

CHANEL COLLEGE

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Prayer has always been an important part of my life. It is my immediate response to any crisis situation. However, I have been trying very hard every day to give thanks for the many blessings that I have in my life. Prayer time is my quiet time. I was once having a discussion with one of the Marist Brothers who was visiting Chanel. We were discussing our prayer life and I was explaining that I often like to drive to and from school in the quiet and that I often "have a chat to God" when in the car. He described my car as a "chapel" and I have come to realise that it is not where you talk to God, but what you talk about that matters.

I recently came across this article from the Archdiocese of Brisbane "Faith and Life", where it was addressing the question "Why pray?"

The answer to this question "What does God desire for me?" is also the answer to the question "Why pray?"

God desires to be in relationship with each of us. For each of us we can choose to respond to this invitation, to be in right relationship with ourselves, our God, each other and all of creation or we can choose to reject this profound invitation. The choice is ours. If our response is "yes" than we need to ask what makes a relationship strong, healthy and real?

Usually a good relationship is based on people who are willing to "work at it". People need to give time to develop connections, to listen to each other, to share with each other, to be at ease with each other, to sit in comfortable silence with each other, to allow themselves to be vulnerable with each other, to be honest with each other and to be in dialogue with each other. A relationship is based on trust and mutuality.

In our relationship with God then, prayer is the key that unlocks the door to our relationship with God and each other.

There are many ways to pray. The challenge for each of us is to find the style of prayer that enables us to grow in an ever increasing awareness that God desires our response in love. When we come to know that we are loved by God then we can never be the same again. If our relationship with God is strong our focus is directed outwards to the world. If we allow ourselves to be open to the transformative power of prayer then we will always be focused on God's mission in the world.

> Why do we pray? We pray to keep our balance, to keep our focus firmly on God, to know that whatever happens God journeys with us. Without prayer we can lose our focus, our direction and our sense of working with God.

Happy Birthday St Francis

Happy Birthday to the St Francis Community who celebrate their 10th Anniversary this week! I was privileged to represent the Chanel Community on Monday at their Special Assembly. The students presented a wonderful tribute to the journey that St Francis Catholic Primary School has had over the last 10 years. The P and F presented an honour board as a gift to the school which included a record of Past School Captains and Academic Award Recipients. It was great to see the names of some current Chanel students on the honour board. I encourage past St Francis families to attend the Art Show on Saturday or the Market Day on Sunday and view the fantastic display of memorabilia.

P and F Meeting

Our next P and F meeting is on Wednesday 17 September commencing at 5.30 pm in the College Office. I will be sharing the outcomes of the Charrette process, so please come along and hear about our exciting developments.

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To nurture our relationship with God we simply must be people who pray. http://www.bne.catholic.net.au/asp/index.asp?pgid=10643

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Good News

Kath Hore - Mission & RE Support Officer

ACTS Reunion

This coming Friday a group of Year 10, 11 and 12 students will be meeting up with students from Shalom College, Bundaberg for an ACTS (A Chance to Serve/Share) Reunion. They have the opportunity to spend time; reflecting on their experiences at ACTS, while they experience a night of 'homelessness'. Students will be eating from a 'soup kitchen' and making their own cardboard shelters. Many thanks to Mr Shenton and Ms McDonald who have offered to assist with the night's activities. Hopefully all students will have a pleasant and rewarding experience.

East Timor Immersion

Next Wednesday 17 September seven Chanel students; Tom McCarthy, Jacques Fermier, Natalie Seif, Brittany Mann, Kelsey Smith, Annaliese McGuire and Hugh Bradley Woods under the guidance of Mrs Mills, Ms Derepas, Mr Davis and Mr O'Mara will begin their two week East Timor Immersion Experience, when they fly out of Gladstone.

The students will be immersing themselves in the lives of the people in the remote mountain village of Baguia, East Timor. They will experience the reality of life as it is lived by the majority of people in our world: without running water, with little access to electricity, basic accommodation and facilities, limited choice in food and with very limited phone access and no internet!

They will make the four hour walk to the Aleita School to meet with the children, teachers and parents. This school is made of split bamboo, has a dirt floor with lengths of bamboo for seats and desks – a far cry from what our students have at Chanel. Over the past years, Chanel College, lead by Marcellin House have made financial contributions to the cost of building a new school, which is now well under way, and our students will return with photos of the progress of the school.

At Assembly next Monday there will be a Commissioning Rite for the team going to East Timor and all are welcome to attend.

We wish the students, and the accompanying staff, God's speed and a safe trip.

Stamps for Mary MacKillop International (Sisters of St Joseph) in Peru

Please remember to save your used stamps and send them in to the College. The Sisters in Peru need our support to enable them to continue their work with disadvantaged and marginalised children. Thank you to all who have donated so far.

Second Hand Uniforms

The second hand uniform 'shop' is open each Wednesday during first break. Money raised supports the work of various missions both nationally and internationally.

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

18 September – Ms McDonald's Year 9D RE Class
Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel at 10.40 am each
Thursday.

ALL WELCOME - Families, friends, fellow students!!!

PRAYING THE ANGELUS

Bishop Michael has invited all in the diocese to join him in saying the Angelus each day. His letter, in part, reads "I invite you to join with me at midday each day in praying the Angelus but with a specific intention and that is the Vocation to the Priesthood and Religious life, so that our Catholic communities throughout the Diocese will be staffed, into the future, with Priests and Religious for their sacramental and pastoral care."

"The Angelus" - Jean-François Millet
The Angel of the Lord
declared unto Mary:
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee
Blessed art Thou among women
And Blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now
And at the hour of our death Amen

Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

Let it be done to me according to your Word.

Hail Mary

And the Word was made Flesh:

And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary....

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech you O Lord, your grace into our hearts that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may we, by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord Amen

Please Pray for ...

- A peaceful and just solution to the fighting in Ukraine, Iraq, Syria and the political unrest in Gaza.
- People in our community who are unwell or recovering from illness.
- Students and staff travelling to and experiencing life in East Timor.
- A world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love.

Praise and Thanks for...

- Civilians and defence personnel working to rebuild lives and to bring peace, unity and justice in many parts of the world.
- The efforts of the students given to their studies and exam week.
- The dedication and commitment of all Chanel staff providing a safe environment where students feel valued and supported.

If you have any requests for either of the above prayers, please leave your request at the Office.

sporting news Kylie Kickbusch Sports Coordinator

Interschool Soccer Finals

Last **Wednesday 3 September** the U15 Boys and Open Girls Soccer teams travelled to Tannum Sands SHS to compete in the Interschool Soccer finals. The U15 Boys (coached by Miss Keys) were playing for the premiership and the Open Girls (coached by Miss Kickbusch and Miss Derepas) for 3rd/4th position. The boy's game was first up with the game being reduced in time due to our travel time. They played fantastic defensive soccer, their constant pressure creating many turnovers which resulted in a couple of very good scoring opportunities. Unfortunately, these shots were not converted and the match ended in a nil all draw. The game went to penalty shot-outs. Keeper Xandrei Sketcher made some spectacular saves, but his efforts were not enough. In the end the boys went down 2-3 in the shot-out to take out runners-up for the 2014 U15 Boys Interschool season. The Open Girls game was a different story. Both teams played with 7 players, due to QCS being held for senior students that day. Although the girls did not win the match they played with laughter, some very unusual ways to kick the ball and an allround good time. Remi Whelan managed to score the girls only goal of the game (and second for the season) and Sarah Coleman making some 'body on the line' saves. Congratulations to all teams and coaches on a great season and for representing the College in a positive manner.

T20 Cricket Finals and Interschool Netball

Next **Wednesday 17 September** the T20 Cricket finals for our region will be held in Maryborough. Mr Homann and Mr Hodgson will be taking 12 boys on the long bus trip to the Maryborough Cricket Club to play in the Regional finals series. If successful, the team will earn the right to represent the region at the State finals to be held at the GABA in October. Good luck to the team and thank you to Mr Homann for taking the Cricket team this year.

Biloela is once again the host of the Junior Interschool Netball Carnival, also on **Wednesday 17 September**. 2 teams from the College will play at this carnival in the U14 and U15 divisions. This will be the last Interschool Netball Carnival of the year, so we wish the teams good luck and thank you to Miss Beveridge and Miss Keys who will be attending the carnival with me. Should be a great day of netball action!!

Sports Awards – Monday 13 October

Just a 'save the date' reminder for the annual Sports Awards Presentation morning; Monday of week 2, 13 October, starting at 8.50 am and concluding at 10.00 am in the College Marian Centre. Parents/caregivers are welcome to attend. Awards to be presented include: Half and Full Blues (certificates for students who represented the Capricornia Region and QLD respectively), Chanel College sporting team awards, Athlete of the Year, Sportswomen of the Year and Sportsman of the Year.



STELLA MARIS FEAST DAY

celebration of team work.

Staff and students worked together to prepare a special liturgy in the morning and were delighted to welcome parents and the Leadership

We had contributions of yummy food and an excellent sausage sizzle during first break. At the watermelon eating experience we enjoyed the range of skills of representatives from each of our Pastoral Care Homerooms.

The festivities continued in second break, with the photographed students eagerly awaited the cutting of the now traditional chocolate mud cake. Thank you to our delegates for their humorous attempts at symbolically cutting the cake.

Thank you to all of the parents who joined us for our liturgy or provided goodies, to our talented groundsmen for their excellent sausage sizzling, the Leadership Team for their participation, and all students and staff of Stella Maris who planned and worked together to make Stella Maris: Hot to Go!

Year 12 English Communication Class

Raised an awesome amount of \$1040.70! for St Vincent De Paul's. Well done to all involved. A huge thank you to the following businesses for their kind donations: Yoghurtland,





Music. Art. Drama. Dance.

Sunday 21 - Friday 26 September at Ipswich Girls' Grammar School, for students in Years 10, 11, 12. \$450. See the tuckshop noticeboard for more details.

outh Link Australia has launched the #GenerationalChangeProject Video

Competition. The competition encourages secondary school students to create a Youth Link Australia short video to promote youth volunteering. Videos are to be no longer than 5 minutes in length and need to focus on youth volunteering. The winning videos will be used as volunteering promotional materials for YLA, Australia wide. Youth Link

Australia also has three award categories available for the competition. They include,

Best Group Video - \$250.00 Best Individual Video - \$100.00 Most 'Liked' Video - \$100.00

Connecting Youth



Careers Officer

School Based Apprenticeships or Traineeships

What is a school based apprenticeship or traineeship?

A combination of school, off the job training (with a Registered Training Organisation) and paid work (with a host employer), that can gain you credit towards a nationally recognised qualification.

School-based apprenticeships and traineeships enable students to undertake an apprenticeship or traineeship while studying Years 10, 11 and 12. This gives them the opportunity to work towards a nationally recognised qualification while remaining at school.

Students generally spend one day per week in the workplace, however during school holidays, students may be available to work extra hours by mutual arrangement and negotiation between the student and the host employer.

Who can do a school based apprenticeship or traineeship?

Any Queensland student attending a recognised secondary school in either Years 10, 11 or 12. We also encourage you to undertake work experience in the vocation of your choice prior to entering the apprenticeship or traineeship.

What qualifications do I need to start a school based apprenticeship or traineeship?

For Years 11 and 12, minimum Year 10 passes in Maths and English.

For Year 10, reasonable results in Maths and English.

Will I get paid?.

A school based apprentice/trainee must do a minimum of 50 days of paid work per year. You will get paid according to the relevant award or workplace agreement covering the trade or occupation you have chosen.

What can I expect during my School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship while at Chanel College?

Commitment—the Careers Officer will provide you with the work and training opportunities you need to successfully complete your qualification, and monitor your progress along the way.

Quality training – at Chanel College, we manage and monitor your college bookings and your progress. We provide advice and assistance if needed to make sure you have the skills necessary to achieve the levels of competency required by your vocation.

Variety of work — as a member of SAIN (Schools and Industry Network), we have the flexibility to provide variety and continuity of work through our network of host employers.

Support – our Careers Officer maintains regular contact through site visits to your place of work, phone, and email. There is always someone available if you need help.

For the student

Students who have completed a school based apprenticeship or traineeship report the following benefits:

- · An alternative pathway to tertiary studies.
- · A nationally recognised industry qualification upon completion.
- · Practical hands-on experience.
- · Able to stay at school to complete Senior Certificate.
- · Experience a smooth school to work transition.
- · Opportunity to begin a career early.
- · Gain contacts and experience in the workforce.

Your school based apprenticeship/traineeship results are included on your Year 12 certificate in addition to your school results. As a school based apprentice or trainee, you are still eligible for a Queensland Certificate of Education.

At the end of year 12, school based apprentices will roll over into either full time or part time employment. The time already spent and the qualifications gained will be credited towards the full time/part time apprenticeship. School based trainees would have been expected to have completed their qualification prior to the end of Year 12.

School based apprenticeships and traineeships are an excellent means to develop work-related skills and gain a qualification while still at school, as well as increasing your readiness for the work force.

If you are interested in finding out more information about School Based Apprenticeships or Traineeships, or would like to register your interest for next year, please email merrin cale@rok.catholic.edu.au

University Opportunities

QTAC applications have opened. Year 12 students that wish to apply to University need to be researching their University of choice, the degree they wish to study, and arranging appointments for residential college applications. You should also note that the on-time due date to lodge a QTAC application is **30 September 2014** and higher application fees apply after this date.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Sisters of Mercy Scholarship closes 19 September 2014

Any current year 12 student who is intending to undertake tertiary study is eligible to apply.

Supporting Women Scholarships

The Supporting Women Scholarships are opening up new opportunities for Queensland women of all ages and at all stages of their working life.

With a focus on boosting support for women in non-traditional fields and skills shortage areas, the program provides scholarships for qualifications in the following fields of study:

- Agricultural and Environmental studies
- · Architecture and Building
- · Engineering
- · Earth Sciences
- · Information Technology

Read more and apply online at

https://www.supportingwomen.qld.gov.au/

Applications close 10 October 2014

Apprenticeship and Traineeship dates for 2015 Intake

Continue to keep an eye on local papers as well as the internet in regards to further Apprenticeship and Traineeship applications.

Komatsu Apprenticeships 2015 – Emerald, Gladstone and Mackay

If you are completing Years 10, 11 or 12, or are seeking a new career, the Komatsu Apprenticeship Development Program will set you on the path to a fulfilling and rewarding career. Closing date for applications is close of business **Thursday 18**September 2014 using the 'Apply for this job/position' link below. Please include a cover letter, current CV, recent school reports (if completed school in last three years) and trade certificates, if applicable. Applications received directly by email without an Apprentice Application form will not be considered. Please note assessments will form part of the selection process. Successful applicants will commence in early 2015. If you have any questions please email learning@komatsu.com.au

Read more and apply online at http://www.seek.com.au/job/27106532

Applications close Thursday 18 September

Warehouse Traineeship, GAGAL, Gladstone

The successful applicant will have experience with Computers and the Microsoft Office Suite of Applications, especially Microsoft Outlook, Work and Excel, together with excellent oral and written communication skills.

A 'C' class manual driver's licence and a good driving record will be highly regarded. Some practical hands-on work experience in this field will also be considered advantageous. A written application addressing the above selection criteria accompanied by a resume including education results and employment history should be sent to:

The Recruitment Officer

PO Box 1354

GLADSTONE QLD 4680 or email to atr@gagal.com.au

Applications close 5.00 pm Friday 12 September 2014

To read more about the position go to http://www.seek.com.au/job/27160508

Bundaberg Regional Council Apprenticeships

- Apprentice Boilermaker
- Apprentice Electrician/Instrumentation (dual trade)
- Apprentice Painter and Decorator (Industrial)

The successful candidate will possess the ability to complete a physically demanding role, have either a year 10 or year 12 pass depending on the apprenticeship applied for and the ability to work in a team environment and the enthusiasm to learn new skills and be formally trained.

For further information, to view the Position Description or to apply for this position, please visit the website:

http://bundaberg.qld.gov.au/employment

Applications close Sunday 14 September 2014

Boyne Smelter 2015 Apprenticeship Intake

BSL are currently recruiting for the trades of Mechanical, Electrical, Fabrication and Diesel Fitting.

Only accept online applications for the 2015 Apprenticeship program.

Please visit the Pacific Aluminium careers page:

www.pacificaluminium.com.au/careers

Applications close 21 September.

Applicants will need to submit electronic copies of:

Resume (up to date)

Most recent school results

An information session will be held on Saturday 18 October and shortlisted applicants will be notified with details.

Pre-requisites for application

- Year 12 certificate (recent or currently completing)
- Maths and English grade of 'sound' or higher.
- For electrical trades, preferred (but not mandatory) achievement of 'sound' in Maths B or higher
- Be a resident of central Queensland and willing to relocate to Boyne Island, Queensland

COME TO THE THEATRE!

Saturday 27 September 7.30 pm GECC

Bell Shakespeare's "Henry V"

Special student price \$20; Adults group price \$45

Take a permission note from the blue box outside the staff room

Email michele_chapman@rok.catholic.edu.au

Attention Students

Are you considering Tertiary Study in Brisbane?

St Paschal's Church, Wavell Heights in the Parish of Our Lady of the Angels, Chermside, has accommodation available for Tertiary Students at "The Loft", Ferguson Road, Wavell Heights.

Phone: 3359 0239

Email:chermsidewest@bne.catholic.net.au

Car Wash!



Does your Car need pampering before the holidays? The Year 10 Business Group, Car Spa, will be operating a car wash service throughout the duration of week 10. (15 - 19 September). Washing services start from \$10 and includes additional features such as interior vacuum cleaning and interior window cleaning. To book a car wash, contact Lachlan James at 420jamelach@rokstu.catholic.edu.au

You'll have to hurry though! Only a limited number of bookings are available.

STUDENT ACCESS CENTRE

Do you need help with Assignments? Homework? Careers?

Available for you are:

Computers & Printers, Resources & Support Material, Friendly Faces. **HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT HELP**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 8.00 am. Also First Break every day except Thursdays.

Contact Chanel College's Inclusive Curriculum Coordinator:

Mrs Robyn Jurd on **4973 4739**

or Careers Officer: Merrin Cale on 4973 4738

SCHOOL FEES

When paying school fees, please use your Parent Code for the reference.

Note: The Young Adults Retreat advertised in last week's Newsletter has been Cancelled.

Upcoming Events

Week 10

Tue 16 September

- Girls Day In Boys Day Out for Year 8 Students
- Cupcake Day McAuley 2

Wed 17 September

- P & F Meeting 5.30 pm
- Marist Solidarity Coin Trail

Thur 18 September

- MASS TODAY
- McAuley Feast Day

Fri 19 September

• TERM 3 CONCLUDES

TERM 4 COMMENCES Tue 7 October

Week 1

Mon 6 October

• Labour Day Public Holiday

Tue 7 October

- Term 4 Commences
- Whole School Liturgy