From the Principal

Last Friday I announced my resignation from my role as Principal at Chanel College to accept the position at Mt St Michael’s School in Brisbane in January 2017. I would like to thank everyone for the warm messages of congratulations that I have received. This weekend the position will be advertised and I ask for your prayerful support as the search for the new Principal begins.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Feast Day
8 August is the feast day of Mary MacKillop, Australia’s first saint. The more I read about this extraordinary woman the more I am inspired by her. I recently came across this quote from Mary regarding forgiveness which I think really speaks to us in this the Year of Mercy.

“I treat you, my dearly loved ones to forgive from your hearts” Mary MacKillop (1890)

Mary MacKillop was a woman who held no grudges. It was painful at times for her to forgive those who had harmed her. She wrote to some of the Sisters who had spoken untruths about her: ‘I excuse and with all a mothers heart I forgive. Forgive from your heart any Sister who has pained you’ (1890). To the priest who had been the main cause of her excommunication she wrote: ‘I forgive him; I forgive all who had any part in these matters’ (1871).

Another story where Mary provides us with her amazing ability to forgive was when she was teaching in Portland. One day the inspector arrived at the school. The headmaster Mr Cusack rearranged all the classes. He took the students from Mary’s and Annie’s classes who were well taught and gave his poorly performing students to them. Mary’s father heard of this injustice and went to see Mr Cusack. The outcome of this encounter was that they both lost their teaching positions. Years later when Mary was in Sydney she met a dirty, alcoholic tramp whom she recognized as her former headmaster Mr Cusack. She sold her watch so that she could provide him with clothes and care.

So despite this injustice, Mary could still forgive. That can prompt us to think of who are the people in our lives that God is inviting us to forgive at this time? Can we use Mary as our model and reach out in mercy and forgiveness?

(Adapted from www.marymackillop.org.au)

Queensland Catholic Schools’ and Colleges’ Musical Festival
Good luck and safe travels to our musicians who leave this morning to travel to Brisbane to compete in the QCMF.

Our Concert Band, Choir and Drumline compete on Saturday. Thank you to Mrs March, Co-Curricular Coordinator, for all of the behind the scenes organisation of the tour and to Mrs Sheather for all of her work in preparing the students for this special event. Thank you also to Ms Barbagallo, Mr Rose and Mr Carseldine who will assisting as supervising staff.

Year 11 Leadership Applications
Year 11 students are reminded that the written applications for leadership positions in 2017 must be submitted to the Print Room by 9.00 am on Monday 15 August.

Parent-Teacher Interviews
Thank you to all staff and parents for the great attendance at the Parent-Teacher Interviews on Tuesday night. These evenings are important for us to work together to see how can best support your child’s education. A huge thank you to the Homeroom Parents who provided some amazing goodies for the staff for afternoon tea.

It was very much appreciated!

Year 10 Subject Selection for 11 in 2017
An information evening for current Year 10 students will be held on Tuesday 16 August commencing at 6.00 pm with the Subject Selection EXPO. The formal information presentations will commence at 6.45 pm. Please note that this is a change to the calendar published at the beginning of the year. This is due to the changes to the OP system that will come into effect in 2018. A Subject Selection Information Evening will be held in Term 4 for our current Year 9 students so that we can distribute the most current information.

God bless
S. M. N
Sharon Vulp
Chanel SOS Mass And Youth Group - Sunday 21 August
You are invited to come and celebrate our Mass on Sunday 21 August at Star of the Sea commencing at 6.00 pm. After the Mass our young people are invited to join Youth Group with our Year 12 students in the Parish Hall.

Year 8 MYSL Retreat
The year 8 students certainly had a challenging and rewarding Middle Years Student Leaders Retreat last week at The Capricorn Caves and some of their comments included – “I enjoyed this retreat as I met other amazing people and challenged myself in a fun way being pushed out of my comfort zone.” “I contributed to the retreat when I went into all the activities with a positive attitude and put in 100% to all even when I was unsure.” “This retreat has helped me to be a better leader as it helped me to trust and encourage more people to do their best in a positive way.”

Year 10 ACTS Camp ~
Last week, nine Year 10 students attended the annual A Chance To Share (ACTS) Camp at Cooe Bay Yeppoon. During their three days at the camp, the Year 10s worked with students from various catholic schools in the region. Students explored the concept of leadership, spirituality and social media through various activities. Everyone engaged whole-heartedly in all activities and made strong friendships with students from other schools. The Year 10s have been challenged to take the concepts and ideas they have learnt on ACTS Camp and apply them to life here at Chanel College. Many thanks to Ms McDonough for accompanying the students.

Service to the Community - Buddies Day
Buddies Day, organised by St Vincent de Paul and support by Chanel College, will be having their next outing on 28 August, meeting at the Gladstone Botanical Gardens, near the playground. More outings are planned for this year and if your child would like to be a volunteer with this program, and they are in Years 10 -12, please encourage them to see Mrs Hore for more details.

Second Hand Uniform Outlet
We have in stock many junior uniforms, especially boy’s shirts and shorts in bigger sizes, all in good condition. Formal uniforms sell for $10 per item, sports uniforms - $5 per item and jackets - $25 each.
The Second Hand Uniform ‘outlet’ is open each Wednesday in the RE Resource Room during first break.

If you have uniforms your child no longer requires - all donations are gratefully accepted and many thanks to those who have already sent in donations.

Thursday Mass
Ms Clarke’s Year 11 SOR Class – Thursday 18 August. Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel at 10.40 am each Thursday. ALL WELCOME
Golding Showcase
People’s Choice Winner!

M. Cook photographer of the portrait shots, E.H Gallaher artwork photograph.

Congratulations to the winner of this year’s Golding Showcase People’s Choice - ‘Home Street Home’ by Lea Varghese. Congratulations Lea! Lea is a very talented emerging artist and the Art Gallery looks forward to showcasing her work on all their promotional materials for next year’s exhibition.
WE ARE BACK
Friday 26 August
Open 9.30 am to 2.00 pm
in A105

Café Chanel News
Thank you for all the support from students, staff and parents for the development of Café Chanel.
As you may be aware this year we launched Café Chanel as a learning opportunity for the Year 12 Hospitality students. To date we have had two very successful cafés where the learning outcomes for the students have been fantastic. The growth in skills and confidence as the students design and create the menus, café themes and practice skills coffee production is giving them real work/life experiences.
We continue to need your assistance as the students need clients to make this learning opportunity work. At present we have virtually no bookings for 11.30 am to 2.30 pm on Friday 26 August.
Although the menu is still under construction, the theme is “a Country Table” with mains at $12.00 including Shepherd Pie, Mushroom Risotto (GF DF), Burger and Chips to name a few dishes on offer or Sweet at $5.00 with Marshmallow Slice, Strawberry Shortcake Trifle or Lemon Delicious as examples. Coffees, teas and Milkshakes are $3.00. Gluten free Sweets are still being developed.

Email: Susan_going@rok.catholic.edu.au to book a table.

Aurecon Bridge Building Competition

Last Friday saw five Year 9 students enter the Aurecon Bridge Building Competition at CQ University, Gladstone Campus.
The team consisting of Tasneem Taifor and Charlene Tanyag were drawing some early attention from the judges with their colourful and interesting design.
After some big scores being posted by the Emerald Christian College teams, the team comprising of Jessica Bienen, Lucy Vaiante and Yimeng Li shot into second place. Their bridge bearing a weight of 154kgs before it broke was awarded the All-Rounder category by having the highest combined score (strength-to-weight and judges score).
Well done to all the participants for representing the College so well.
**Year 12 Business Communication & Technology**

Currently the Year 12 Business Communication and Technology (BCT) are learning about Social Media and its legal implications for a business. Students were fortunate to gain a Real Estates perspective of social media from guest speaker Ros Waters of RE/MAX Energy.

Ros explained how the legal issues of privacy, defamation, discrimination, intellectual property and copyright all impact on Real Estate businesses. She also illustrated how social media is a valuable tool to utilise that can assist with many facets of a business including marketing and public relations.

On behalf of the Year 12 BCT class I would like to thank Ros Waters for giving up her time to provide a valuable insight. I would also like to thank Mrs Miles for organising Ros to come speak to the class.

Lauren Schneider
Teacher

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**Literacy Carnivale**

Thirty two students enthusiastically took the opportunity to attend the 2016 Curtis Coast Literary Carnivale held at the CQ University. A visit to the Gladstone Art Gallery and Museum preceded the excellent tutorials that were specifically organised for Chanel College from two of Australia’s best authors and illustrators. Students enjoyed a gallery talk whilst viewing an extensive exhibition of the work of book illustrators. Author Jacqueline Harvey engaged our students with her informative tutorial on the art and skills of writing. The importance of continuous proof reading, editing regularly and reading your work out loud was emphasised. After a relaxing lunch filled with discussion about writing the Chanel College students were entertained by author and illustrator Dave Hackett. He cleverly led the students through the process of writing using cartoon characters and a storyline invented by ideas from the audience. This wonderful day concluded with the chance to participate in further discussion and have books personally signed by the authors.

Jane Greenland
Arts Coordinator
Sports Awards – Monday 10 October

It seems a while away, but this year’s Sports Awards presentation will be held in Week 3 on Monday 10 October. This presentation will be held in the Marian Centre starting at 8.50am. Team awards for the Chanel sporting teams (Marist Basketball, QISSN Netball, Confraternity Rugby League, Town Netball and Town and Senior Schools Cup Volleyball), Port Curtis representatives and Half and Full Blue certificates will be presented on this day. The big awards, where students are asked to nominate, will also be presented. This year with the introduction of Year 7 into high school, the awards will be split into Middle Years (Years 7, 8, 9) and Senior (Years 10, 11, 12) awards for the Athlete of the Year, Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year. Nomination forms, with all award selection criteria, will be found on the Student Google site by the start of week 5. Students will need to download and complete the form then submit the form to myself, or email me their completed form. Nominations are due by Friday 26 August. Only nomination forms submitted by the due date will be considered for the awards, late nominations will not be accepted. Please check the Student Google site in week 5 for the form and selection criteria.

Volleyball Schools Cup - Girls Report 2016

Every year over 2000 students travel from across the state to compete in the annual Queensland Schools Cup. This year Alex McAlister, Romy Bowden, Madelyn Weatherall, Georgia Haigh, Imogen Whiting, Christine Trewick, Gabbie Emerick and Chelsea McCaskill, travelled to Brisbane to participate in the three day tournament. Over the three days the team managed to come away with three wins and three losses, resulting in a three way tie for third place in their pool, but in an unfortunate countback of sets the girls ended up in fifth position in their pool. When the girls weren’t playing they spent their time shopping, eating (at Eat Street) and hanging out on the rooftop of our wonderful hotel which overlooked the Gabba ground and the city. Overall it was a very successful weekend with an excellent end result of seventeenth place. This was a great result considering 75% of our team are in Yr 10 or below in an Open Age competition. Regardless of the wins and losses, all the girls gained a lot of experience and skill from the three days.

The team would love to thank our coach Mr and Mrs McCaskill for all their hard efforts both in coaching us, preparation for the trip and for looking after us whilst we were away. We are all very excited to continue to improve our volleyball skills and hopefully go away again next year!

Written by Alex McAlister, Romy Bowden and Madelyn Weatherall
MacKillop Feast Day
Mary MacKillop, our first Australian Saint, is the patron of MacKillop House. MK6 presented a beautiful liturgy on Monday morning, sharing the life and times of Mary. We then enjoyed an amazing lunch together. Thank you students and parents for baking and preparing the meal. A special thanks to our parent helper Mrs Crick, who cooked the hot food! It was just wonderful to share the day together, celebrating the life of Mary MacKillop and reflecting on the ways in which we can be more like her. “Never see a need without doing something about it”.

WHAT'S ON @ Chanel

13-21 AUGUST

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Drone Display by Queensland Aerial on Bottom Oval - First Break

Robot Coding With Mr Hodgson Computer Room - First Break

Robot Display With Mr McCaskill Lavalla - First Break

Making Robots Activity Lavalla - First Break

Come join in the Displays and Activities SEE YOU ALL THERE!
Senior School Pathways Night

Tuesday 16 August 2016
6.00 pm Subject Expo ~ 6.45 pm Information Session

Senior Pathways Available

ACADEMIC

- Tertiary entrance (eg: university) using an overall position (OP) which requires the study of Authority Subjects.
- Tertiary entrance using additional qualifications (eg: Certificate Courses) to apply for a QTAC rank (TER) through the College.

VOCATIONAL

- Continued training and work by starting a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT) during senior schooling.
- Study vocational subjects during yr 11 & 12 for direct entry to workforce.

Becoming a Senior Student at Chanel College is an exciting and challenging time within the journey of Learning. A Senior Student should be able to make a commitment to the College in a whole-hearted manner. There should be an understanding of the College Mission and it’s commitment to the development of young men and women.

Chanel College has a broad curriculum which is continuously evolving to meet the needs of our students. Courses are designed to prepare students for a range of pathways at the completion of their schooling.

Students now have the opportunity to exit senior schooling with the Queensland Certificate of Education as well as a number of nationally recognised qualifications through Certificate Courses.

Attendance is necessary for accurate career planning for 2017 - 2018. All necessary documents for subject selection will be distributed on the evening.

All Enquiries Ph: 4973 4700

STUDENT ACCESS CENTRE

Do you need help with Assignments? Homework? Careers?
Available for you are:
- Resources & Support Material, Friendly Faces.
- HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT HELP
  Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 8.00 am.
  Also First Break every day except Thursdays.
- Inclusive Curriculum Coordinator: Mrs Robyn Jurd 4973 4739
- Career Officer: Mrs Crane on 4973 4738

upcoming events

Week 6
Tue 16 August
- Year 10 Subject EXPO - 6.00 pm
- Year 10 Subject Selection for Yr 11 in 2017 6.45 pm. All Year 10s to attend.

Wed 17 August
- Student Representative Council Meeting First Break
- P & F Meeting 5.30 pm

Thurs 18 August
- QMEA - Biodiversity Field Day

Fri 19 August
- Senior Years and Middle Years Assemblies

Sun 21 August
- Star of the Sea MASS 6.00 pm

Week 7
Fri 26 August
- CAFE CHANEL

Week 8
Tue 30 August
- Year 12 QCS TEST

Wed 31 August
- Year 12 QCS TEST

Week 9 5 - 9 September

TERM 4 COMMENCES

Week 1
Mon 3 October
- QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tues 4 October
- Whole School Liturgy, Announcement of 2017 Student Leaders

Wed 5 October
- Year 9 Subject Selection for Year 10 in 2017 Evening
- Chanel Board Meeting 5.30 pm

Term 3 Concludes