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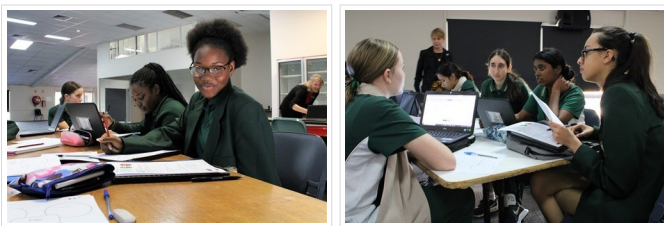
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17 July 2020

Principal's Message



Welcome to Term 3! We especially welcome back staff who have been on leave during the first part of the year:

- **Mr John Boumford** – Academic Leader for Health and Physical Education
- **Mrs Kate Brims** – Studies Academic Leader

New staff:

- **Mrs Lisa Courtney** – Student Services
- **Mr David Fielding** – Bus driver

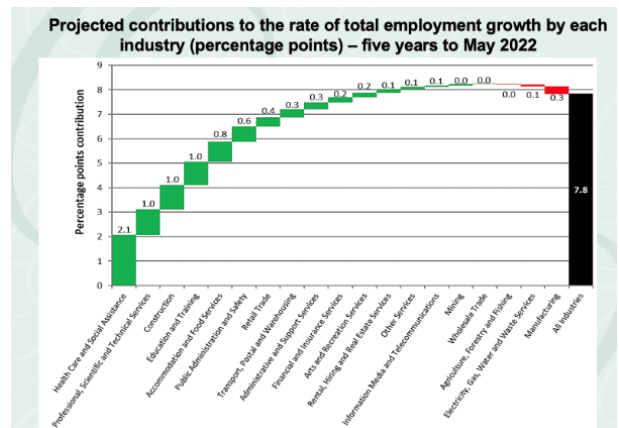
We also welcome new students and families joining our community.

This is the last full Term of study for our Year 12s. It marks the end of the formative stage of Senior schooling for our Year 11s. It is a time of discernment and decision-making for our Year 10s – and some will begin attaining their learner's permit. Year 9s are beginning to engage in the world of casual work. Year 8s are beginning to think about subject choices for next year, and our Year 7s are looking forward to their first full Term of secondary school because of the unusual year that COVID has had us working within.

For many of our students then, exploration of career pathways is significant right now. While tertiary institutions are not currently able to hold Open Days, virtual open days are available for many online. These provide a rich source of information. Government websites such as the link below provide more specific information about careers in particular industries.

<https://www.cyohealthcareer.com.au/>

An awareness of the national employment trends is very useful for students as they embark on the adventure of career choices. The graph below shows the relative growth of various industries projected to May 2022. It is clear that the most significant growth is occurring in the health sector (hence the link to the website above).



NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Employment is projected to increase in 16 of the 19 broad industries over the five years. The top 4 listed below are projected to provide almost two-thirds of the total growth.

1. **Health Care and Social Assistance Industry** is projected to make the largest contribution as the industry adjusts to full adoption of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), the ageing population and increasing demand for childcare and home-based care services.
2. **Professional, Scientific and Technical Services industry**, where employment is projected to increase by 12.5%, reflecting ongoing strength in demand for business services, including those that support the Construction industry.
3. **Construction Industry**, strong infrastructure investment and non-residential building activity, along with continuing high levels of residential construction are also expected to support strong projected employment growth in this industry up by 10.9%.

4. **Employment in the Education and Training Industry** is projected to increase by 12.0% with continued growth in the school aged population and international education sector.



This week, our Year 10 students engaged in the ACE program run by the SCIPs (School, Community and Industry Partnerships) organisation. Our Lady's College has been a member school since the creation of SCIPs 21 years ago. The organisation provides young people with job readiness skills and opportunities that enable them to participate in their communities through employment. ACE is a two-day program that focussed on employability skills as identified by Our Lady's College staff, students, employers and research conducted by the Foundation of Young Australians (FYA). Students learnt about:

- Interviewing techniques (individual, small and large group)
- Financial literacy for work (budgeting, tax, super, payslip, mygov, fair work)
- Communication and literacy for work (including phone/customer service)
- Dressing for success
- Workplace policies (OHS, identifying harassment)

The Year 10 Information Evening is scheduled for Tuesday 28 July at 7pm in the College Hall. Subject displays and an overview of the Senior phase of learning including attainment of the Queensland Certificate of Education, ATAR and pathways will feature. Further details will be provided to Year 10 parents. This is an essential evening so please prioritise it in your calendar. Health and government guidelines for social distancing are being practised to allow for this very important evening to proceed.

There are many significant events scheduled across the Term. We will continue to update you as to how these can proceed in line with any updated health requirements.

Paula Goodwin
Principal

Teaching and Learning

After a turbulent first half of the year, we are looking forward to some more stability for our students and families. Now that we are starting to get back into familiar modes, we are able to reinstate many important student activities.

In this first week, Year 10 students have been participating in the ACE program which offers students a good introduction into employability skills. Next week, we will be conducting modified school assemblies and take the opportunity to meaningfully recognise student achievements and activities that have taken place in Semester One.

In Week Three, our Parent Teacher Interviews and Year 10 Parent Information Evening will take place, offering opportunities to have meaningful conversations about student learning and progression. Specific information about conduct

for social distancing etc is being provided in preparation for each of these events.

Bookings for Parent - Teacher - Student interviews are currently open and due to close 3pm Friday 24th July. The interviews will take place between 3:30pm and 6:30pm 28th July 2020.

The Year 10 Parent Information Night will follow the interviews and are scheduled to begin at 7pm in the College Hall. Parents will receive vital information about the processes and structure of senior school and have an opportunity to speak with Academic Leaders regarding the courses offered.

Please be aware that both these events can only be attended by pre-booking your places. We appreciate your continued support in keeping our community safe in these times.

My best wishes

Anthony Stevens
Deputy Principal
Teaching and Learning

Community Matters

Starting the new term feeling fresh and organised will stand you in good stead for the term ahead.

Here are four helpful tips from Studiosity that will help you feel prepared and ready to take on upcoming assignments and exams with confidence.

1. Set up a study routine

Never underestimate the value of a routine, especially when it comes to schoolwork and study time. A good way to do it is to spend the first 30 minutes to an hour after you arrive home from school doing something you enjoy – which might be playing music, sport, video games, the gym or TV. Then spend an hour or two on homework before dinner. Be flexible with what subjects you study when. If you have a big maths exam coming up, spend the entire evening on maths and work on the other subjects tomorrow.

Practice your routine every day (even if you don't have much on - use the time to get ahead) and your workload will feel manageable.

2. Set positive, realistic goals for the term

Setting yourself goals and dedicating yourself to achieving them will help you stay motivated and help you achieve the results you want this term. And the best time to set them is when you're feeling refreshed and re-energised at the start of the term.

Set realistic goals that state exactly what you want to achieve. Be specific and acknowledge the effort required to achieve that goal. For example, you might say your goal is to achieve better marks in English this term, and the way you're going to achieve this goal is by increasing your study in English and seek help from a teacher or tutor once a week.

Write your goals down and stick them above your desk, or somewhere you will see every day, as a reminder of what you're aiming for.

3. Find a good study space

Create a designated area for your study where you can focus and limit distractions. Maybe you prefer the dining room table, or perhaps it's a desk in your room - choose a place you feel comfortable, alert and focused.

Make sure your study space is clean and tidy at the start of the term, as it will be easier to keep it that way in the future. Have whatever you may need during homework time at your study space, so you don't need to interrupt your study to get them - coloured highlighters, pens, pencils, erasers, sticky notes, calculators etc.

Computers are great for a lot of things during study time (including online tutoring, of course!), but can also be a major distraction (it's very easy to lose hours scrolling TikTok and Instagram). Use your computer when you need it, but be firm with yourself when you're done. Turn it off or move somewhere where you won't be tempted to have 'another quick look'.

4. Use school planners and calendars

One of the most important things to do to get organised is manage your time wisely. If you haven't got one already, get a term planner and fill it out with the important dates for the term. As assignments and exam dates come in, keep your planner updated. This will give you a good visual of what you have coming up and what you need to work around.

Once your planner is updated, make sure it is somewhere you will never fail to see it - on the fridge, on the wall above your desk or near the front door for constant reinforcement.

Tina Ellis
Assistant Principal
Student Wellbeing

Campus Minister



The St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal is still being conducted through the PC rooms. Thank you to those who have been so generous in donating blankets and non-perishable packaged and canned foods to support those who are struggling this winter. COVID-19 has caused many more to require our help. Please continue to support for another week after which we will transfer our donations to the local St Vincent de Paul conference.

Prayers please

Please keep the family of staff member, Anita Macknish, in your thoughts and prayers. Anita's father, Dennis Kelly, died during the holidays. May God's gentle presence comfort them in their grief.

Blessings,

Kay Holmes
Campus Minister

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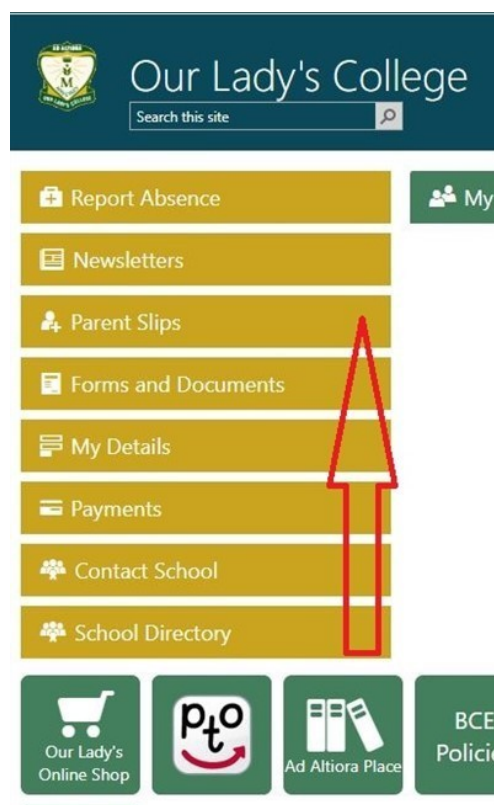
During the online learning time, Year 8 Technology students used a program called 3D Builder to design an object in the shape of their name. There were stock letters they could incorporate, or they could create their own shape and emboss the letters onto it. It was exciting to see the different options, and print them off, and let the students collect them when they arrived back at school.



Parent Portal Facts – Parent Slips

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Did you know that you can view all correspondence the College sends to you by simply clicking on the Yellow 'Parents Slips' tile on the left-hand side of the Parent Portal landing page? You can view both completed and current slips that need your attention.





Have you downloaded the BCE Connect App to your mobile phone yet? By downloading this free App and logging in you will unlock all the features, including access to the Parent Portal.

If you need assistance with either setting up a BCE Connect Account or logging on to the Portal, please contact the College office.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend experience for married couples, daytime, going home on the Saturday evening – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh your relationship.

Our next COVID-SAFE live-out weekend will be held from **24-25 October 2020** at Hendra (Brisbane inner suburb) from Saturday morning until Sunday afternoon (including Mass).

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V3PwNz9ENP1tiaSUaT1C_gqYkIghxzQ8/view?usp=sharing

For bookings/details contact: Maria and David Murphy, ph (07) 3342 1456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au Information website:

<http://www.wwme.org.au/>

Fees and Levies

College Newsletter and 2020 Calendar

Access our College Newsletter and 2020 College Calendar via the College website

<http://www.ourladyscollege.qld.edu.au>

Important Dates and Deadlines

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Absentees

Please Phone: 07 3426 8095 prior to 9.00 am daily

Email Link: www.ourladyscollege.qld.edu.au

Absentee Email: absenteeOLC@bne.catholic.edu.au

Or via the Parent Portal