



Wednesday 15 December

Dear parents and carers,

I would like to take one final opportunity to thank a range of people for another wonderful year at CSC. In spite of the many challenges we encountered, we have achieved amazing things together.

College Council

Thank you to all College Councillors for the work done to support the college this year.

Thank you to our parent members, Beth Mellick, Paul O'Connor, Liz Grainger, Jess Howard, Brona Murray, Jodi Oakman, and Rachael Cooper. Their hard work and support of CSC is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to thank our DET members, Paula Jenkins, Shera Blaise, Angela Sutton and Justin Hird. Their dedication is also acknowledged and appreciated.

Thank you to Beth Mellick, Liz Grainger and Paul O'Connor for the work they have done as the Executive of Council. Taking on these roles is an extra responsibility in already busy lives. I thank them for their dedication in making the role on College Council a priority.

Students

I am constantly impressed by the resilience of our students. 2021 has highlighted the importance of connection with others. One of the best parts of the year has been hearing students back on-site after spending time apart. All of our students have worked hard and persisted through some pretty challenging times. Our Year 12 students also receive their final results tomorrow morning. Whatever the outcome, I know they will all go on to achieve incredible things. Staff are on-site throughout the day tomorrow to support students as results are released.

Families

I have consistently communicated this year about the importance of the partnership between home and school. Thank you to all parents and carers for the unwavering support you have provided at all times, particularly during periods of extended lockdown.

Staff

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated staff at CSC. The work they have done to support all students to achieve their best has been exemplary. I thank them for their professionalism and support.

Wellbeing Support

The Department has put together a guide that provides tips and resources for families to support the mental health and wellbeing of young people over the school holidays. Please find attached information that you may find useful.

Mentor Interviews

Mentor interviews will be held on Monday 31 January, 2022. More information about this process will be sent out closer to the time.

Tomorrow our Activities Week comes to a close with a visit to the local pool. Because students will be off-site, our college canteen will be closed in order for staff to complete a final clean up before the holidays.

And finally.....

Thank you for your support of me in my time at CSC. Have a well-deserved break over the holiday period. I hope you get time to spend some quality time with family and friends. I wish you all the best for the future and will watch with great interest the progress of CSC in the coming years.

Take care of yourselves and each other.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Simon Wood', written in a cursive style.

Simon Wood
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