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From Principal

Dr Watson

Remembrance Day

Last Sunday on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month the nation took time to commemorate Remembrance Day. Last Friday, we held a commemoration service at the College and laid a wreath at the base of our Memorial Stone as a mark of respect for all those soldiers that have given their life for our country. Remembrance Day recalls the end of World War 1. It was supposed to have been the war to end all wars. Yet human beings are slow to learn. On November 11, 1944, the surgeon Weary Dunlop was entering the last phase of his long imprisonment, along with thousands of others, on the Thai Burma Railway. He had learned that all violence is futile. He wrote in his diary:

But courage, mon ami: That is the real foundation of life. When this blank page turns I shall find enchantment somewhere, somehow. 'To every action there is an equal and opposite reaction.' That is why violence is so futile. Nothing is so destructive to a cause as violence wielded on its behalf. We have learned much of the inadequacy of material things, much of tolerance, much of endurance, even if it be only to endure failure in the commerce of life hereafter. There is plenty of courage all about us, even in the most maimed and damaged human beings.

- E.E.Dunlop, *The War Diaries of Weary Dunlop*

The Ode

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

“Moments” Thomas Carr College in Concert

On Thursday November 1, our performing arts students once again provided a wonderful evening of entertainment. Our students were joined by Old Collegians and guest performers to present a range of items from opera through to well known items from musicals such as Les Misérables.

I would like to thank our special guest performers Ms Yasmin Ismail (Old Collegian), Ms Agnes Sarkis and Mr Tom Holland (both from Opera Australia) and Mr Michael Lapina (Parent and Board Member) for performing for us on the evening. The money raised by the concert was donated to the Jose De Piro Bataan Orchestra Appeal. This appeal will enable the Orchestra to tour Melbourne in June next year.

I would also like to acknowledge and sincerely thank our Head of Music Mr Mat Morse for his effort in bring tonight’s concert together and to thank his dedicated music staff:

Cameron Stark
Myra Stark
Lynne Spiteri

Peter Cahoun
Emmet Brazil
Joyce Chahine

Coming Events

November 16: Friendly Community Day for Grade 6s

November 22: Year 12 Graduation

November 29: 1 Year Reunion

November 30: Student Free Day

December 7: Whole School Thanksgiving Mass; Students Dismissed (End of Year)



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget



College Theme for 2018

“Moved by the love of Christ”

Prayer

Dear God, You have lifted my mind in hope. Now help me to open my life the coming of the Spirit.
Amen

College Vision

Thomas Carr College is a dynamic Catholic learning community, guided by the Gospel.

Excellence and opportunities to develop are pursued.

Through our hope and service to others we shine our light into the world.

Sports Association of Catholic Co-education Secondary Colleges (SACCSS)

After a review of our sporting program and the gathering of information via a survey of staff, students and parents earlier this year the College has made the decision to change our sporting association effective from January 2020. Our new sporting association will see the College join SACCSS, which will mean we will compete in a weekly sporting competition as well as the Swimming, Athletics and Cross Carnivals against other Catholic Secondary Colleges in our local area such as MacKillop College, Emmanuel College and the Catholic Regional Colleges. This change will address many of the issues that have arisen in relation to the extensive travel to other parts of Melbourne and the late return of students impacting significantly on family life.



From the Deputy Principal

Ms McDonald

The Beacon Award

The *Beacon Award* recognises achievements of our students. Selected students will be presented with a certificate of commendation and their names published in each edition of *The Beacon*. A maximum of 5 students per level may be recognised each fortnight.

The criteria is:

- Evidence of learning which is consistently exemplary or displays great improvement
- An action performed by a student(s) that supports the Catholic ethos of the school
- Evidence of behaviour which is consistently exemplary or displays great improvement
- Active and purposeful involvement in a College or community event

Congratulations to the following students:

Year 7	Maeve Coloma, Claire Dcunha, Athulya Nair, Raina Kalra, Jenny Ly
Year 8	Karina Darlington, Maddie Rostron, Dinush Bandara, Kir Phioc
Year 9	Connor Pearce, Ethan Di Battista, Teal Kiddier, Nathan Espinosa, Hannah Bayta
Year 10	Cristian Mendoza, Jaden Muscat, Shania Siro, Piath Riak, Jorji Louer
Year 11	Nikita Rogan, Christopher Widmar-Marvantonis, Jake Collier, Nicholas Moran, Tristen Urch



From the Director of Operations

Mr Jilbert

Date	Time/Periods	Year	Event	Location
Nov 22	9-2pm	Selected Students	Graduation Mass Rehearsal	St Mary's West Mel
Dec 4	P1&2	Both Yr 11 VCAL	SWL Incursion	Room TBA
Dec 4	All Day	Year 12 VCAL A	First Aid Certificate	Room TBA
Dec 5	P5&6	Yr 12	Darren Pereira seminar	D18

From the Head of Middle School

Mr Wilkinson

Country Experience

The iD9 curriculum aims to develop students who are independent, confident, and inquisitive about their world, work co-operatively, are socially aware and connected to others. The Good Samaritan Campus Experience aims to provide all students with an exciting and challenging program in an environment that is safe, caring, structured and engaging.

Year 9 Silver has just recently completed their experience. Below are student reflections about their time at the Good Samaritan Campus.

The thing I enjoyed the most was going bike riding in the mountains with my class mates because I like a bit of a challenge. My biggest challenge was camping because it was wet and raining and it was very cold. The activities were fun, but I didn't like all the insects and stuffy tents. I overcame it by just focusing on the fun activities and going fishing.

One thing I learnt about myself is that I need to be more open to new things and I need to go out of my comfort zone to experience fun new things and overcome new challenges.

This was an experience I will never forget and if you were to miss it, you would miss learning new skills, bonding with your classmates, going out of your comfort zone and experiencing new challenges. Over all it was I had a great time down at the Good Samaritan Campus. Deng Ajang, Silver.

The activity I enjoyed most whilst on country experience was Canoeing; it was a great experience for me and something that I had been looking forward to. Mountain Biking was very challenging but at the same time, once I got the hang of controlling my bike it turned out to be a great experience, one that I won't forget.

The biggest challenge I faced during my time on Country Experience, was camping out doors because it was always raining and we had to stay inside our tents for hours until it stopped. Everything was wet and soggy, so it was difficult to manage our tasks.

I found that the Country Experience brings you closer with all your class mates, you try new things you have never done before and it's a whole new experience away from the city life, this is an experience nobody should miss. Asfandyar Khan, 9 Silver.

Year 9 2019 Parent Information Night

On Thursday November 8, an information night was held at the College in the Fr. Moran Performing Arts Centre for our current Year 8 families. During the evening, families heard from a range of speakers talking about the iD9 curriculum that their child will be undertaking in 2019. An important information booklet was distributed outlining the program. The booklet also contained dates and changes to the program in 2019. A special thanks to all in attendance and I hope that you found the evening informative.

Middle School Final Assembly

The Middle School End of Year Assembly will take place on Thursday November 29. During this assembly, we will be celebrating all the success that our Middle School students have achieved throughout 2018. We will also farewell our Year 9 students as they embark on their transition into the Senior School.

Head Start

A reminder that the week beginning Monday December 3 marks the beginning of our Head Start program. This is a compulsory week of schooling, as students will be introduced to their subject content and subject teachers for 2019. Should a student be absent during this week, it will have an impact on their attendance for 2019. I therefore urge all Middle School students to attend this important week.

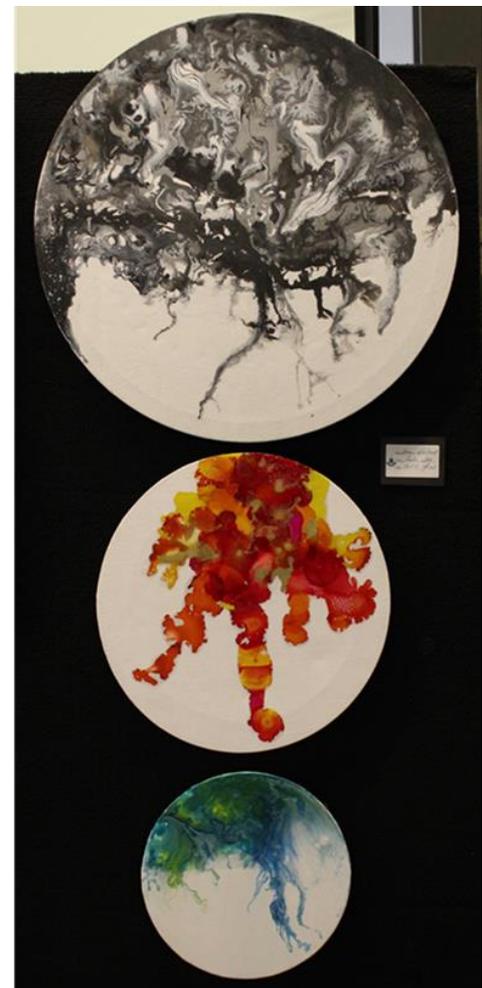
From the Head of Senior School

Mrs Knurek

This week has seen our final Senior School Assembly where we were given the opportunity to acknowledge those students who have taken on leadership roles during 2018 and those who have won awards. Next week, Year 10 and 11 students commence their examinations and we wish them all the best for this period,

Senior School Art Acquisition

I am always delighted to have the opportunity to view the variety of art on display at the College and to select a work from the Thomas Carr Annual Art Exhibition for the Senior School. The Art Show is always a highlight and I loved the work displayed. I thoroughly enjoyed the textiles on display and the garments shown as part of the



Fashion Parade. There were several works that I particularly liked and the choice was not an easy one, but in the end, I selected a work by Grace Newland.

My congratulations are extended to all students whose work was displayed. It is certainly a testament to the talents of our students and the work of our Art and Technical staff.

Special Arrangements for Head Start Week

A reminder that our Head Start Program is compulsory for all Year 11 and 12 (2019) students and will take place from Monday December 3 to Friday December 7. This week enables a whole unit of work to be undertaken in preparation for the following year and it is therefore vital that all students attend each day. Homework will be set for the holiday period. Students who are not returning to Thomas Carr College for VCE or VCAL in 2019 are not required at school at this time and are reminded that all books and College equipment must be returned to the appropriate areas by Thursday November 29 2018.

Head Start

On Wednesday afternoon of Head Start Week (December 5), ACS will not be operating and all Year 10, and 11 students will be dismissed at lunchtime on this day. Year 12 VCE students will have the complete 5 days devoted to Head Start activities, with special presentations and seminars on the Wednesday and Thursday afternoon of Head Start Week. This is to help them focus and help prepare and "kick start" them for 2019.

VET classes will not be operating during Head Start Week and students are expected to attend all of their timetabled classes. Where there are no other classes timetabled, they may depart the school either at lunchtime or at 2.30pm. At other times, they are expected to undertake private study in the Information Centre.

VCAL classes do not operate at the College on Wednesday or Thursdays as these are the days for VET/TAFE courses and their structured work placement. During Head Start Week, VCAL students are not required at school on Wednesday December 5 or Thursday December 6 and should use this time to organise their structured work placement, which is an essential part of their course. If you have any questions regarding these matters, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College. For queries regarding the VET program, please contact the VET/VCAL Co-ordinator, Ms Natasha Le Noel on 8734 2444.

2019 Commencement of School Year

An induction program for new students in Years 8-12 will be held at the College on Thursday November 29 from 10.00am to 3.00pm. This will provide information for our new students and enable them to participate in our Head Start Program this year. A further Induction Program for additional new students in Years 8-11 will be held at the College on Friday February 1 2019.

Year 12 2019

Year 12 VCE students will begin their 2019 school year on Friday February 1 2019 with a full day of VCE classes. Year 10, 11 and Year 12 VCAL students will begin their 2019 school year on Monday February 4 2019.

Timetables for Senior School in 2019

In 2019, students in Years 10, 11 and 12 undertaking a VET course will have a number of study periods in their timetable. If these periods are at the end of the day, students may depart the College on the relevant days at the conclusion of their previous period. If students have no timetabled classes in period 6, they will depart at 2.30pm. If they have no timetabled classes in periods 5 and 6, they will depart school at the beginning of lunchtime. Students are expected to depart the College and go straight home: they are not permitted to purchase lunch at the local shopping centre and return to school and are discouraged from loitering in the local community.

Most Year 12 students will have no classes scheduled on Thursdays for periods 5 and 6 and will therefore be dismissed at 12.45pm during lunchtime. Should there be practice examinations or special events organised, parents will be notified in writing prior to the event. This is not free time for students to take on an additional work shift,



but rather an opportunity to do some additional work or to catch up on their studies if they are not required at the College. Students should use the time provided to continue their preparation and study program at home and to complete work required as part of their VET or other subjects.

At all other times, students are expected to remain on the campus. Any spare periods in the morning are to be spent in the Information Centre. An attendance roll will be taken and any absences will be followed up and appropriate consequences for truancy issued. All students are expected to be present for Homeroom each morning at 8.40am. Should they have lunchtime or after school commitments, it is expected that they will remain at school to fulfil their commitments. Students who remain at the College are required to sign into the Information Centre. They are not permitted to wander around the College during class time. Whole School and Year Level activities that fall on these days are commitments to the College and are compulsory for all students to attend.

Year 12 Graduation Mass and Dinner

On Thursday November 22, the College will again hold the Year 12 Graduation Mass and Dinner. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to celebrate this occasion at St Mary Star of the Sea Church, in West Melbourne, which is a beautiful church with wonderful acoustics and a lovely venue for our Thanksgiving Graduation Mass. Immediately following the Mass will be the Presentation of Graduation Certificates to our Year 12 students. The Graduation Dinner at Flemington will commence at 7.45pm and conclude at 11.45pm. Special thanks to the Year 12 Homeroom Teachers, Year 12 Co-ordinators, Mrs Jenni Rother and Mr Francis Camenzuli, Staff, The Parents and Friends Association and Ms Abbey Harrington for their ongoing support of our Year 12 students and their work for the success of this evening. We wish our Year 12 students well as they pursue their careers.

From the Health Centre **Mrs King and Ms Weedon**

Wednesday November 14 was World Diabetes Day and a great opportunity to learn more about Diabetes. Diabetes is a condition whereby there is too much sugar in the bloodstream. We all need sugar as an energy source for our body to function efficiently. A hormone called insulin that is produced in the pancreas which enables sugar to move from the blood stream to the cells in our body, so that it can be used as energy.

There are two main types of Diabetes Type 1 Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes. Type 1 Diabetes generally affects people under the age of 40 and more is commonly diagnosed in children. In Type 1 Diabetes something triggers a person's immune system to attack the cells that produce insulin therefore preventing insulin production. Type 1 Diabetes cannot be prevented or cured it is managed with daily multiple injections of insulin.

Type 2 Diabetes affects 85-90% of all people diagnosed with Diabetes. Until recently, Type 2 Diabetes occurred in older adults however children are now being diagnosed. People who are at risk of Type 2 Diabetes can delay or prevent its onset by adopting a healthy lifestyle, participating in regular physical activity, choosing healthy foods and maintaining a healthy weight.

In September this year the Minister for Health, the Hon. Greg Hunt MP announced funding of \$6 million over a 2 year period to be used to develop and deliver an education and training program for teachers and school staff to support children at school with Type 1 Diabetes. During the months of October and November, surveys were sent out to parents of children with Diabetes and to school staff to identify ways to improve management within schools. Over the coming months, new guidelines will be released to help improve Diabetes management within schools.

Uniform Shop News

Thomas Carr College Uniform Shop will close for the school holidays on Friday December 7 at 3.00pm.

Additional Term 4 Holiday Trading Hours:

Monday November 26 – Friday November 30	9.00am to 4.00pm
Monday December 3 – Friday December 7	9.00am to 4.00pm

Additional Term 1 2019 Trading Hours:

Wednesday January 9 – Friday January 11	9.00am to 4.00pm
Monday January 14 – Friday January 18	9.00am to 4.00pm
Monday January 21 – Friday January 25	9.00am to 4.00pm
Monday January 28	Closed
Tuesday January 29 – Friday February 1	8.00am to 4.00pm

The uniform shop will return to normal hours on Monday February 4 2019.

Throughout the School Term our opening hours are:

Monday	8:15am – 4.00pm
Wednesday	8:15am – 4.00pm
Friday	8:15am – 4.00pm

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The St. James Young Paulists invites you to our movie night! Showing...

Julia
Roberts

Owen
Wilson

Jacob
Tremblay



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Come along to join us for a fun movie night!

When: Friday 30th November 2018

Time: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Where: St. James Paulist Centre (Gym),
336 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing

Tickets: \$5 each

On sale from Sunday 11th - 27th November
(which can be purchased at the parish office & weekend masses at church)

Popcorn, choc tops, candy & drinks will be provided

*Chairs will be provided but feel free to BYO Bean Bag, Pillow, Blanket etc

**All children must be accompanied by an adult