From the Principal

Welcome to our first edition of Crossroads in its new form which celebrates a wonderful year amongst our past and present members of the Cabra community. One hundred and twenty-five years ago the College opened its doors on 14 January 1886 as a Convent and Boarding School for girls. Over the last 125 years Cabra has continued to grow and develop in order to meet the educational needs of its students. Today Cabra Dominican College has 1080 students, 80 teachers and 45 support staff making it one of the larger colleges in South Australia. We are very proud of our heritage and of the Dominican Sisters’ magnificent contribution to Catholic education. So much of what we enjoy today is the fruit of their generosity, expertise and wise stewardship over many generations of students. We are also grateful for the generous and loyal support of the many Cabra families who have made it possible for the College to have the means to continue to develop the resources needed to provide each generation of students with a first rate education.

I extend my best wishes to the Cabra family both past and present and encourage you to visit us some time in the near future.

Brian Schumacher
Principal

“We are standing on the shoulders of the ones who came before us.”

Joyce Johnson Rouse
The College excitedly awaits the completion of the final stages of development of our new St Dominic’s Hall. In 2010 we bid farewell to the original structure, constructed in 1958, to begin development of the new building as part of the Government’s Building the Education Revolution program. Upon its completion, it will serve as the College’s central performing arts centre enhancing performances, experiences and learning.

Since the announcement of the College’s major Master Plan in 2007, major redevelopments have occurred throughout the College including the redevelopment of the Canteen in 2008, the Student Services precinct (housing the Middle School Office, the School Nurse and Counsellor), the Block Room and Uniform Shop in 2009, and the Staff Room, General Laboratory and Media Centre in 2010. We thank all who supported the College’s redevelopment through our Capital Development Program.

The 2011 Cabra Musical, a production of Disney’s Aladdin Jr, was a great testament to the wonderful talents and perseverance of the over 70 cast and crew members involved in successfully bringing the production to life.

At the Hopgood Theatre this May, a captivated audience was dazzled by an impressive cast led by talented principals, Daniel Claridge as Prince Ali, Brooke Miller as Princess Jasmine, Nikki Klindzic as Genie, Anthony Zatorski as Lago, Aiden Foyel as Jafar, Ben Samuel White as the Sultan and Bridie Greene as the Magic Carpet. The quality of the performance was strengthened by the talents of our Cabra musicians, set and costume designers, technicians and all other crew members.

Thank you to all students, staff, parents, old scholars and friends of Cabra who generously volunteered their time to make Aladdin Jr a great success.

**Old Scholars’ Tour Day**

Tuesday 1 November
9:15am College Tour
10:30am Morning Tea

To celebrate 125 years of establishment, we welcome our Old Scholars back to the College for a stroll down memory lane and the opportunity to view the many changes the College has undergone throughout our rich history.

Please contact the College to register your attendance.
Staff News

Farewells

In 2010 and 2011 the College bid a fond farewell to the following members of the Cabra staff. All made a valued contribution to our Cabra community and we wish them every success and happiness in their future endeavours.

2011
- Alan Teoh
- Brendan Cave
- Mary Waterkey
- Renee Fort
- Nick Porter
- Marilyn Coleman
- Sharon McGowan
- Wendy Edwards
- Kath Cossey

2010
- Carmelita Coen
- Aggie Morony
- Susan Young
- Frank Marinucci
- Kathryn Barty
- Tanya Jones
- Aaron Billing
- Ryan McMahon
- Karyn Prior
- Arran Peterson
- Matt Levey
- Michelle Beck
- Leanne Ryan
- Paula Freer
- Nathan Vaughan
- Beat O’Derrant
- Nathan Vaughan
- Kathryn Hanna
- Dave Thulborn
- Jane Lewis

SR MARY MATTHEW O.P (1928-2011)

The Cabra Dominican College community is saddened by the passing of Dominican Sister, Sr Mary Matthew O.P, at the age of 84, in March 2011.

Joining the Cabra Dominican Convent at the age of 17, Sr Mary Matthew dedicated herself for 68 years of service to the Dominican tradition.

As an educator, Sr Mary Matthew used her unwavering dedication to the Dominican teachings to impart both her knowledge and faith to her students. Sr Mary Matthew never failed to impress as she quickly adapted to new technologies through her advanced computer skills, texting, emailing and keen interest in photography. We remember Sr Mary Matthew, her family and friends and the Dominican Congregation in our prayers.

Anouncements

Archer was born to Thaïs Bussenschutt and Ken in February.

Ruby Mae was born to Fiona Draft and husband, Lee, in May.

Georgia Eve was born to Beth Caldwell and husband, Adam, in May.

Zara Eve was born to Barry Hallsaworth and wife, Belinda, in August.

Amelia Lily was born to John Cameron and wife, Sandra, in August.

Melissa Munn and husband, Simon, are expecting their second child in October.

Lara Lang and husband, Benno, are expecting their first child in January.

Nadia Fantasia and husband, Ryan, are expecting their child in January.

Staff Honour Roll

In 2010, the Staff Association facilitated the installation of the Cabra Dominican College Staff Honour Roll in the Staff Room which recognizes 20 years of service to Cabra. Upon its unveiling, the board revealed the names of 34 of the individuals listed below (those highlighted continue to serve the College). We thank all honourees for their dedication to Cabra Dominican College.

- Sr. Anne Stewart (O.P.) - 1977
- James Moncur - 1977
- Michael Holdcroft - 1977
- Mariel Gorrie - 1977
- Alan Tush - 1977
- Cheryl Webber - 1975
- Pat Allen - 1979
- Neil Rayford - 1979
- Bill Giles - 1979
- Margaret Flaherty - 1981
- Tess O’Callaghan - 1981
- Paul Wickers - 1981
- Rob Jarrett - 1982
- Kathleen Kelly - 1982
- Eddie Lang - 1992
- Pauline O’Donnell - 1982
- Leon Shacklesford - 1982
- Andrew Taylor - 1992
- Neil Cutting - 1983
- Tanya Sharkey - 1983
- Angie Morony - 1984
- Sandra Hill - 1985
- Rosemary Kopf - 1985
- Brian Sharkey - 1985
- Greg Way - 1985
- Carmen Friedichs - 1985
- Kathryn Barty - 1986
- David McNamus - 1986
- Carol Smith - 1986
- Aldo Zetti - 1986
- Galen Bane - 1986
- Brendan Case - 1989
- Aileen Hayball - 1989
- Kath Cossey - 1992
- John Simpson - 1991

Vocational Prize

Dendra Cappello and Christina Garuccio were both South Australian recipients of the Australian Government’s 2010 Australian Vocational Student Prize. Dendra was recognised for her Certificate II in Hairdressing and Christina for her Certificate II in Children’s Services.

Congratulations Class of 2010

Cabra Dominican College congratulates all Stage 2 students of 2010, who through perseverance and dedication to their learning and support of one another ensured that they made the most of their abilities to achieve academic success.

High Achievers

We would like to specially acknowledge the outstanding achievements of the following students, all of which achieved an ATAR of 90 or above which placed them in the top 10% of students in South Australia and the Northern Territory.

- Jonathon Sheldrick - Baden Corr
- Tara O’Loughlin - Luke Holmes
- Michael Fitzpatrick - Tess Rodgers
- Stephanie Lannone - Kate Brown
- Amy Sutherland - Beth Douglas
- Lang Jasen - Jordan Robertson
- Patrick Sowula - Genevieve Bowyer
- Monica Deng - Kayla Jones

Perfect 20s

We also specially congratulate the following students for achieving perfect scores (20/20) in a chosen Stage 2 subject.

- Dendra Cappello - Design, Construction and Community
- Monica Deng - ESL
- Tara O’Loughlin - Tourism
- Amy Sutherland - Biology
- Jonathon Sheldrick - Maths Studies
- Lang Jasen - Physical Education

On 8 February these students and their parents were invited to Government House to receive their awards at the SACE Board Merit Ceremony.

Outstanding Achievement - Jonathon Sheldrick

The DUX of our 2010 Stage 2 students was Jonathon Sheldrick. Jonathon’s dedication to his academic goals enabled him to achieve an exceptional ATAR of 98.7. We wish Jonathon all the best in his future endeavours.
Where Are They Now?

Cabra Primary in Sudan Celebrates Five Years

In 2011, Cabra Primary, located in South Sudan, excitedly celebrates five years of establishment. The school was inspirationally founded in 2006 through the vision and perseverance of Cabra Old Scholar, Deng Chuor (’05). Deng envisioned an institution which offered children of the area an education, many of whom would otherwise not have received such an opportunity.

Five years onward and Cabra Primary, which embraces the motto ‘And the truth will set you free’, has now flourished to over 1,100 students and has cultivated an admirable reputation for its devotion to the Christian tradition and support of the local community. The school has also established a commendable sporting status.

In addition to his continuous support of Cabra Primary in Sudan, Deng was also recently admitted to Candidacy for the Holy Order which has formally accepted him as a candidate for ordination to the Diaconate and Priesthood.

Would you like to help?
It is estimated that between 95%-98% of the people of South Sudan are illiterate, making the story of Cabra Primary School all the more remarkable.

If you would like to offer your assistance to Cabra Primary School in Sudan please contact the College.

Building Hope

J o Brennan, now Heath (’84) joined the world’s largest non-for-profit building organisation, Habitat for Humanity, as their CEO in July of 2009. The former Program Director and Global Operations Manager for the Macquarie Group now leads the organisation responsible for building hope to over 2 million people in over 80 countries around the world, offering disadvantaged families access to a unique self-sustaining model of home ownership.

In March of 2011, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of International Women’s Day, Jo led 100 women to Nepal on a mission to build 10 homes in five days. The participating women donated their time, labour and $5000 each to fund the two year program which will assist over 250 female-headed households and will provide access to a safe and decent home, a toilet, safe drinking water and sanitation and livelihood training.

Prior to the acceptance of her new position, Jo’s impressive 20 year career saw her hold leadership roles in Santos Ltd, NAB and Ernst & Young. Jo was also a teacher and a member of the SA Catholic Finance Board prior to moving to Sydney.

Food for Thought

Madeleine Parry’s (’06) documentary, Murder Mouth, was awarded the People’s Choice Award at the 2011 South Australian Screen Awards.

After leaving Cabra, Madeleine volunteered her services at the Adelaide Film Festival, on local independent films and feature films interstate.

In 2016, Madeleine met renowned documentary maker, John Safran, and local producer, Daniel Joyce. Through the advice and support of Safran, who is now Madeleine’s mentor, and Joyce, Murder Mouth was produced. The documentary explores issues associated with ethical food consumption. To find out more about the film visit www.facebook.com/lifedeathanddinner.

Dominican Sister Honoured by NAIDOC

Member of the Dominican congregation, Sr Doreen Hynes (’51), was the recipient of the National Aboriginal Islander Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) award for her services to the Aboriginal and Catholic community. At 77, Sr Doreen provides private Maths and English tutoring to Year 5 through to Year 11 Aboriginal students and was recognised in July of this year for her dedication to this role. The presentation ceremony aimed to raise public awareness for Indigenous culture, in particular, for South Australia’s 2,000 Catholic Aboriginal families. Sr Doreen has supported the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry since its foundation 31 years ago through, importantly, preparing Aboriginal youth for their sacraments.

Blossoming Business

M ing Liang Ma (’02), who migrated from China and his partner Hao Li, founded Cherry Blossom, the Sushi Bar franchise which now has 19 stores across South Australia. Ming Liang Ma, who later studied at Monash University, now owns six of the stores and was recently the recipient of the Entrepreneur of the Year Award presented by the Hong Kong Australia Business Association. The award was presented at a gala dinner held at the Entertainment Centre earlier this year.
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02. Jakob, a son to Jeanne Grodziki nee Bachmann (’90) and Matthew Grodziki and a brother to Caleb
03. Hudson, a son to Amelia Egan nee Wilson (’99) and Sam Egan
Jakob Ziggy, a son to Krzysztof Sikorski (’99) and Verity Sikorski
Layla, a daughter to Sasha Scarri nee Bastran (’98) and Andrew Scarri and a sister to Samuel.

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To view and order photos from our Black and White 125th Birthday visit www.eventadelaide.com/galleries
Password: cabra125