Below is a copy of a letter sent home to all parents and students on Wednesday, from Mr Mark Bodycoat, Chair of Council.

Dear Members of the Loreto Community

I am writing to inform you that our Principal, Cheryl Hamilton, has been appointed as the new Principal of Loreto Coorparoo, in Brisbane, to commence in January 2011.

After 10 years of loyal and committed service to the Loreto Marryatville Community, Cheryl returns to Coorparoo, having been both a past student and staff member of that College.

Cheryl’s departure will be a great loss to Loreto in Adelaide. She has led the College through some of the greatest changes it has seen in its history and has balanced, with great skill, dedication and wisdom, the competing demands of moving to lay administration and preserving the charism and philosophy of Mary Ward.

The College Council will now begin the search for a new Principal, with a view to being able to announce an appointment by July this year, with a commencement date during January 2011. We will provide further information from time to time, as it becomes available. In the meantime, Cheryl will continue to lead the College until year’s end.

Yours sincerely

Mark Bodycoat
Chair of Council

As you might well imagine, this is a week of mixed emotions for both Ian and me, as we look towards a return to Queensland but, also, towards a departure from Adelaide; a place we have very much come to love and call home these past ten years. Our decision to return to Queensland is very much about returning to be with my family. My Mother and Father both turn 70 this year, so the time seems right and, of course, I’m thrilled, excited and humbled by the appointment to Loreto Coorparoo, as it is my beloved old school. However, saying goodbye to Loreto Marryatville, and all the friends we have been blessed to come to know and love in Adelaide, will not be easy. Ian will be especially sad to leave Mercedes College; a school community of which he greatly enjoys being a part.

Ian and I wish to thank you for the many kind expressions of support and your warm congratulations on this new and important chapter in our lives. But, now to 2010 …….

This is Verity;
To hear truth with a mind that accepts;
To receive truth and respond;
To search for truth with eyes wide open;
To speak truth with courage and hope.
With passion, may we be advocates for verity.

Amen
Welcome

We especially welcome all new families and students. We trust and pray that your time as members of this community will be enriching and joyful.

We welcome the following new staff to the College in 2010.
- Miss Lydia Baccanello (Health & Physical Education)
- Ms Tennille Cobb (Year 1)
- Ms Sarah Clark (Music 6-8)
- Ms Emma Georgiadis (Year 5)
- Mrs Fiona Griffiths (English)
- Mr Sam Martin (Drama)
- Ms Louisa Mulligan (Head of English)
- Mrs Lauren Noack (Year 4)
- Mrs Isabelle Roberts (REC R-5 (+ Year 2)
- Mrs Nicola Swiderski (Year 10 Co-ordinator)
- Ms Emma Thomson (Psychology)
- Mrs Simona Spajic (Tuckshop)
- Mrs Brenda Trimbo (Student Services)
- Mrs Patty Warrender (Biology, Science) and
- Ms Debra White (Mathematics/Information Technology)

We also welcome back to Loreto, after various periods of leave, the following staff:
- Mrs Rosalie Gleeson (Deputy Principal)
- Ms Jacky Hamilton (Head of Art)
- Mr Andrew McDonald (OHS&W)
- Ms Nadege Otina-Griffin (French)
- Ms Annelies Roe (Year 6)
- Ms Cheryl Stephens (Science) and
- Mr Lee Swiderski (Curriculum Development Co-ordinator)

During the holiday period, we farewelled from the College Dr Kathy Daniels, Mr Aldo Longobardi and Mrs Rachel Elgar. We wish to express our thanks to them for their fine contribution over the years and to wish them every best wish for the future in their new positions at Horizon, Eynesbury and OLSH Colleges, respectively.

Outstanding Year 12 Results

Congratulations to Loreto’s Class of 2009, with particular congratulations to Emma Colombo, College Dux, who was one of only six students to top the state, achieving a Tertiary Entrance Ranking (TER) of 99.95 with five “perfect 20s”. Emma achieved her Merits in Biology, Chemistry, Economics, English Studies and Italian. For the third time in four consecutive years, Loreto’s College Dux has achieved a “perfect” TER of 99.95 and five Merits. Alyssa Fitzpatrick (2006); Danielle Fitzpatrick (2008); and Emma this year. Indeed, an enviable record for any school.

In all, Loreto students achieved 33 Merits across 13 subjects in 2009, with eight students (9%) achieving TER’s above 99, placing them in the top 1% of the state.

Merits were achieved in the following subjects: English Communications (6); English Studies (5); Physical Education (4); Art Practical (3); Chemistry (3); Economics (2); Physics (2); Psychology (2); Women’s Studies (2); Biology (1); Italian (1); Textiles (1); and Lifestyle and the Community (1).

Furthermore, 85% of Loreto’s Year 12 students in 2009 achieved at least one A grade – 14 girls achieved 5 A’s; 7 girls achieved 4; 18 girls achieved 3; 19 girls achieved 2; and 26 girls achieved 1.

These outstanding results are a testament to a great deal of hard work by students, as well as the strong support from staff and families in 2009. Congratulations and well done!

We celebrated these achievements with the Class of 2009 at the special Merit Ceremony held at the College last Monday, 8 February. The Class of 2009 have, indeed, set the students of the College an inspiring benchmark for which to aim in the years ahead.

Student Theme for 2010

In keeping with the theme of VERITY, the student leaders have challenged the student body to “Find. Know. Show. (in twenty, one, oh)”. Verity is all about being true to one’s talents, opportunities and self. It is about finding, knowing and showing your true self to others in a spirit of felicity, freedom and honesty. In many ways, it is about being “true blue”; “Loreto blue”. Verity is intrinsically linked to sincerity, but it is also linked to courage. We are challenged to seek the truth, hear the truth and receive the truth; but, most of all, we are challenged to live the truth by acting always with courage and compassion. Congratulations to the Class of 2010 on capturing so well, through your theme, the essence of VERITY.

Swimming Carnival 7-12

Congratulations all round to the House Leaders on your first major event for 2010. Tuesday’s swimming carnival was a huge success. Your good planning, preparation and organisation; your outstanding house spirit and superb leadership; and your true sense of teamwork, helped to make the day all that it was. Particular congratulations to Barry House on winning both the Spirit Cup and the Carnival Trophy. A ‘double win’ is always exciting.

There were also some impressive individual results on the day, so we look towards a strong showing at the upcoming interschool competitions next month.

IMPORTANT

Please note a later finish for 6-12 students on Thursday, February 25th.

The Athletics Carnival at Santos Stadium on Thursday, February 25th is not expected to finish until approximately 2.45 pm. For this reason, those students returning to the College by bus are not expected to be back at school until approximately 3.20 pm to 3.30 pm. As such, dismissal for these students on this particular Thursday will be later than a normal Thursday. This will, therefore, affect all students R-12 who catch one of the Loreto bus services.

The Loreto Hills Bus Service and the Loreto Northern Suburbs Bus Services will, therefore, depart later than usual on Thursday, February 25th. Students in R-5 who catch these services will be required to attend out of hours school care from 2.30 pm to 3.20 pm, at no cost to parents.

Traffic and Pedestrian Safety

I’d like to thank the Community for the increased focus on safety in and around the College. It is pleasing to see that students are observing correct pedestrian safety practices (using crossings; taking care to stop, listen and look; and being particularly attentive and alert).

To the parents and drivers, thank you for observing traffic and parking regulations; for showing courtesy and taking extra care; and for your patience, most of all. Your co-operation really makes a difference and is greatly appreciated.

Music “On the Go in Twenty-one-oh”

As we look to make the most of our relatively new St Gertrude’s Music Centre and our soon to be completed Community Arts Centre, we are looking to raise both the profile and participation levels of Loreto students performing in extra-curricular music.

This year, students across all year levels are being encouraged to “have a go” at something in the music programme. Ensemble practices will be held after school...
and at lunch time to provide as many opportunities for participation as possible. The extra curricular groups and rehearsal schedule for the Senior School have already been sent home. Further details are available under ‘Music News’. If you would like your daughter to be involved and she hasn’t as yet signed up, please contact Ms Christine Trahair at the College.

Summer Uniform – “Pride in Presentation”
I wish to thank you, as parents, for continuing to work with us as we endeavour to improve the way in which our uniform is worn whenever the students are in public.

A reminder that we are looking to ensure that the summer uniform:
- is the correct length (just below the knee);
- is worn with neat and tidily presented hair (blue/yellow ribbons);
- has side tags buttoned (not tied);
- has socks pulled up;
- is worn with the College hat on;
- is worn with clean black school shoes; and
- is not worn with makeup or jewellery or nail polish accessories.

With respect to the sports uniform, it should only be worn as permitted by the regulations as set out in the student diary.

In particular, emphasis is placed upon:
- correct sports footwear (canvas shoes are not appropriate);
- wearing the sports cap; and
- replacing old and faded items.

Once again, I thank you for your support with this vital aspect of school spirit, pride and reputation.

Staff Communication Charts on www.loreto.sa.edu.au
The College Staff Communication Charts for primary years, middle years and seniors years, are all available on the College website for your easy referral. These will guide you in contacting staff at the College. They can be accessed via “Quick Links” and “Contacts” on our website.

Congratulations
- To both Miss Douvos and Miss Georgiadis on their recent respective engagements, both announced during the holidays. We wish them every joy and happiness on this special occasion.
- To Mrs Mandy Braddock and her husband, Adrian, on the birth of their twins, Zac and Lily. May their family continue to grow with abundant blessings of love.

Condolences
- We wish to express our sincere sympathies to Ms Aileen Miller on the recent passing of her Mother during the holidays and also to Mr Dean Elliott on the sudden loss of his son-in-law. May our most Gracious Lord love and care for them at this time of sorrow.

We Pray
- As we approach this season of LENT, which commences with ASH WEDNESDAY, on February 17th, we pray with grateful hearts for all with which we have been blessed, remembering all those who suffer hardship and those who go without. Particularly, we pray for the people of HAITI and for those who have gone to their aid. We pray that they might be blessed in their unselfish work of transformation. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Cheryl Hamilton
Principal

MARY WARD CONNECT
MARCH 9-12, 2010

Mary Ward Connect is a student/staff exchange program between Loreto schools around Australia which was initiated last year as part of our 400 year celebrations. The success of the program was such, that the Loreto schools have decided to make this a continuing program on a smaller scale.

This year, Loreto Maryatville will be exchanging with Loreto Kirribilli and Loreto Ballarat. As such, during this time, we will be hosting 12 Year 10 students and 2 staff members (6 students and 1 staff member from each school) whilst 12 of our students and 2 staff members will be hosted interstate.

The students travelling have now been selected and we are in need of families from our community to host our interstate students. Last year the host families were full of praise for their visiting student and felt it was a very rewarding experience for their family.

Visiting students will arrive at Loreto late afternoon on the 9th March and the College will host a welcome BBQ for all visitors and host families on that evening. The students will then go home with their families. The commitment from host families will include:
- Transport to and from school on Wednesday and Thursday; on Friday to school only. Students can travel with their host sister on the bus or walk, if that is their normal mode of travel.
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on Wednesday and Thursday; on Friday only breakfast and lunch.

The College will arrange pickups and transfers to and from the airport on both Tuesday 9th and Friday 12th.

I thank the families who have already offered to host, but we are in need of more host families. If you are able to offer your assistance by hosting one or more students please contact me as soon as possible by ringing the College on 833 44200 or emailing me at: rosalie.gleeson@loreto.sa.edu.au.

I thank you in anticipation of your generous offers.

Rosalie Gleeson
Deputy Principal

MUSIC NEWS

Music Staff. Welcome to Miss Sarah Clark who will be taking Years 6-8 music classes and extra curricular vocal groups in the middle school. Welcome to new tutors: Ms Louisa Perfect (Voice), Ms Heather Stratfold (cello), Ms Gabrielle Bond (Violin)

Extra curricula Music ensembles.
Rehearsals for all instrumental and vocal ensembles will commence in Week 3. This year students across all year levels are being encouraged to ‘have a go’ at something in the music programme. Ensemble practices will be held after school and at lunchtime to provide as many opportunities for participation as possible. Students who learn outside the school are encouraged to join a group. The extra curricular groups and rehearsal schedule has already been sent home and is as follows.

2010 MUSIC ENSEMBLES
Middle and Senior School
After school
Concert Band (Yr 7-11) St. Gertrude's Monday 3.30 - 4.30 Ms Christine Trahair
Festival Choir Year 6 JS Music Room Monday 3.30 -4.15 Miss Sarah Clark
Musical Tuesdays (from Term 2) Aileen Miller 3.30-4.30pm
Year 7 and 8 Singers St. Gertrude's Wednesday 3.30 -4.30 Miss Sarah Clark
Year 9 – 12 Singers St. Gertrude's Wednesday 3.30 -4.30 Miss Rachel Burke and Mrs Lilita Daenke
Parents are warmly invited to listen to Psychologist, Penny Shi, who will speak about promoting social and emotional well-being of adolescents and building positive family and other relationships. After this, there will be an opportunity for Parent Information Evenings Year 9/10; Monday 15 February in the Square 7.30pm Parents are warmly invited to listen to Psychologist, Penny Shi, who will speak about promoting social and emotional well-being of adolescents and building positive family and other relationships. After this, there will be an opportunity for

**Instrumental Tuition.**
Lessons will commence in week 2 or 3 for students learning an instrument through the school. Tutors will be in contact with families to confirm details prior to the commencement of tuition. Senior school students should check the lesson timetables which are posted on the notice board in the music department. Instrumental tuition is undertaken on a semester basis and parents will be invoiced at the beginning of the semester.

Congratulations to Natalie-Alana Diglio for achieving Honours in her Grade 2 singing exam in November and was selected to participate in the Semi-Finals for the Carnevale Festival in February.

Christine Trahair

**Music Coordinator R - 12**

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**SENIOR YEARS NEWS**

**Find. Know. Show. 2010**

The Senior Years students have had a busy start to the year and are now well into the routine of lessons and study. In addition, the senior students are involved in the organisation of the various events, such as the Carnivals, Formal and Performing Arts happening over the next couple of terms.

The Year 12 and 11 leaders and all Year 12 students are to be congratulated for the energetic manner in which they inspired the students in their Houses to participate in the 2010 swimming carnival at the Aquatic Centre. There is so much work done behind the scenes from ensuring that each House has a workable theme, the painting of banners, gathering of items to enhance the visual appeal on the day, creation of chants and cheers and encouraging all students to participate in the creation of noise and creative movement in the hope of being awarded the Spirit Cup. (Congratulations Barry House). Particular thanks go to the Sport Captains and Vice Captains for their effort in ensuring that all students participate in either the formal racing events or the novelties. Events such as this carnival provide fantastic opportunities for the students to learn about and exercise leadership.

**Parent Information Evenings Year 9/10; Monday 15 February in the Square 7.30pm**

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Lunchtimes:
Guitar Ensemble St. Gertrude’s Tuesday 1.00 – 1.45 pm Mr Alain Valodze
String Group St. Gertrude’s Rm 6 Tuesday 1.00 – 1.45 pm Mrs Sheryl Beck
Drum Corps St. Gertrude’s Wednesday 1.10 – 1.45 Mr Rob Boundy
Flute Ensemble Room 2 Wednesday 1.10 – 1.45 Ms Paula Winter
Rock Band St. Gertrude’s Friday 1.00 – 1.45 pm Mr Ross McHenry

**Junior School**
The Starlettes (R – 2 Choir) Ms Loretta Bowshall
Starlette Blue Friday 8.45 – 9.30 Starlette Gold Friday 9.30 – 10.20
J Band (Years 3 – 7) JS Music Room Tuesday 8.00 am – 8.30 am Ms Loretta Bowshall
Recital Choir (4 – 5 Choir) JS Music Room Tuesday 1.00 pm – 1.30 pm Ms Loretta Bowshall
LPSC (3 – 5 Choir) Wednesday 1.00 pm – 1.30 pm Ms Loretta Bowshall
Liturgy Music Group (Years 3 – 7) Friday 1.00 pm – 1.30 pm Ms Loretta Bowshall

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**FROM THE HEAD OF PRIMARY YEARS**

Congratulations to our Primary students who have confidently settled into our school routines for 2010. A warm welcome is extended to our 34 new Loreto families.

**Nut Aware School**
We remind all visitors to the classrooms that due to children with significant allergies to nuts and eggs Loreto College is a Nut Aware School. Junior Primary girls may bring a healthy snack in a plastic container and place this, along with a water bottle on their desks.

**Liturgies**
We encourage all of our school community to be involved in our daily prayers and weekly Liturgy. On Monday mornings children proceed immediately to the hall with their class for liturgy. This is a whole school opportunity to be involved in prayer and reflection. Everyone is invited to join with us and seating is available on the stage for parents accessed by the stairs in the Junior Primary corridor.

**Volunteers to Sign In**
After prayer, all visitors to the school are then requested to proceed to the front office, sign in and collect an identification badge. Community members who may wish to assist with classroom activities eg reading, craft, LAP, excursions, P&F must have completed a Police Clearance which is a free service through Catholic Education. Unfortunately helpers without this Clearance are unable to assist in the classroom or on excursions as this is an Occupational Health and Safety requirement.

**Messages for Students**
We encourage all students to bring all their requirements for the school day with them when they arrive in the morning. The College does not have the staff available to deliver messages or deliver forgotten items to students during the course of the school day. Unless it is an emergency, messages are delivered via class baskets at the end of the school day.

**Literacy**
We encourage parents to be actively involved in their child’s education. To support you in this process, Lynne Matson (Literacy Co-ordinator) and Pam Brown (Reading Recovery Teacher) will be providing Reading Workshops for parents in Term 1 on Thursday, 18 February at 8.45 and 7.30 pm. Parents who may wish to assist with Literacy Block activities are required to have attended a workshop before volunteering to the classroom teacher to ensure a consistent approach to Reading is maintained throughout the Junior School. These workshops provide valuable up-to-date information on the processes involved in reading for beginning students.

**Toddler Supervision**
To assist teachers in the implementation of the Literacy Block each morning, we ask that toddlers do not remain in classrooms after prayer and the daily hymn.
Toddlers may be supervised while parents are involved in the reading programme. From 8:40 until 9:10 each morning Reception White classroom has been made available for these sessions on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays and OSHC on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We ask that parents with toddlers who wish to be involved in the reading programme make a booking with the Junior Campus office for your rostered reading day. As this is a free service and places are limited, we ask you to please let us know if you will not be using your rostered booking. If numbers allow, parents will be able to book a second rostered day. This service has been warmly received by the community.

Family Group
There is also an opportunity for Loreto parents and siblings to join the Family Group in the OSHC facility at Babthorpe on Friday mornings after drop-off. This has been a very positive opportunity for our community to gather in an informal manner. Please feel free to contact Cathy Palumbo (ph 0403 229 043) and Amy Raymond (ph 0407 815 793) if you would like further information.

Supervision
If students arrive at school prior to 8:15 am they should go to Before School Care unless a parent is with them. Children who are found unattended in the grounds will be directed to Before School Care. To ensure the safety of our students, classrooms are closed unless the teacher is present. We remind all visitors to the classrooms to be vigilant with the supervision of pre-schoolers and toddlers to reduce safety issues.

To assist parents with pick-up at dismissal, students will remain with the teacher on duty in Talbot Grove until 3:30 pm and after that come to the front office where they may remain until 3:50 pm. After this time they will be directed to OSHC.

Parent Volunteers
We will be outlining the classroom Parent Representative program at the Information Evenings and requesting two representatives per class to liaise with their class community.

I look forward to catching up with you during the coming weeks.

Creanagh Callaghan
Head of Primary Years

FROM THE ASSISTANT HEAD R-5

It’s hard to believe that as you read this it is the end of week three. The first term as usual is always very busy. The R-5 students appear to be well settled and enthusiastic about what 2010 will bring. The Year 5s have completed a week of swimming lessons, Year 4s have had swimming trials, some of our Year 3s have been on a Zoo Snooze, Year 1 and 2s have had a Parent Information Evening, and Receptions are settling into the school routine. If you have any concerns about your daughter, her class teacher is the first point of contact.

The Year 3, 4, and 5 Parent Information Evening will begin at 7.30 pm in the Junior Campus Hall on Monday 15 February. This a time for you to meet R-5 staff and find out about curriculum and routines in your daughter’s class room.

Parent Reading Workshops will be held on Thursday 18 February at 8.45am with a repeat session at 7.30 pm. This session aims to provide up to date information about how best to listen to children read. If you would like to listen to children read in the classroom setting, you will need to attend one of these sessions.

At the end of last year we received correspondence from the MS Society that the 28 participants in the MS Readathon raised $1891.40 by reading 210 books. This is an outstanding result and we would like to acknowledge your support of this worthy cause.

Michelle Camilleri
Assistant Head R-5

PRIMARY YEARS MUSIC NEWS

All primary school music ensembles have commenced for 2010!
The Starlette Choirs, Recital Choir, Year 3 - 5 Choir and J Band are in the process of preparing a wide range of music for future performances. All of these ensembles are aiming to perform at Family Day on the 20th of March.

The Year 2 String Program and Year 5 Band Program commenced this week. Rehearsals will be held weekly. Year 2 students will need to bring their Violin or Cello to school every Monday. Year 5 students need to bring their instrument to school every Wednesday.

Well done to the Liturgy Music Group for singing so beautifully at the Beginning of Year Mass. Weekly rehearsals are held every Friday from 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm in the Junior School Music Room.

Musical Regards
Ms Bowshall

JUNIOR REC

Hello to everyone. This is my first newsletter as Junior School REC. I’ve had a lovely warm reception from everyone that I’ve met at Loreto College and this has made it easy to settle in. I thank you all for your friendly welcome.

Next week is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent. Project Compassion boxes will be sent home and we will continue to support the work of Caritas to help the vulnerable and disadvantaged people in the world. During Lent I encourage you to place this box in a prominent place in your home and give generously to the needs of those who are less fortunate than us.

There will be no Monday morning liturgy next week, as this will take place on Wednesday morning instead. Parents are more than welcome to join us as usual. As a newcomer to the school, I have been delighted at the number of parents who attend our Monday liturgies.

On Monday 22nd (Week 5) we will hold the Induction of our SRC and Prayer Leaders. This will be during our Monday morning liturgy (8.30 am).

Congratulations to ALICE TAYLOR who late last year received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Many parishes are finalising enrolments for their Sacramental programs over the next few weeks. If you would like your daughter to be involved with a sacramental program, I would encourage you to contact your local parish. If you are unsure which parish to contact, please give me a call.

The blessing of him
Who stilled the storm,
The blessing of peace
And a deep new calm,
The blessing of love
Help you unwind.
Peace in the morning
And at the day’s end.
Peace in each hour
And in the whole day.
Peace on my journey
And all of the way.
Amen.

Isabelle Roberts
RE Co-ordinator R-5

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**BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT**

**Bushfire Management**
The College has updated its Bushfire Management Policy that adopts many recommendations as set by the South Australian Bushfires Taskforce. This policy supports actions that reinforce the message to PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE. Specifically, the College will respond to the new national framework for fire warnings, particularly for its school bus services. We urge all families to become familiar with the College’s Bushfire Management Policy that is now available on the College’s website.

**Teachers’ Wage Determination**
On 10 February 2010, the Industrial Relations Commission approved three salary increases each of 4% effective from the first pay period to commence on or after 1 October 2009, 1 October 2010 and 1 October 2011, being in addition to the 3.75% interim increase granted on 9 February 2009. This equates to a 15.75% increase over the three years. Whilst the College has factored salary increases into its 2010 Budget based on best estimates, please note that this approved salaries increase will inevitably have a flow on effect on school fees over time. This being said, the College will continue to endeavour to maintain a strong cost control policy to ensure that future school fee increases are kept to a minimum.

**School Fees**
Would you please ensure that you have now established a 2010 school fee payment plan that complies with the College’s Fees Policy. Unless alternative payment plans have been approved, please be reminded of the following options:

- **Payment of the entire Annual School Fees by 26th February 2010.** Full payment of your account by this date will attract a 3.0% fee discount.
- **Payment in three equal instalments.** Instalment due dates are 26th February 2010, 21st May 2010 and 20th August 2010.
- **Payment in ten equal instalments from February to November on the 15th of each month by completion of a direct debit form with the College.**

Please remember that the College is a not for profit organisation and, with school fees representing 70% of the College’s income, the timely payment of fees is critical for cash flow management.

Paul Noon  
Business Manager

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**OSHC NEWS**
Permanent bookings for After School Care in 2010 need to be made as soon as possible in order to secure your child/children’s position on specific days during Term 1. Please contact myself at OSHC or Di Wells in the Junior School Office. We are also asking all OSHC parents to make sure they fill out a new enrolment form for 2010 to ensure your details are as up to date as possible. Casual bookings need to be phoned in prior to 3.00pm each day.

Loreto OSHC is offering **Holiday Care** throughout the entire 2010 school year and into 2011! The Holiday Care dates for 2010 are as follows:

**Term 1 Holidays:**
Tuesday 6th April – Friday 16th April (Monday 5th is Easter Monday)

**Term 2 Holidays:**
Monday 28th June – Monday 19th July

**Term 3 Holidays:**
Monday 27th September – Friday 8th October

**End of Year:**
Wednesday 8th December – Friday 24th December

**Start of Year 2011:**
(TBA)

Please think of us if you ever require Vacation Care! Our Programs and Booking Forms will be available from Week 5 of each Term.

Thank you to all of the families who supported OSHC during the December and January Holiday Care periods. We all had a lot of fun! Please feel free to give us any feedback in regards to our Holiday Care Program so we can keep on improving the program!

Jessica Harmer  
Acting OSHC Director

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**RECONCILIATION, CONFIRMATION, & FIRST COMMUNION**

at St Ignatius Parish, Norwood

Enrol by Ash Wednesday, 17 Feb 2010. For parents of primary children, now in Year 3 or above:

- if you want them to celebrate the sacraments at St Ignatius Parish, you must be enrolled in our family faith program for Reconciliation.
- 2010 enrolment forms (gold colour) are available in the church (cnr Queen and William Sts, Norwood).

– Rev. Paul Fyfe SJ, Family Faith Formation Program. email <sacraments10@tpg.com.au>, phone 8364 6845 (msg)

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**OPEN DAY**
Sunday February 21st, 2.00-4.00pm
All Welcome

All families past, present and future are most welcome to attend.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**
Applications for 2011 scholarships finish 28th February 2010.

Further information is on our website www.loreto.sa.edu.au or speak to our Enrolments Manager, Mrs Alexandra Penglis 8334 4200
An Afternoon with Gemma Sisia @ Loreto

You may have watched Australian Story and heard about Gemma Sisia and the School of St Jude. The only girl in a family of eight children, Gemma set off to Africa at 22 years of age, with the passion and zeal inherited from her ancestor, Edmund Rice (founder of the Christian Brothers movement), to volunteer and teach.

Her journey all began with a gift - the gift of energy in mobilising goodwill from around the world, the gift of passion and belief that all children deserve a high quality education, and the gift of $5 a month from family and friends who pledged support. From humble beginnings in 2002, The School of St Jude has grown from three students and one teacher to a vibrant learning community of more than 1300 sponsored children across three campuses.

The highly regarded academic program also provides employment to over 350 local Tanzanian staff including three sets of local Headmasters and their academic teams who now run each school. In 2007 Gemma's achievements were honoured by an Order of Australia medal.

We’re confident that no matter who you are, Gemma’s story will inspire and motivate.

Fighting poverty through education, The School of St Jude is a non-profit organisation enjoying continuing success only because of dedicated and generous supporters. Proceeds from the event will go towards furthering the great work being carried out by Gemma and her hard working team.

Event hosts, tatu, invite all members of the Loreto community to this inspiring afternoon with Gemma Sisia, right here at Loreto.

Date: Wednesday 3 March, 4pm to 6pm
Venue: Loreto College, “The Square”
316 Portrush Road
Marryatville.
Cost: $35 per person / $20 students

Registration forms are available for download at: www.loreto.sa.edu.au/events
or contact tatu on 08 8373 6011.

Learn more about Gemma and the School of St Jude by visiting www.schoolofstjude.co.tz

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2010 Loreto College Winter Ball
Saturday 19 June
Adelaide Entertainment Centre

Tickets for the Winter Ball are NOW ON SALE.

The simplest way to secure your tickets is via Loreto’s new secure on-line box office which can be accessed from: www.loreto.sa.edu.au/winterball

Simply follow the easy step-by-step instructions, entering your credit card and delivery details and tickets will be mailed to you in the first week in June.

Details can be entered on your seating preferences and dietary requirements during the booking process.

The box office also gives you the option to purchase an entire table (10 tickets) in one transaction.

Tickets for this black-tie event include...

... sparkling wine on arrival, a three-course meal, beer, wine and soft-drinks...

... plus your chance to win a custom designed 1ct Diamond piece by James Thredgold Jeweller valued at $11,000 ...

... and entertainment by Chesterfield Brass
Adelaide’s Premier Corporate Band.

TICKET PRICES

EARLYBIRD PRICE - available until 31 March
$135* per person / $1350* per table of 10

REGULAR PRICE - from 1 April
$150* per person / $1500* per table of 10

* Please note a $2 fee applies per transaction (not per ticket).

Tickets can be purchased the old fashioned way (over the telephone) by calling the Loreto College Development Office during office hours on 8334 4200.

Transaction fee still applies.

If wishing to pay by cash or cheque, please call into the Loreto College Administration.

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Loreto Community Directory 2010

Details for the 2010 edition of the Loreto Community Directory will now be distributed with the first issue of From the Acacias in April.

As was the case in 2009, all members of the Loreto Community will have the opportunity to take out a FREE listing in this publication distributed to around 4000 households.

We encourage you to consider having your business details included in 2010 edition and for all members of our community to consider the services and products offered in the directory.
Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks. To help your children stay safe online, Loreto College is hosting a Cybersafety Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, teachers and students, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersafety initiatives. The Cybersafety Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersafety trainer and will take place on Monday, March 22nd in the Senior School Square. Please put this date in your diary and make it a priority to attend.

Ann-Maree Tippins
Learning Technologies Coordinator R-12

CAN YOU HELP?

If anyone can come into the tuckshop more than once a term it would be very much appreciated, even if only to serve in the Junior tuckshop at recess and lunch which is a great help.

It is increasingly difficult to find volunteers as work commitments are a high priority today.

Thank you so much to our current volunteers, your help is much needed and appreciated.

Kind regards, Lorna, Anne-marie, Suzanne and Simona.

## 2010 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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For further information please contact Marg Campbell, Community Relations P: 8334 4227 E: marg.campbell@loreto.sa.edu.au

## FRIENDS OF MUSIC – NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

This is a group of parents and staff who offer practical support to the school Music program. The informal meetings held once a term provide an opportunity for an exchange of information within the school’s Music community with the aim to support Musical activities in the school. FOM address broad issues, promotes Music program events and seeks help from the wider school community to manage specific tasks when needed. The Music department is very grateful for the continued encouragement and support of the Friends of Music.

The first Friends of Music meeting for 2010 will be held on Monday February 22nd at 5pm in St. Gertrude’s and all parents are invited, especially new members.

## HELP!

Loreto Family Day is almost here and I’m looking for a gelati display freezer to fit 6 to 8 tubs for the Italian Stall. If anyone has access to a freezer, could you please contact Anna Caretti on 0421 540 517.

Thanks

## LORETO TUCKSHOP ROSTER

### Week 4 starting 15th February, 2010
- **Monday:** Ken Seymour, Russell Seymour
- **Tuesday:** Rebecca Michael
- **Wednesday:** Colleen Caruso
- **Thursday:** Kerry Molloy, Jo White, Paula Vidale
- **Friday:** Verity Burkett, Kathy Dibiase, Trish Rossi, Mandy Sutton

### Week 5 starting 22nd February, 2010
- **Monday:** Sabine Drilling, Joanne Simula
- **Tuesday:** Maria Galluccio, Melissa Heard
- **Wednesday:** Patricia Bergamin, Fiona Ingram, Cecilia Wyld
- **Thursday:** Cathy Lynch, Briony Smart
- **Friday:** Krista Matto