



Important Dates

Oz Minerals Carrapateena Excursion

Tuesday 24 October 2023

Year 12 Exams (6-14 Nov)

Monday 6 November 2023

Year 12 Graduation Dinner

Friday 17 November 2023

Yr 7 & 8 Immunisation Catch Ups and Yr 10 Immunisations

Wednesday 25 October 2023

Yrs 7-9 Assembly (7B)

Thursday 9 November 2023

Yrs 10-12 Assembly

Thursday 26 October 2023

Year 12 Last Day of Formal Lessons

Friday 27 October 2023

Yrs 3-6 Assembly (6G)

Thursday 16 November 2023

R-6 Social

Thursday 26 October 2023

Stirling North Ambassador Trip

Thursday 2 November 2023

Mass of Thanksgiving

Friday 17 November 2023

From the Acting Principal, Mrs Mary Manning

Term 4

Welcome back for Term 4. I hope and trust that everyone had an enjoyable term break and is looking forward to the term ahead. There is always a lot happening in Term 4 and it is often a race to the end. This is a sign of a busy and thriving school community. This will undoubtedly be the case for our Year 12 students who will have their final day of formal schooling next Friday. While there is still lots of study to complete in preparation for their final examinations, may our prayers and thoughts be with them as they sprint towards the finish line. We welcome Damian back from leave next week. I am sure he will be refreshed and ready to engage with the myriad of joys that is school life.

LOVING GOD.

ST MARY MACKILLOP LIVED HER LIFE WITH YOUR INCLUSIVE LOVE AT THE CENTRE OF HER HEART.

EVEN-THOUGH SHE EXPERIENCED HARD TIMES SHE BELIEVED & TRUSTED IN YOUR PROVIDENCE

ST MARY MACKILLOP, WE PRAY WITH YOU NOW WITH TRUST IN GOD, THAT TERM 4 WILL BE FULL OF
OPPORTUNITIES AND BLESSING FOR OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY. WE ESPECIALLY PRAY FOR OUR YEAR 12

STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES AS THEY NEAR THE END OF THEIR SCHOOLING JOURNEY.

MAY WE CONTINUED TO BE INSPIRED WITH TRUST, INCLUSION AND JOY LIKE OUR FOUNDER, ST. MARY 'OF
THE CROSS' MACKILLOP.

AMEN.

Student Leaders Handover Liturgy

On Thursday we celebrated the Student Leadership Handover Liturgy. It was an opportunity to recognise our newly elected school leaders and celebrate the important work that our College does in forming thriving and capable young people. We gave thanks for the 2023 Student Leaders and Year 12 Student Representative Council who then handed over the reins of leadership to their Year 11 peers in preparation for next year. Deacon Pillion and Charlee Morgan will be our new College Captains. They will be well supported by the Deputy Captains, Geri Tschirner and Joe Clancy. I am confident they will make healthy contributions to our school community and add value to our culture of leadership that already exists. May we offer them our support and best wishes as they take on the responsibilities of student leadership in 2024.



Caritas Cubs Reception Transition Program

Our Term 4 Caritas Cubs Transition program started this week. We had 18 little people start their schooling adventure as they prepare for Reception in 2024. Goodluck to these children and their families as they learn, play and grow together for their transition from Kindergarten to school life at Caritas College.



Enrolments for 2024

We are currently mapping out how 2024 will look for our school. We would appreciate any anticipated changes in enrolments to be communicated to the front office as soon as possible. We also ask that an Application for Enrolment form be filled out for any new children starting in 2024 (both at the beginning of the year and mid-year intake). These can be requested via our website or collected from the front office at any time.

From the Leader of Catholic Identity, Chloe Shanahan

Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land

Tuesday 17 October was a day of prayer and fasting for those living in the Holy Land. As the impact of the events occurring are filtered out, it is hard to not feel this within our hearts and our communities, as we see thousands of people cut off from food, water, shelter, and families.

We need to consider the call to open our hearts in a special way and pray for peace in the Holy Land and to bring tensions to an end. We are called to be peacemakers and people of hope, called to forgive, called to pray for others and to change ourselves.

Students across the College joined together in home classes on Monday morning to pray for peace in Israel and the Gaza strip.

God of mercy and compassion,
of grace and reconciliation,
pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East:
Dews, Muslims, and Christians,
Palestinians and Israelis.

Let hatred be turned to love, fear to trust, despair to hope,
oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation,
that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces,
and peace and justice could be experienced by all.

Reverend Said

Laudate Deum – Praise God

The Season of Creation finished on October 4, the feast of St Francis of Assisi and this was also when Pope Francis released his document Laudate Deum. This document is a follow up of his 2015 encyclical, Laudato Si, and discusses the current climate crisis. He urges us to consider the call to tackle the current crisis, acknowledge that this is real, and that the damage caused by humans is irreversible. He reminds us that we all have a role to play and hopes that the COP28 summit will be a historic event for the sake of our future. Pope Francis also encourages us to live with a sense of hope for the creation that God has entrusted to us.

Made in the Image of God

Information was sent at the end of last term about the Made in the Image of God: Human Sexuality program, which is covered within Religious Education classes. Please see the information on the College website here for your child's year level information letter.







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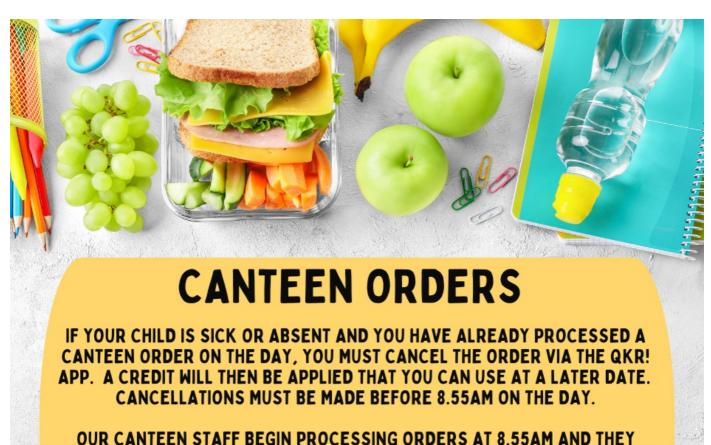
IT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT ALL STUDENTS HAVE A HAT WITH THEM AT SCHOOL



IT MUST BE WORN TO AND FROM SHADED AREAS DURING BREAK TIMES, HPE LESSONS AND FOR OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES.

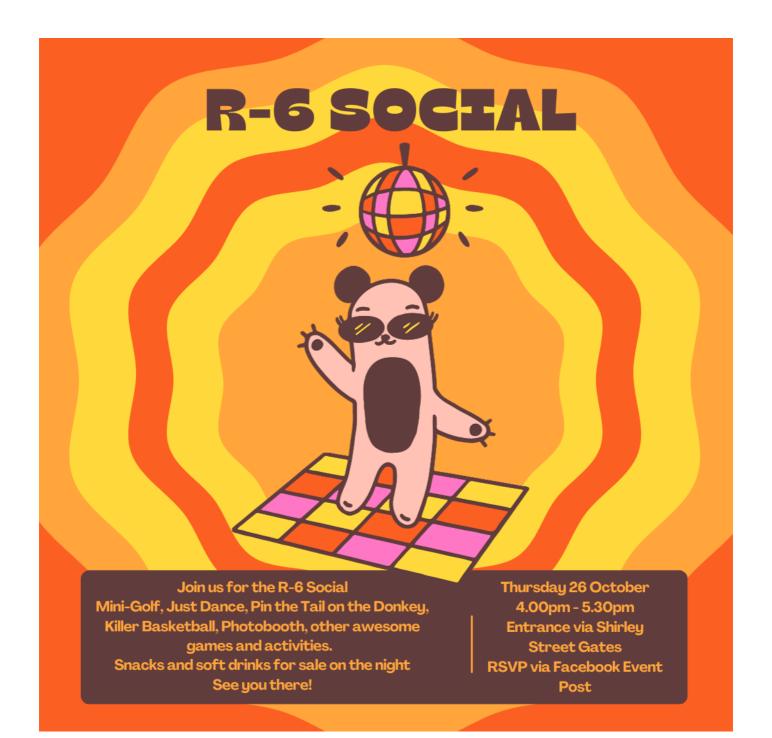
NO HAT MEANS NO PLAY!

IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS A HAT, PLEASE ORDER ONE VIA THE QKR! APP OR HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE.



OUR CANTEEN STAFF BEGIN PROCESSING ORDERS AT 8.55AM AND THEY ARE UNABLE TO SEE IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL. ORDERS NOT CANCELLED END UP PROCESSED AND, WHEN NOT COLLECTED BY THE END OF LUNCHTIME, ARE GENERALLY DISPOSED OF.

PLEASE NOTE: FAMILIES WILL NOT RECEIVE A CREDIT IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES.



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