From the Principal

A school can get bogged down by a myriad of rules and expectations and lose sight of what being a member of a community entails. A long list of Do’s and Don’ts might impose behaviour but they do not guide the heart of the community.

This year I encourage the school community to take on board three words to guide us as we work together. My three key words for this year are: Joy, Gratitude and Respect.

Why these three humble words? Building good relationships is at the heart of a strong community and whilst a list of rules might impose expectations, these same rules cannot guide the heart. Forging those relationships requires us to be more caring about each other and less concerned inwardly - more concerned about the welfare of others, relationships and bigger values than what we are wearing or what material possessions we might enjoy. The strength of community is often demonstrated in times of turmoil and/or uncertainty. And we have had too much of that lately; the floods in the eastern states, bushfires in the west and now another devastating earthquake in New Zealand. Our sister school, St Margaret’s in Christchurch, is confronting a host of floods and I know that St Margaret’s is being supported by the wider education community in dealing with the aftermath of the earthquake.

A lot can be achieved by focusing on a few words that guide how we think and interact daily. It should not take a natural disaster to confirm the strength of a community; we should value our relationships and be supportive and caring every day. Three words: Joy, Gratitude and Respect can guide our hearts and minds. There should be joy in all that we do and gratitude for a full life spent in awareness of all the good things that surround us. Respect is fundamental; every human being has the right to be respected. Respect is an unassuming resounding force, the stuff that equity and justice are made of. It means being treated with esteem and being willing to treat people similarly. It means having regard for other’s feelings, listening to people and hearing them. It means treating others with dignity. Respect is the first step to building relationships.

Collegiate is an amazing community with a strong tradition of love and care. The three words Joy, Gratitude and Respect are a reminder of what underpins that strong sense of community and I was thrilled that this week we had the opportunity to demonstrate this, in a concrete manner, through raising funds for the Flood Relief Appeal.

Mrs Robyn Kronenberg
Principal

From the Head of Year 9

Year 9 Camp – Recherche Bay

Week 1 of Term 1 started with the Year 9 students preparing themselves for what could possibly be the biggest challenge of their lives. Before the girls departed for camp they opened their Journals and thought about a few questions that had been posed. What are you looking forward to? What concerns do you have? What do you want to achieve on camp? After the girls discussed and wrote their thoughts down, it was time to focus on packing their camp bags. The list of things to take and not to take was quite overwhelming for most, but exciting all the same. “D Day has arrived!” a few girls squealed. The departure for camp was here, and the girls said their goodbyes. Most were unaware of the effect that the camp might have on them and the journey of growth in mind, body and spirit it would take them on.

The weather was glorious and camp life began. The six groups erected their tents and created their make-shift homes for the next eight days. Each group had to endure a series of challenges which tested each girl’s physical, mental and spiritual limits.

It was a privilege to join the Year 9s for three days on camp. It was a wonderful opportunity to bond with the girls and join them in their challenges.

Sea kayaking in sunshine over kelp beds and clear blue waters was incredible. A stingray, an octopus and many fish joined us on our kayaking adventure. The fun and excitement began when the kayaks rafted together out to sea, then each girl had to leave their boat and run around all the kayaks. The girls had to work as a team to prevent anyone from falling into the water.

Abseiling down a 30 metre dark rocky hole in the ground and caving through the sometimes very small, wet and muddy crevices was our next adventure. The beauty of seeing glow worms at the bottom of the 30 metre abseiling hole took our minds off the extreme change in temperature underground. Wading through waist deep, freezing water and wriggling like a snake through the tiniest of crevices in the rock was very challenging. Thanks to the support of our expert guides and the mental tenacity of the Year 9 girls we all made it out safely.

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From the Head of Year 9 continued

The last of my adventures with the girls was Mountain Biking. The roads were gravel and corrugated which at times was trying for the girls who had not ridden bikes in a long time. The roads disappeared and a dense bush track emerged, we had to push and carry our bikes to the end of this track. A “dead end” sign lead us to a cliff edge, when we looked over we saw a running river below. Our challenge was to cross the river without getting ourselves or our bikes wet. After a few hours of trial and error, we succeeded in getting the entire group across the river. Our success relied on long ropes, pulleys, carabiners, an inflatable dingy and team work.

Other camp challenges the girls experienced were sailing in yachts, a trip on the Ida Bay Railway, solo camping, hiking, preparing and cooking meals and cleaning up.

The Year 9 girls and I are very grateful for the tremendous effort and organisation that Mr David Witcomb and his expert outdoor education guides have put into this amazing camp experience. I have been fortunate to see the positive effects that camp has had on the Year 9 girls, and look forward to helping to guide them through their “year with a difference”.

Mrs Alanna Wighton
Acting Head of Year 9, Term 1

School Whips

Every year the students in Years 11 and 12 elect the Collegiate Whips. The job of the Whips is to be aware of times and events where Collegiate girls are representing the school in sports and competitions and to promote the events and encourage the rest of the Collegiate body to get behind our girls. They are easily recognised by their unique blazers and for the school spirit they display. It is my pleasure to announce that this year’s whips are Maddison Goldsmith, Year 12 (left) and Gabby McLeod, Year 11, (right).

Mr Michael Cross
Head of Senior School

Making dreams come true

Staff at St Michael’s Collegiate raised $1000 in less than 24 hours to help an aspiring teacher in the Solomon Islands realise her dream of attending University. In September last year twelve students and three teachers from Collegiate travelled to the Solomon Islands on the School’s inaugural Solomon Islands’ Cultural Immersion Program.

During their fortnight in the Solomons the girls lived in the local community, assisted in kindergartens, worked on literacy programs and helped in a regional training centre. They also donated text books, two laptop computers, a printer and sports equipment to local schools.

Collegiate Kindergarten teacher Louise Thorpe spent three days working with twelve Kindergarten teachers demonstrating innovative literacy and numeracy teaching methodologies. One of these teachers was Pamela who lives in Buma village on the island of Malaita. Like all the teachers in Buma, Pamela is untrained. Eighty children attend the Kindergarten where the staff do their best with very limited resources.

Whilst the Collegiate group were visiting Buma, Pamela revealed her dream to attend University to become a qualified teacher and develop the educational programs for the children in the village. Undertaking a degree for Pamela was financially impossible as the fees are comparatively very expensive.

Collegiate Chaplain, Scott Sargent asked staff if they would be willing to donate the $1000 needed to fund Pamela’s two years at University. The response was overwhelming with the target reached in a few hours and a laptop computer donated as well. Chaplain Sargent said “What generous and caring staff we have at Collegiate. Pamela will be thrilled - $1000 AUD is 20 weeks worth of average wages in the Solomon Islands. We are returning to the Solomons in 2011 and I look forward to catching up with Pamela and seeing how her studies are progressing.”

Picture shows Pamela second from right with other staff from the Buma Kindergarten.

Mrs Emma Munnings
Director of Marketing

Confirmation of Student Details

Parents are reminded to please return the Confirmation of Student Details form to either the Junior, Middle or Senior School Office as soon as possible.

After School Ballet / Dance Classes

to be held at the McNeill Performing Arts Centre, Davey St
Ballet Classes commence Monday 28 February
Jazz classes commence Tuesday 22 February

10 classes per term
Monday 3:45pm - 4:15pm Ballet - tiny tots ballet
Monday 4:15pm - 4:45pm Beginner pointe work
Tuesday 3:45pm - 4:30pm Tap Jazz Vocal 5yrs and up
Tuesday 3:45pm - 4:30pm Tap Jazz Vocal 5yrs and up
Wednesday 3:45pm - 4:30pm Ballet
Wednesday 4:30pm - 5:30pm Jazz Tap Vocal 9yrs and up
For more information please contact:
Jazz / Tap /Vocal teacher Mrs Ireson on 6223 4090 AH
Ballet teacher Mrs Sandy Robinson on 0429 850 800

The Committee of the Collegiate Old Girls’ Association is pleased to invite all Old Girls of St Michael’s Collegiate School to the

Collegiate Old Girls’ Association
Annual General Meeting

Election of executive officers and new COGA constitution to be adopted
Tuesday 15 March at 7:30pm
Cananore, Senior School
97 Davey Street

All welcome ~ no RSVP required

Please contact COGA President Melanie Betts ’06 on 0450 211 892 for more information or to request a copy of the proposed constitution.
Collegiate Fair

Parking
Please note that due to renovations, parking WILL NOT be available at the old Boags site over the rivulet at the bottom of Anglesea Street.

Delivering Stall Donations
Please deliver any donations for stalls to your daughter’s Campus or if you are able, to the Anglesea Campus.

Delivering Food
Gourmands and Domestic Goddesses, please deliver your home baked goodies to the Anglesea Campus on the afternoon of Thursday 3 March or anytime on the day of the Fair, Friday 4 March.

Chocolate Wheel
It is not too late for businesses to donate to the Chocolate Wheel. Please contact Jenny Coombes: 0407 247 006 or email cpa@collegiate.tas.edu.au.

Parents are invited and encouraged to donate the following items for the Fair on 4 March 2011, in addition to items required for House-run stalls:

**All Families**
Good quality items for Shack stall.
Plants, cuttings, bulbs and manure for Plant stall.
Beanie Kids, Barbies and Bratz dolls - 2nd hand in good condition.

**ELC**
Items for the Pirates and Princesses stall (ELC staff to advise).

**Kinder to Year 4**
Toy prize to value of $5; cakes, biscuits, slices; books, cds, dvds, computer games.

**Year 5**
Tray of seedlings, potted plant or bulbs: new make-up and nail polish

**Year 6**
New make-up and nail polish, 2nd hand Beanies, Barbies and Bratz Dolls.

**Years 7 and 8**
New make-up and nail polish

**Senior School**
New make-up and nail polish; House stall items

Mrs Stacey Abel
2011 Fair Co-ordinator

Fair Donors 2011
Our sincere thanks go to:
- Harry and Gina Souvleris - Food Stop
- Rob Moliross - Island Curries
- Halcyon Hairdressing Salon
- Oakley Textiles - Newton family
- Dr Joe Chau - teeth whitening voucher
- Term 2 swimming lessons - Collegiate Pool
- Edwards Windsor marque - Colin Fulton
- Forget-Me-Not Children’s Boutique - Alex Johnson
- Brown Brothers Wine - Fiona Lowe
- Sandy Robinson - Ministore vouchers
- George Humphrey - hand woven scarf
- Coombes family - hamper
- Gavalas family - Horticultural landscape supplies and garden products
- Hodge family - slushie machine and ingredients
- Hobart Bookshop - $50 voucher
- Dogs Business - Lesley Manson, voucher for grooming
- Myana Boutique - $50 voucher
- Hobart Golf Club - Roger Hughes, 1hour golf lesson
- Mountain Creek - tent
- Officemax
- Da Angelo’s - restaurant voucher
- Flathead - restaurant voucher
- Hetrel family - hair straightener, popcorn machine, hair curler
- Socrates - Kellie, 2 vouchers
- Panorama Wines - Sharon and Michael Vishacki
- Anonymous - 2 sports packs
- Genesis Fitness Club - Guy Franklin and Terry Moore
- Optomeyes - Sue Sluce, vouchers
- Tassal, Mark and Loretta Ryan - side of salmon
- Moonah Nextra and Art Supplies - Ken and Michelle Rathbone, 4 vouchers
- Mystical faces - Michelle Clark
- Rotolift Helicopter - Alanna Corbin
- Susie J Photography - portrait photography voucher
- Ray Harrison Tennis Coaching - holiday program
- Joan Harrison, Sirius Boutique - handbag
- Village Cinemas Hobart - double Gold Class pass
- Club Canine - vouchers
- Releaf Beauty clinic - voucher
- Battery Point Steakhouse (formerly Piccalilly) - voucher
- Snowgum - sleeping bag
- St Helen’s Shack - weekend voucher
- Garrett family
- Bay Milk Supply - Tony and Sue Marriott
- Amanda Phair - spray tanning voucher
- Massage Centre Salamanca - voucher

Mrs Jenny Coombes
CPA President

Green thumbs!
It’s not too late to get busy for the plant stall at the Fair. You can donate a tray of seedlings or those lovingly hand-raised cuttings from your own garden.
Contact Georgina Lienert on 0418 825 574 for more information. Plants can be delivered to Anglesea Campus on Thursday 3 March and Friday 4 March.
Collegiate Fair

Fri 4th March
Anglesea Campus
4 - 8pm

Entertainment  Food
Rides  Stalls  Family Fun
The Wooden Boat Festival 2011 – Quick and Dirty Boat Race

Last weekend was Hobart’s Wooden Boat Festival. One of the highlights of the festival is the Quick and Dirty Boat race, in which Victoria Kiddie, Gracie Hurd and Rowena Clark-Hansen (and Mrs Hade-Harris) competed. Over three days, we managed to build, paint and sail our boat. On the Saturday, we had three hours to successfully build our boat out of plywood by using Fixtech (silicon-glue) nails and cable ties. On the Sunday, we painted our wonderfully made boat to the theme of ‘Noah’s Ark’. Then, on the Monday, after a panicky morning of plugging boat-holes with chewing gum and meeting Jessica Watson, we sailed our boat, Noah’s Ark, at Constitution Dock. Our boat was first in the water, and successfully floating. A few other boats did not even make it to the start line travelling instead to the bottom of Constitution Dock. We were doing fairly well, until the second last leg of the race where we were sabotaged by an envious, swimming sailor. Unfortunately for us, the Wynyard Sailing Club boys took first place, however we won ‘Best decorated boat’. We all had such a great time and would like to thank Mrs Hade-Harris and her husband Rob for all their hard work and commitment to the race and the festival.

Gracie Hurd
Year 10

The 2011 Debating Season

We are all very keen to make 2011 a huge year for Debating at Collegiate and I am inviting students in Years 7 to 12 to write to me and express their interest in being part of the official school debating team. Debating takes place on Wednesdays after 5:30pm at school all over Hobart, both State and Independent. It is expected that parents will drive children to each respective venue and pick them up at the conclusion of each debate. Whilst there, children will, of course, be supervised by a Collegiate teacher. Debating is a fantastic way to extend one’s learning and it is such a superb way to consolidate one’s communicative skills. It also allows students the concrete opportunity to consolidate their social literacy.

If you are interested in being part of our debating teams this year, please email me and register your interest: william.simon@collegiate.tas.edu.au

I would love to also hear from any former Collegiate old girl, parent or guardian who could possibly assist with coaching some of our debaters. Please write to me if you can help out!

Mr William Simon
Head of English

Speech Night 2010 DVD

A professional DVD of Speech Night 2010 is available for purchase.

The cost is $25.00

To order your copy, please make payment either in person at the Senior School Office, or by calling 6211 4921

Year 9 Outdoor Education Program 2011

A Circular has been sent home with students this week to parents of Year 9 students containing further information about the following elective Camps in 2011:

**Term 1**

- Monday 28 March to Friday 1 April - Rock Climbing and Abseiling Camp
- Monday 28 March to Friday 1 April - Flinders Island Discovery Expedition

**Term 2**

- Monday 27 June to Sunday 3 July - Overland Track Bushwalk

**Term 3**

- Monday 7 to Friday 11 November - White Water Rafting and Activities Camp
- Monday 21 to Friday 25 November - Square Rigger Sailing Expedition

**Term 4**

- Monday 27 June to Sunday 3 July - Overland Track Bushwalk

**Term 5**

- Monday 7 to Friday 11 November - White Water Rafting and Activities Camp
- Monday 21 to Friday 25 November - Square Rigger Sailing Expedition

Mr David Witcomb
Director of Outdoor Education

Cyber Safety Tips For Internet Use at Home

from Mrs Janene crowle, Middle School ICT Coordinator

New and fun—take your 7 to 11 year old through a new cybersafety quiz

**New Kids Quiz**

A new quiz designed to teach children about being safe online has gone live on the Cybersmart website. The quiz is designed so children will have fun and be challenged while they learn key safety tips about using their favourite sites. Parents are encouraged to participate in the quiz together with their children and the start of a new year is the perfect opportunity to do that. All children aged between 7 and 11 years old are welcome to take part.

**The conversation**

Please complete the survey with your daughter. It will give you an insight into the online life of your daughter. Discuss any issues that arise. Talk to your daughter about the cybersafe measures that you or your daughter take when they are online.

You will find further tips in Ancanthe each week. For more tips and information go to: http://www.cybersmart.gov.au

CBAY

CBAY is the Collegiate Parents and Friends Association page where you can swap, sell and exchange goods, and share information about events. It is a service to current parents and staff and is not for CPA profit.


Available in this issue are various pieces of Uniform. Remember, if you want to list your item, please email full details to cpa@collegiate.tas.edu.au, with CBAY as the subject.

(Note: CBAY does not promote businesses and reserves the right to refuse to advertise inappropriate items)
From the Chaplain... Love
Erwin McManus in his book Soul Cravings writes: “To give up on love is to choose a life that is less than human. To give up on love is to give up on life. We cannot live unaffected by love. We are most alive when we find it, most devastated when we lose it, most empty when we give up on it, most inhuman when we betray it, and most passionate when we pursue it...We are created to know love and to give love. Our need to love, though rooted in God, is not limited to him. Love is not a limited commodity. Love expands as we give it away. Love dies when we do not. Without love there is no life. To love is to be fully human”.

As we journey this month as a school community examining and living the first Fruit of the Spirit - Love - your daughter will have been encouraged in chapel, in the classroom and hopefully through the consistent care and compassion of her teachers to grow in love for others. Jesus said that all the Biblical commands are summarised within the one command to Love God and neighbour. Jesus also taught that when it comes to loving our neighbour we need to simply remember to “do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Despite the care, the compassion and the love given to your daughter at Collegiate no one is better positioned to influence the towards love than you are. As you consistently model and show love to your daughter you increase within her the ability to show love to others. I think that is what McManus means when he writes that “Love expands as we give it away.”

For all commendable advise in the plethora of parenting books available to us, is not good parenting simply the modelling and giving of love to our children within appropriate boundaries - those boundaries set and enforced being themselves acts of love.

Scott Sargent
School Chaplain

Week 4 Term 1

Sunday 27 February
Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

Monday 28 February
Chapel: Kilburn/Rivers, 8:30am to 8:45am
Collegiate Parents’ Association Meeting, Cananore, 7:30pm, All Welcome
Year 6 Day Walk
Music: Marimba Ensemble, Middle School, 12:30pm to 1:15pm,
String Quartet, Broughton, 12:30pm to 1:15pm, Orchestra, McNeill PAC, 4:00pm to 5:30pm, Middle School Band, Middle School, 3:45pm to 5:00pm
Tennis: 1st Col v TFS at Col, 4:15pm, 2nd Col v TFS R at Col, 4:15pm
Soccer: Yr 10 Col W v SKC at MKC, 4:15pm, Yr 10 Col R v CCS at CCS, 4:15pm, Yr 9 Col v MTC at Col, 4:15pm

Tuesday 1 March
Chapel: Stevens/Mitchell, 8:30am to 8:45am
Music: Years 5/6 Choir, Middle School, 1:15pm to 1:50pm, Senior Choir, McNeill PAC, 12:45pm to 1:15pm, Bell Ringing, Middle School, 3:45pm to 4:30pm
Tennis: 3rd Col Bye, Yr 5/6 Col v TFS at Col 1, 4:00pm
Sailing: Col v TFS B, 4:50pm
Year 2 to 4 Minkey clinic at Anglesea, 3:30pm

Wednesday 2 March
Chapel: McPhee/Monty, 8:30am to 8:45am
Music: Musical Vocal Rehearsal, Middle School, 12:30pm to 1:15pm, Collegiate Singers, McNeill PAC, 4:00pm to 5:30pm, String Trio, Broughton, 4:00pm to 5:30pm
Softball: 1st Col v SMC at Col, 4:15pm
Tennis: 3rd Col Bye
Soccer: Yr 8 Col W v FAH at Col, 4:15pm