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Deb Kelly Farewell

Mrs Kelly has worked at the College for 27 years mainly in the area of Food and Hospitality. She is an exceptional organiser who always has taken pride in her work. She has always put everything into looking after the staff and students.

Those who have worked with her in this area note that Mrs Kelly “is a remarkable Colleague who has been cherished by many of our students. She is a perfectionist and has the shiniest kitchen in the Southern Highlands.”

Mrs Kelly even had a short stint in Learning Support and it was noted, “Her kindness and ability to respond to student needs shines through her enthusiasm. Our team has greatly appreciated her contributions this year.”

Mrs Kelly has worked above and beyond in her role, always assisting anyone who needs anything kitchen-related. She loves the students and has enjoyed watching the young ones grow. Her can-do attitude has helped the College with all things food-related, especially with the Social Club when it comes to BBQ time.

Mrs Kelly has always been so generous with her time. As one staff remembered, “When we were going through Covid, some staff opted to work from school. Each day we would begin with a Covid-safe walk to Jules Café where Deb would greet us with a coffee. The coffee was world class, but it was the heartfelt greeting from Deb that we really went for. Deb was a spark that kept us going during Covid.”

In 27 years at Chevalier College, Mrs Kelly has not just fulfilled her role well, more so she has become an integral part of students' journeys, offering unwavering assistance and fostering a positive environment. Her professional and committed approach to work has positively impacted student wellbeing similar to that of a teacher. Mrs Kelly is leaving an indelible mark on countless lives through generous support and genuine care.

We offer Mrs Kelly and her family every happiness in the future and hope she enjoys a well-earned rest in her retirement years.