Dear Families, Staff and Friends of Cardijn

We are well into our new school term and the weather has responded in earnest with rain, flooding and cold winds. At Cardijn rain comes either horizontally or vertically and in full force. People ask me often how things are at Cardijn and I respond that life is rich and full.

This Friday marks the beginning of Catholic Education Week which is celebrated across our state. It is a week where all school communities celebrate our Catholic identity and service to young people and families. It is a time where we celebrate and raise awareness in our communities about the unique nature of Catholic Education. In our area we celebrate this with our Catholic schools including Marcellin Technical College, our feeder primary schools, Galilee Catholic Learning Community at Aldinga, All Saints at Seaford, St John’s at Christies Beach, Antonio School at Morphett Vale and Emmaus at Woodcroft. Together, these schools provide an outstanding educational pathway from Reception to Year 12. The uniqueness is found in the identities of each school, the special programs and care, welcome and emphasis of working with every family for the very best of each child. Our Catholic Education Week slogan is “where every child matters”.

You will see a presence of our schools in our major shopping centres and on Thursday next week we will celebrate our regional mass with all students from the schools listed above on the Cardijn College main oval. Our main celebrant is Archbishop Philip Wilson who will be supported by Fr Charles Gauci and priests of our region.

Last week you would have seen Cardijn College feature in the Advertiser. It was a great story of the work we do at Cardijn and what makes us so very special. We are delighted with the professional learning that our staff engage in to ensure the very best learning environment for each student. In addition our STEM program is going from strength to strength. It is a popular subject at Year 8 and 9 and we are looking to extend this unique subject into the senior years. We are also delighted with the possibilities of the alignment with Marcellin Technical College. Opportunities for broader access to Vocational Educational subjects will be provided to families for our 2017 school year.

Next week also marks the important phase of parent/teacher interviews and I look forward to meeting you on either Monday 16 May or Tuesday 24 May in the school’s gymnasium. Winter sport starts in earnest this weekend and I extend my best wishes to all students as they engage in this great extra curricular endeavour. Represent your school well and give your very best.

With best wishes

Paul Rijken | Principal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Southern Vales Regional Mass - Cardijn College, Thursday 19 May, 10.30am
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.

REGIONAL YOUTH MASS

‘Called to Love’ is the theme which will be expressed through our Regional Youth Mass held on Thursday 19 May on the Cardijn Main Oval as part of Catholic Education Week in recognition of the International World Youth Day event held in Krakow, Poland, from July 25-31. We are delighted that the Most Reverend Archbishop Philip Wilson will be the celebrant for this Eucharist gathering, which will see all the students, staff, families and friends from the Catholic schools of our Southern Vales region come together as one and celebrate this wonderful occasion. Please see the invitation included below. We look forward to seeing you there.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Jesus and the beginnings of the early Church. Celebrated 50 days after Easter, Pentecost is a timely reminder that the Spirit of God is always present and forever guiding the faithful followers of Jesus toward a communion of mutual love and Oneness.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

http://ronrolheiser.com/pentecost-a-need-for-our-lives/#.VzlZbiR96Uk

Joseph Catania | Assistant Principal Religious Identity & Mission
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Emily Bennet  |  College Captain

‘love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.’ (John 14:12-13)

This excerpt taken from the gospel according to John, which was proclaimed at the Romero House Mass on Friday, captured the essence of the life of Blessed Oscar Romero. Through his love for the people of El Salvador and witness of faith to them during the socio-political unrest experienced in the 70’s & 80’s, Blessed Oscar Romero showed the depth of this understanding of love and service, and in so doing gave over his life for this message of truth for which the Church today honours him as a Martyr.

It is such occasions, when we remember the life of our House Patrons, that we re-connect with the larger narrative that influenced their lives and in turn ours. As suggested by Fr Charles through his homily during the Romero House Mass, we are all invited to consider the choices we make for the greater good of all, ‘we need to choose what is right and loving, and not just what is easy.’

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SPORT NEWS

BRACE YOURSELF… WINTER IS COMING… Winter Sport, that is!

AFTER SCHOOL SPORT
All consent forms are due back to student reception. The winter season costs $60, which covers fees for coaching, umpires and equipment.

If your student requires a uniform for their sport, they must submit this payment to the Finance Office before their first game! If you are unsure of the uniform requirements or costs, please contact me to find out more (Emma Boyle – eboyle@cardijn.catholic.edu.au)

Game information will be handed out to players at training before the season commences in their sport. Weekly game times and locations (with Google map) will be on the Cardijn College website www.cardijn.catholic.edu.au.

Cross Country
Training Monday 3.00-4.00pm and Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm. Competitions on some Wednesday afternoons (squad members will receive a fixture at training). First competition in week 3!

Oakbank Championship coming up … register your interest with Mrs Boyle right away to secure a spot!

Basketball
Middle Team and Senior Div 3 – Training Monday 3.00-4.00pm with games on Saturday mornings. Games start week 1!

Senior Div 2 and Div 1 – Training Thursday 3.30-4.30pm with games on Saturday mornings. Games start week 1!

Netball
don’t have the text here.

Football
Middle – Training Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm with games on Saturday mornings. Games start week 1!

First XVIIIs – Training Monday 3.00-4.30pm with games on Wednesday afternoons.

Soccer
Year 8s – Training Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm
Year 9s – Training Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm
Year 10s – Training Thursday 3.30-4.30pm
Open Girls – Training Thursday 3.30-4.30pm
All games begin Saturday week 2!

Table Tennis
Training Tuesday 3.30-5.00pm with games on Friday afternoons. Games start Week 2!

HOUSE SPORT
House Football commences in week 4! It is 9aside football, and will be held three days a week on the Main Oval at lunch times. All year levels and genders welcome! Teams must have three females on the field at a time. Fixtures and rules will be out to homerooms soon!

KNOCKOUT AND ZONE SPORT
The winter season is a very busy time for Cardijn in Knockout and Zone sport competitions. We will be participating in girls and boys football, girls netball, boys and girls volleyball, boys and girls touch football, boys and girls basketball, indoor and outdoor soccer, badminton and cross country! Good luck to all participants!

Emma Boyle | Sports Coordinator
From the Music Captains Desk

Hello everybody and welcome back to the start of a new and eventful term.

Before we jump into the upcoming music events for Term 2, we wanted to take a moment to share with you the amazing experiences some of the music students from Cardijn College had when they took part in our inaugural Japan Tour.

The group had a wonderful time exploring and performing in the beautiful country. The students had the opportunity to be fully immersed in the different culture, new experiences and lifestyle. All the students took the opportunity up with gusto. The students discovered more about Japan and had an incredibly fun time. While doing so we’re sure they all made lasting friendships and dear memories. In the words of Lauren Pearce - “Being in Japan opened my eyes to not only their culture, but how to try and incorporate their morals and teachings into our own”. Jessica Madathil continues “I enjoyed bonding not just with the Japanese students, but with the Mary Mackillop girls as well. We’ve all shared memories and created a bond we’ll never forget”.

And finally, “I feel a lot more confident now that I’ve been to another country that doesn’t speak English and I find it easier to talk to people that I haven’t met before” from Cody Casson.

Term 1 passed by very quickly but as they say time flies when you’re having fun and fun is what music’s all about. This term the ensembles will be preparing new repertoire for the once a term Ensemble Music Night in week 6, however, this term the music nights will take place across Wednesday and Thursday.

Ensembles will also be preparing for Term 3 MAD Night that happens once every two years. This year’s theme will be the 60’s and we can all hardly wait. Some of the ensembles will also be rehearsing for the annual Catholic Schools Music Festival audition in week 8.

It seems as though we have a fun filled schedule lined up for the upcoming term and we hope to see you all there. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Shaun and Caleb | Music Captains
**LINKS ON THE COLLEGE WEBSITE**


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**PRINCIPAL'S TOURS**

**TERM 2**

Wed 29 June, 9.30am

**TERM 3**

Thurs 11 Aug, 9.30am

For Tour Bookings: enquiries@cardijn.catholic.edu.au / 8392 9500

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