From the Principal

Date: Friday 11th February 2011 (T1-W2)

OPENING MASS, PRESENTATION OF ARCHBISHOP’S SPIRIT AWARD
AND INDUCTION OF STUDENT LEADERS

Our Mass to commence the beginning of the year was celebrated on Tuesday 8th February in the Brother Olly Pickett Recreation Centre. Unfortunately, a delay in the arrival of the Bishop due to road works in Mt Lawley, had our students in the gym for longer than expected. However, they were outstanding and everything went well in the end. As we came together in prayer and thanksgiving, Aux. Bishop Don Sproxton, expressed his gratitude to the community, past and present, who have stepped up to bring the college to what it is today. On behalf of Archbishop Barry Hickey, he presented a plaque to the College in recognition of our commitment to LifeLink.

Following the celebration of the Mass, Prefects and Assistant Prefects were inducted, and then introduced, along with Peer Support Leaders, Committee Members and Chisholm Ministers. Members of the Class of 2011 were presented with their Senior Badge.

As we continue to build the life of the college may we achieve many great things for each and every member of our community.

Head Boy and Prefect for Public Relations
Jake Tolich

Head Girl and Prefect for Community Service
Victoria Phan

PREFECTS
Nicola Brescianini—Prendiville House
Shannen Clarkson—Social
Adrian De Carolis—Keenan House
Daniel D’Rozario—The Arts
Jordan D’Souza—Liturgy
Melissa Jerace—Laurence House
Tamisha King—Sport
Timothy Mollan—Canteen
Mikki Pagkalawan—O’Sullivan
Janice Watts—Academic Focus

ASSISTANT PREFECTS
Cassandra Chu-Yu-Chee—Liturgy
Nicholas Conti—Social
Samuel Cunningham—Community Service
Ellen Dimitriou—The Arts
Melinda Falcone—Canteen
Evelyn Hiew—Keenan House
Liam McEntee—O’Sullivan House
Ellen Phillips—Academic Focus
Maggie Ritikis—Public Relations
Ryan Ross—Prendiville House
Daniel Russo—Laurence House
Brandon Seneque—Sport
At our Opening school Mass on Tuesday 5th February our Principal, Ms Rodrigues presented Jacky Luu with a memento to recognise his outstanding achievement of receiving General Exhibition for being one of the top 40 students in the W.A. 2010 Curriculum Council examination. Jacky becomes the 10th student in the College’s history to achieve this Award. On Monday 14th February he will be joined by other members of the Class of 2010 for the ‘400 Club’ assembly.

Mr Robert Marshall, Vice Principal

Ms Maria Annese/Ms Susan Tobissen

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### YEAR 7 PASTORAL CARE RETREAT

On Wednesday 16 February, all Year 7s will be participating in this retreat where the focus for the day is their Year Theme “Commitment to Christ”. It promises to be a great opportunity for all students to Grow in Christ and see His presence in the many new and exciting experiences they will have at the College. Normal College rules apply and students are to wear their House shirt, College sports shorts and their College hat. The student will be provided with a juice drink and ice cream but will need to organize lunch and water bottle etc. Students are also required to bring their pencil case (with textas and scissors) and student handbook. We will celebrate Mass at 10.00am in our College Chapel and you are most welcome to join us for this liturgy. Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College during office hours on 9208 2500.

### CHISHOLM CARE

Our Year 10 students begin their agency placements next week as part of their Chisholm Care Service Learning programme. For those who are unaware, as senior students, the Year 10s are placed by the College for two days during school hours at two different agencies throughout Terms 1 to 3. Students chose from around 40 agencies, at the end of last year, who provide various services to our community. As with each year group there is also a reflection component contained in their Service Diaries. We ask for God’s blessings on these students and the many services they will help to provide to others who are less fortunate.

Happy Chisholm Caring!

### CHISHOLM MINISTRY RETREAT

All Chisholm Ministers are expected to attend these Retreats (they are in the calendar) to attend to their own spiritual life and be involved in the community of Chisholm Ministers at our College. Further details can be found in the permission letter.

Ms Taniya Rodrigues, Deputy Principal, Campus Ministry

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

—Campus Ministry will run an after school Sacramental Programme for any students wanting to be prepared to receive the Sacraments of Penance, Eucharist and/or Confirmation. At the completion of the 10 week programme, students will receive a letter which they need to show their Parish Priest stating that they have received the required preparation. Students will need to be in contact with their Parish from the beginning of this process so they do not miss out on any other preparation activities that may be organised by their Parish. In particular, students will need to be aware as to when their Parish will celebrate Sacramental Mass.

**However, our Year 7 students are prepared for Confirmation as part of their Term 2 Religious Education programme.** Any students interested must come to the Campus Ministry Office and register their name with Mrs Wainwright by the end of Week 4 (21 February), as the programme will commence Week 5 of this term. Parents with any queries can contact:

Mrs Wainwright at the school on 9208 2564

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**THE SPIRIT OF CHISHOLM CONTINUES ON**

—even outside the boundaries of school and country

**GEORGIA NAUGHTON-WATT**—Class of 2009

In July 2010 Georgia started a six month volunteer teaching placement at Ranwadi College—a secondary school on Pentecost, one of the outer islands of VANUATU. The school caters for years 9—13 students. Whilst this school is one of the top in the country, it is heavily under resourced and lacks many things required for teaching. Georgia is running a drive to collect some school resources to take to Ranwadi. The school is in need of SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS. The Maths department at the college has a small supply, however the students are unable to afford one—and there are not enough to go around.

Also, the English department is probably the most under resourced of all in the school. Reading books suitable for Years 7, 8 and 9 are just not available. In particular, there are very few class sets of books, which make novel studies very difficult.

**HOW CAN WE HELP?** Here is one of our former students—trying to make a difference. Do you have any second hand SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS or SETS OF NOVELS that you would like to donate? It would be great for the school and the students and teachers would be very grateful for these much needed items.

**IF YOU CAN HELP, please leave the calculators and books at Student Reception before Friday 25 February 2011.**

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IVAN DRAGICEVIC, one of the alleged visionaries in Medjugorje, travels the world spreading our Blessed Mother’s messages. He will be speaking for one night only on Tuesday 22nd February, 6pm—9pm at St Mary’s Cathedral, Victoria Avenue, Perth. There will be Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Benediction, Holy Mass and a talk by Ivan. Enquiries to Eileen on 0407 471 256 or email: medjugorje@y7mail.com

Ms Taniya Rodrigues, Deputy Principal, Campus Ministry
YEAR 7—IMMUNISATION—Year 7 students received information packages to be returned by Friday 11th February 2011. Please contact the Health Department at Bayswater—Mr Binh Luong on 9272 0604, if you have any concerns. Mr Hennessy

YEAR 7—PARENT SEMINAR on Monday 14th February, 2011. We will begin at 7pm with wine and cheese, for a 7.30pm start. The venue will be the Performing Arts Centre. The evening will cover the following topics: (1) Faith Development and Chisholm Care (2) Curriculum Matters—Curriculum, Assessment, Reporting, Future Directions (3) Pastoral Care Matters—Settling into secondary school, Communicating with school, Peer Support Programme, Developing study habits and The Role of the Parent.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS of Year 7 students are invited to attend this evening. You will have the opportunity to meet your child’s Pastoral Care Advisor. Also, bookings for Winter Uniform fittings will be made on the evening. Please bring your diaries. Parking is available on the May Street car park and then on the College oval. Entry is via May Street.

Mr Richard Hennessy, Deputy Principal—Dean of Year 7

YEAR 9—In Term 3, Year 9 students will be asked to choose the courses they wish to study in Year 10. Their choices will be made on the basis of their performance in Semester 1. Many of these courses will have pre-requisites.

The pre-requisites for Year 10 (2011) courses have been issued to students. These are an indication only and could change. Parents are asked to carefully read the list of pre-requisites and discuss them with their children. Pre-requisites for the 2012 courses will be issued with the Semester 1 report.

These were handed out so students can start setting goals and working out what they need to achieve to get into the courses that they want to study in 2012.

Mr John Laurito, Deputy Principal—Dean on Year 9

YEAR 10—It is my great pleasure to let parents know that our Year 10 students have had a very smooth start to 2011 and especially this week, they are to be commended for their attentive behaviour at the Opening Mass on such a hot day. At our first assembly I spoke to our students about our Year 10 theme of “Call to Christ”. This year I will encourage the students to reflect on Christ’s personal call to them as they reflect on their future vocation and career choices.

At our assembly students were also informed that all subject changes need to be finalized by Friday 18 February. No changes will be made after that date.

I also spoke to students about focusing on their studies and the importance of their Semester 1 Examination results in terms of subject selection for Year 11. Next week I will provide each student with a copy of the Year 11 subject pre-requisites that were used during 2010 (for 2011). While the 2011(for 2012) requirements have not yet been set, the information from 2010 will make an excellent guide for realistic goal setting. I would encourage you to discuss this sheet with your child. Should you wish for a copy of the information please follow this link.

Mrs Carmen Cox, Deputy Principal – Dean of Year 10

YEAR 11—PARENT SEMINAR will be taking place on Monday, 28 February. Letters of invitation were handed out this week and parents are asked to RSVP by Thursday, 24 February. Please set aside this date in your calendar as there are several pieces of important information given out on this date. Both parents and students will benefit much from their presence at this evening.

Chisholm Care—Parents of Year 11 students are reminded that the Chisholm Care programme commenced last week. Past experience has shown that students fall into strife for neglecting to complete parts of the programme that can be done quickly and easily. Please discuss this with your child and encourage them to complete the School requirements as soon as possible.

Parents and students are also reminded that certificates are awarded to students who show exemplary application to their Chisholm Care duties. As many students now actively seek work outside of school, an indication of the student’s willingness to go the extra mile in the School report goes a long way in securing jobs – not only now, but also later on in life.

Mr Vivian D’Almeida, Deputy Principal—Dean of Year 11

YEAR 12—PARENT SEMINAR is on Monday 21st February 2011. We will begin at 7pm with wine cheese, for a 7.30pm start. The venue will be the Performing Arts Centre. In view of the many changes in Post Compulsory Education facing students, it is very necessary for parents to make every effort to attend. The following issues will be addressed: (1) Chisholm Care requirement for graduation. (2) Curriculum Council requirements for Western Australian Cert of Education. (3) Implication of examination requirements for WACE. (4) University and TAFE entrance. (5) Entry requirements for UWA 2012 and beyond. (6) Leadership responsibilities for Year 12 students.

Parking is available in the May Street car park. Entry is via May Street.

A letter was sent home today. Please complete the Reply Slip and return to Student Reception by Friday 18th February.

Mr Robin Fox, Deputy Principal—Dean of Year 12
The Inter-House rivalry for 2011 kicks off in Week 3 with the Inter-House swimming carnivals. As per the calendar the dates for each year group are:
Year 7 – Monday 14th February
Year 8 – Tuesday 15th February
Year 9 – Wednesday 16th February
Year 10 – Thursday 17th February
Attendance and participation is compulsory for all students in Year 7, 8 and 9.
There are events that cater for all levels of ability.
Year 10, 11 and 12 students will nominate for the carnival and subject to being approved they will participate on the day.
All carnivals will commence at the start of Period 3 and finish by 3.15pm. Students will wear their House shirt with the PE uniform to school for their carnival. Red swimming shorts and/or college racing bathers must be worn. Boardshorts or other swimming attire is not permitted.
Parents and family members are welcome to watch on the day.
Any queries can be directed to Mr Darren Ballantyne (Head of Physical Education) on 9208 2547 or d.ballantyne@chisholmcc.wa.edu.au

CHISHOLM COLLEGE SKI TRIP TO JAPAN—JANUARY 2012
The inaugural Japanese ski trip is presently being organized for the present Year 10 and Year 11 students. (These students will be starting Year 11 and 12 respectively at this time). Information in the form of a letter, giving details of this fantastic trip, has been made available to the students in Student Reception. As you would be aware, skiing is an expensive sport and this is reflected in the expected cost of $4000 for the 10 day trip. A minimum number of 30 students is required to allow this trip to continue (with an expected maximum of 40 students). Ski trips will be offered to students every TWO years, so this will effectively be the only opportunity offered to the present Year 10 and 11 students. A decision based on the response by students will be made by the end of March. I look forward to hearing from you.
Mr John Hackett

ELES Online Study Skills Handbook
Great news! Chisholm College has subscribed to the ELES Online Study Skills Handbook.
The ELES Online Study Skills Handbook provides a comprehensive and interactive online guide for the school community relating to the study skills needed for success in high school studies. This approach taps into students’ affinity with technology to create a new and effective way to improve students’ study skills.
This is a great online resource for parents and students to address all their study skills issues and concerns as well as learn new ways to improve their results at school. The handbook has a huge amount of information for students and parents as well as a large number of interactive activities.
More detailed information about the 26 units covered and suggestions as to how students can effectively use the handbook can be found on page 54 of the Chisholm College Student Handbook.
To access the Handbook, go to the Chisholm College Library page (www.chisholm.wa.edu.au), select “library” Info Assist > Study Skills. Click on the photo
Please note:
The Handbook is for the use of Chisholm parents and students ONLY. We encourage all parents and students to take advantage of this opportunity to further develop their students’ study skills abilities through this online resource.

UNIFORM SHOP INFORMATION—TEAL SPORTS SHORTS and RED BOYS’ SWIMMING SHORTS in sizes 12C and XS are now available in the Uniform Shop.

Mrs Rosemary Ovenden, Manager