Chev Need to Knows



Friday 13 October 2023



From the Principal

Overseas Conflict and Social Media Concerns

Obviously, we are all aware of the terrible atrocities that are occurring in Gaza and Israel. Certainly, our thoughts and prayers are with the innocent local and international citizens caught up in this tragic situation on both sides of the conflict.

As part of the current situation, it has come to light that some of the atrocities are being, and may continue to be, posted across various social media platforms. Just as the Christchurch Mosque killings were streamed and shared online several years ago, Hamas has indicated it will execute hostages and this very violent content is likely to be posted to various social media platforms.

I bring this to your attention so that, as parents, you can continue to be mindful of the online places and spaces your children access throughout evenings and weekends. I ask that you remind your children that if they see or hear, are sent or shown, any words, photos or videos that make them feel scared, confused, or upset they can talk with you or relevant members of staff at the College. We all want to keep our community safe. We all want to protect our young people.

As well as the above, if you are made aware of any concerns by your child you have the option to:

- Report any related antisocial behaviour, including threats, abuse, and harassment, directly to local police.
- Call Triple Zero (000) if they become aware of an immediate threat.
- Report any disturbing online content to the eSafety Commissioner via the 'report abuse' button on the landing page of the eSafety website.

For further information on what you can do if you see distressing content online, please click on this link.

Please feel free to reach out to the College with any concerns and I ask that you continue to keep all those innocent people caught up in the situation in Gaza and Israel, on both sides of the conflict, in our thoughts and prayers.

Finally, as an MSC community which values kindness, compassion, respect, and love, I know that we will continue to express 'Spirituality of the Heart' by focusing on what unites us human beings made in the image and likeness of God, rather than focusing on the differences which divide us.

Building Masterplan

Student and staff consultations were held on 21 September, and feedback from staff and students on the Masterplan design was positive. Students particularly liked the enhanced catering (café/cafeteria), sports and performing arts facilities, as well as the well-connected campus. Leaf Architecture presented updated floor plans which reflect the numbers of spaces required to support anticipated enrolment growth into the foreseeable future.

The current concept plan now incorporates previous consultations with representative groups of staff, students, and parents with further input from the College Leadership Team and the Building Sub-Committee representing the College Board. Currently the Building Sub-Committee is working with Leaf to develop a staging strategy which will be presented to the Chevalier community in mid-November.

Greg Miller Principal

Upcoming events

Parent and Carer Community Forum - Flipped Learning Micro-credential





The focus of this forum will be to introduce our Flipped Learning Micro-credential for students to clarify the purpose of the credential to start the journey of developing self-regulated learners, and to explain how parents can follow their child's progress towards attaining the credential. In addition, there may be other aspects of Best Use of Time that we will clarify on the evening.

Thursday 19 October John Fahey Centre 7.00pm

If you wish to attend this forum, please register using this link.

Junior Production - I'm with Cupid!



Box office sales are now open for Chevalier's junior production "I'm with Cupid!". This production combines romance, humour, and an electrifying soundtrack of chart-topping pop hits that delve into the anatomy of human emotion. It is a hilarious tale of love, vulnerability and what makes a truly strong heart. Written by Chevalier's own leader of CAPALoT, Joshua Combes.

Performances commence at 7.00pm on Thursday 26 October, Friday 27 October, and Saturday 28 October, with a 2.00pm matinee on Saturday 28 October.

Book your tickets here.

Year 7 'G Day' Celebration

Chevalier College and Year 7 students invite Grandparents and other 'Great' people to our very special G Day celebration.



Join us for a liturgy/blessing, music concert, and delicious afternoon tea as we celebrate the great people in our Year 7 students lives. Grandparents, parents, carers and other special people such as aunts or uncles of our Year 7 students are very welcome to attend what will be a wonderful afternoon.

Date: Thursday 9 November, 2023

Time 1.15pm - 3.00pm

John Fahey Centre, Chevalier College

Book your free tickets by 2 November: Year 7 G Day Tickets



Chevalier Past Students 'Back To Chev' Weekend - Friday 17 November - Sunday 19 November

We invite all Chevalier Past Students to our 2023 Back 2 Chev Reunion Weekend!

We have a number of reunion celebrations over 3 days, including golf, college tours, a special oration by Dr Andrew Browning AM (CPS 1987), and a cocktail party.

We can't wait to welcome you back to Chevalier College!

Follow this link to see the full list of events and to book your tickets!

If you would like more information please contact our Development Officer, Averil Cutroni on 4861 0519.

Dr Andrew Browning AM Oration, Cocktail Party and College Master Building Plan Launch

As part of our Back To Chev weekend celebrations, the wider Chevalier community are invited to come along and hear an oration by Chevalier Past Student Dr Andrew Browning AM.

Dr Browning AM is an obstetrician-gynaecologist who has devoted his life to improving maternal health in Africa, with a particular focus on fistula surgery. He has collaborated with Dr. Catherine Hamlin and is the founder of the Barbara May Foundation.

After Dr Browning's oration, drinks and canapes will be served, and our College Building Masterplan will be unveiled.

Tickets for this unmissable event are \$25.00 and can be booked below:



Dr Andrew Browning AM Tickets

Save The Date - Carols on The Meadow Thursday 30 November

Our Carols on The Meadow evening is on Thursday 30 November 2023 at 5.00pm. We are looking forward to the Chevalier community coming together for a fun-filled evening of student performances, delicious food, and Christmas spirit!

Extra Curriculum

Summer sport team uniforms

Summer sport team uniform purchases can be made on the following days from the Chev Shop. Prices can be found on the College website.

Wednesday 18 October

Break 1 — Boys uniforms Break 2 — Girls uniforms

Team uniforms are not compulsory for Development Squad members.

Coach Phillips

Extra Curriculum Administrator

Other matters

Vaccination consent

If you have a child in Year 7 or 10, please don't forget to fill in your immunisation consent online before **17 November 2023** if you have not already done so, using this link. For more information on vaccination, visit NSW Health's website.

The Physio Space - Performance Academy Scholarships

The Physio Space in Bowral and Moss Vale are about to complete the application cycle for their Performance Academy Scholarships for 2024. The annual Scholarship is for athletes aged between 12 and 18 years.

Each Scholarship position includes one full year of comprehensive Performance Sports Physiotherapy tailored to the athlete, including pre-season goal setting, injury prevention exercise programming, monthly review and check-in sessions, and much more.

For further information including eligibility criteria and the application form, please go to <u>The Physio Space website</u>. Applications close **Friday 20 October**.

Uniform Shop

Please note: due to our material manufacturer's closure during COVID, we are currently out of size 6L and 8L dresses, and have limited stock of all other dress sizes. Our suppliers are doing all they can to get us dresses as soon as possible, however, we will not have replacement stock until the end of October. Until stock arrives, we will have to limit purchases to one dress per student.

We will advise via Student Daily Notices and Chev Need to Knows when new stock arrives.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Calendar Events

⇒ HSC Exams – 11 October to 3 November



- ⇒ Year 9 Agriculture Incursion 17 October
- ⇒ Chevalier Day Liturgy 20 October
- ⇒ ISA Round 1 21 October
- ⇒ Year 10 Retreat 23 October to 24 October
- ⇒ Year 8 Science Excursion 24 October
- ⇒ Scone Show Team 26 October to 29 October
- ⇒ Year 9 Exams 2 November to 6 November

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