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From our Principal's Desk,

Our Spiritual Theme for 2017 "Hearts of Kindness" and the text from Ephesians 4:32: "Be kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you" was beautifully lived out this week in the College Community as students and families generously supported the wear Blue for Joey Day. With over \$1600 raised the Student Representative Council, so capably lead by Miss Fulcher, can be proud of their efforts to support the Botha family. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support.

Mrs Coetzee and I managed to catch up with Rene and Xanthe whilst we were on our weekend retreat with the Year 10 students. It was good to be able offer first hand, our thoughts and prayers, and to see and hear how they are managing. With God on their side there is always hope!

"Year 10 students" and "Retreat" may sound like an oxymoron but in fact spending three days with this lovely group of young men and women at Agnes Water was indeed one of those experiences that will be added to my most favourite teaching memories. The positivity generated from being around teenagers who were well mannered, inclusive, energetic and very funny is a great way to lead into the last weeks of the school year. I encourage students, and families, to make the most of the final weeks. Just because assessment has been completed it doesn't mean that teaching and learning have finished.

Teaching and Learning News.....

We are finalising the assessment period at the College, in preparation for the report cards due in Week Ten. We assess for a range of purposes; not only to check on student progress, but also to assess the learning and teaching enacted in the College. Some students handle the assessment period better than others. There are ways though, in which we, as parents and teachers, can support our students to better cope with this experience.

During these times ensure that students continue to eat well. Often when energy is lagging, students (and adults) will turn to sugar filled food for the quick 'boost' it gives. As always, whole nutritious foods are better choices. Students need to also balance the need for study with adequate rest, remembering that teenagers often need around nine and a half hours of sleep a night. Study breaks that incorporate physical movement and activities can also be helpful in assisting students to maintain balance in their lives during this time.

We wish our students the best of luck during this time. Feel free to communicate with us if you are concerned about your student's welfare during this time. We are here to help.

Sandra Wass

17 November 2017

Kindness

BE KIND AND
COMPASSIONATE
TO ONE ANOTHER,
FORGIVING EACH OTHER,
JUST AS IN
CHRIST GOD
FORGAVE YOU.



Ephesians 4:32

Upcoming Events

19 November

- Prep invited to church 10:30 am

20 November

- PFC Meeting at 2:00 pm

21 November

- FCFD Year Four providing

22 November

- Interschool Swimming Carnival from 5:30 pm
- College Council Meeting and AGM - 6:00 pm

25 November

- Christmas Festival at the Lions Park

30 November

- Year Six Graduation

01 December

- Year Ten Graduation

03 December

- Carols by Candlelight

Prayer Families

Week 7

- Wieden
- Wilkie, T & M
- Wilkie, L & K
- Wilkinson

Week 8

- Williams
- Wills
- Wippell
- Witten

Birthday Blessings

The College Community would like to wish the following students a happy and blessed birthday.

November

- 17 Aaliyah Pakalu
- 19 Lincoln Boon
- 22 Abby Stevens
- 23 Olivia Osborne
- 24 Samantha Dendle
- 24 Thomas Hill
- 25 Grace McDougall
- 27 Jessica Madu



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From our Bursar's Office

Outstanding College Fees

A number of College Fees are still outstanding. These families are asked to pay their accounts immediately. Families on an approved payment plan are asked to ensure they have a NIL balance by 31 December 2017. Families may pay using internet banking, EFTPOS, credit card, cash or cheque. Families are reminded that any outstanding accounts at 31 December 2016 will incur a \$55 Administration Fee.

In preparation for 2018, the College would like to offer fee payment options. Families wishing to receive the 5% discount on tuition for full years fees in advance or would like to pay their fees by approved payment plans are asked to obtain a quote for 2018 by contacting Petrea Jensen in Administration. Please email her at accounts@rlcb.qld.edu.au, remembering this is a busy time of year and she will respond to you as soon as practicable. Payment plan quotes may include weekly, fortnightly or monthly installment options to align with parents pay days and ensure a nil value by 31/12/2018.

Uniform Shop

Reminders :-

- There are only four (4) uniform shopping days left before the end of the year.
- Stock Take in the Uniform Shop will be held on Thursday, 30 November 2017. Volunteers to approach Christine Cochrane if you can help.
- The Uniform Shop will be closed during the last week of Term Four after Stock Take

School Leavers Tax File Number

The Australian Taxation Office would like to encourage Middle School students to apply for a tax file number (TFN) while still attending school. A TFN is essential for their employment, deferring university fees or applying for Centrelink benefits. Please watch this video <http://tv.ato.gov.au/ato-tv/media?v=bd1bdiubkctq5u>. Don't miss out on money you've earned, apply for a Tax File Number (TFN) before you start working. Go to <https://ato.gov.au/getTFN> today.

LOST PROPERTY

There is a lot of clothing in the lost property basket. If you have misplaced some clothing, please come and check if it is in the basket.