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Prayer

Peace & Hope

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Romans 5:1-8

Principal

Last Sunday was Remembrance Day, which is celebrated at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month. A minutes' silence is observed and dedicated to those soldiers who died fighting to protect the nation. We remember in faith all who have served, and continue serving in our armed forces, especially those who have died and those wounded in battle.

We also remember at this time to pray for healing and peace; that one day, all peoples will lay down their arms and embrace one another as brothers and sisters in one human family. Lord our God, on this day of remembrance, we entrust all our prayers and needs to your infinite mercy. Help us to become ever more mindful of the bonds that unite us as a human family despite our differences. Heal our inner wounds and outward divisions, that one day our world might live in your true and lasting peace.

Uganda: Father Emmanuel Kiwanuka Visit

On Thursday 7 and Friday 8 November we were honoured and privileged to host Father Emmanuel Kiwanuka from St Luke's parish Mannya Uganda. Father Emmanuel visited many classes and also addressed staff and students at a full College assembly. Father Emmanuel outlined the very positive relationships that have been established between CRC Caroline Springs and St Luke's parish as well as our sister school St Francis primary school in Kizinga Uganda. A more detailed report regarding Father Emmanuel's visit and a full update on the Uganda project and monies raised will be included in the next edition of the newsletter.



Father Emmanuel Kiwanuka and Year 7 Students

Staffing News

We wish Ms Laura Bonini all the best for the impending arrival of her first child. Laura has begun her maternity leave this week.

We warmly welcome English teacher, Ms Natalie Sacco to the CRCCS community for the remainder of Term 4 as Laura's replacement. Mr Heath Aitken will assume Lauras Year 9 Level Leader duties in her absence.

Mr Jamie Madigan Principal

Mission and Faith Leader

Remembrance Day

On Monday our College community gathered to remember the fallen men and women who sacrificed their lives in World War I in our Remembrance Day liturgy. It is appropriate that many of the services around the world incorporate a religious dimension. The characteristics of sacrifice and love which thousands of men and women demonstrated for their country resounds so closely with Christ's example of his sacrifice on the cross for all humanity. A common reading read during our liturgy was taken from chapter 15 of John's Gospel. In verse 12-15 we read Jesus' command "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." It typifies the heroic acts of those who served. It also serves as a reminder of our call to ensure that we strive to love one another just as Jesus did so that the tyranny of war may never occur again and that peace may reign.

GOSPEL FOCUS – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C Lk 21:5-19

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Comfort

We must remember that the gospel of Luke was written 50-plus years after the death of Jesus. Whilst Jesus may have said something like what is ascribed to him in this passage, we have to accept that the words are influenced to a great extent by the gospel writer. The gospel is not written as a biography but as a means of conveying a message about Jesus. To this end, the writer seeks to give comfort to his audience by having Jesus 'predict' all the things that have indeed come to pass in their community. The message to a struggling community is to 'keep going.'

Lk 21:5-19

8am Mass

The last Friday 8:00am Mass will occur on Friday 29 November at St Catherine of Siena Parish Church located on college grounds. The Mass will be dedicated for all our deceased family and friends who have passed away and our College Memorial Book which has been present in the reception area during the month of all souls will be blessed. All students and their families are welcome to attend.

Drop off and Pick up zone

After extensive consultation with the Melton City Council, in order to ensure the safety of our students, the parking area at the front of the College on College Street is now a Two Minute Drop-off and Pick-up zone.

School Days: 8:00am to 9:30am and 2:30 - 4.00pm

Reminders to help traffic flow

- When approaching the drop-off pick-up zone, *please* move as far forward to the furthest vacant space.
- Please do not prop in vacant spots outside the College gate, unless it is the next vacant spot
- When exiting, drive forward through any vacant spaces before you pull out into traffic.

Safety tips for drivers using Drop-off and Pick-up zones

- Always drop off or pick up your child within the designated zone and follow the College's procedures
- Drivers should remain in their vehicles at all times in the Drop-off and Pick-up zone
- Make sure children use the footpath side door to get in and out of the car
- Do not make U-turns
- Avoid right hand turns into The Parade

Safety tips for students

- Always get in and out of the vehicle on the footpath side
- Stay buckled up until the vehicle has stopped in the Drop-off and Pick-up area
- Be ready to get out of the vehicle with your belongings as soon as possible



O'Brien Traffic

O'Brien Traffic has been engaged by the City of Melton to help improve walking and cycling facilities around the Caroline Springs Town Centre. Part of this process is a community survey to identify walking and cycling habits. We want to invite the community to tell us about any areas where footpaths, bike paths, pedestrian crossings, street design and other infrastructure require improvement. We are also interested in understanding where and why people walk or ride, or why they don't.

We have put together an online survey on this topic and it can be accessed via Council's website:

https://www.melton.vic.gov.au/Council/Have-your-say/Walking-and-cycling-in-Caroline-Springs-Town-Centre

Thank you for your help with this project. The feedback will help Council in designing improvements to pedestrian safety,

mobility and access to the shops, schools and other facilities in the Caroline Springs Town Centre.

What does Christmas mean to you?

For many people, Christmas is all about family. Spending time together, sharing a meal and creating meaningful memories. These moments are precious.

But what if you couldn't provide a meal for your family, or even a home? This is the reality many Australian families face this Christmas.

You are invited to buy a new unused gift, new clothes or gift cards to place under the St Vincent de Paul Wishing Tree - Located in the front office.

All your gifts will need to be unwrapped and placed under the tree.

All gifts will be given to our local St Vincent de Paul Society in Burnside.

This incentive will be running from 18 November to 5 December.

Thank you in advance for all your good works!

Ms Laura Mason

Social Justice and Community Service Coordination

Social Justice

2019 has been a very productive year for the Social Justice Team. We have been committed to the following incentives:

- 1. Project Compassion Campaign
- 2. St Vincent de Paul Winter Sleep Out
- 3. St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal
- 4. Uganda Project
- 5. St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

A very big thank you to the team for 2019, especially to the Year 10 members Martine N, Isabella L, Katrina R.

Without their guidance and enthusiasm, such incentives would not have been as fruitful. We wish them all the best on their new ventures.

In further news the College is proud to announce the Social Justice Team Members for 2020:

- Olivia A
- Madelyn H
- Alannah H
- Alana J
- Maria R
- Sammie C
- Jessica J
- Ava M
- Ivanka P
- Cherhian R

- Eniola T
- Angel Y

A very warm welcome to each and everyone of our new team members. I look forward to working with you all in the new year!

Ms Laura Mason

Social Justice and Community Service Coordination

Year 10 Graduation Mass and Ceremony Rehearsal

All Year 10s are required at school on Tuesday 26 November for a Graduation Mass and Ceremony rehearsal at 9:00am. All students are required to attend this rehearsal at this time regardless of whether they have an exam on that day or not.

Students have been made aware of this via direqt message and SEQTA notices.

Mr Ric Brodrick Deputy Principal Wellbeing

Exams

Important Examination Information

Examinations are an important method of assessment at the College and are a learning experience in themselves. The purpose of examinations are to:

- test students' subject specific content knowledge and skills;
- provide students with opportunities to maximise future examination performances;
- develop subject specific examination skills;
- enhance confidence in examinations;
- allow teachers the opportunity to give feedback to students after the examinations.

During Examination Week, all students are expected to attend in full summer uniform and with the correct equipment. If a student has a mobile phone with them in an Examination Hall it is treated as misconduct, even if the phone is clearly switched off. In order to avoid the risk of accidentally taking a phone into an examination, I would ask all students to leave mobile phones and any other electrical devices at home when completing examinations.

Year 9 Examinations

The Year 9 Semester 2 Examinations are being held at the College from Thursday 21 November - Thursday 28 November

Year 9 students will be required to attend their regular classes before or after their scheduled examinations.

For Year 9 students, who are absent for an examination, a medical certificate is required and an opportunity will be made available for these students to re-sit their examinations during a re-sit session on Friday 29 November.

Year 10 Examinations

The Year 10 Semester 2 Examinations are being held at the College from Thursday 21 November – Thursday 28 November.

Year 10 students are not required to be at the College when they do not have examinations scheduled.

However, a student that arrives at schoo; prior to an exam may not leave the College until their exam is completed.

The College is offering a supervised Study Hall in the library for Year 10 students. Parents & Carers are asked to indicate, by completing the Study Hall attendance permission form, indicating whether their child will be attending (This has been direct messaged to the students). Students not attending Study Hall are required to be at the College on time for all of their examinations during the examination week.

Supervised study sessions are available for Year 10 students in the College Library on the following days:

> Thursday 21 November Periods 1 and 2 Friday 22 November Periods 1 and 2 Monday 25 November Periods 1 and 2 Tuesday 26 November Periods 1 and 2 Wednesday 27 November Periods 1 and 2

For Year 10 students, who are absent for an examination, a medical certificate is required and an opportunity will be made available for these students to resist their examinations during Periods 5 and 6 on Friday 29 November.

Please do not hesitate to contact Adam Ray, Learning and Teaching Leader: Student Pathways if you have any questions.

Mr Adam Rav

Biology - GTAC Parasites in Focus (Year 10)

On Friday 25 October myself and a handful of Year 10 Biology students got the chance to visit the GTAC centre in the heart of Melbourne, as a way to further our understanding of Biology itself. The whole day was focused on parasites. This meant that all our activities had some basis with parasites. In the activities, we look at parasites and how they grow and where they grow. We also learned a lot about how technology has significantly decreased the time it takes to identify and solve a problem that has parasites involved. These included computer simulations and biological testing. All in all, it was a very enjoyable excursion and I wish I could do it again.

Lucas M 10KU





Arts and Technology Week

Arts and Technology week was jammed packed full of exciting and creative activities for both staff and students-scrunchie making, clay jewellery, Masterchef cooking competitions and lunchtime music concerts.

The formal opening of the Art exhibition was held on Tuesday 15 October. A good gathering of parents, friends, past students, teachers and present students attended the night. The evening showcased the artistic talents of Years 7 to 10 in Art and VCD, media, tasty food from the Food Tech department, plus music and drama performances.

Principal Jamie Madigan, along with leading teachers of the school, voted on the Principals' award, plus, artwork that will be acquired by the school for its permanent collection.

The recipients of these awards were:

Principal's Award Winner: James S - Year 10

Eliza B - Year 10

Chelsea C - Year 10

Tayah K – Year 10

Catherine G - Year 9

Carly M - Year 9

Xavier A - Year 9

Zelda DS – Year 8

Dante C - Year 8

Natasha S - Year 8

A huge thank you to all staff and students involved over the week.

Ms Debbie Cooper





Arts technology Week - From the Kitchen

Vibrant colors, full bellies, music, food and lots of fun are just a few of the many highlights from Arts and Technology Week 2019. This year the sky was our limit, as we embarked on a colorful and wonderful journey, showcasing the many gifts and talents of our students at CRCCS. We were privileged to showcase our student work from the performing arts centre, a bright and adequate space that fit the theme beautifully.

Each day was carefully designed to cater for the many hobbies and interests of our students. From the kitchen, the heat, aromas and flavors were at another level. There was nothing stopping us and we made sure to feed the staff and students alike. Catering preparation started a week in advance with the Year 10 students putting together the mini pizzas and meatballs. Then the junior foodies, made sure to assemble and serve delicious bitesized numbers to the community who came along to share the experience during our opening night.

On the Monday a Pasta Mania session was held during lunch. This involved generous sized containers of pasta (Bolognaise,

Napoli and Carbonara) for a small \$2.00 donation. All proceeds were in support of our Uganda Project. The team was able to raise \$315.00 generous dollars for this super worthy cause. While the students enjoyed their lunch on the green, Scott Darlow, entertained them by playing the didgeridoo and singing for us.

Day two was a day full of preparation for the big night. Each year we aim at having a feature item. This year the food technology display featured the Peacock Cake. Things were completed in stages to ensure the masterpiece would be effective. The result really did speak for itself. The Peacock feathers were made from cupcake bases, iced and decorated with the school emblem shaped in a teardrop – treats that the audience could enjoy.

The days ahead consisted of the one-pan Master chef competitions, which the students thoroughly enjoyed. Using a range of ingredients, spices, sauces and ONE PAN – the wok, each group whipped up something original. The staff/judges took their time tasting and scoring until they were satisfied with the results, and the winners were announced.

Overall, Arts Technology 2019 truly was a success, Yes it was a huge week, but that's the least we could do to show off the talents, gifts and passions of our CRC community. Now the draft ideas have started for 2020 – bring it on!

Mrs Matilda Mattar





Arts and Technology Evening

On the 22 October we held our first Arts and Technology Evening in the PAC. With parents having the opportunity to view the showcased talent of the student Art and Technology work they were also treated to a concert to view the classroom work from Drama, Dance, Music and Media. We had a range of students from all year levels present their work to a nearly full theatre. From a lyrical dance ensemble through to a thrilling Year 10 Drama movie parents were able to take in the new Performing Arts Centre in full use. Music students from all year levels dazzled the audience while a short media film was very engaging. Overall a fantastic evening and well done to all the students who displayed their gifts and talents. A special thankyou to the Performing Arts and Media teachers on showcasing their students work on this evening.

Ms Katie Franzone

KOKODA

On 26September, six students and two teachers left on the adventure of a lifetime.

Flying into Port Moresby it became apparent that the altitude of the plane was the altitude the group needed to climb to in the coming days! Months of training and preparation in various locations in often freezing conditions in Bacchus Marsh, Werribee, Mount Macedon and Dandenong had all come down to this day, this journey.

Seeing the immaculately kept grounds of the Bomana War cemetery prepared everyone for the emotional journey that was to come, over 3500 soldiers in their final resting place, making the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we have today.

Through the steep, muddy, and beautiful terrain of the Kokoda Track, the group witnessed the remnants of many World War 2 battlegrounds, in the form of discarded weapons, ammunition, foxholes, museums and many historical plaques along the way.

The eight days saw the group navigate a mixture of terrain from swamps, creek crossings, steep uphills and extreme downhills, vines, tree roots and everything in between. We met incredibly friendly and helpful people at all villages we had the pleasure to pass through, participated in a Dawn service at Brigade Hill and a Prayer Service at Isurava battleground.

We are so incredibly proud of Jade S, Tia B, Talia P, Joshua S, Ryan B and Dean. The dedication to their training, the commitment to the cooperation and safety of the group, and incredibly positive attitude throughout the journey were second to none.

Ms Karen Bailey and Ms Georgia Seymour





Year 8 Premier league

The home and away season has wrapped up again for our Year 8 Premier League students. Congratulations to all students on selections and competition across five matches during Terms 3 and 4. Once again we had some success with every team achieving at least one win out of their five matches and two of our teams going undefeated through the season. We wish the Boys Cricket and Girls Soccer teams all the best this week as they host Semi-final matches against Marymede and CRC North Keilor respectively.

Congratulations also to the following students on being selected as the Most Valuable Players by their coaches this term:

Year 8	
Girls Netball	Christa X
Boys Cricket	Aden S
Girls Basketball	Madelyn H
Boys Basketball	Joshua A
Girls Volleyball	Megan P

Year 8	
Boys Volleyball	Yohance E
Girls Soccer	Eva M
Boys Soccer	Brayden P

Round 5: 29 October (Tuesday) – Home vs Emmanuel

Boys Basketball

Lost 40 - 63

Girls Basketball

Lost 19 - 53

Boys Volleyball

Won 3 - 1 (25:20, 20:25, 25:11, 25:20)

Girls Volleyball

Lost 0 - 3 (16:25, 10:25, 3:25)

Boys Soccer

Won 2 - 1

Girls Soccer

Won 12 - 0

Boys Cricket

Won CRCCS 2/110 def EMC 9/39

Girls Netball

Lost 6 - 52

Mr Rannoch Wilkson Sports Coordinator

Year 9 Camp

During Week four of Term 4 our Year 9 students participated in the annual elective camping program. Students selected from six options with choices being adventure camp, beach camp, bushwalking, horse riding, rock climbing and snorkelling.

Nerves were put aside and excitement was buzzing as students packed up and left for their respective camps on Wednesday 30 October.

The camp I attendedha had 19 students who travelled to Mt Arapiles in Western Victoria, the home of one of the world's great climbing destinations. The students worked beautifully together learning the correct process to belay a climber and keep each other safe, practice correct climbing technique and challenged themselves to scale some thought-provoking routes up the rock face. I would like to thank each of the students who attended and congratulate them on completing what for many is a once in a life time opportunity.

Upon return, one student passed the following comment on to me about the camp: "it was a lot of fun and it is a great way to escape and helps you create other friendships."

Ryan X 9BU

Horse Riding

On Wednesday 30 October, 10 students and 2 teachers from Year 9 made their way to Buckle Up Bush rides for our Year 9 Camp! For the entirety of the trip, we got given a particular horse that we spent 3 days getting to know and ride. When being assigned to our horse we soon realised that every horse had a personality of its own just like humans! With Candy not being able to stop eating, and Bruce struggling to walk that extra metar and Jimmy kicking and bucking at every moving thing with his anger issues, our discoveries were endless for those three days and each particular horse had something very special and unique to offer! Some horses enjoyed swimming in dams, while others liked to bully the other horses! We were able to experience and learn responsibilities, patience and how to care for one another. Mel and Paul the instructors made our trip and provided such an incredible experience! Their food was extraordinary and they were amazing in thoroughly teaching us how to care for our horses! By the end of the third day we instantly realised that we had created a bond of a family between us. Horse riding camp was an experience that I will never forget and I would do anything to go back! I definitely had the time of my life and I can guarantee my friends and Miss Nguyen and Lafferrairie did too!

Anastasia M 9KU





Snorkelling

Once upon a time in a place far far away from Caroline Springs, 21 students and 4 staff members embarked on a treacherous underwater adventure. Over three days, we learned to snorkel properly and searched the bottom of the ocean for life and golden bottle caps. We discovered marine life such as weedy sea dragons, many varieties of sea star, zebra fish, pufferfish, smooth rays, tiny crabs, jellyfish, bluethroat wrasse.

There were multiple highlights including hanging out at the lodge, exploring new places, exploring a sea shelf at Blairgowrie. But the main highlight was having a Halloween party on the last night and playing games together and eating delicious snacks.

Many new friendships were formed and together we shared an amazing experience we will never forget.

Sebastian F 9CO and Flynn H 9LI



Snorkle Camp

Across the board students behaved exceptionally well and met the challenges presented from the various activities on offer. Thank you to the staff involved in attending and planning the trips and assisting in providing the students with these amazing opportunities. Thank you also to the students for taking on these opportunities and making year 9 camp a success again in 2019.

Mr Rannoch Wilkinson Year 9 Camp Co-ordinator

Library Books

As the end of the year is fast approaching, we would ask for your support with encouraging your students to return any libaray books that they may have on loan. Inivdual letters with information about overdue books will be posted home soon. If students have lost their book/s, then the replacement cost will be charged. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to conact the library staff.

Ms Natalie Hamill Teacher Libarian

Library

Hours of opening

The library is open from:

- Before school 8:00am 8:45am
- Recess 10:40am 11:05am (Recess is for borrowing books and photocopying or printing only.)
- Lunch time 12:45pm 1:35pm
- After school 3:15pm 4:15pm (Monday Thursday)
- After school 3:15pm 3:40pm (Friday)

*Please note that there is an expectation that students will be productively occupied when using the library before or after school.

Loans

Students may borrow up to three books at any time for a loan period of three weeks. Books may be renewed if so desired.

Overdue books

Students are asked to be considerate of others and return items as soon as they are finished with them. If students have overdue books, they should be returned or renewed before any new items are borrowed. Students will receive regular reminders when their books are overdue via a message on SEQTA. At the end of each semester, parents will be notified of outstanding loans.

Lost/damaged books

Students should speak to a library staff member if they have damaged a book or if they think it is lost. Each incident will be assessed individually, but generally, payment will be requested for books that are lost or damaged, so that replacement copies may be purchased.

Photocopier/ printer

Students are credited with \$5 at the start of every term towards their photocopying or printing requirements. Credit amounts may be topped up if necessary by paying at reception.

2020 Macbook Program Year 9 and Year 10

The tax invoice for the 2020 Macbook Program for Year 9 and Year 10 students was posted home last week. The \$490.00 payment per student is due in full by Thursday 28 November 2019.

If you have any queries or have not receive your 2020 Macbook Program tax invoice please contact the finance department on 9217 8000.

College Uniform

Academy Uniforms - Catholic Regional College Sydenham

Address: 380 Sydenham Rd Place, Sydenham

- Monday 2:30pm 4:30pm
- Thursday 8:00am 10:00am
- Saturday 9:00am 12:00pm

To order uniform online

https://www.academyuniforms.com.au/login.php

Username: CRC Caroline Springs **Password:** caroline springs