



# CHANEL COLLEGE

# news

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*"To act justly, to love tenderly and walk humbly with your God"*  
Micah 6:8

## From the Principal

Another busy term is rapidly coming to an end! Exams conclude tomorrow which will be a welcome relief to many students, as the staff continue with the busy task of marking assessment items and completing reports.

Last night, New South Wales finally broke the State of Origin drought. I am sure that New South Wales supporters are jubilant and that there will be some disappointed Queenslanders around the school today. It can be difficult for us as teachers and parents to try to help young people keep a balanced attitude to success and failure. I was recently reading an article by Christopher Gleeson, a Jesuit priest and principal. He was discussing how a "win at all costs" attitude is addictive and is alien to those parents and teachers who have the best interests of their children at heart. "Success is not a gospel value" a wise Spiritual Director once told him. We should be constantly at pains to help young people see that winning and losing are just different points in a long process of preparation, team discipline, perseverance and sportspersonship. Success lies in the quality of one's striving and not necessarily in the capturing of trophies.

Next week we will be having our annual Interhouse Athletics Carnival. Success and failure will be part of the carnival, but the most important thing will be to "have a go" and support each other as you participate. Days like athletics carnivals are important as it is time spent together as a community and one of the most precious gifts that we can give each other is time. I love the general atmosphere of our athletics carnival – the passion of different Houses, watching students cheer each other on the sidelines, students congratulating and commiserating with each other. There is a lot of effort being put in by Miss Kickbusch and the staff to ensure that this is a great event for the whole community and I was delighted to hear about the great response to the nomination process. Parents, you are warmly invited to join us.



God bless

*S. M. Volp*  
Sharon Volp

## Staffing Update

Welcome to Miss Merrin Cale who commenced with us on Monday as our new Careers Officer.



## Structured Workplace Learning

On Sunday the Year 12 Hospitality and Tourism Students depart for the Gold Coast to participate in the LiveIt Program. This is always a wonderful experience for the students and we wish them safe travels. Thank you to Mrs Going and Mrs Wales for supporting the students in this endeavour.

The Year 11 and 12 Engineering, Business and Year 11 Hospitality & Tourism Students will be participating in structured workplace learning. We thank those local businesses who are willing to take our students so that they can continue to prepare for workforce readiness.

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**Student Absentee Hotline: 4973 4791**



# Good News

Kath Hore Mission & RE Support Officer

## National Evangelisation Team (NET) – Billets Urgently Needed

The National Evangelisation Team will be in Gladstone 18 - 21 August this year and for two of the days they will be presenting to our Year 8 students. While in Gladstone, they will be requiring accommodation for **3 nights – 18, 19 & 20 August** - and we are looking for volunteers to billet these young people. The Team has both male and female members and in the past they have preferred to be billeted in twos or threes. If you are able to help, by providing food and accommodation for the NET members, please contact Mrs Hore at the College ASAP.

## Year 11 Leadership Retreat

Last week, Year 11 Students received letters and forms in preparation for their Retreat at Tanyalla in Week 2 Term 3. Please remind your child to have their Retreat Forms completed and signed. The forms need to be **returned by tomorrow, Friday 20 June**. Thank you for your assistance.

## Reaching out – Winter Appeal

Your generous donations for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal were delivered to St Vinnies this week. A BIG thank you to all those who donated food, clothing and blankets. Your generosity will help make other people's lives a little more pleasant and comfortable.

## Stamps for the Sisters of Mary MacKillop 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.

*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

**NO MASS – Track and Field Carnival**

The next Thursday Mass will be 17 July – Ms Ord's Year 10C R&E Class

### Please Pray for ...

- Innocent victims in Iraq, Syria and other countries experiencing political unrest.
- People in our community who are unwell or recovering from illness.
- Students at this busy time of term - concluding their exams and preparing for the Athletics Carnival.

### 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 generous donations received for the Winter Appeal.
- Support given to the College by parents and members of the wider community.

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

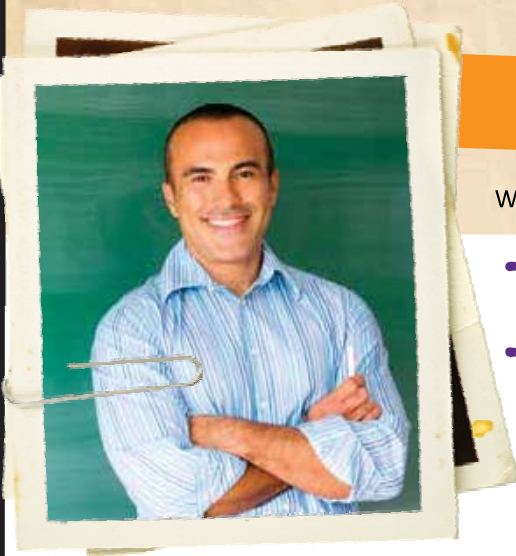


# Parenting *ideas* INSIGHTS

*Building parent-school partnerships*

WORDS Michael Grose

## Reading your child's report



Reports can mean anxious times for children. Will my parents be disappointed or proud? This is the main concern of most children.

*Could try harder... always does her best... lacks concentration... easily distracted... a pleasure to teach... Do these comments, taken from a batch of student reports sound familiar?*

Student reports bring mixed feelings for parents. Pleasure and pride if they are performing well but considerable angst when children are not progressing as you hoped.

Reports can mean anxious times for children too. Will my parents be disappointed or proud? This is the main concern of most children. Kids of all ages take their cues from their parents, so your reaction to their school report can affect the way they see themselves as learners and as people.

**Before you rip open the sealed envelope containing the report do a little self-check to see if you are in the right frame of mind:**

### 1 Are your expectations for your son or daughter realistic and in line with their ability?

Expectations are tricky. If they are too high then kids can be turned off learning. Too low and there is nothing to strive for. Pitch your expectations in line with your child's abilities. A quick check of your child's last report cards may provide you with a good yardstick.

### 2 Do you believe that children learn at different rates?

There are slow bloomers, late developers and steady-as-you-go kids in every classroom, so avoid comparing your child to siblings, your friends' children and even yourself when you were a child. Instead look for individual progress.

### 3 Are you willing to safeguard your child's self-esteem rather than deflate it?

Self-confidence is a pre-requisite for learning, so be prepared to be as positive and encouraging as possible. School reports come in different formats. Some are prescriptive while some use grading systems such as A, B, C, etc. with room for teacher comments. Regardless of the format school reports should provide you with an idea of your child's progress in all subject areas, their attitude and social development.

**Here are some ideas to consider when you open your child's report:**

**Focus on strengths** Do you look for strengths or weaknesses first? The challenge is to focus on strengths even if they are not in the traditional 3Rs or core subjects.

**Take into account your child's effort and attitude to learning.** If the report indicates that effort is below standard, then you have something to work on. If your child is putting

in the required effort, then you cannot ask any more than that, regardless of the grading.

**Broaden your focus away** from academic performance to form a picture of your child's progress as a member of a social setting. How your child gets along with his or her peers will influence his happiness and well-being, as well as give an indicator to his future. The skills of independence and co-operation are highly valued by employers so don't dismiss these as unimportant.

### Take note of student self-assessment

Kids are generally very honest and will give a realistic assessment of their progress. They are generally very perceptive so take note of their opinions.

**Discuss the report with your son or daughter** talking about strengths first before looking at areas that need improvement. Ask for their opinion about how they performed and discuss their concerns.

**After reports are read and discussed celebrate your child's efforts with a special activity or treat. In this way you will recognise progress and remind them that the holidays are just around the corner when they can forget about assessment, tests and reports for a while.**



Stay one step ahead of your kids with great ideas & expert advice from Michael Grose. Join Michael's **NEW Parentingideas Club** today at [parentingideasclub.com.au](http://parentingideasclub.com.au). You'll be so glad you did.







# ECOMAN PROGRAM

*Champions*

The ECOMAN Program is an intensive three-day program fully sponsored by the QPEC (QPEC is a not-for-profit organisation whose purpose is to inform and educate young people about the central role and constructive contribution of enterprise in our society) and locally hosted by LBS Chartered Accountants. Here, students work with other students, staff and industry mentors to run their own coffee machine companies and compete with other schools over three days.

Ecoman is designed to simulate the operations of a medium size manufacturing company over a 4 year period. It gives a good appreciation and insight into how a company works, how all aspects of a company impinge on it's success or failure and how a company interacts and competes with other companies in a competitive market environment.

Business concepts such as Strategic Planning, Financial Accounting, Cost Management, Sales and Marketing and Human Resource Management are introduced and explained in simple terms and then these concepts are reinforced through the operation of the company. Each person is appointed a position.

Recently, Chanel had 5 students attend and compete in this competition. **Cameron DeAgostini, Lachlan James, Emily Nahrung, Milton Redshaw and Jacob McDermott** were successful in their team and won the competition. They are to be congratulated on their teamwork, focus and presentation within the program. Each took on business roles relevant to a company and quickly learnt of the necessity to work together to be successful in this environment.

We also thank LBS Chartered Accountants for providing their conference room and catering over the three days. The students were certainly well fed and thankful for being given the opportunity of competing within the confines of a working business. **Sue Miles (Business)**



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# Year 12 Life Skills Classes

Throughout the term students have been studying the unit *Risk, Rave and Relationships*. The unit is designed to assist Year 12 students with their making of responsible choices in areas such as the party culture, relationships and sex. This unit's focus is on planting seeds to ensure that they consider consequences before actions rather than develop the false hope that nothing bad could ever happen to them. Last week Stacey O'Gorman (Solicitor) addressed all of our Year 12 students about Alcohol, Sex and the Law. Students were advised of their legal rights and responsibilities. Throughout this informative presentation our Year 12 students were able to interact, clarify and question the topics delivered.



Stressed is  
Desserts spelled  
backwards.

Cats can hear  
ultrasound.

Children grow  
faster in the  
springtime.

Cutting a cake into 8 pieces  
is possible with just 3 slices,  
can you work out how?





# sporting news

Kylie Kickbusch  
Sports Coordinator

## Athletics Carnival

Only 1 week till the Interhouse Athletics Carnival for 2014. We had an excellent response to the online athletics nominations process last week. After a few technical glitches, it was all systems go. I am hoping from this response that the carnival will be a massive success. Students will receive information about event times through their PC Teachers on Monday. Parents are very welcome to attend and support their students at the carnival. You can find the Athletics Carnival Program on the Chanel College Website, [www.chanelcollege.qld.edu.au](http://www.chanelcollege.qld.edu.au)

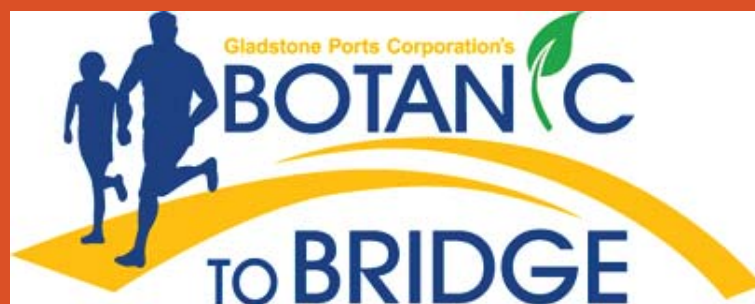
The Botanic to Bridge event is back on this year, **Sunday 17 August**. Registration is now open for students, parents, friends and families to enter the 8km or 3km races. This is a fantastic fundraising opportunity for the College as well as a fun way to participate in community health event. The registration fee for school aged children is \$10, whether entering as an individual or as part of a team. The entire \$10 registration fee for children is returned to the school. Parents can nominate their child's school to ensure \$5 from their adult registration is returned to the school.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Registrations Open – Tuesday 10 June 2014

Registrations Close – Thursday 14 August 2014 at 8.00 pm

Event Day – Sunday 17 August 2014



COMMITMENT ISSUES?  
WE WON'T LOCK YOU IN

GET STARTED WITH A 7 DAY TRIAL\*



## Jetts Gym Offer

Any Chanel students, teachers or family ages 14+ are welcome to join our Gym which is a 24/7 access facility (Only ages 16+ will have 24/7 access). We are offering a **SPECIAL DEAL** for any of the above of only \$44.50 Joining fee (Usually \$89), and the card fee (for the 24/7 access – not to be paid by under 16) of only \$59.

Jetts is a reciprocal rights gym which means our members will have access to all The Jetts Gyms are across Australia and New Zealand. The price per week is only \$13.95, and is a direct debit but the awesome thing about Jetts is that we are one of only a few Gyms that is NO Lock in contracts which means our members can cancel at any time without any fee or time period making us very flexible.

We would love to offer a 7 day trial to anyone who would like to trial the gym and see how they like it – during our staffed hours. Bring in the newsletter as proof. **Carlie Busby Club Manager**



# career news

Merrin Cale  
Careers Officer

Thank you for making my first week with Chanel College an exciting one! I have certainly hit the ground running with a very busy time over the next few weeks for all of us with Work Experience and Holiday placements being my top priority.

## Work Experience 2014

Applications for the Year 11 and Year 12 Structured Workplace Learning in Tourism, Hospitality, Business and Engineering have closed.

Year 10 Work Experience forms have been passed onto SAIN for placement. Most students should have received their placement by now, and will be getting ready to experience the workforce. There have been changes to the Health and Safety legislation, so as of this week we no longer have access to the Safety Sense Certificates. If you were unable to access the website to complete your certificate do not worry, at this stage they are no longer required.

The remainder of the holiday Work Experience Agreements from SAIN will be sent to the College next week. The upcoming school holiday applications have closed.

## Holiday Work Experience Dates are:- (Green Form)

30 June to 4 July - Closed

7 July to 11 July - Closed

22 Sept to 26 Sept

29 Sept to 3 Oct

1 Dec to 5 Dec

8 Dec to 12 Dec

## School Based Traineeship

Congratulations to Year 11 student, Andrew Walker on being the successful candidate for the Cert 2 Warehousing Operations Traineeship with Reece Plumbing. The role will involve Andrew learning most aspects of the business, Receiving and Receipting Stock, preparing Customer Orders, Computerise Stock Control, Point of Sale and Selling Skills, making and receiving phone calls, assisting with deliveries to plumbers on site, just to name a few.

## University Opportunities

**CQU OPEN DAY**

Sunday 24 August 9.00 am – 1.00 pm

## Scholarships

**2015 BOND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IS NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS!**

Applications are now open online and close **July 31, 2014**. Come and see me if you would like further information.

**STUDENT ABSENTEE  
HOTLINE 4973 4791**

### Mark it on your calendars!

**The Pajama Game**, our 2014 musical production is on **Friday 8 August** and **Saturday 9 August** at the Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre. Tickets will be on sale soon.

### GISMA

Gladstone Independent Schools Music Association Workshop is on soon. If you're interested in this excellent opportunity to improve your instrumental music skills, please see Ms Chapman immediately for a form.

## Upcoming Events

### Week 10

#### Mon 23 June

- House Assemblies

#### Thur 26 June

- TRACK & FIELD CARNIVAL

#### Fri 27 June

- TRACK & FIELD CARNIVAL
- TERM 2 CONCLUDES

**TERM 3 COMMENCES  
Mon 14 July**

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

Volunteers would be greatly appreciated during the Athletics Carnival 26 & 27 June

## HAVE YOUR MEDICAL DETAILS CHANGED?

If there has been any changes or updates to students **MEDICAL DETAILS** eg. Asthma, Allergies etc, could you please notify the College Office as soon as possible with any **NEW INFORMATION**. Ph: 4973

## HAVE YOU HAD A CHANGE OF DETAILS?

If you have had a change of **ADDRESS**, **PHONE No's** or **EMAIL** could you please notify the office as soon as possible with your **NEW DETAILS**, as reports will be posted out soon.

Ph: 4973 4700

## STUDENT ABSENTEE HOTLINE 4973 4791

## 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: **4973 4738**

## SCHOOL FEES

Term 2 School Fees are overdue. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your account, please contact the Finance Office to make arrangements.

Please remember to only use the school account to pay school fees. Any other payments please make at the Chanel Office.

**Finance Office Manager**

**Ph: 4973 4714**