



# 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

### Cyclone Marcia

The impact of this cyclone has been far reaching. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the families that have been affected by this disaster. A huge thank you to all of our community for your response to the Cyclone appeal. Your generosity was overwhelming! The goods and gift cards were picked up by 4CC and Rotary members and I understand that they were being delivered to the residents of Marmor. A special thank you to WESTPAC for assisting with the issuing of the gift cards.

If there are any families within our community that are experiencing hardship and require assistance, please contact me here at the College.

We are still experiencing some spasmodic disruptions to our IT services here at Chanel, as our services run out of our Diocesan Office in Rockhampton. We tried our best over the weekend to contact students in Year 11 and 12 via social media to recall students to school as the Teacher Meetings in Rockhampton were cancelled. Text messages were sent out as soon as our services were restored late on Monday morning.

### Project Compassion – Lenten Story

*This week's Lenten Story is about Eric and Ma, who live in Fiji.*

*Comprised of over 300 islands, life in Fiji's rural communities can be isolated. Throughout the country youth unemployment is high, nutritious food is in short supply, and life expectancy is much lower than in Australia.*

*Eric and Ma credit the Married Couples Course at the Tutu Rural Training Centre for changing the direction of their lives and giving them the personal and agricultural skills they needed to raise a healthy, happy family and grow food for life.*

*The course empowered the couple to participate fully in making decisions about their future.*

*"The program at Tutu has truly enriched us and opened a new pathway for us where we have been able to prosper safely in life," says Eric.*

*Tutu runs courses to teach people from the remote northern islands of Fiji the skills they need to build strong relationships, maintain healthy families and become successful farmers.*

*Over 25 years, Eric and Ma have worked hard to establish a farm that provides a sustainable food source for life and an ongoing income stream that has allowed them to raise and educate their six children, who are now raising families of their own.*

*Before Tutu, Eric worked hard on the family's farm, but his labour was unprofitable. "We didn't know how to manage a farm," says Eric.*

*After their training at Tutu, the farm now flourishes. Most of the family's daily food is grown in their own fields. Growing their own food helps the family avoid the serious health problems that many Fijians experience due to a lack of fresh fruit and vegetables in their diets.*

*"I think we were blessed to be part of the program in Tutu. Tutu opened a new door for us. Without Tutu we wouldn't be here where we are now," says Eric. "And it's only possible thanks to you wonderful people of Australia."*

*Please support the wonderful work of Caritas and give generously to Project Compassion.*



### Talent Today, Talent Tomorrow Bursary

Congratulations to Craig Fleiter who was awarded a Talent Today, Talent Tomorrow Bursary for 2015 from the Gladstone Ports Corporation at a ceremony last Thursday. The aim of this bursary to help facilitate increased opportunities for our local Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Australian South Sea Islander students currently enrolled and attending schools in the Gladstone Region. The criteria for this bursary included attitudes to study, attendance, academic commitment and connection to culture. Congratulations, Craig!

### Year 7 and 8 Parents Wine and Cheese Evening and Year 7 and 8 Social

As previously advised the Year 7 Parents Wine and Cheese Evening and Social has been postponed to tomorrow night due to the cyclone. This is now a combined event for Year 7 and 8. If you need to change your RSVP please contact the College Office. We are looking forward to a great evening and hope to see you all there.

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God bless

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Sharon Volp





# Good News

Kath Hore - Mission & RE Support Officer

## Year 9 Retreat

The Year 9 Retreat has been postponed from Week 7 due to Cyclone Marcia and new dates will be advised once bookings are finalised. **The forms that were given to students on Monday still need to be returned ASAP.**

## Project Compassion

Project Compassion has begun and thank you for your support to date raising **\$644.00**. Please encourage your child to contribute to this Appeal which supports aid and development programs around the world and helps to build a better life for the poorest of the poor. Last year, members of the Chanel College community raised **\$2 380.50** for Project Compassion – a fantastic effort! In **2015**, we are aiming to raise **\$3000.00**. **Let's work together to reach this total!**

Pope Francis has invited "you to make space in your heart ... respecting the God-given rights of everyone to have access to adequate food." And with your ongoing support, we will continue to advocate for people's rights to enable all to have 'Food for Life.'



## Second Week of Lent

– **Project Compassion brings the story of Mariama in Niger.**

This week Project Compassion focuses on Niger, where life is very tough. Many live in extreme poverty, often unable to afford or access food and water. In Niger, more than half the children under five years old have experienced malnutrition. A Nutrition Centre in Niger (supported by Caritas Australia) admits over 500 malnourished children every week.

This week we meet Mariama who is raising her daughter in Niger, a country that suffers widespread poverty. When her little girl became malnourished, she received life-saving food and care at a Nutrition Centre, supported by Caritas Australia.

When Fati (2 and a half) became malnourished, her mother Mariama took her to the Centre to receive the food, nutritional supplements and medical care that she needed to recover. Mariama too was able to regain her strength and learn new income producing skills.

## SOS Mass and Youth Group

The first Chanel SOS Mass for 2015 will be held **Sunday 8 March** commencing at 6.00 pm. You are invited to come and share in worship with your children. There will be a Youth Group Gathering in the Parish Hall following the Mass, led by our Year 12 students. This group is an informal gathering to allow students to share time, ideas, pray together and have fun together. Students from all Year levels are welcome and they can bring friends or even round up some neighbours if they like. *Just be there!*

## Lenten Program

The Chanel Lenten Group will be meeting each Wednesday, at 3:35 pm in the College Chapel. All are welcome to attend.

## Second Hand Uniform Outlet

The Second Hand Uniform 'outlet' is open each Wednesday in the RE Resource Room during the 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

**Mrs Johnson's Year 12 SOR Class – Thursday 5 March**

Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel at 10.40 am each Thursday. **ALL WELCOME**

## Please Pray for ...

- Justice in our world, that we will make a conscious effort to generously support Project Compassion.
- Our 3 Year 12 students who, with Ms Emerick, are attending the Year 12 Marist Forum to learn more about their faith and share it with other young people.
- All communities that are rebuilding their lives after the recent cyclone.

## Praise and Thanks for...

- All people, especially past students of Chanel, who are working in our world to ensure that justice and peace prevail.
- Donations and assistance given to the people who lost homes and livelihoods in Cyclone Marcia.
- The opportunities given to our Year 7 and 8 students through the Retreat Program.

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

Message from the Assistant Principal Pastoral Care - Alison Wales



# A Crucial Night for Parents

*Presenter*

# David Kobler

## Raising Teens in a Hyper-Sexualized Society

**Monday  
9 March**

**6:30 pm - 8.00 pm**

**Marian Centre**

**RSVP: Friday 6 March 2015**

**Vicki Crick 4973 4700**

**Vicki\_Crick@rok.catholic.edu.au**

**Chanel College Office**

**Teens are Facing REAL ISSUES. Parents need answers.**

Parents this seminar is very informative, you will NOT be disappointed.

For more information please visit the College website at [www.chanelcollege.qld.edu.au](http://www.chanelcollege.qld.edu.au) or look over the links below.

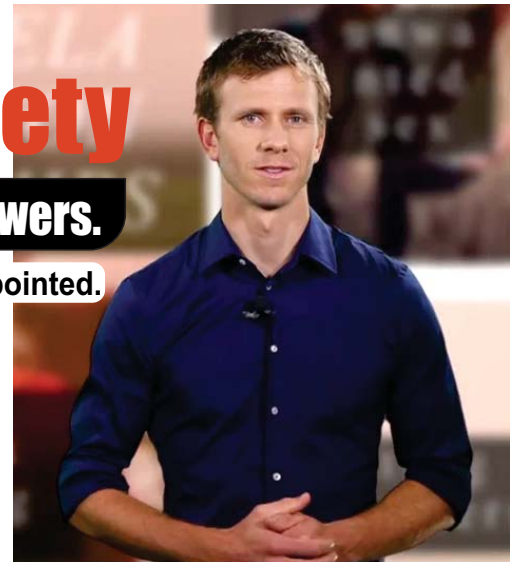
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**YOURCHOICEZ**  
Students Parents Teachers



On Tuesday Anna Witty and Kennita Avery from PCYC addressed our whole school assembly to introduce the Duke of Edinburgh Award at our College. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a youth development program for young people involving 4 key sections: Service, Skills, Physical Recreation and an Adventurous Journey. Students design their own program around the things that interest them most. The award is about challenge, adventure and

achievement and is an internationally recognised program for young people aged 14-25 that introduces them to a range of opportunities that will develop their confidence and skills and may help in their career ideas and planning.

**The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a recognised course of study for the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). Students can earn up to 4 points towards their QCE - (1 point for Bronze, 1 point for Silver and 2 points for Gold) after completion.**

The Award is a great way for young people to:

- Try new things and spend time with friends
- Be active and improve fitness
- Help out the community
- Gain confidence & Make a difference
- Build on life skills
- Challenge themselves

The award is currently being offered to students in partnership with PCYC. It costs \$45 plus any costs of the adventurous journey.

**IT ALL  
STARTS  
HERE** →



Please find more information and enrolment forms by following this link:

<http://www.qld.gov.au/youth/be-involved-have-your-say/duke-of-ed-about/>

Any other questions please contact Mrs Wales at the College Office. **Ph: 4973 4700**

# sporting news

Kylie Kickbusch  
Sports Program Leader

## Port Curtis Sport Trials

Term 1 is a very busy month for Port Curtis Trials. All the information students need to know about upcoming trials can be found on the 'Student Google page' under the Sports tab or through the morning notices. Students MUST write their names into the folders outside the staffroom, when the trial is announced, to be eligible to trial. This way the consent forms can be given out and I have a record of those who have nominated to trial. Due to the amount of trials being held during Term 1 and the short turn-around for nominations to be submitted to Port Curtis Sport, NO LATE nominations will be accepted. This also goes for the consent forms. Forms that are not submitted to the front office or myself by the date stated on the front page of the consent form, will not be accepted. So in short, NO LATE forms or nominations will be accepted for trials.

### Trials being held this Thursday are (nominations for these trials are closed):

- 15 & 19 Girls Netball
- 18 Boys Rugby League
- 19 Boys/Girls Hockey
- 18 Boys/ Girls Basketball

### Nominations for the following sports are now open for students:

- 19 Boys/Girls Soccer
- 18 Boys Rugby Union
- 15 Years Boys AFL

### 12 Year Old trial nominations are open for:

- Boys/Girls Basketball
- Boys/Girls Tennis
- Girls Netball
- Boys/Girls Hockey

## QISSN Netball

Trials for the 2015 Chanel QISSN team were held last Wednesday. A large number of girls attended the trials, to put their skills and talents up against each other to earn a spot on the QISSN team for 2015. The games and positions were hard fought, which made the selection of the team that much harder. This was also pleasing to see the large amount of Netball talent Chanel College is blessed to have. In the end 10 girls were selected for the team, and we congratulate these players on their selection. Now the hard work starts, with training sessions and games to prime them for the carnival to be held in Brisbane during the first week of the school holidays in June/July. Congratulations to the 2015 QISSN team members below: Courtney Hamilton, Rhomany Bowden, Hayley Good, Meg Collins, Demi Lisle, Taylor Langdon, Tameeka Whitmore, Yasmin Ramsay, Brooke Castell and Brooke Sweeney.



# career news

Merrin Cale  
Careers Officer

## Work Experience 2015

Part of our CHOICES Program is the implantation of Structured Work Placements one day per week, ideally on a Monday. This year, I am actively encouraging students participating in this program to search for their own work placements. By the students actively searching for their own placements, they are learning the skills of target marketing, and self-promotion. These skills will be very important when it comes to finding work once the student has left Chanel. The work areas we are seeking placements in are, diesel fitting, electrical, carpentry, plumbing, childcare, personal training/fitness.

If there are any parents that believe they or their businesses/places of work could be of assistance with work experience placements, please contact Ms Merrin Cale on 4973 4738, or via email: [merrin\\_cale@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:merrin_cale@rok.catholic.edu.au)

## School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeships

Congratulations to Brittany Phillips for signing up as a School Based Trainee with McDonald's. Brittany will be completing her Certificate II in Retail operations, on a Wednesday afternoon, while still studying full time at school.

For further information on School Based Apprenticeships of Traineeships please contact Ms Cale.

## Employment Opportunities

As a student of Chanel College, please remember that you are representing the College, even while you are in the workplace, so it is of utmost importance that you are consistently putting your best self forward. If you would like further information on resume tips, interview questions or target marketing please come and see me in the Careers Office.

## Defence Force Visit

Please be advised that due to TC Marcia, the Defence Force visit that was scheduled for this week has been postponed. I will ensure that information is circulated via Home Room and the Newsletter once another date has been scheduled.



# CHESS



The first round of the Interschool Chess competition was held on Wednesday 18 February at the Central Queensland University. There was a record number of participants with a total of 31 students representing the College from across all year levels. Students had a challenging yet enjoyable day of competition against other local high schools and primary schools. The Chanel Green team of Kyle Stevens, Aish Chandrasekara, Thasindu Chandrasekara and Camen McMillian ran out overall winners on the day. In the individual competition Aish and Thasindu finished in equal first place with Kyle one point behind in third place.

Thanks to all the students who participated so well on the day and were such exemplary ambassadors for Chanel College. If you were unable to attend this first round you are more than welcome to join us later in the year. Bookmark the following dates for **Term 2, Wednesday 27 May** and **Term 3, Wednesday 12 August**.

There is no regional competition in Term 4 as the State Final is held in Brisbane in October. Further information will be available in the daily notices closer to the above dates.

A full account of the results of the competition can be viewed at the following link to the Gardiner Chess website [http://gardinerchess.com.au/tournament\\_result/central-qld-south-term-1-2015/](http://gardinerchess.com.au/tournament_result/central-qld-south-term-1-2015/)

## Check you later!

Mrs Staunton and Mrs Botica



# NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM

In January this year, I was given the opportunity to attend the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra. The NYSF brings together 150 students who are about to begin Year 12 from all across the country for 12 days of incredible scientific experiences at the Australian National University in Canberra. Attending the NYSF has given me a much clearer idea of what I would like to do when I have finished school, and has given me the opportunity to make friends with other like-minded people from across the country, and others from overseas. I was also able to experience some of the best scientific research currently on offer here in Australia, and hear from some of the best researchers working in Australia. I would highly recommend this experience to any Year 11 students who are interested in science, as it is an experience that will make an incredible difference to what you do in Year 12 and beyond.

**Toby Guinea**



# Cyclone Appeal



**Thank you  
to the Chanel  
Community**



## Year 10 Science

Year 10 Scientific Studies have been studying genetics and inheritance. A recent practical learning experience involved selecting traits and making vegetable people.



## Year 7 Science Safety Officers



# Notices

## MUSIC ENSEMBLES HAVE STARTED

*Rehearsal  
Times*

Monday: 11.00 am - 11.30 am String Ensemble - Music Room

Monday: 3.30 pm - 4.45 pm Concert Band - Marian Centre

Tuesday: 7.30 am - 8.30 am Choir - Music Room

Wednesday: 7.30 am - 8.30 am Woodwind - Music Room

Friday: 11.00 am - 11.30 am Drumline - Music Room

Any enquiries to Mrs Jo Sheather  
Email: [JoAnne\\_Sheather@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:JoAnne_Sheather@rok.catholic.edu.au)

## IMMUNISATION NEWS

Immunisation for Year 8 Boys and Girls will be Wednesday 18 March. These students are permitted to wear their sports uniform on this day.



## ATTENTION PARENTS

Please DO NOT use the College account for anything other than paying School Fees.

Finance Officer:

Leigh Clarke

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## 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 everyday except Thursdays.

Contact Chanel College's:

Inclusive Curriculum Coordinator: Mrs Robyn Jurd 4973 4739

Career Officer: Ms Cale on 4973 4738

## upcoming events

### Week 5

#### Fri 27 February

- Year 7 Retreat Core Group B
- Trash Fash
- Year 7 & 8 Parents Wine & Cheese Evening
- Year 7 & 8 Social 6.30 pm

### Week 6

#### Mon 2 March

- House Assemblies

#### Tue 3 March

- Student Representative Meeting - First Break

#### Wed 4 March

- Chanel Board Meeting 5.30 pm

### Week 7

#### Mon 9 March

- Whole School Assembly
- David Kobler Parent Information Evening 6.30 pm

#### Fri 13 March

- Ride2School Day

### Week 8

#### Mon 16 March

- House Assemblies

#### Wed 18 March

- Year 8 Immunisations
- Chanel Spelling Chalinj
- P&F Meeting 5.30 pm

### Week 9

#### Mon 23 - Fri 27 March

**YEARS 7 - 12  
EXAM WEEK**

### Week 10

#### Wed 1 April

- Cross Country

#### Thur 2 April

- Easter Celebrations
- TERM 1 CONCLUDES

**Term 2 Commences  
Monday 20 April**