Dear Families, Staff and Friends of Cardijn

It is hard to believe that we have already come to the end of Term 1 and what a busy term it has been.

Our students have again taken every opportunity to get involved in the life of the College and commit themselves to their studies. I have had the privilege this week to read and sign the Year 12 reports and I cannot help but be impressed with the commitment shown by our senior students. They deserve a well-earned break over the holidays. I am sure that they will return fresh after the break and continue to strive for excellence.

We also farewell our students who are partaking in the Japanese immersion. They left for Japan on Wednesday under the guidance of Mr. David Gauci. They will be performing and visiting our sister school in Osaka as well as taking in the amazing sights of Japan. I wish them all the best and look forward to hearing about their trip when they return in the second week of the school holidays.

**SOME IMPORTANT TERM 2 EVENTS**

If Term 1 wasn’t busy enough, Term 2 starts off with some significant events that should be on your calendar.

We have the school photos in Weeks 1 and 2, Year 9 NAPLAN tests in Week 2, Parent Teacher Interviews in Weeks 3 and 4 and also in Week 3 we will be celebrating Catholic Education Week.

Catholic Education Week provides us an opportunity to showcase Catholic Education, especially here in the South, while at the same time allowing us to celebrate our work with our families and students.

During the week, we will also celebrate by hosting the Southern Vales Regional Mass on the College oval. The Mass will take place on Thursday 19 May starting at 10.30am. We will be hosting all of the Catholic schools in our region, with well over 2000 staff, students and families in attendance. I take this opportunity to invite you to this celebration. Further information will be sent home soon.

**STAFF NEWS**

The end of Term 1 brings about some staffing changes. Michelle Gassmanis, Natalie Paelchen and Kevin McCarthy will be taking long service leave for the term, while Helen Fuller (front reception/student reception) will be taking long service leave for the first 5 weeks of the term. I am sure they will enjoy their well-earned break and I look forward to their return later in the year.
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.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016
TERM 2
MAY
Term 2 begins
*FULL WINTER UNIFORM 2
Photo Day 1 5
Romero House Mass 6
Photo Day 2 9
Year 9 NAPLAN 10 -13
Principal’s Tour 5.30pm 12
Catholic Education Week 16 -20

TERM 3
JUNE
7–8 Catholic Schools Week
11-12 Catholic Education Week
3-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 4
JULY
5-6 Catholic Schools Week
11-13 Catholic Schools Week
25-26 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 5
AUGUST
22-24 Catholic Schools Week
25-27 Catholic Schools Week
28-29 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 6
SEPTEMBER
5-7 Catholic Schools Week
12-14 Catholic Schools Week
19-21 Catholic Schools Week
22-24 Catholic Schools Week
25-27 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 7
OCTOBER
3-5 Catholic Schools Week
8-10 Catholic Schools Week
16-18 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 8
NOVEMBER
23-25 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 9
DECEMBER
7-10 Catholic Schools Week
14-17 Catholic Schools Week
21-24 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 10
JANUARY
4-7 Catholic Schools Week
11-13 Catholic Schools Week
18-20 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 11
FEBRUARY
25-28 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 12
MARCH
2-4 Catholic Schools Week
16-18 Catholic Schools Week
23-25 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 13
APRIL
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 14
MAY
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 15
JUNE
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 16
JULY
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 17
AUGUST
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 18
SEPTEMBER
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 19
OCTOBER
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 20
NOVEMBER
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

TERM 21
DECEMBER
2-4 Catholic Schools Week

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS
Finally the end of the term is nearly here and those end of term reports are now being written. The Year 8 to 12 reports will be distributed to the students on the last day of term.

The last day of term concludes at 1.00pm and will be a casual clothes day with a gold coin donation that will go to one of our Catholic Charities. If your child is absent on the last day of term, their report will be available for collection when they return at the start of Term 2. If your child is absent their report will not be available for collection during the term break or on the last day of term.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
Sarah Di Mauro completes her contract working in Special Education and I wish Sarah all the best for the future. She has worked tirelessly supporting our students and I know that Sarah will be missed by the staff and families that have worked closely with her.

Returning next term from long service leave will be Mariusz Sterna (Teacher/Librarian) Lili Thom (Teacher/Counsellor) and Jaqui Moroney (Special Education)
The College also welcomes Peter Provis (History/English), Catherine Quinn (Science/Nutrition) and Kevin McHugh (Mathematics) who join us on the teaching staff in replacement positions.

SAD NEWS
The College is saddened by the News that Monica Baldock passed way last weekend. Monica was a well-respected, loved and valued member of the Cardijn College community and we are deeply saddened by her passing. Monica worked as a teacher at the College from 1986 through to 2010 when she finally retired. Monica taught English and later in her career she also taught Italian. We keep Monica and her family in our Prayers.

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Michael Wilcock | Deputy Principal

FROM THE BOARD
The College Board held its AGM on 9 March this year. At this meeting, we welcomed our new Board Member, Mrs Naomi Ellis. Naomi has two children at Cardijn, (with three more to come!) and we look forward to benefiting from the experience and perspective that Naomi brings.

We also confirmed the following Office Bearers:
Chair: Helen Bates
Deputy Chair: Dale Sutton
Chair of Finance: Wayne Copley
Board Secretary: Naomi Ellis
The Board Sub-committees are:
Finance: Paul Roberts, Paul Rijken, Michael Wilcock and Wayne Copley
Policy: Helen Bates, Patrick Harmer and Brenda Byrne
Parent Involvement: John Humphries, Brenda Byrne and Michael Wilcock
Development and Strategic Planning: Helen Bates, Paul Rijken, Wayne Copley, and Dale Sutton
Uniform: Dale Sutton, Paul Roberts and Natalie Paelchen

The sub-committees play a vital role in reviewing policies and practices of the College and guide the Board with its work in supporting the Cardijn College community. In addition to our regular schedule of policy review, 2016 will also see us engage with families and students as we take a look at our uniform and how this may change in the future. Thank you to those families who responded so enthusiastically to the Family Resource Bank survey. It is fantastic to have families who are ready to share their skills and experience with our community.

There are several significant projects which the Board will be overseeing and contributing to over the coming weeks and months. The Board is currently working to support the CESA plan to transition Year 7s from Primary to Secondary schools by ensuring the College’s readiness for this change. Alignment of Cardijn with Marcellin Technical College is high on our agenda as we work through the challenges and opportunities presented by such an arrangement.

The Board monitors the progress of the College’s strategic plan closely, ensuring it continues to meet the needs of our community as well as being in support of CESA’s strategic plan and Continuous Improvement Framework. You are encouraged to contribute to the further improvement of Catholic education in the south by completing the Catholic Education Parent Survey before the closing date Monday 18 April:

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The College Board
FROM THE APRIM

In Term 1, the Year 10 Religious Education curriculum focuses on the Holy Trinity. After gaining a deeper understanding of this important element of Christianity, students were invited to create a visual or performance artwork to represent their understanding of the Holy Trinity. The students produced outstanding work including, drawings, sculptures, dances, original music, cakes and much more. To celebrate their wonderful work, all seven Year ten classes came together and participated in an exhibition where all student work was displayed. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the great work of our students.

“The Year 10 RE exhibition was a great way to showcase the talent at Cardijn College. It was a great way for all of Year 10 students to come and discover how other Year 10s within our College community perceive the Holy Trinity. Cardijn College students understand how the Holy Trinity is different to everyone, and the exhibition brought our Year 10 cohort together to demonstrate how supportive our students are.”

Lauren, Year 10 Student Leader – Romero

“What I enjoyed about the RE showcase, was seeing everyone’s creations ranging from many different aspects from artwork to song-writing. The reason I liked this is because it showed how everyone viewed God in their own mind, sharing their idea with approximately 158 people, some being nervous to share their ideas, and some being confident in their work.”

Aden, Year 10 Student Leader – Romero

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Winners are Grinners!

Congratulations to the Open Girls Basketball team who won the grand final by a nail-biting point against Cabra. The girls were coached by old scholar Shay’Lee Dayman and the super proud Ms Sweeny.

It was an exciting and intense game, with the two teams swapping the lead throughout the four quarters, but the Cardijn girls took out the win. A very impressive finish for the brand new team who is made up of mainly middle school girls. Stunning efforts by all team members, but especially by Year 8s Maybelyn Norris and Jane Afeaki, and a solid game by veteran Kayla Bruse-Hall.

Congratulations ladies!
CAThOLIC CO-ED AThLETICS CARNIVAL

During Week 10, some of the Year 10 Science classes entertained some fascinated Year 8 students with their Science Magic Show. The magic show was the culmination of the Year 10 Science unit, “Chemistry – The Magic Around Us”. The Year 10 students presented a selection of “magic” tricks which were based on the properties of matter and chemical reactions. The tricks included sticking a skewer through a balloon, putting an egg into a bottle, burning money without actually burning it, making water disappear, turning water into wine and making toothpaste for an elephant.

After bedazzling their audience with these amazing tricks, the Year 10 Chemists were then able to explain how the tricks work. Being in the final stages of their own Chemistry unit entitled “What’s the Matter”, the Year 8 students were able to understand the basic theory behind the magic tricks and build upon the knowledge they had gained in their Science lessons this term.

The magic show was a great opportunity for our Year 10 students to show off their learning in a fun and imaginative way whilst inspiring the younger students. It enabled the Year 8 students to enhance their understanding of Chemistry and to get a glimpse of the exciting learning ahead of them in the Senior School.

Stephen Hards | Year 8, 9 and 10 Science Teacher

CATHOLIC CO-ED ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

What a day! A squad of 110 talented students hit SA Athletics Stadium on Monday 4 April to compete against the best students from Catholic schools around Adelaide. Being in Pool A is always a challenge for Cardijn, but the squad, led by Sports Captains Jackson Daniels and Tiffany Copley, took the challenge head on and showed their opposition that they were there to compete for gold.

Under the coaching of Zayn Butcher and supervision of some passionate and supportive staff, the students gave their very best! Overall, the young squad was extremely impressive, leaving the stadium with a sense of pride and big smiles on their faces.

It was thrilling to see Cardijn finish 4th in Pool A and lock in their spot for 2017.

Special mentions go out to Sam Whitbread who broke the long-standing Catholic Co-Ed Under 16 Male 400m record with a cracking time of 52.52s! What a superstar!

Also, to Katie Meyer for coming first in High Jump, Kye Weetra for pulling the quickest time for the 800m, and to Jackson Daniels and Hayden Moore who both got in the top three times for the Open 200m. Stunning efforts.

Looking forward to an even more successful year of Athletics ahead.

Emma Boyle | Sports Coordinator

HOUSE VOLLEYBALL FINALS

Our winners...
Lombard House Middle Team and Mitchell House Senior Team.
Congratulations!

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FROM THE MUSIC CAPTAINS
SHAUN AND CALEB

Friday 4 March saw the first Bunnings BBQ run by the P&F of music as a fundraiser for the department. We would like to send a special thank you to the P&F especially acknowledging; Monique Coppen, Linda Kemp, Deandre Le Maistre, Christine Sanderson, Mr Macaspac, Jodie Kear, Gary Davidson and Siobhan Jackson who gave up their day to sell sausages. The next BBQs will be on Friday 13 May and Friday 8 July in the Bunnings Noarlunga carpark.

Week 7 saw auditions for a brand new College ensemble, Rock Band. Flyers were distributed by Mr Hards and the auditions generated a lot of interest. We are very excited to implement Rock Band and cannot wait for rehearsals to start and for their first performance.

Also in Week 7, Wednesday 16 March, the school had the privilege of welcoming the APCSS/DEPSLA to our College. The Colleges’ own Vocal Jazz had the honour of attending and performing at the end of day Mass for many local Principal’s and Deputy Principal’s. The next day was the first of this year’s Year 12 Solo performances, which was held in our Music Centre. The students were anxious, but excited for their first performance and all performed well on the night.

Hello all, it has been a while but we thought we would update you on how we are settling in to the Music Centre. It is Week 11 and we are finally able to take full advantage of all the facility’s recording equipment. Students have begun learning how to use the state of the art equipment, which will introduce countless new opportunities to the Music Department. A Year 11 class were the first to learn how to use the studio recording equipment and record some music. Year 11 student Sebastian Macaspac has spent a lot of time getting to grips with the recording equipment. We asked him about his experience;

“After a few technical difficulties, the recording capabilities in the new Music Centre are all up and running with the Year 11 music class being the first to test it all out. It is amazingly good for what I expected, the audio is very clean, almost all the rooms are recording capable and interaction between the musicians and sound engineering is extremely effective. At first everything was quite daunting with so many nobs, effects and settings, but after spending some more time with the equipment it becomes a lot easier. Yet, there is still so much to learn with so much more potential. In these new facilities I truly think that the sky is the limit!”

This week we also wish a safe trip to the staff and students heading to Japan as part of the Japanese tour. The students will spend 10 days performing and representing the College in Japan, as well as sightseeing in the beautiful country. The music department is very lucky to have such a fantastic opportunity.

David Gauci | Co-curricular Music Coordinator
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