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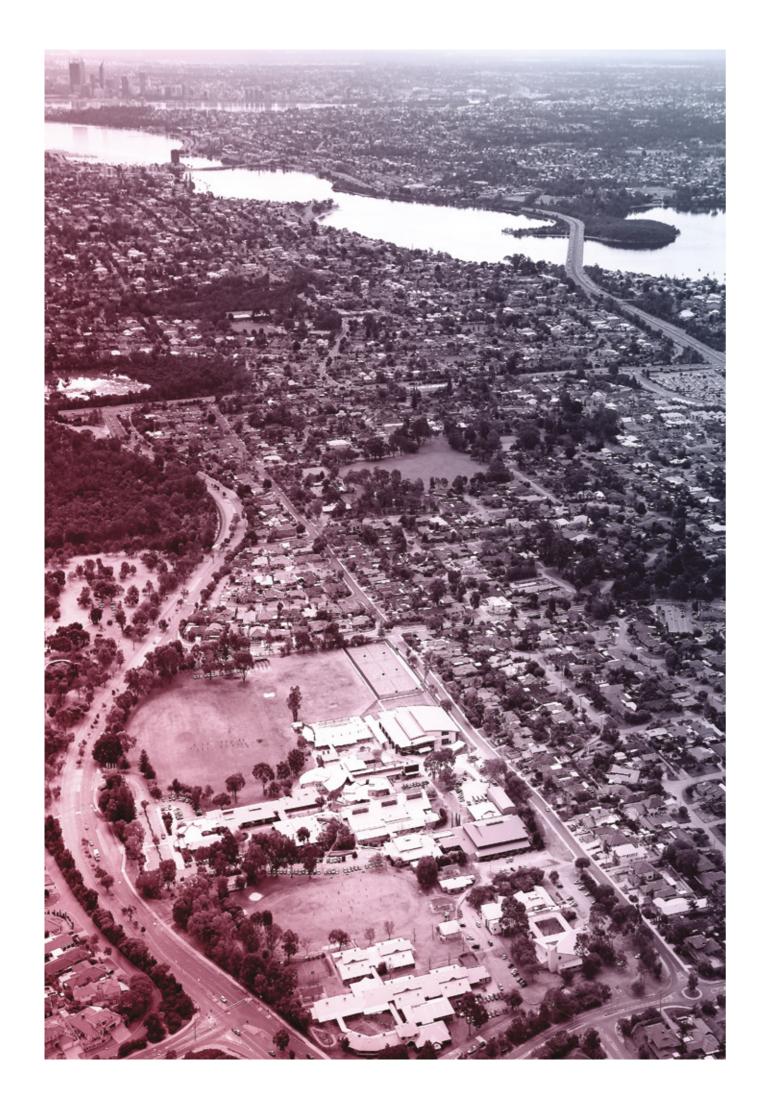
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# **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

#### **WELCOME TO CORPUS SPIRIT**



As alums of Corpus
Christi College, many
of you will recall the
College was founded
on the guiding principle
of Sequere Dominum,
or Follow the Lord.
It is this principle
that underpins our
educational philosophy
of developing the
whole person through

a holistic approach to learning. It is always affirming to hear of past students – some of whom have been profiled in this issue – achieving in such varied fields of endeavour across the globe and also at different stages of life. To have been educated at Corpus is to be set up as a lifelong learner; the strength of our alumni community is evidence of this.

Our world continues to evolve, and Corpus evolves with it. 2019 sees the launch of the College's new Vision for Learning – 'Ignite the Spirit' – which challenges every learner in our community to seize their potential and push the boundaries of possibility. The four principles of this vision are:

- Connection
- Challenge
- Curiosity
- Creativity

At Corpus there is a strong focus on developing confident, independent learners who are resilient and committed to serving others. Igniting one's spirit is a deliberate action, a conscious decision. It requires investment, energy and perseverance. It is not the easiest of paths and takes courage, trust and self-belief. The stories in this issue speak to several, if not all, of these four principles.

This magazine is just one glimpse into our culture. Every day, our students and alumni pursue their goals by 'having a go', exploring their passions, and connecting with like-minded peers and mentors. This is the 'true story' our families know and understand. Throughout this issue, there are call-outs for news and photographs. I encourage you to share your stories and milestones with the Corpus community so we can celebrate together and inspire, not just those of us who have completed secondary schooling, but the students currently studying at Corpus.

The year is not yet halfway over. I look forward to hearing news of your journeys and wish you all the best for the months to come.

Mayne

Caroline Payne
Principal



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# **BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT**

# THEATRE



















The College has unveiled its new 400+ seat theatre ahead of this year's production of Disney's Beauty and the Beast.

The state-of-the-art facility is designed to support a full range of student performances and activities. Features include bespoke acoustic panelling, a multi-function hydraulic orchestra pit, and digital LED screens and lighting.

The project further progressed the College's capital development plan, which also saw the completion of the James Nestor Centre and David Heath Gymnasium in recent years.

# WHAT'S ON AT CORPUS

#### DIGITAL CREATIVITY FOR ALL LEARNERS

Our new Digital Creativity course for Year 7 and 8 has led to significant benefits for our students with disabilities at Corpus Christi College. The course is based on Apple's Everyone Can Create curriculum and is designed to provide students with core digital skills in photography, video, audio and drawing.

Corpus Christi College is one of only two coeducational high schools in Western Australia with the prestigious designation from Apple of being an Apple Distinguished School. Allowing students access to 1-1 devices, Corpus is a pioneering force in secondary education, with each student receiving a personalised learning experience.

Every week, students participate in a Digital Creativity lesson to help consolidate their learning. Students have loved showing off their newfound creative talents by teaching older students with disabilities and staff, how to execute the perfect photo, draw a realistic self-portrait and map-out a detailed sketch-note of their favourite holiday destination.

'As Digital Creativity has given the students the opportunity to showcase their learning in different formats, we have seen their confidence and self-esteem sky-rocket. Students are able to engage and communicate in different ways which simply weren't possible before.'

- Frances Whiting (Educational Support Teacher)

As well as developing their fine-motor skills, creativity with iPads has also empowered the students in showing their understanding of a topic. For example, in Science

they use Mark-up to annotate and draw on a photo to show how electricity works. In Life Skills class, they draw on photos in Keynote and insert audio to explain how to tell the time.

If you'd like to see more Digital Creativity, check out the hashtag, #CorpusCreates on Twitter for snap-shots of the course in action.









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#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR DANCE**

It's been a busy Term with all things dance, as this year we have welcomed back the Boyz Dance Crew, and have enjoyed our newest addition, Dance Club. These groups run separately from our Dance Company and Collective, and no prior experience is required.

Dance Club is a brand new group created for 2019. This Club is specifically for those in Years 7 and 8 who would like to start dancing or just come along for a fun class. These classes are run by dance teacher Miss Emma Wells on Wednesday afternoons. In Dance Club, the students learn a range of dance genres and are given the opportunity to perform at the Dance Open Evening in Term 2.



With this positive learning environment and fun space to learn more about dance, the students have already established great friendships. When asked what they love most about Dance Club some of our students responded with:

'It's fun because you get to dance extra times in the week, and we get to do leaps!' - Alyssa

'It's a really fun activity to do with your friends.' - Ella

'Meeting new friends and having fun!' - Juliette

'You can show your emotions through dance. You can also share your ideas with everyone.' - Shari









The Boyz Dance Crew is aimed towards all those boys out there who enjoy getting together once a week, learning new moves and having fun dancing. This crew is run by Hip Hop specialist Drew, who is currently working on a military-inspired routine with the boys on Wednesday afternoons. In the Boyz Dance Crew, the focus is on developing skills in hip hop, break dancing and street dance.

Below is what some of the boys had to say about their crew:

'I have been doing [dance] since 2015. The main aspect that I like is that it brings all the year groups together. It breaks the boundaries that guys have about getting out of their shell, where you can express yourself a lot more freely than what you can do in sport. In dance, you can be yourself without any consequences or boundaries stopping you.'
- Samuel

'Boyz dance gives each of the boys an outlet for their emotions and helps them with physical and mental growth.' - Andrew

'It's fun!' - Hamish

'You work out even though you don't realise it because it's fun.' - Dieter



#### **RUNNING CLUB**

Rain, hail or shine, every Friday morning before school at 7.30am, over 100 Corpus Christi College students congregate at Piney Lakes reserve for the Corpus Christi Running Club. The club offers a great opportunity for students to improve on their general health and fitness, develop an interest in running or improve on their running ability, all year round. The popularity of Running Club across Years 7-12 demonstrates a widespread enthusiasm amongst students, some of whom will run competitively in carnivals such as intra-house cross country, interschool cross country or interschool athletics.

Whether it is to walk, jog or run, students will typically cover a distance of 3 to 5 kilometres during any one session before being rewarded with a healthy breakfast at the school cafeteria. Runners are also rewarded with a running club hat for regular attendance and a Corpus Christi 100 Club hat is awarded to those who complete 100 sessions overall.

Facilitated by four dedicated staff members and supported by additional teaching staff, the club demonstrates a sense of community in line with the College's Vision for Learning – 'Ignite the Spirit' – which encourages connection and challenge. For many years now, staff have seen firsthand the investment made by the members of the Running Club.

On behalf of the four lead staff members, Mr Reno Sinagra explains, 'The most satisfying element of running club is to see so many students come together willingly in a spirited manner and encouraging each other with respect. One of the highlights for me over the years was to witness a Year 7 student making his own decision to greet all 100 runners returning from their run with a 'high five'. This has become part of the culture of

running club and is indicative of how the students have embraced the club. Running Club has helped develop excellent relationships between students, helped many students set goals for themselves, and has been beneficial for many students' health and well-being. Besides the support from the staff and students, it is also satisfying to receive many positive comments from members of the community each morning.'











## PEOPLE OF CORPUS

#### **SALLY FARRINGTON | CAMPUS DEAN**



Ms Farrington has been with the College since 1993 and in that time has undertaken many different roles, including Head of House, Head of Science, Head of Year and most recently Campus Dean. Some of her key contributions to College life include: working with Student Leaders; being involved with soccer, tennis and football; travelling to India and Cambodia on Immersions, and establishing the Excelsis Club.

#### WHY DID YOU BECOME A TEACHER?

I come from a family of teachers. Initially I didn't study to be a teacher but realised the best part of my previous work was presenting and teaching others, so I went back and completed my Dip Ed.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLLEGE EVENT? WHY?

I really enjoy the graduation of our Year 12 class each year - it is great to celebrate the completion of a journey with both the students, their families and the staff of the College. We welcome students in when they join the College and have the privilege of watching them develop into valued filled, fine young men and women.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE QUOTE?

"Everybody has something good inside them. Some hide it, some neglect it, but it is there." Mother Teresa

#### HOW DO YOU LIKE TO SPEND YOUR TIME OUTSIDE **OF WORK?**

I love going to different places in the world and discovering how people do things differently.

#### **SIMON MESSER | HEAD OF YEAR 8**



A familiar face at Corpus Christi, Mr Messer is an active contributor to the full life of the College. Commencing in 2005 with the Health and Physical Education team, Mr Messer has clocked countless hours supporting our students in extra-curricular sports, most notably Senior Boys Soccer and the Golf Development Squad. His commitment to fostering the growth of our students, however, extends beyond the sporting field – as a Head of Year, he has an integral role in ensuring we provide the best pastoral care possible.

#### WHY DID YOU BECOME A TEACHER?

I have a love of sport and wanted to pass that on to the next generation.

#### WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT **CORPUS?**

The people and the students.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLLEGE EVENT?

The Indoor Soccer Tournament and Talent Quest.

#### WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF WORK?

I have a passion for golf and love watching and coaching my kids playing sport.

#### JUDY COELHO | COORDINATOR OF LITURGY | JEAN-PAUL PAPINEAU | DEPUTY PRINICIPAL **AND MINISTRY**



Mrs Coelho joined the College in 2017 as the Coordinator of Liturgies and Retreats. She can be found working behind the scenes with our Ministry team to coordinate our liturgical celebrations and year level retreats, in addition to teaching Religious Education and Religion & Life. Last year, along with a few other students and teachers, she shaved her head in support of the World's Greatest Shave, raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

#### WHY DID YOU BECOME A TEACHER?

I always liked to answer the questions of inquisitive young people.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLLEGE EVENT? WHY?

Corpus Christi Day because it is great to see the community come together.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE QUOTE?

"Never see a need without doing something about it." St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE OR DREAM TRAVEL **DESTINATION?**

I have been to Israel, and would like to go again with the Tantur scholarship to do Biblical studies.





# OF MIDDLE SCHOOL



Corpus alumni (Class of 1999) Mr Papineau returned to the College in 2011 as a Head of Year and has since undertaken roles such as

Acting Deputy Principal Senior School, Deputy Principal Curriculum & Administration and most recently Deputy Principal Middle School. A master of many disciplines, he has served as: an invited speaker at interstate and international Apple education conferences; a coach of Touch Rugby and Junior & Senior Basketball; a Mock Trials coordinator; a staff chaperone for the Reunion Island language tour; and our resident DJ at inter-house sporting carnivals.

#### WHY DID YOU BECOME A TEACHER?

My Accounting Teacher and Head of Year 11 Mrs Judy Stringer was an inspiration. She set high standards to challenge us, knew us as people and supported us to try again when we failed. She was one of many brilliant teachers I had as a student who I try to emulate today. I hope to be a positive influence in the lives of my students the same way my teachers were for me.

#### WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT THE COLLEGE?

I love that a pillar of the Corpus Christi College Vision for Learning is Creativity. We don't just teach students the answers to known problems, we help them develop the skills they need to solve problems they haven't even encountered yet.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLLEGE EVENT? WHY?

Easily the Year 9 Personal Project exhibition. The Personal Project is a huge challenge which serves as a rite of passage from Middle into Senior School. I am always amazed at what our students are able to complete in a year and love celebrating their success with them.

#### WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR HIDDEN TALENTS?

I've played the drums in a number of bands over the

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# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

#### **LUKE DAWSON | CLASS OF 2003**

Since graduating from Corpus Christi College in 2003, Luke has ventured down several professional pathways, including working in the Sports industry while completing his university degree before 'finding his groove' as a successful real estate agent in Perth's southern suburbs. But it was a passion for travelling the world that led to him and his partner Erlyn signing up for a new adventure: Remote Year.

Founded by two friends in the United States, Remote Year is a working travel program that facilitates 12 months of travel for professionals, entrepreneurs and digital nomads. The premise of the program is that participants keep their existing jobs in their home country and embark on a year of world travel, living in 12 countries for one month each. The company arranges an apartment and workspace in each respective city, as well as flights and a series of cultured local events. With approximately 45 other participants in each program from all around the world, the networking and professional development opportunities are invaluable.





The program is a natural fit for Luke, who has spent most of the last 15 years using annual leave to take shorter holiday trips. He and Erlyn decided that they had an itch that needed to be scratched: 'We have

travelled together extensively but never for more then 2 – 3 weeks. We felt that we needed to get away for an extended period of time but obviously needed to keep working to be able to fund it.'

Speaking from his apartment in Marrakesh, Morocco (month 11 of 12) Luke shared his experiences with Corpus Spirit. 'It has been the experience of a lifetime. Spending a month in each country while still working really gives you a taste of being a local rather than a tourist,' he said. While travelling alone or as a couple was an option, Luke explained that one of the biggest benefits of the program has been the lifelong friends he and Erlyn have made from within their group.

Asked if he would recommend the program, Luke gave a resounding yes. 'If there is any possibility that you can shift your current role and work remotely, take it with both hands. I have been involved in more interesting and diverse experiences this year then I have in the last 15 combined – the life experience has been second to none.'

2019 will see Luke and Erlyn return to Perth with a renewed lease on life. 'I think after 58 flights and over 250 hours on planes, it is time to be back in Perth for a while. It is amazing the path that life takes you. I wasn't really sure of what I wanted to do post high school and if you'd told me in 2003 that I would be where I am today, I would have never believed it,' Luke said.

For more information on Remote Year, visit the website: www.remoteyear.com/about-us

For more information on Luke's experiences, please feel free to get in touch with Luke via email or social media:

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#### RIGEL PACIENTE | CLASS OF 2015

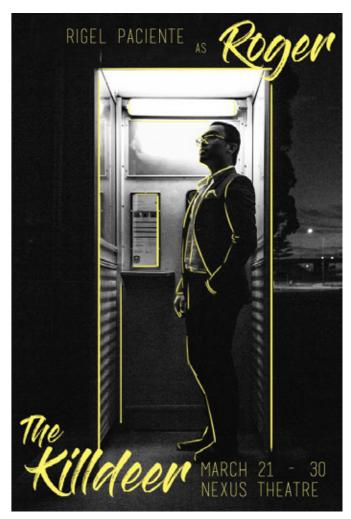
Up-and-coming actor Rigel Paciente (Class of 2015) recently starred in Murdoch Theatre Company's original musical *The Killdeer*. Written and directed by Taylor Broadley, with music by the Cinnamon Line, *The Killdeer* follows the story of Elliot, who is returned to his family five years after being abducted at age 11. Rigel played the character of Roger.

'As much as I loved the other roles that I have played, Roger's complex characterisation has been something that I have thoroughly enjoyed exploring. As such, I would say that *The Killdeer* is, by far, the most enjoyable and memorable experience during my involvement in the theatre (sorry, Mr. Dove),' said Rigel.

While at Corpus, Rigel starred in multiple College productions: Romeo in 2012's Romeo and Juliet; Bugsy Malone in 2013's Cagey Joe; and 2015's A Midsummer Night's Dream. After graduating, Rigel commenced his Bachelor of Science majoring in Anatomy and Neuroscience at the University of Western Australia. Determined to still be involved in performing arts, Rigel secured roles in productions staged by UWA's much-lauded theatre clubs UWA Pantomine Society (PantoSoc) and University Dramatic Society (UDS) in 2016. Rigel took a break from theatre in 2017 to assume a leadership position on the UWA Student Guild Council, before returning the following year to perform with Show Choir at UWA and a winning a coveted lead role in Murdoch Theatre Company's play Sour Fruits.

Asked if he had any advice for any budding actors at Corpus, Riger said, 'Keeping your body, mind, and soul at their highest potential will allow you to create amazing art when the opportunity arises. Taking care of your mind and conditioning yourself to think a certain way will alleviate any stress, anxiety, or feeling of worthlessness – [this is] crucial to committing to that audition or role. It is easier said than done; I, too, am still working on this. These stresses might stem from fear of rejection, however, rejection is inevitable regardless of your talent or abilities. Also, practice. As cliched as this sounds, success is 90% practice and 10% talent.'

What's next for Rigel? Set to graduate this year, he plans on enrolling in a Masters in Biomedical Science before going on to study Medicine. However, if permitted, he also wishes to undertake a Diploma of Musical Theatre at the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) whilst studying his Masters.





**PHOTOS: Perfectly Picturesque Photography** 

In the meantime, he will also keep auditioning for various productions at local companies. With his impressive track record and healthy mindset, we have no doubt Rigel will be treading the boards for years to come.

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### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

#### MIN WOO LEE | CLASS OF 2016

20-year-old Min Woo Lee continues to impress as one of Australia's most talented young golfers. After much success as an amateur – including winning the US Boys' Junior Amateur Championship in 2016 – Min Woo turned professional in January this year.

The right-hander has already notched up strong showings on the European Tour, competing in tournaments in Abu Dhabi, Saudi Arabia and Germany. He recently returned to Perth via the United States to compete in the Super 6 at Lake Karrinyup, before globetrotting back to Oman, then Qatar, completing upwards of 60,000km of travel this year alone.

'The first year as a pro is tough, but if I'm travelling around the world and playing prestigious events, I'm doing well,' he recently told AAP. 'I'm doing great with the travel. It's important to sleep on planes and maintain gym work, as well being disciplined with my nutrition and hydration. But, hey, it helps when you are 20.'

A member of the Royal Fremantle Golf Club, Min Woo competed in junior amateur tournaments while in secondary school. Sports Coordinator James Howard remembers Min Woo as an exemplar athlete and team player: 'Min was a humble, well-mannered student who despite his heavy roster of golfing commitments would always step up to represent the College. Whether it was basketball, swimming or athletics he took pride in representing, and enjoyed nothing more than playing for and with his mates.'

Inspired by his older sister Minjee (Class of 2013) – World Number 3 and Australia's top-ranked female golfer and four-time LPGA Tour winner – Min Woo hopes to eventually secure a tour card to compete in the United States on the PGA Tour.

It's a goal Head of Year (and keen golfer himself) Simon Messer believes is possible. 'It was very clear that during Min's time at the College he had the ingredients to be successful. He had goals, determination, an excellent work ethic and a hunger for improvement. On top of this he was polite, respectful and was still able to put the needs of others before his own. We are all very proud to see his hard work coming to fruition.'

The College is supportive of student athletes who excel in sports at school and outside of school, and hopes current students will be inspired by both Min Woo's and Minjee's international successes.

Follow Min Woo's journey via the social channels below:

**TWITTER** @Minwoo27Lee

**FACEBOOK** www.facebook.com/minwooleegolf

**INSTAGRAM** @minwoo27lee



Min Woo Lee (centre) Class of 2016 with Cam Jones (left) Class of 2016 and Head of Year Simon Messer (right) at the Lake Karrinyup Super 6 competition.

#### **SUBMISSIONS** | ALUMNI STORY CALL OUT

Are you, or one of your fellow alumni doing something you want to share with us? Whether you run a successful small business, made a state or national sporting team, or you are achieving outstanding success in your chosen field, we want to hear about it!

For inclusion in one of our issues, please provide a short write up with current relevant photos, as well as your graduating year and any relevant studies while at Corpus. Articles will be posted as space permits. All alumni related communications can be sent through to:

communications@corpus.wa.edu.au

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# **LOOKING BACK**



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# **ALUMNI ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Weddings

#### SEAN COOK '10 to BRONTE SNABEL-MATTHEWS '10

NOVEMBER 2 2018 PEEL MANOR HOUSE

#### **GIULIA MICALIZZI '10** to ALFREDO BUCOLO

AUGUST 8 2018 TAORMINA, ITALY

#### MATTHEW GOVORKO '07 to MELISSA SMYTH '07

NOVEMBER 10 2018 ST. COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SOUTH PERTH

#### AIDEN LEDO '07 to ALEX INKSTER '07

APRIL 6 2019 CHRIST THE KING CHURCH, BEACONSFIELD

#### **CLARE PICKERSGILL '07** to ANTHONY SANTORO

MARCH 30 2019 NANGA BUSH CAMP, DWELLINGUP

#### JEAN-MARC PAPINEAU '06 to CHRISTAL GOH '07

NOVEMBER 3 2018 ST. COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SOUTH PERTH

#### JESS SARACO '10 to ANDREW EDWARDS

MARCH 9 2019 STS JOHN AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH, WILLETTON



#### TARA REGAN (NEE COLLARD) '07 and CON REGAN '07

Tara and Con are delighted to announce the birth of their boy: HENDRIX CORNELIUS BRADLEY REGAN BORN FEBRUARY 24 2019





#### **ALUMNI ANNOUNCEMENTS | CALL OUT**

Have you recently been married or had a baby? We'd love to announce it!

For inclusion in the next issue of *Corpus Spirit*, please provide photos from your life event, where and when it occurred, full names of those involved, as well as your graduating year.

Photos will be published as space permits. Please provide high resolution photographs with full names and graduating years of all alumni in the photos from left-right. Please list non-alumni as their relation to you (e.g. friend, parent, relative etc).

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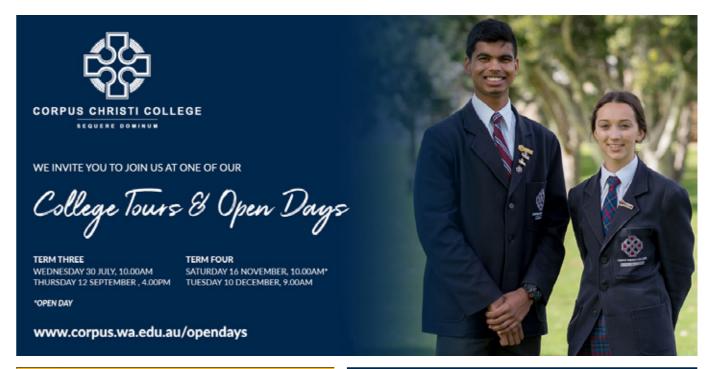


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# **EVENTS & NOTICES**

# Class of '98 20 YEAR REUNION - NOVEMBER 10 2018







#### SAVE THE DATE: August 1-3

Corpus Christi College invites you to 'be our guest' at this year's whole College production of Disney's Beauty and the

There will be three spectacular shows performed over three nights, in our new state-of-the-art theatre.

With a live band, singing, dancing and a cast and crew of over 90 students, this classic musical is not to be missed.

Ticket sales to be announced shortly - be sure to join the Facebook event for updates!

# YEAR 7 2020 & 2021

# Interviews on now!

We are currently interviewing applicants for the Year 7 2020 and 2021 cohorts. We encourage families to submit their applications to **Registrar Alexandra Carcione:** 

registrar@corpus.wa.edu.au 08 6332 2567

www.corpus.wa.edu.au/enrolments

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#### **REUNIONS | EVENT DETAILS AND PHOTO CALL OUT**

Are you planning your graduating year's reunion? We'd love to help get the word out!

We can also assist with the planning, venue recommendations and ticket sales for your event, as well as sharing photos with the community after the event.

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