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

From the Principal

This Sunday's Gospel is from Matthew 6:24-34. The extract below is a modern interpretation of this passage written by Sr Kym Harris OSB and downloaded from the Pray As You Can website.

Jesus said to his disciples:

You cannot serve two masters. Your commitment would be divided, hating one, loving the other, then esteeming one, despising the other. You cannot serve God and wealth. Therefore, I'm telling you:

Do not stress about life's needs:

"What am I going to eat?"

"What am I going to drink?"

"What does my body look like?"

"What am I going to wear?"

Life is more than food, more than clothing, more than your body.

Look at the birds in the sky.

They do not sow.

They do not reap.

They do not store in barns.

....yet your heavenly Father feeds them.

Aren't you worth more than they are?

How can stress improve your life?

Look at the lilies growing in the field.

They do not labour,

They do not spin,

....yet Solomon in all his royal robes was not as beautiful as them.

So if God cares like that for the grass which blooms today and is burnt tomorrow

how much more will God care for you,

you puny-faithed people?

Therefore,

Do not stress saying

"What are we going to eat?"

"What are we going to drink?"

"What are we going to wear?"

These are the concerns of pagans.



God bless

S. M. Volp

Sharon Volp

Your heavenly Father knows what you need. Instead put your passion into God's Kingdom and bringing about its goodness and you'll have everything you could ever need. Therefore, Do not stress about tomorrow – let tomorrow stress about itself. Today's concerns are enough for you.

In Sr Kym's reflection she shares I believe, that to a large extent, we choose what stresses us and this is what Jesus is telling us to consider in this part of the Gospel. The poetry of His call inspires us to consider the true nature of our lives. Practical concerns are a reality but they are to serve our lives as sons and daughters of God. If we allow our fears to dominate us, we will miss out on much of life's richness and we will not live by our right to radiate the glory of God to our world. (www.prayasyoucan.com.au)

University of Queensland's Academic Scholarship Program

Congratulations to Amy Murdoch, past student 2012. Chanel was recently notified that Amy has been awarded a UQ Merit Scholarship. This is a prestigious award, primarily based on academic results. Well done, Amy!

Year 8 2015 Enrolments

A reminder that **Year 8 2015 Enrolments** close on **Friday 28**. It is very important that families submit their enrolment applications to the office by this date, so that enrolment interviews can be arranged for **Saturday 15 March**. Application packages were distributed to students in the Catholic Primary Schools earlier this term and packages are available from the Chanel College office.

Year 7 2015 Enrolment Applications open on **Monday 17 March**. Visits to the Year 6 classes will be arranged during that week. The Year 7 2015 Enrolment Information Evening will be held on **Tuesday 29 April** with Year 7 Enrolment Applications closing on **9 May**.

We appreciate that our enrolment processes are very early this year, however, there is significant planning that needs to occur in preparation for the arrival of Year 7 at Chanel so your assistance with meeting our timelines will be greatly appreciated. We do appreciate that family circumstances may change during the year, so please contact Alison Whitehead, Enrolments Officer, at Chanel College with any concerns.

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Good News

Kath Hore Mission & RE Support Officer

Serving the Community - Buddies Day

Last Sunday 11 Chanel students gave up part of their day to be big buddies for 11 little buddies for the first outing for this year. Meeting at the Parish Hall, everyone was kept busy as they made lava lamps, jellyfish in a bottle, slime, raced balloons along string and watched Jacques make a cloud in a bottle. It was a great day of discovery for the little buddies and our big buddies are to be commended for their enthusiasm, involvement and care they give to the little ones on the day.

SOS Mass and Youth Group

The first Chanel SOS Mass for 2014 will be held on **Sunday 9 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!*

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 in the past.**

Second Hand Uniforms

The second hand uniform 'shop' 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

Ms Dyer's Year 12CSOR Class – Thursday 6 March

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

Project Compassion

This Appeal begins on **Ash Wednesday, 5 March**. As well as raising awareness to the work of Caritas, each Pastoral Care Group contributes financially to Project Compassion and we are very successful as a whole community in supporting this. 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. To begin project Compassion Marcellin 3 and Futuna 5 Pastoral Care Groups will be organising Lenten Rice Day on Ash Wednesday. In this very small way we are attempting to "walk in the shoes" of those people in poverty who do not enjoy the privileges that we take for granted and to promote an awareness of their position in life. Please encourage your child to participate fully in this activity.

Please Pray for ...

- Civilians in Middle Eastern countries as the political unrest continues to cause pain and suffering.
- Mrs Butterworth and others in our community who are unwell or recovering from illness
- Our Year 9 students as they retreat to Bundaberg over the next two weeks.
- Justice in our world, that we will make a conscious effort and generously support Project Compassion as it begins next week.

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.
- Our students who so willingly volunteer to step up to help others especially our Big Buddies who support St Vincent de Paul programs.

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



Buddies Day

Navigating the Teen Years.

Do you worry about your child and social media or substance misuse?

Up to date information for parents

Including:

- signs your child may be affected
- prevention
- medical, mental and legal consequences

Delivered by professionals working in the following fields: law enforcement, legal, counselling and medical.

Monday 7th April

Gladstone City Library

6.30-8.30pm

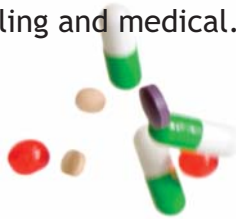
Tuesday 8th April

Castle Tower Building, Room 2

Boyne Tannum Community Centre

6.30-8.30pm

**FREE
EVENT**



Bookings essential phone
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Lions Youth of the Year Quest

Congratulations to Kane Langdon



Kane Langdon Chanel College Captain

The Lions Youth of the Year Quest is a project of the Lions Clubs of Australia supported by the National Australia Bank. Each District of Lions Clubs hosts a competition that is open to students in Years 10 to 12. The Quest looks for those with strong leadership skills, community involvement and a high level of academic achievement. From Club level, the Quest proceeds through Regional, District and State Finals to the National level with major prizes for the eventual winner.

Students complete an entry form listing their achievements and goals and submit it to the Lions Club. Throughout the day of the competition, entrants individually attend an interview with the judging panel. In the evening, the students are asked two impromptu questions and are expected to talk for two minutes about the subject. They then deliver their 5 minute prepared speech. All of this is done in front of family and friends, teachers, Lions Club members and of course, the judging panel.

The calibre of entrants is always very high, and this year has been no

exception. On **Saturday 22 February**, The Gladstone Port Curtis Lions Club hosted 6 students from 3 high schools, and it was such a pleasure to see these young people rise to the challenge of Public Speaking. Their answers and speeches were very interesting and we know they will all do well in their future endeavours.

We are pleased to announce our 2014 Club winner is Kane Langdon from Chanel College. Kane won both the Public Speaking section and the Club Final. He will now proceed to the next level of the Quest, the Regional Judging, to be held at Boyne Island on the **15 March 2014**. Gladstone Port Curtis Lions Club wishes Kane and all other Quest entrants all the best for the Regional Final.

Michelle Sandland

Youth of the Year Quest Chairman

Year 12 Marine Studies Camp

North Keppel Island

On the 10–13 February the Year 12 Marine Studies classes went on a trip to North Keppel Island. We learnt a lot things on the trip such things as the fact that the ocean gives off 70% of the oxygen in the world. The things, that were found difficult, were getting up early and the amount of sand that would get in your bed, making it uncomfortable and getting over the fear of heights when jumping off the top of Gundoo Spirit (the boat that took us everywhere). A picture that would be taken from the trip would be all the different scenery that we saw during our time on the island like the coral at Big Peninsula.

Matt Campbell

I had a really good time on NKI. I learnt that there are no cane toads on North Keppel Island and that 70% of the Earth's oxygen comes from the ocean. With all the positives on the trip there were also some challenges I faced, one of these being the wake up times. I was used to sleeping in to about 7.30 am but the 6.30 am change was definitely a challenge. Another challenge was the amount of time between the meals as I was very hungry from the day's activities. Wreck Beach was unquestionably a beautiful sight to see and if there was to be one picture that I would take away with me from the trip it would be the picture of Wreck Beach. I would like to thank Lee, Andrew and Rodger and all the staff on the island for making it a fantastic trip

Justin Cridland

The most significant thing I learnt on this camp was how to tie off anchor knots properly, the diversity of plankton in the ocean and looking through the microscopes and identifying all of the different organisms at their earliest stage in life. Learning about the past of North and Great Keppel was very interesting and all of the tribal traditions and methods that they used was also very interesting. I really enjoyed letting off the flare when the Coast Guard came to visit on a day.

The most challenging part of the trip was snorkelling with small flippers, getting extreme foot cramps and really bad ear and headaches from duck diving to the bottom of the reef when we went snorkelling.

A photo to remember was on top of the dune in Butterfish Bay looking over the horizon of Great Keppel and up the Capricorn Coast.

Jordan Holzberger

Apple (good thing):

I learnt many things on my Marine Studies trip. One of the many things I learnt was what to do in an emergency situation on a boat, and how to calm myself. Also Skipper taught me about the radar and what it can do. Also what I should do if the engine caught on fire. I also learnt that the internet wasn't that important to me while I was away in a beautiful camp. Also how to drive a boat and how to fish!

Onion (bad thing):

The surrounding insects and animals, I was terrified of snakes, stingrays and sharks and swimming in waters infested with them was a big challenge for me. I found it challenging to control a boat and fishing for the first time was challenging but very rewarding.

Photo (most memorable):

My photo that will be in my memory of North Keppel Island, was the view from my veranda. It was peaceful and the sounds of the ocean and the waves crashing onto the shore. Thanks Mr. Galea for the amazing trip.

Sarah Al-Askari

(PS the waters were not infested with snakes, stingrays or sharks....just to put everyone's minds at ease.)

Year 12 Marine Studies Camp at North Keppel Island was quite an exciting, exhilarating and helpful camp. Throughout the camp we learnt many different aspects of Marine Studies; one that was especially helpful was the skill of boating. As well as the camp providing us with many opportunities to learn a variety of different things, it provided us with many challenges too. One of which was especially challenging was the copious amounts of mosquito's and sandflies that live on the island. Aside from that, this camp was the best I've ever been on; there were many great memories such as snorkelling, fishing, kayaking and bushwalking. However the one memory that I will remember for a long time was the beautiful scenery and serenity that North Keppel Island boasts.

Cooper Lems



sporting news

Kylie Kickbusch
Sports Coordinator

We are half way through Term 1 and it's been a big 5 weeks of sport. This week sees the last of the Port Curtis Sports Trials till Term 2. Students who nominated for Netball, AFL and Rugby League will have competed in their trials and hopefully won selection into their respective Port Curtis Teams. The end of Port Curtis Trials means it is time for Capricornia Trials which are held all around Central Queensland during most of March. Chanel College has many students who were lucky and skilled enough to make these trials and we wish them all the best for their games and trials.

The below students are the latest Chanel College students to make Port Curtis teams. This just proves how much sporting talent we have at the College.

Congratulations and good luck in your Capricornia Trials:

Morgan Mathison	19 Girls Hockey
Tess Barnsley	19 Girls Hockey
Rhiannon Baxter	19 Girls Hockey
Mercedes Ash	19 Girls Hockey
Isabella Aitkenhead	19 Girls Hockey
Belinda Ferris	19 Girls Hockey
Rebecca Lyden	19 Girls Hockey
Lachlan Graham	19 Boys Hockey
Tom Smith	19 Boys Hockey
Justin McAndrew	19 Boys Hockey
Ronan McGuire	19 Boys Hockey
Sam Reynolds	18 Girls Basketball
Brooke Castell	18 Girls Basketball
Khia Guinea	18 Girls Basketball
Connor Rose	19 Boys Soccer
Jacobbe McBride	19 Boys Soccer
Andrew Walker	19 Boys Soccer
Sam James	19 Boys Soccer
Oliver Young	19 Boys Soccer
Kate Boyd	19 Girls Soccer



The Interhouse Cross Country Carnival is fast approaching. This year it will be held in Week 10 of Term 1 on **Tuesday 1 April**. This is no April fool's joke, the Cross Country is **April 1**. Again all students will be racing for Age Champion and House Points for their House. Points will be awarded to all students who compete and finish the 3km race. Extra points will be awarded for finishing the race within certain time frames. So drag out the joggers and start training to get ready for the Interhouse Cross Country.

Volleyball will take centre stage as the first sport for our Interhouse lunch time sports competition. Starting in Week 6, teams from each house made up of Year 10–12 students will compete against each other to earn House Points and bragging rights as the best Volleyball team at Chanel. Year 8 and 9 students will get their chance to compete in week 8. It should be a great show of spiking, serving and big calls all in the name of House Spirit.



Career news

Jaye Mellor
Careers Officer

Work Experience 2014

Work Experience 2014 is going to be very busy. Placements will be a cost of \$60 per placement. The money needs to be attached to the form and taken to the Office for receipting and then the form is passed onto myself. Forms will then be copied and handed to SAIN.

These forms are in a wall stand outside my office.

Holiday Work Experience Dates are:- (Green Form)

7 April to 11 April

14 April to 18 April

30 June to 4 July

7 July to 11 July

22 Sept to 26 Sept

29 Sept to 3 Oct

1 Dec to 5 Dec

8 Dec to 12 Dec

BRISBANE CAREERS & EMPLOYMENT EXPO

It's the best opportunity for Students and School-leavers to choose future career pathways and improve their employment prospects.

23-24 May 2014 Brisbane Convention Exhibition Centre. Free Entry

www.ncee.com.au or Ph: 1300 667 121

Gladstone Ports Corporation have placements for the above dates as well. They have a separate form (Yellow) that needs to be completed and returned for the money to the Office.

QAL Work Experience – We do not have a definite date for this so far. Once we have it, I will notify parents via the newsletter.

Gladstone Medical Focus Program – Gladstone Hospital This is full at the moment.

Year 10 Work Experience

Dates for this are **11 August to 15 August**. This date is changed from previous years. Forms will be sent out later in the year for this placement. A letter will be attached with information. If your child is interested in Veterinary Work Experience please go ahead and contact the Vets to gain placements for your child. These spots fill up fast. Do not contact Gladstone Ports Corporation as they are only doing work experience placements on the holidays. Being a friend doesn't help as placements are collated in the work experience area and under the control of a coordinator. QAL, Boyne Smelters and Rio Tinto Yarwun do not take work experience for this placement. Students are able to go outside Gladstone so if you have relatives and close friends in an area where your child has an interest please talk with them to see if your child is able to stay with them while they attend. A list of career pathways offered in Gladstone is outside my office as well.

If you would like to speak to me regarding any work experience please either contact the office or email me.

POSITIONS VACANTS

Best and Less

Best and Less have School Based Traineeships being offered to Year 11 students interested in Retail Sales. If you would like more information of these, please come up to my room or email me.

School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeships

If your child is interested in one of these can you please let me know. Students are able to undertake these from Year 10 onwards. Some students have turned their after school job into a school based traineeship.

If you are working in the food industry there are traineeships attached to them. Retail Traineeships are a good option.

Defence Force Visit

The Defence Forcing will be visiting Chanel College on **Friday 14 March at 12.00 noon**. They will talk to students from Year 10 upwards. Students interested will need to put their name down with Mrs Mellor prior to the talks as names need to be given to teachers for class absences. If students are interested in Army, Navy or Air Force or even interested in ADFA they need to attend. You gain vital knowledge from these talks that prepare you for enlistment and university pathways.

notices

Wednesday 5 March

**LENTEN
RICE
DAY**



**FOR LENT
FOR LIFE**



WHAT YOU GIVE
UP FOR LENT
CHANGES LIVES.

In solidarity to support the poorest peoples of the world and to try to understand their situation a little better, the tuckshop will be selling only rice for 50c per cup.

All money raised will go to Project Compassion Appeal.

In the spirit of the day no fast food eg McDonalds is to be delivered to students.

Any donations of white rice to Marcellin 3 or Futuna 5 before Tuesday 4 March would be greatly appreciated.

NOTE: CHANGES TO UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Please Note: The College Uniform Shop hours have changed. These hours are current until further notice.

Mondays 8.15 am - 11.15 am

Thursdays 1.00 pm - 4.00 pm

This unforeseen change is due to illness, we appreciate your understanding.

SCHOOL FEES

School Fees are DUE Mon 3 March. If you have not received your statement please contact the College Office. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your account, please contact the Finance Office to make arrangements.

Wendy Hjorth
Finance Office Manager
Ph: 4973 4714

Upcoming Events

Week 6

Mon 3 March

- House Assemblies
- Interschool AFL
- Year 9 Retreat-Surname H to N

Tue 4 March

- Year 9 Retreat-Surname H to N

Wed 5 March

- Year 9 Retreat-Surname H to N
- Year 9 Retreat-Surname O to W
- Year 11 ACTS
- Ash Wednesday House Liturgies
- Interschool Volleyball
- Chanel Board Meeting 5.30 pm

Thur 6 March

- MASS TODAY
- Year 9 Retreat-Surname O to W
- Year 11 ACTS
- Capricornia Trials - Soccer, Rugby League, Basketball, AFL

Fri 7 March

- Year 9 Retreat-Surname O to W
- Year 11 ACTS
- Capricornia 15y Boys AFL Nominations Due

Week 7

Mon 10 March

- Whole School Assembly
- Interschool AFL

Tue 11 March

- Year 9 Mater/Chanel Alliance Morning

Wed 12 March

- Student Rep Council Meeting (First Break)
- Interschool Volleyball

Thur 13 March

- Capricornia Trials - Squash, Rugby Union, Netball, AFL

Fri 14 March

- State Honours Ensemble Program (Seniors)
- Defence Force Visit Yr 10-12

Sat 15 March

- State Honours Ensemble Program (Seniors)
- Year 8 for 2015 Interview Day

Sun 16 March

- State Honours Ensemble Program (Seniors)

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 on 4973 4739 or Career Officer: Mrs Mellor on 4973 4738