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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Corpus Christi College invites you to take the opportunity to explore the wide range of learning opportunities afforded our students, from the moment they join our community.

We inspire students to live out our College motto, Sequere Dominum,

to 'Follow the Lord', to search for deeper understanding and meaning in whatever they study.

We motivate students both individually and collectively to achieve excellence by empowering them, teaching them to work together, learning alongside one another to achieve goals that will help them to realise their potential in the future.

We enjoy a reputation for academic excellence and for educating young people to serve as school and community leaders. In response to the needs of students in today's rapidly changing world, we equip students to be life-long learners and global citizens, technologically savvy, able to meet life's challenges due to the support they receive from their families and the education they have gained from their College.

We care for students. Pastoral Care at Corpus Christi College means enhancing the dignity of each person within our community. Pastoral care infuses every part of the culture of the College – through their Homeroom teacher, the House system in which all students are involved, the Heads of Year who oversee the collective pastoral program for students, through the psychological support offered to those who require it and the online tools available to support students who need help.

We provide a well-rounded educational program for each child. We value the individual child and understand that our role is to provide a learning environment in which the intellectual, spiritual and personal needs of our students can be catered for in our academic and pastoral programs. Educational programs are created for gifted and talented students in a range of fields, as well as individualised support for students with disabilities or learning difficulties - the College caters for all students.

Corpus Christi College is proudly a Catholic school with strong ties to the surrounding parishes, a school that values the relationships built with these communities beyond graduation. These are some of the defining characteristics of the College and what makes us unique in our community.

Frank Italiano Principal



### MESSAGE FROM ENROLMENTS



# WELCOME TO CORPUS SPIRIT

Welcome to the 2020 Semester 2 edition of Corpus Spirit, our online magazine for the Corpus Christi College Prospective Parents Community, designed to keep our future families and broader community

connected to what's happening at Corpus Christi College.

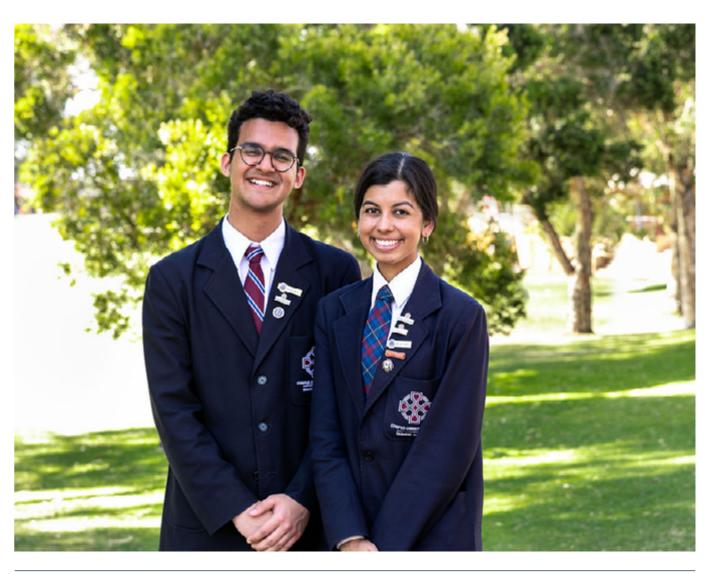
We understand that choosing a high school for your child's education evokes a sense of curiosity, nervousness and excitement rolled into one and we are delighted that you have expressed an interest in our College and welcome you as part of our extended College Community.

If you have any enrolment queries please do not hesitate to contact me. I thoroughly enjoy meeting new families and getting to know all of our applicants – something we all pride ourselves on, for although we are a big school of up to 1300 students, each child is a valued member of our College, bringing with them unique interests, talents and experiences.

To find out more and to keep in touch with Corpus Christi College, follow our social media pages and be sure to check out our online News page for updates on our website.

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### WHAT'S ON AT CORPUS

### SUSTAINABILITY AT CORPUS IN 2020 AND BEYOND

In October, Catholic Education WA announced the winners of their inaugural Quality Catholic Education (QCE) Awards, with Corpus Christi College winning the Stewardship category (secondary schools) for 'Stewardship in Action'.

Spearheaded by Sustainability Coordinator Mrs Melissa Baines, Stewardship in Action is an ongoing initiative aimed at improving the ecological footprint of the College. Developed as a result of students, teaching staff, support staff and the Parents & Friends' Association identifying environmental sustainability as a key priority for the College community, the initiative seeks to create sustainable change through culture and behaviour change.

The collaborative approach to investigating and addressing how the College can be more sustainable has led to the following positive changes and actions this year:

- Completion of a Waste Audit
- Application for Waste Wise Schools Accreditation, as awarded by Waste Authority WA



- Cessation of the sale of bottled water in the cafeteria
- Promotion of reusable water bottles, including having stainless steel water bottles for sale in the cafeteria
- All cafeteria packaging replaced with compostable BioPaks
- Selection and development of Stewardship Student Leaders from Years 7-12





- Student Voice feedback and ideas sessions
- Sustainability 'Tips of The Week'
- Development of a Sustainable Living subject elective for Year 9
- Specialised recycling station in the library
- Theatre screenings of environmental documentaries
- 'Threatened Species' Bake Off a themed cake competition
- Ratification of the College Waste Policy
- Establishment of the Sustainability Club
- Installation of additional timed and sensor lights around the College, as well the programming of airconditioning units for optimal energy efficiency

Engaging the whole College community has been key to sourcing a range of ideas and formulating opportunities for everyone to become involved. Student Voice sessions gave students the opportunity to provide feedback and suggest ideas on how the College can become more sustainable. The students are given the opportunity to collaborate with staff and the P&F to develop their ideas, propose actions and to raise required funds – the specialised recycling station in the Library is an example of a student idea coming to fruition through this process.



Students are empowered to educate and encourage the whole student body on matters of sustainability. Activities such as the 'Threatened Species' Bake Off and the screening of documentaries connect students from a range of different year and student groups. The development of Stewardship Student Leaders has allowed students from Year 7 to Year 12 to work together to represent their peers and to voice environmental issues that are important to the students. The recent two-week student challenge to address litter and waste on the College grounds is an example.

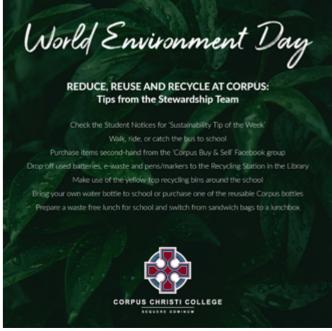






Some of the 'Threatened Species' Bake Off Entries

The students and staff have worked together to keep the College community informed of the progress made and goals achieved. Sustainability 'Tips of The Week' appear in the student notices each week, and submissions are regularly made to the College eNews and social media pages showing how students and staff are working together to improve the school environment. The College eBoards are also kept updated with ways in which students can become involved.



Tips from the Stewardship Team on the Corpus Christi social media pages

The College thanks all students, staff and community members for their contributions so far and looks forward to another year of collaboration and innovation in sustainability practices.



Campus Dean Sally Farrington, 2020 Stewardship Prefects Ellie Cokcetin and George Norris, Sustainability Coordinator Melissa Baines and Principal Frank Italiano at the 2020 QCE Awards, after being announced the winners of the Stewardship category.

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### **BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT**

Exciting news: construction on our Aquatic Centre is running ahead of schedule, with the facility expected to be ready for the 2021 competitive swimming season.

The centre will feature a covered and heated 25 metre, eight-lane indoor lap and water polo pool, a separate 12 metre learn-to-swim pool, and terrace seating for approximately 200 people.

We greatly appreciate the contribution facilitated by the P&F Committee through funds raised from the P&F quiz night and the P&F levy for the following Aquatic Centre equipment:

- Pool covers with additional bench seating
- Water polo scoreboard system



- Pool equipment cages
- Water polo goals

We look forward to sharing more updates as it progresses. Visit our website to view the Aquatic Centre fly-through:

www.corpus.wa.edu.au/capital-development













### **ARTS FESTIVAL**

Over three nights in September, the College celebrated the 2020 Arts Festival, which showcased the best of our Year 12 final works. The Festival opened with the Visual Art exhibition and Year 12 Dance Perspectives. The second night featured the Music students' final Compositions, and the third night closed the festival with the Year 12 Drama Monologues and Solo Performances.

The performances and exhibition were a valuable opportunity for students to gain feedback and demonstrate their talents in an open forum. We congratulate all of our Year 12 performers and artists for rising to the occasion and also thank our community for their enthusiastic attendance.





















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### YEAR 7 2021 ORIENTATION DAY

On Tuesday 24 November 2020, we commenced the next chapter in the life of the College community by welcoming our Year 7 2021 cohort to Corpus Christi College for their Orientation Day.

The Homeroom teachers, House Coordinators, Science staff, Health & Physical Education staff, along with the Teaching Assistants made the day, as always, memorable and fun.

The following evening, parents were invited to their first Parent Information Evening in the Caroline Payne Theatre.

We look forward to having these wonderful young women and men join us in February.











### **HOUSE CUP RESULTS**

Over the course of the school year, House points are awarded for participation and performance across a variety of areas in Sports, Academics, Arts and Ministry. 2020 demonstrated the importance of working as a team and staying connected, despite the many challenges that we faced this year.

The year started with the Swimming Carnival, where MacKillop swam their way to first place. In other sporting events Xavier impressed with a win at the Cross Country Carnival, while Chisholm triumphed with a back-to-back win at the Athletics Carnival.

In Academics, the best performing House overall in Middle School was Romero in both Semester 2 2019 and Semester 1 2020. In Senior School, Merici was the top performer in Semester 2 2019, with Xavier taking

first place in Semester 1 2020.

The Arts points for this year were awarded to Xavier House due to their high level of participation in the annual Corpus Christi Day Talent Quest.

Once again, all Houses contributed generously to Ministry efforts in 2020. Salvado's efforts resulted in them collecting the most canned food for Quest, whilst Xavier's creative prowess saw them in first place for the LifeLink activity.

There was a very clear winner this year, with a final score that was 18 point ahead of its closest competition, with wins in every area of the House Cup. Congratulations to Xavier, winner of the 2020 House Cup!

HOUSE	SCORE
Xavier	67
MacKillop	49
Salvado	45
Chisholm	44
Merici	43
de Vialar	42
Pallotti	36
Romero	35











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### **PEOPLE OF CORPUS - STAFF**

### **ROWAN PLATEL**

MATHS TEACHER

#### Alumni - Class of 1999

Maths teacher Rowan
Platel didn't expect to
return to Corpus Christi
as a teacher – the Corpus
alum (Class of 1999) spent
15 years as a project
and sales manager in the



Technology industry before deciding to change careers. After qualifying as a registered teacher in 2017, Rowan joined the Mathematics learning area at the College in 2018.

In addition to being in the classroom, Rowan lends his mathematics expertise to the increasingly popular Maths Club and also coaches both Senior Football and Junior Girls Basketball. In keeping both the mind and body active, Rowan sets an example for how we can train ourselves to be our best.

# WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT CORPUS?

What's not to love?! The culture is just amazing. The staff are extremely friendly and welcoming, the facilities are A-class, and the students are ALL incredible. To be honest though, the greatest part of Corpus is the Cafeteria. The food they produce for staff and students is worthy of 3 Michelin stars. Gordon would be proud!

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

Corpus Christi Day. It is loads of fun, all the staff and students get involved, and the Talent Show puts X-Factor to shame. Any Staff vs Students games are also a lot of fun!

#### DO YOU HAVE ANY SECRET TALENTS?

During isolation I started learning guitar - I can play 'Hot Cross Buns' and 'Mary had a Little Lamb'. Rock on!

### **JOSHUA PAULEY**

XAVIER HOUSE COORDINATOR & MATHS TEACHER

Xavier House Coordinator Josh Pauley is one of our favourite men in black! The Mathematics teacher joined the College in Term 3, 2018 and has



been an active part of College life both in and out of the classroom. When not coordinating House activities or teaching Maths, he can be found coaching the tennis team, Year 7 boys football, cricket or basketball. Josh became a teacher because he enjoys helping people improve and reach their personal best – we are lucky to have him here helping our students achieve their goals.

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

The smiles that staff and students always have. The hive of activity on a day to day basis makes for a fun working environment. The progression of students as they move through the years is cool to see.

#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLLEGE EVENT?

Inter-house Athletics Carnival. It is always a fun day where everyone is striving for their best, although I'm looking forward to one that isn't raining! Silent Groove at Corpus Christi Day is a close second.

#### WHAT IS THE BEST HOLIDAY YOU'VE BEEN ON?

It's a tie between my honeymoon to Sri Lanka and a boys snowboarding trip to Austria. How good was it when we could still travel?



#### **LEANA MARTIN**

WORKPLACE LEARNING COORDINATOR

Workplace Learning Coordinator Mrs Leana Martin brought a wealth of experience with her when she joined the College in Term 4, 2019. The former corporate banker worked



in London for many years before making the move to Perth and commencing her journey as a teacher.

After becoming qualified, Mrs Martin taught for almost a decade in a variety of learning areas, including Career & Enterprise, Health & Physical Education, Humanities, Business, Mathematics and Religious Education.

Towards the end of her stint at her previous school, she focused primarily on Careers, in particular: transition interviews, Year 10 selection interviews, organising work placements, and coordinating career information sessions for different year groups.

When the opportunity to coordinate Workplace Learning came up at Corpus Christi, Mrs Martin knew the role was for her. She is now a valued member of the VET & Transition Services learning area, as well as de Vialar House. We are very fortunate to have her expertise with work placements and industry, especially in this atypical year!

# WHAT DOES A DAY AT CORPUS LOOK LIKE FOR YOU?

As Workplace Learning Coordinator I am responsible for organising work placements for Senior School students. This involves working with the students, employers and parents to ensure a meaningful placement is made. I also help support students with their university applications and provide career counselling advice.

# WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT CORPUS?

The people (staff and students). I feel privileged to be a part of such a caring and nurturing community who cater for all abilities and individuals.

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

I have three darling children, Harry (5), Rose (3) and Alice (1) who keep my husband and I entertained. I am part of a great community-minded gym. I love all things outdoors including running, surfing and going camping with family and friends.

### **ANDRE PAPINEAU**

MATHS TEACHER

Celebrating the big 4-0!

Mathematics Teacher Andre Papineau was recently honoured at Catholic Education WA's annual breakfast for staff who have completed 30, 40 or 50 years of service in the Catholic



education system. After teaching at various schools, Andre commenced at Corpus in 1987 and has been part of our journey ever since.

During his time here Andre has contributed to College life in innumerable ways, including several years as a Head of Year and coordinating various extra-curricular activities. Much loved by current staff and students as well as our alumni, Andre's enduring enthusiasm and positivity for the teaching profession has touched the lives of many in our community.

Thank you, Andre, for your continuing contribution to Catholic Education in Western Australia!

### WHY DID YOU BECOME A TEACHER?

I love communicating knowledge, encouraging student learning an being involved in developing student potential and skills. Many of my family are or were teachers.

# WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT CORPUS?

The students - welcoming, challenging, questioning, seeking answers, creativeness. Also, having a close relationship with many of my colleagues.

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

I have a love of learning foreign languages, reading, and travelling to experience other cultures.



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This is a FREE service for our current families, to encourage community spirit and support. Families who submit their details will have their business advertised on our online Corpus Business Directory, on social media and in our digital magazines. To view some of the other businesses that belong to our College families, visit:

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