm 24
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Easter Mass 29
Year 12 Retreat 30-1

APRIL
Board Meeting 6
Japanese Immersion Leaves 13-25
Term 1 Ends - 1.00pm 15

IMpORTANT DATES
FOR 2016

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Commissioning Mass
The Commissioning Mass will be on Friday 26 February in the College gym and I take this opportunity to invite our families to this special event. The Mass celebrates and acknowledges all of our Year 12 students as well as all of our student leaders for 2016.

To be leaders of the College, either a Year 12 or one of our many student leaders, is indeed a great privilege.

Our Year 12 students and leaders have already made a great impact on the community. They have been organizing student activities at lunch time, been great ambassadors at recent events and are already planning the College Sports Day.

Student leadership at Cardijn College continues to flourish, and our Mass will be a celebration of our students' passion and commitment to leadership.

Open Night
Open Night is scheduled for Wednesday 2 March (week 5) and is quickly approaching. Students who are asked to be involved in the night will bring a letter home indicating the event and the time that they are required to be at school.

Students will be dismissed at 1.00pm to allow the College to set up for the evening. The night officially gets under way at 5.30pm and concludes at 8.00pm.

I thank all students and families that support this important event. It allows the College to show off our amazing facilities, but even more importantly it allows us to show off our amazing students.

A big thank you to all who help out on the night, it is very much appreciated.

Michael Wilcock
Deputy Principal

2016 TERM DATES
TERM 1 - Mon 1 Feb - Fri 15 April
TERM 2 - Mon 2 May - Fri 8 July
TERM 3 - Mon 25 July - Fri 30 Sept
TERM 4 - Mon 17 Oct - Fri 9 Dec

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION NIGHT
All volunteers at the College (Sport, Canteen, Billets, Board, P&F, Music, Marist Centre, etc) who have not previously attended an induction session are asked to attend the:

Volunteer Induction Night
Tuesday 1 March 2016
6.00pm – 6.45pm

Language Learning Centre (Faulkner House)
This induction serves to familiarise volunteers with a range of pastoral, legal and safety information. This is a legal requirement under the WHS Guidelines and is required for all volunteers at the College.

To register your attendance at this session please advise Kirsty Finch on the contact details below.

Phone: 8392 9500
Email: kfinch@cardijn.catholic.edu.au

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The Ashes of Lent

Spiritual writer and weekly columnist, Fr Ron Rolheiser, speaking about the centuries-old story Cinderella, notes that it is a wisdom-tale that speaks about the value of ashes. The very name Cinderella literally means: “the young girl who sits in the cinders, the ashes.” In the story the young Cinderella must first experience a period of sitting in the cinders, of being smudged, of being humbled, and of waiting while a proper joy and consummation are being prepared; before the glass slipper is placed on her foot, before the beautiful gown, ball, dance, and finally, the wedding feast is celebrated (Rolheiser, 2000). It is a story that also speaks of our participation in the Lenten journey. We too are in a time of ‘sitting in the ashes,’ of waiting and preparing for new life that will be born out of the ashes. Lent therefore, writes Rolheiser, is a time of grieving what we’ve done wrong, renouncing the dance, refraining from the banquet, refusing to do business as usual, waiting while some silent growth takes place within us, and simply being still so that the ashes can do their work in us. Similarly, Fr Charles during our Ash Wednesday liturgies drew on the analogy of some types of acacia seeds that are found in Australia, which after the passing of a fire, cause the seeds to crack and sprout forth from the ashes producing a wonderful display of colour and new life to an area that seemed bleak and desolate. Indeed this is the hope that Christians hold as they journey toward the joyful celebration of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday – and so we wait!

A big thank you to the students, staff and volunteers who were involved in the Shrove Tuesday pancake making and selling activity. A total of $161.85 was raised which will go to our Project Compassion appeal.

Joseph Catania | APRIM

SCIENCE

Year 9 MacKillop Science students in action today!

“The practical experiments are fun, I enjoy the hands on learning”
James Wheatley

“I enjoy group work and working with friends” Nick Zadow

“It’s easier to learn in a group we can help each other out” Jack Howell

“It’s great to be in a real Science laboratory”
Caitlin Onley/Lauren Wardle

“It’s easier for me to learn by doing hands on experiments” Bre Rayner
TERM 1 SPORTS

Welcome to 2016 Sport! This term we have some exciting events on, as well as great after school sport!

Events
Term 1 House Sport – Volleyball
Week 5 – Tuesday 1 March – Catholic Co-Ed Swimming Carnival
Week 7 – Tuesday 15 March – Sports Day

AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

• AeroSkools (still taking nominations)
  Training Mondays 3.00 - 4.30pm, Gym, commencing Wk 3
• Athletics (still taking nominations)
  Training Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm, Main Oval, Week 2 start
• Badminton (still taking nominations)
  Training Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm in Gym, Week 2 start
  Games also commence Wk 2, Saturday.
• Girls Basketball (still taking nominations)
  Training Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm in Gym, commencing Wk 2
  Games commence Wk 3 Saturday.
• Cricket: Unfortunately no teams nominated - not enough players registered. Those who registered and paid will be refunded.
• Swimming (still taking nominations): Training Thursdays 6.45-7.45am at Noarlunga Pool, commencing Wk 2.
  Great preparation for Catholic Co-Ed Carnival.
• Tennis: Unfortunately no teams nominated - not enough players registered. Those who registered and paid will be refunded.
• Volleyball (FULL): Training Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm in Gym, commencing Wk 2. Games commence Wk 3 Friday.

After School Sport game times can vary and change throughout the season. Weekly game times and locations can be found on the College Website. Please check these regularly in case of any changes, especially the night before, or day of, games.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me:

Emma Boyle
Sports Coordinator
P: 8392 9541    E: eboyle@cardijn.catholic.edu.au

MUSIC NEWS

Well it’s only the end of week 2 and already so much has happened! The Music Students and Staff are settled in and making full use of the new music centre. It’s fantastic to finally have our own building complete with state of the art equipment. The last two weeks have been spent eagerly preparing the highly anticipated Music Week. Music week will once again be held at the Port Noarlunga Arts centre where the ensembles will rehearse for the four days and their efforts will be performed at a concert on the Friday night. This week our Extra-Curricular Ensembles began their first rehearsals of the year in preparation for music week; gathering repertoire and welcoming any new members.

It should also be added that during the annual DUX assembly on Friday of week 2, the Woodwind Ensemble provided a hypnotising and wonderful performance to mark the special occasion. It was a fantastic performance that made the music department and the College proud at such a prestigious event.

Additionally we would like to add how extravagant the new music stand banners looked. It made our Woodwind Ensemble appear extra professional and well presented. These music banners would not have been possible without the fundraising from the Parents and Friends group. For that we thank them extremely.

We were also glad to see such a fantastic turnout at the first Parents and Friends meeting. The department is in for a great year of fundraising efforts. It was great to see the enthusiasm and commitment of so many Parents and Friends.

David Gauci
Co-Curricular Music Coordinator
Hi everyone, welcome to another school year! Just a quick word from the counsellors reminding you that if you need any help or support please feel free to drop by Student Reception and book an appointment with one of the counsellors. We have two counsellors Anthony Simons and Aleksandra Cabot available Monday – Friday, 8am – 4pm, as well as Mr Herbert who is available around his teaching times.

We also have plenty of resources and information pamphlets on various topics, if you have any concerns come in and have a look at our selection – it might be just the information you are looking for! A special welcome to the Year 8s – we hope that you have settled in well and are managing your way around the school. Parents – if you have any questions or any concerns regarding the wellbeing of your child please call Reception and ask to speak one of counsellors on 8392 9500.

SERVICES AND PROGRAMS:
CanTeen is a FREE support organisation for young people aged 12–24 living with cancer; including cancer patients, their brothers and sisters and young people with parents or primary carers with cancer. CanTeen can provide supports for young people through a range of services and programs. If you have a young person that may benefit from some support please contact one of our school counsellors Anthony Simons or Aleksandra Cabot on 83929500 for further information.

‘Students Living With Anxiety’ Program
The counsellors at Cardijn College want to gain a deeper understanding of anxiety and the students who are living with it. If you are a parent of a student who is living with anxiety, and they are interested in sharing their story in a safe and confidential environment please contact Anthony Simons on 83929431 or via email at asimons@cardijn.catholic.edu.au

Our Team: Aleksandra Cabot, Anthony Simons, Michael Herbert

Are you interested in hosting a Japanese Exchange student for 4 days?
Imagine living overseas for a week immersing yourself in another culture. Well that’s what 20 Year 9/10 Japanese male and female students and two teachers will be doing in March. They will be placed with a host family and attend Cardijn College for 2 days. They’ll live like a local and become immersed in the culture. They’ll learn more about the language and gain valuable international experience. Both the hosts and the students themselves will learn a lot about each other.

The Cardijn College community has a proud tradition of offering a welcoming hospitality to those who enter our community.

With the Japanese students arriving Thursday 17 March and departing Sunday 20 March 2016, we are looking for families to become hosts.
If you are interested in being a host family for one or possibly more of these students please contact:

Ms Natalie Paelchen - Director of Teaching & Learning
Email: npaelchen@cardijn.catholic.edu.au
or by phone: 8392 9500

Host families are provided with $80.00 to cover any expenses incurred in hosting a Japanese Exchange student.
**Uniform Shop**
The secondhand uniform shop will be open every Friday morning from 9am-11am, during school terms.

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**Pink Panthers**
**Come & Try Session**
South Adelaide Panthers Women's Football Club Sigma is holding a Come and Try Session
For girls born in 2005 or after in preparation for the 2015 season.
Pink Panthers are looking for girls that want to play in an all-girls team. Pink Panthers are the only club in the Southern Suburbs that fields teams in all age groups - Junior Girls through to Senior Women.
**Saturday 20th February from 9.00am**
Our club is located on Gallows Road, O’ Sullivan Beach. No previous experience necessary - beginners are more than welcome.
Bring a Friend
All Welcome
For further enquiries please contact:
Lee Petersen 0431 162 860 or Darren Edwards 0433 526 043

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**From Finance**
Financial information can also be found in the 2016 Parent Handbook located on the website.

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**Links on the College Website**
- **Careers Corner**: Click Here Edition 1
- **CESA News**: Click Here
- **Southern Cross Easter Edition 1**: Click Here

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**Cardijn College Online Canteen**
Order now from our canteen online.
Cardijn College canteen has teamed up with MunchMonitor to offer a convenient and easy to use online service.
It only takes a few minutes to set up an account online and you are ready to go!
1. Go to [www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com)
2. Click REGISTER
3. Enter School ID: cardijn / Password: munch5168
4. Follow the simple steps to get started.
There’s an account keeping fee of $2.50 (that’s less than a cup of coffee!) per Parent Account per Term.
For more information send an email to help@munchmonitor.com or call 1300 796 190.

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**Dine & Dance**
**For Alzheimer’s Australia SA**
Dinner / Live Band / Guest Speaker / Raffle Prizes
**Location**
The Cardijn College Gymnasium
at 6pm on the 19th of March 2016
Honeypot Road, Noarlunga Downs
Adelaide, South Australia 5168
**Tickets**
We have 200 tickets available!
$70 pp or $600 for a table of 10
for an entertaining and educational evening.
**Tickets available online at**: [www.trybooking.com/175580](http://www.trybooking.com/175580),
**Facebook Event**: [www.facebook.com/events/1624396918155](http://www.facebook.com/events/1624396918155)

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