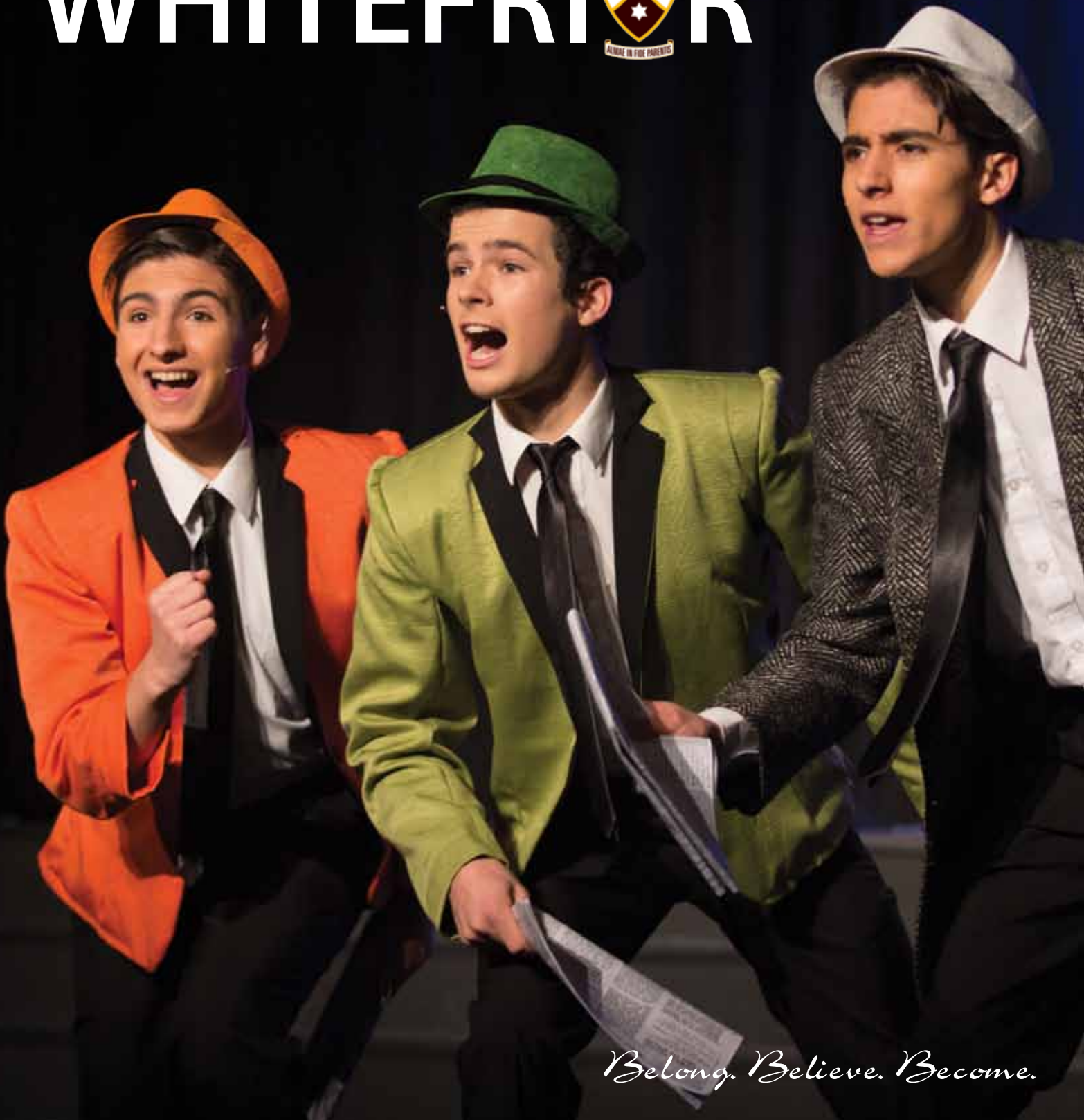


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Mrs Lyn Power
Editor

Chairman's Report

Mr John Finn advised the Board in May, 2017, that he would conclude his appointment as Principal of Whitefriars College at the end of the 2017 academic year.

He will take up his position as the first lay Principal of St Bede's College, Mentone, in 2018.

The College Board subsequently consulted with the Carmelite Provincial Council, staff, parents and current students to identify the criteria to be used in the process of selection and appointment of a new Principal. A Selection Panel was formed and, with the assistance of an external Consultant, applications were invited and interviews conducted. The Selection Panel thereafter made a recommendation to the College Board and the Carmelite Provincial Council. Following the endorsement of Archbishop Denis Hart, Fr Hugh Brown, O. Carm, a member of the Board and the Carmelite Provincial Council, and I advised the staff on 21 August of the appointment of Mr Anthony Kirley. Notice of this appointment was then communicated to all members of the College, Carmelite communities and Catholic Education Melbourne.

The College Board and Carmelite Provincial Council letter of May 2017 warmly congratulated Mr Finn on his new appointment and his remarkable contribution over the past five years to the ethos and academic standing of Whitefriars College.



Mr Peter Duffy, Mr John Finn and Mrs Karlene Treyvaud (Board member)



Fr Paul Cahill, O.Carm, Mr John Finn, Mrs Karlene Treyvaud and Mr Peter Duffy

Further acknowledgement of John Finn's contribution to the College will take place during the coming months.

Mr Peter Duffy

Chairman

Principal's Report

My recent sabbatical afforded me the opportunity to visit other educational sites overseas and my appreciation goes to the College Board for supporting these ventures.

I visited several schools involved with the Council of International Schools (CIS), educational facilities all deemed high quality. While each was located in a different setting, all had one factor in common - a close correlation between their stated values and practice. Ability to match rhetoric with reality is a key feature of an excellent school.

Whitefriars recently received International accreditation and we were delighted that Mr Ray Davis from CIS presented a plaque to the College to recognise the completion of accreditation. We will move into the planning phase for our next five-year plan and then focus specifically on 2018. Whilst receiving many favourable comments during the accreditation phase, the College will be implementing the recommendations for improvement. Some of the key aspects within this improvement include the development of a more structured method of hearing student voice, refinement of the parent portal (including "in-time" reporting), greater focus on our EAL students and strengthened commitment to Internationalism and Interculturalism.

The College will continue to support student learning in the classroom by offering as diverse a program as possible, one that balances academic rigour with accountability of learning strengths.



CIS Presentation : Mr John Finn, Mr Ray Davis and Jack Schroder, 2017 College Captain

Recent events have marked an increase in parent numbers on site. Fr Paul Sireh, O.Carm, spoke meaningfully at both the Mother/Son Mass and the Father's Day Breakfast about the place of strong male and female role models for the boys. The Parents' Association Trivia Night was very successful in terms of friendship and fund raising. Our Association has been very active and we look forward to the inaugural Golf Day in November.

The College Transition Coordinator has visited most of the primary schools of boys who are attending Whitefriars next year. This is a very pastoral way of beginning the transition process, one that has served us well in the past. We are also conducting literacy and science programs in local schools.

In other activities:

- The final Kairos retreat has taken place. Students and parents received all of these experiences most favourably. Such encounters are essential to young men as they offer the opportunity to draw back from the frenetic nature of daily activities and reflect on one's own relationship with God.
- The House Swimming Carnival manifested a very enthusiastic energy. We extend our thanks to the many parents who attended.
- Our Year 9 boys completed their 'City Program' in the final week of Term 2. As many of our boys are not regular city-goers, the opportunity to learn more about our legal system, financial district, sports precincts, arts areas and tourism was timely.

- Visual Arts week concluded recently. We have many talented artists who relished the opportunity to exhibit their talents and creativity.
- The inaugural Darwin Immersion experience proved highly successful. Beyond the opportunity to play against the Northern Territory Under 18 football side, numerous activities enabled our boys to gain insight into indigenous life in Darwin, Kakadu and the Tiwi Islands. We are committed to extending our understanding of indigenous culture through further respectful interactions. We have much to learn.
- A series of trips took place late in the term, including the Global Minds tour (USA), the Italian Immersion and the Timor-Leste experience. At the end of the year, the Antipodeans tour to Nepal will take place.
- Our sporting teams continue to be very competitive. Whitefriars won the Senior ACC Tennis and Hockey. Senior basketball went through to finals, and the senior and junior football teams were well placed last term.

The College was privileged to host the funeral of past student, Jack Stanbrook (Class of 2014). Jack attended the College in the same year as the late Patrick Cronin. Jack's passing was unexpected and left us all deeply saddened. The wonderful Stanbrook family experienced strong support by many people. This was particularly evident when the entire Class of 2014 came to the College for a service prior to the funeral. May Jack be welcomed in the Lord's loving embrace.

Work on the Science and Technology building is progressing well. The aim is to occupy the building at the beginning of Term 2, 2018.

The demolition works on the South Wing will begin during the Term 3 holidays when the staff office and adjacent two classrooms will be demolished. This process will open the new building to the Chapel and the quadrangle, thus creating a significantly larger footprint of recreation space for the boys.

Listed below is a reminder of what the building will contain:

- Nine Science learning areas
- A lecture theatre
- Food Technology space
- Materials and Design area
- A Functions space
- Open Learning areas
- External roof-top deck overlooking the Wetlands (classroom size)

The building process began just over three years ago. It was recognised that development of Stage One of our building program as a Science and Technology building would allow other spaces within the College to be reclaimed as much needed classroom spaces. To this end, redevelopment of the current Science rooms is planned for mid-2018, well after the new building is occupied. Another opportunity exists with the relocation of Materials and Design Technology from the Butler building. We are currently considering the possibility of VCAL occupying this space as an interim measure prior to the future development works in the Butler building. The Science and Technology building will be a fine addition to our College.

Our Year 12 students have now entered the final stages of their work year. The VCE students are gearing up for VCAA exams while our VCAL young men are preparing to enter the workforce. We wish them every blessing in the time ahead and look forward to celebrating their year at the Cathedral Mass and Valedictory dinner in October.



Presentation Evening takes place on 13 November. The College will gather in Hamer Hall to celebrate the year in an inclusive, expansive and entertaining manner. We look forward to that occasion.

Almae In Fide Parentis

Mr John Finn
Principal

Carmelite Partnerships

Two months ago I travelled to Luro, a small town in Timor-Leste, for the ordination of Brothers Januario Pinto and Pedro Amaral.

For the past couple of years Br Januario has been a part-time staff member at Whitefriars assisting in both the classroom and woodwork room.

Januario has long been a keen and skilled woodworker, learning the craft in Timor-Leste from his grandfather. As Januario tells the story, it is his relationship with his grandfather that shines through, not only the technical advice but the guidance his grandfather gave him over the years. A close bond grew between them during the years they worked together in their small village near Luro building cabinets, chairs, tables and wardrobes.

Not long before my trip to Timor-Leste, Joshua Vujcich and Fiona Matthews had been working with our young Carmelite students at Hera as part of the ongoing partnership between Whitefriars College and the Carmelites. As Joshua and Fiona wrote on their return: 'Moments of encounter can be transformative experiences. ... It is humbling to spend time with young men who are so open to sharing their life and experience with us. Teaching moments are more than just what happens in the classroom – celebrating liturgy with the community in the chapel at 5am (!), having conversations over table or helping with essays are all ways we accompany them on their Carmelite journey – integral moments in relationship building.'

The trip from Dili to Luro for the ordination took almost eight hours over terrible roads but the warm welcome, dancing, singing, hospitality and celebration which filled our two days there were unforgettable. The families had gone to so much trouble to ensure everything was prepared for the ordination ceremony for the more than 1,000 visitors who came to celebrate and for us.



Frs Januario Pinto, Paul Cahill (Provincial) and Pedro Amaral

Forming enduring partnerships and long-lasting relationships is something Carmelite people do.

We saw it when more than 300 people travelled the twelve-hour journey from Maubisse in the back of large earth-moving trucks to be present at the ordination. Br Pedro had ministered there as a deacon. We see it when former students spontaneously gather at the College in times of trouble to support each other, to reflect and to pray. We see it in the enduring partnership between Whitefriars College staff and students during their annual visits to the Carmelites in Timor-Leste.

Accompanying each other is fundamental to the Carmelite spirit. The generous sharing of our time, skill, concern and love is what makes us true human beings in the Christian and Carmelite tradition.

Fr David Hofman, O.Carm



WOCA President's Report

The Whitefriars Old Collegians' Association has enjoyed four well-attended Reunions this year.

These have included another fifty-year group – just our second catch-up with men who keenly remember the early years of the College. We were most fortunate to welcome some of the original teaching staff, including Fr Anthony Scerri (Sarge) and Fr Matthew McPhee, Trevor Pilling (Physics) and Graeme Dee (History and Geography).

The Whitefriars (Old Collegians) Football Club is about to complete a season of mixed results in the VAFA – many highlights and promising performances from the Under 19s especially. The Club has just announced that Kristian Height, the Learning Leader of Science and Technologies at the College, will coach the senior side for the next three years, an appointment which solidifies the Club's excellent relationship with the College. The Club is also investigating the viability of a Women's Team in 2018 – a very exciting venture for all concerned and we wish them well.

The Old Whitefriars Cricketers will be playing again in the MCC Club XI Competition, which utilises the fantastic turf wickets at Donvale. If you are interested in participating, get in touch with David Larratt (CEO) on david@larratt.com.au or Michael Flynn (President) on mike.flynn@blirt.co. Several Sunday games are held within a true family atmosphere and are great fun!



Whitefriars v Brunswick

Our Association has finally joined the 21st Century and now has its own Facebook page. Feel free to visit, share and post, and we will do our best to keep you up to date.

Finally, WOCA needs to expand its scope of activities but we need physical assistance. Please contact me on woca@whitefriars.vic.edu.au if you are willing to attend a quarterly meeting, help at reunions and plan activities, etc. It won't be a huge drain on your time and it is certainly very rewarding to help others.

Mr Philip Thomson
WOCA President



Guys and Dolls

The musical *Guys and Dolls* was recently performed by Whitefriars and Siena Colleges in the Healy Wilson Theatre and the performance was a huge success from both an audience and staging viewpoint.

Returning the musical to the Whitefriars stage not only allowed performers to be more aware of their stage during rehearsals, but also enabled the technical production crew to work in the lead-up to the show, within a familiar space.

From a Stage Manager's perspective, the show ran smoothly after much hard work by all involved and it certainly gave the Year 12 students a wonderful final experience on the College stage. I look forward to returning in the future to enjoy more great musicals being performed in the Whitefriars theatre.

Thomas Kiraly
Music Captain

This year I enjoyed the privilege of being a cast member of *Guys and Dolls* and this highly successful musical was rehearsed over many months to ensure the four performances were both professional and entertaining. This was my fifth and final College performance - a great opportunity to perform before sold-out audiences and form lasting bonds with all concerned.

Matthew Kennedy
Drama Captain





Year 12 Formal

Every Whitefriars Year 12 Formal seems to have a 'Cinderella' feature. Lads transform into dapper gentlemen, accompanied by equally stylish and poised partners.

The atmosphere is always electric with anticipation as the foyer fills with staff, students and guests ready to put the pressures of learning in the background and fun in the foreground. Some proudly strut, pose and take selfies, while others huddle in groups, giving each other the 'once-over' and engaging with familiar banter.

The evening commenced with a welcome from Jack Schroder, 2017 College Captain, followed by a word of appreciation to the special guests, Br Sean Keefe, Fr Michael Gallacher and Ms Marie Cameron. The formalities concluded with Br Sean Keefe, College Chaplain, leading us in prayer for our meal.

As outlined in the invitation the focus of the evening was to celebrate the Year 12 journey at this critical halfway point of the academic year. As expected, as each phase of the three-course meal was served, the energy and tone changed as Friars feasted to their hearts' content. Each course was punctuated with sessions on the dance floor. The music was on point, playing hits from a range of genres. It was amusing to hear 'old-school' hits belted out by this Gen Y cohort, much to the delight of staff who joined in joyful chorus.



As the pumpkin hour approached, guests reluctantly made their way home in their Uber taxis, stretch Limousines and people-movers. The chill of a cold June night had no effect on the warm smiles and many words of gratitude from guests on departure. The 2017 College theme of Community was truly in action, making it a night to remember.

Mrs Anita Kay-Taylor
Senior Years Coordinator





Darwin Immersion

Stepping from the plane in Darwin, the hot, stifling air surrounded us. This was the Territory.

The outback. A desert landscape under a blazing sun. Our group of Years 10 and 11 students was about to experience a unique, challenging opportunity. We were about to be immersed in the oldest living culture in the world – a society that has survived thousands of years, developing a rich system of values, traditions and beliefs.

Our home for the next week was the Michael Long Centre in Darwin. This Centre provided dormitory style accommodation, surrounded by a learning centre, professional gymnasium, lap and rehabilitation pools and spa, change rooms, medical facilities, team meeting rooms, coaching facilities and match day rooms. To a footballer, this was pure heaven!

Prior to our first training session Joanne Nasir, the designer of our indigenous jumper, explained the meaning of the images she used to design the jumper and how these images related to Whitefriars and her Indigenous culture. We proudly wore the jumpers, now fully understanding their significance. Joanne's mother also shared her stories, giving us a wonderful insight into her dreaming. She also made special mention of the stolen generation and how this affected her people.

Inspired by this experience, we prepared and trained for our game against the Northern Territory. When game day arrived both teams were determined and played hard. We experienced firsthand a very different game style and the Friars boys gave it everything they had, however the Territory came out narrow victors.



We were privileged to hear other guest speakers who enhanced our understanding of the Indigenous culture, including ex-North Melbourne footballer, Matt Campbell, who explained how the football programme in the Territory is implemented and operates. Brenton Toy, the Tiwi Island legend, spoke about family traditions and how these shape Aboriginal people today. He emphasised the strong connection family members have with one another and offered the Rioli and Long families as significant examples. Sister Anne Gardiner shared her experience of decades of service on the Tiwi Islands, playing down her tireless work on the islands and instead paying homage to the people with whom she worked. Detailing how the Tiwi people now manage organisations, conduct schools and health clinics, train others in a range of areas, and administer businesses, she also shared with us the darker side - the negative use of social media, substance abuse, suicide, and the domestic violence that is encountered. Two star players of the Tiwi Bombers (and ex-team mates of Mr Height) also gave their time, making us very aware of how important footy is to their people.

Under the guidance of Sister Anne, it was our privilege to be immersed in the culture and daily lives of the local people as the Tiwi Islands are so far removed from our own experience. Undertaking this Immersion journey with open minds enabled positive change in us all. From the city of Darwin to the East Point WWII historic military defence site. From the landscape of Kakadu to Litchfield National Park. It was breathtaking. Amazing.

I undertook the Immersion trip in the hope of experiencing Aboriginal culture first-hand and to gain an increased understanding and appreciation of that culture. My hopes were certainly realised. The Immersion was one of the most fulfilling experiences I have had the opportunity to undertake.

Sam Harte

Year 11



Adam Ferrante

Creative Artist

CLASS OF 1991

Upon leaving Whitefriars in 1991 Adam was accepted among a handful of others to study sculpture - initially at Phillip Institute of Technology and later the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA).

He considers himself fortunate to have been taught by some of Australia's foremost artists including Jock Clutterbuck, Dave Wilson and Bruce Armstrong, to name a few.

In his final year of study, Adam was accepted into a scholarship program at the Kansas City Arts Institute in Missouri U.S.A. There he could branch out from his medium of sculpture and pursue other passions including the art of film making. It was during this period that Adam met and worked with contemporary American artist Bruce Nauman, travelling to New York to assist with his Retrospective at the Guggenheim Museum, an unforgettable experience for Adam.

When he returned to Melbourne, Adam received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from VCA. He subsequently set up a studio and gallery in Northcote, thus beginning his life as a practising artist. For the following six years Adam exhibited extensively in Melbourne as well as nationally, receiving awards including the visual art prize at The Melbourne Fringe Festival.



Adam Ferrante with his children Zara and Isaac

Despite the critical success, life as an artist was an extremely difficult one and in the year 2000 Adam decided to head back to university and retrain as a graphic designer at RMIT, an art form he had always been fond of since the days at Whitefriars with Malcolm Campbell at the helm.

Upon graduating, Adam lectured for a year in the Design Faculty and found teaching an extremely rewarding experience as it enabled him to share his acquired knowledge as a practising artist with Melbourne's up-and-coming creatives.

After his stint as a lecturer Adam was looking to broaden his horizons. He subsequently took a two-year sabbatical and travelled throughout parts of the Middle East, India and Asia. He scaled the Annapurna Massif, a mountain in the Himalayas 6,000 meters above sea level - an experience he now recalls as "truly religious".

Adam finally arrived in London where he worked on shows such as 'Walking with Dinosaurs' and the BBC's International Wildlife Photographic Exhibition at the Natural History Museum. After this stint in London, he returned to New York and there stumbled upon an arts movement known as DUMBO (Down Under Manhattan Bridge Overpass) Collective. DUMBO Collective was a group of artists who utilised disused spaces such as carparks and under bridges to sell their wares in a market-style environment. His imagination was piqued regarding the possibility of a similar project in Melbourne.

A year later Adam founded The Rose St. Artists' Market which made use of an abandoned junkyard in the back streets of Fitzroy with the aim of giving a platform to local art and design talent. Almost fifteen years on, he is proud that the market is fulfilling this brief, having showcased and nurtured more than 4,000 emerging artists and designers.

“...Throughout my schooling, I was encouraged to pursue this love of the arts and was given the tools as a young man to enable me to do so...”

Moreover, the Market is recognised by organisations such as Tourism Victoria through to the New York Times as being an important piece in the ongoing craft revival across the globe.

Recently Adam expanded the Rose Street Market brand by working with large businesses including Highpoint Shopping Centre, Mini Australia and Juilliard Property Group to give the stable of artists and designers another platform to showcase their wares in a more mainstream setting. Closer to home, he recently fostered a partnership with the Heide Museum of Modern Art in Bulleen to launch a series of Makers' Markets in conjunction with exhibitions at the Gallery.

Away from the arts, Adam has always carried a passion for the hospitality industry - an industry, he observes, which has supported the lifestyle of many a creative. Adam opened a late-night French bistro called 'Hell of the North' and, more recently, a back-street café, both in Fitzroy. All these ventures make for a busy working life for Adam.

Adam has been married to Clare for ten years and they have two children, Zara and Isaac, who are just starting out on their own school journey.



Adam, Clare, Zara and Isaac

Whitefriars College was a big part of Adam's life and continues to be so. In Adam's words: "For me and many other students who have graced its buildings, Whitefriars nurtured the talents and gifts that reside within, mine being the creative arts. Throughout my schooling, I was encouraged to pursue this love of the arts and was given the tools as a young man to enable me to do so, something for which I remain grateful. I am fortunate enough to still be in contact with a core group of 'Friars mates and we meet on a regular basis. The gags and nicknames that stem from our days at school still engender many laughs and fond memories."



Adam and Clare



Adam with his children Zara and Isaac

Andrew Stretch

Vehicle Architecture Manager, General Motors Holden

CLASS OF 1996

Immediately after his final Year 12 exam at Whitefriars, Andrew was interviewed by GM Holden for a two-year traineeship in Automotive Drafting and Design and was subsequently offered a position.

During the initial two years and subsequent six years, Andrew studied at Swinburne TAFE part time, completing an Advanced Diploma in Mechanical Engineering and an Advanced Diploma in Engineering Technology.

Andrew spent his first eight years at Holden as a Mechanical Designer in the Drawing Office where he designed, modelled and drafted components and sub systems for different engineering groups - Body Sheet Metal, Interior, Exterior Systems, etc. - initially for locally manufactured Holden product (mainly VT - VZ Commodore) and eventually for global product. This experience proved to be a significant opportunity for Andrew to learn about the individual areas of the vehicle, manufacturing and tooling, and to develop his design skills. The VE Commodore was his first chance to work on a brand-new vehicle and observe how vehicle architecture was created from a clean sheet of paper. He worked on this program for five years before the vehicle was released.

Over the past decade Andrew has worked predominantly in a team called Advanced Vehicle Development.



Andrew Stretch with the Chevrolet ENV-2 prototype build

This team aids the creation of the initial vehicle layout and package which includes working closely with the Creative Design (Styling) team to establish the size and proportions of the vehicle, occupant positioning within the vehicle, and other key attributes (powertrain and suspension selection, safety technology integration, legal requirements for the countries the vehicle will be sold in, etc.). The team then follows the vehicle through the design stages to help balance and integrate the objectives of all the different teams - Design, Manufacturing, Engineering teams, etc. - the key objective being the best outcome for the vehicle and the customer.

During his time in AVD, Andrew counts himself as being extremely fortunate to have worked with other regions and companies within the General Motors family on some significant products, developing new vehicles and architectures.

He spent time with Saab in Trollhattan, Sweden, working on the last Saab 9-5 and with Opel in Russelsheim, Germany, working on the VX Opel (Holden) Insignia. Most recently, in 2013 Andrew spent a year with the GM China team, living in Shanghai and working on the creation of the Chevrolet ENV-2 - a small electric three-seater vehicle designed purely for car sharing. He also had the opportunity to work on other exciting products such as the 5th generation Chevrolet Camaro, which was built on the VE Commodore architecture (Bumble Bee for Transformers fans), and concept and show cars for International Motor Shows.

Andrew is currently the Vehicle Architecture Manager at GM Holden. Whatever the project worked on, his team is responsible for the development and preservation of the Architectural attributes of the vehicle and those of any other vehicle on the same platform.

“... preparing us for this modern world – to not only survive but also thrive and make a difference.”

With Holden local manufacturing ceasing in October this year, their work for the past few years has been focused on future global product for GM, and studying future GM architectures and potential derivatives from them. They work closely with the GM Design Studio in Melbourne and in the USA, and Advanced Engineering teams in the USA.

In February of this year, Andrew celebrated his 20-year anniversary at GM Holden. He reflects that it has been a wonderful place to work with a larger team of people who care about one another. Over those 20 years he has observed how the Holden team really punches above its weight for capability and output. Being significantly smaller than other GM businesses (Chevrolet, Buick, etc.) really drives the people to be diverse in their skills and motivated to work and contribute, culminating in a better capability and knowledge. For Andrew, such experience has qualified him to travel to other countries and businesses within GM, facilitating projects and teaching and mentoring in the business of vehicle design and development.

Andrew met his wife, Alison, in 2008 through a mutual friend at work. She was about to move to North America for work, however they remained friends from abroad and in December 2015 were married.

In January of this year their daughter, Emma, was born. Moreover, this year also saw his nephew and godson, Ben Smith, commence in Year 7 Soreth at Whitefriars. Andrew enjoys hearing stories once again from within the school community - even accounts of some of his favourite teachers who are still teaching at the College!

Last year, Andrew attended the Class of 1996 20-year reunion. He recalls reflecting later upon the many young fathers attending the function who spoke with loving respect for their families – young men who had gone on to work in many different industries and businesses, both large and small, with great successes and accomplishments. People who were involved in different organisations and clubs, giving back to the communities in which they now reside. This reunion prompted Andrew to observe what an amazing achievement Whitefriars College had undertaken twenty plus years earlier: “preparing us for this modern world – to not only survive but also thrive and make a difference.”



A proud new Dad - Andrew welcomes Emma into the world



Emma heading out for a walk with Andrew

Paul Fenech

Principal – McGrath Real Estate, Croydon

CLASS OF 1987

After completing his VCE in 1987, Paul was unsure about his future direction.

He did not feel that continuing study was the right choice for him at that time so he joined his father in his garden supplies business for the next eighteen months. In mid-1989 after some encouragement from family, Paul decided to approach a local real estate firm with a view to possible employment and there he discovered his niche.

Although that period was a difficult time for businesses, Paul persevered. As a Junior Sales person, he recalls being given his key tools - "a notebook, a pen and a telephone". Paul enjoyed the flexibility of not being confined to an office and found that every day brought variety and new challenges to be met, particularly when relying on commission from property sales for an income!

After ten years Paul purchased a half share in the business. Four years later he was the sole owner. His business was the number one office for eight consecutive years for their previous employer and Paul became the number one salesperson for the group in Victoria for five consecutive years. A highlight for Paul was being invited to speak at the Australian Real Estate Conference on several occasions.

Reflecting upon his chosen profession, Paul observes that "the best part is the ability to set your own goals and work as hard as you want. There are no limitations on how much time and effort you can put in and you have the flexibility to work indoors or outdoors.

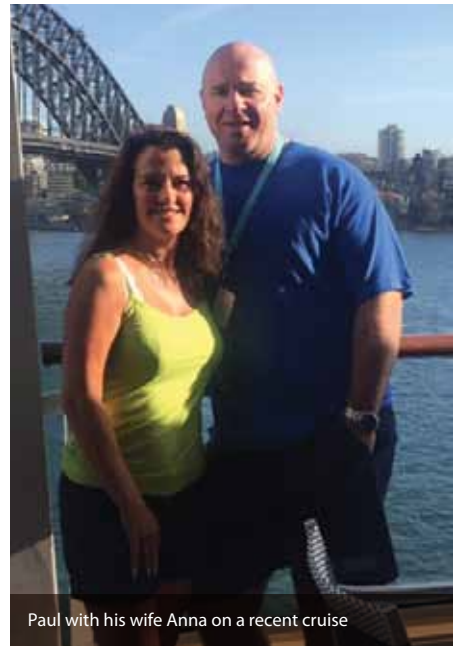


Paul Fenech with McGrath Croydon

Then there are the auctions, open for inspections or the negotiations in clients' loungerooms at 8.30 p.m. He observes that this role can be "all encompassing", however he "thrives on this intrinsic reason to get up every day". After 26 years, Paul made the decision to rebrand the business. This move involved new challenges such as meeting a wide range of new people and moving out of their comfort zone, trying their best to evolve a new business. He recalls that it was "a huge decision but one that looked firmly to the future".

Developing networks is an extremely important element of his business and Paul values the family networks he has established over the long term. While there have been challenges along the way – sacrificing time with family and friends to ensure that goals had been met, missing or being late for parties, working all weekend and missing birthday celebrations – Paul observes that the decisions he has made reflect on where he is now. "I always love to travel overseas or around Australia and, of course, would love more free time to spend with my family ... enjoy my kombis a fraction more in summer and, of course, a few more games of golf!"

I found study difficult, however the Carmelites understood and encouraged me. Looking back, my school experience there was a very positive one."



Paul with his wife Anna on a recent cruise



Paul presenting the annual donation to the Royal Children's Hospital



Finally, Paul has advice for anyone interested in a career in real estate. "You must work hard, self-motivate, focus and discipline yourself ... and be prepared to be in it for the long game."

Paul was College Captain in 1987. Reflecting on his years at Whitefriars, he recalls the support he was given by Fr Noel Kierce, O.Carm and Fr Shane O'Connor, O.Carm. "Whitefriars College was good for me – I found study difficult, however the Carmelites understood and encouraged me. Looking back, my school experience there was a very positive one."



Paul with Darcy and Jesse at the Father's Day Breakfast



Paul at a recent sale in Croydon North

From the Archives

A simple note in biro on the back of a photograph or two "... Gen. Sci. Lab 1970".

A new General Science Lab was to be an addition to the College built in 1960 and well under way. The Lab would be ready for students at the beginning of the 1971 year and has been recorded in the Archives.

Speech Night, 10th December, 1970: An extract from a speech by Fr Frank Shortis:

"We must take a stand if we are going to be real parents, real teachers. Often the boys wonder why we make such a fuss about their appearance, their manners, their choices of reading. God help us, and God help society, if we and other parents and teachers don't make a fuss.

Two years ago a few voices were raised about pollution of the atmosphere and environment. Those who spoke were regarded as odd; today we wish they had spoken more forcefully. Today we worry about pollution of the air and streams; ironically, we invite pollution of our minds by crying out for freedom from restraint .."

And from Whitefriars – 50 Years by James Thomson:

"If the Carmelite ethos was one essential ingredient of a rapidly developing Whitefriars College culture, then the school's beautiful environment was another. As early as 1962, a Tree and Flower Club had been formed, led by Fr Adrian Jones."



First Science rooms



First Science rooms



9 February 2017



24 April 2017



26 May 2017



4 June 2017 – Pouring of the Slab



8 June 2017 – The first walls go up



4 July 2017 – Preparing for more concrete

Move forward to 2017 as we watch a new Learning Centre emerge from the ground. Its arrival is again being faithfully recorded, 47 years later by time-lapse digital photography every hour and by monthly progress reports in full colour presentations. Not a Box Brownie in sight - we are citizens of the electronic age. Our new Science and Technology Centre providing state-of-the-art learning spaces sits poised, quietly inviting us to awaken new minds to the beauty and the responsibility of care for the environment it watches over. Perhaps the words from Fr Shortis need not change. It is now our turn to speak and act more forcibly.

Mrs Anne McKenna

Archivist



25 July 2017



28 July 2017



24 August 2017

VALE

Gerard 'Gerry' Barber

6 October 1948 – 10 July 2017 Whitefriars College 1961 – 1966



Gerard Barber



Sadly, Gerry Barber passed away following a long battle with cancer. One of the original students at Whitefriars College, Gerry enjoyed a full life as the devoted father of two daughters and he had four grandchildren. Gerry was a valued community worker and he maintained long employment as a computer expert with several large Australian organisations. In recent years, Gerry completed two pilgrimages on the Camino De Santiago which is no mean feat. He also became fully involved in the Saint Vincent De Paul Society. Gerry will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Pax vobiscum.

Tony Barber (Class of 1967)

Brother

Brendan James Poustie

19 November 1972 – 12 June 2017 Whitefriars College 1985 – 1990



Brendan Poustie



Brendan was serving as an Acting Senior Sergeant, District Duty Officer at Northern Beaches in Mackay when, out for a run on 7th June this year, he was hit by a car and suffered catastrophic injuries. He was flown to Townsville where with his family and many friends by his side night and day he passed away on Monday, 12 June 2017.

On Monday, 19 June, many family, friends and fellow police officers attended the funeral Mass to farewell, in the words of Police Commissioner Ian Stewart, "a man whose commitment to his family, friends and his job was exemplary". Hundreds of police lined the streets of Mackay to say their final farewells. Friends who attended Whitefriars College with Brendan flew to Mackay to also say their goodbyes.

Brendan loved fishing, camping, travelling overseas and his Melbourne Football Club.

He will be remembered for being a humble, fair, kind man with a wonderful sense of humour and never an unkind word was spoken about those he met.

A deep sense of loss and sadness has come into the lives of his family and friends but we trust that Brendan is now with his Father in God's loving arms.

Jacinta Baxter

Brendan's cousin and mother of Patrick (Year 11) and Kieran (Year 8)

Brendan completed Year 12 in 1990 and went on to study Criminal Justice at RMIT. On 19 July 1994, Brendan enlisted in the Army where he served with INTERFET in Timor and then with the Peacekeepers in Bougainville. After seven years in the Army, he joined the Queensland Police Academy and whilst studying he met his future wife, Jakki.

Brendan and Jakki were married in Melbourne on the 19 September 2005, and two beautiful children followed, Liam and Lucy. With their family complete, they took up many postings around far North Queensland, including remote indigenous areas. They worked in Townsville, Cairns, Hopevale, Cooktown, Kowanyama, Thursday Island, Normanton and Mount Isa.

Jack Stanbrook

21 August 1996 – 27 May 2017 Whitefriars College 2009 - 2014



Jack Stanbrook



Jack Stanbrook was welcomed into this world by his beautiful parents, Mark and Virginia on 21 August 1996. He completed a wonderful family when he joined his two adoring siblings, Tom and Millie.

Since that day, Jack charmed each and every person he met with a cheeky smile, unbounded loyalty, good humour and a love of life.

Unfortunately, all of those people were so shocked and saddened when Jack passed away on 27 May 2017 due to a sudden illness.

After completing his Primary School days at St Thomas the Apostle in Blackburn, Jack came to Whitefriars and joined the Brandsma 1 Pastoral Care group. Immediately he was a young man making many friends and making an impact – even the senior boys in the group were held to account by the new Year 7 boy if he sensed an injustice – or an opportunity to have a laugh. During the next six years, Jack continued to make a big impression by being a very loyal and reliable mate to many young men. Despite his sometimes ‘rough exterior’ (long hair and poor uniform) there was a very gentle soul among us with a heart of gold. Jack completed Year 12 in 2014 with a great group of mates who could always rely on his support.

Jack was never going to sit in an office so he joined the family landscaping business when he finished at Whitefriars. He remained connected to the wider College community as a player with the Whitefriars Football Club and remained very close to his mates.

Upon his passing, the outpouring of love for Jack and his family was overwhelming, and the College was privileged to host a very emotional and fitting funeral tribute with an overflowing gym and solemn procession through the grounds.

He will forever be remembered as simply one of the great guys – a very gentle man who loved the simple things in life and was such fun to be around.

While we all grieve for Jack, his family, his friends and the Class of 2014, we trust that he is now in the comforting care of God and that Jack is still smiling at us all.

Cheers Jack – you will forever be missed and remembered.

Peter Ciardulli

Brandsma Head of House 2011 – 2015

Reunions





CLASS OF 1987 – 30 YEAR REUNION



Reunions



CLASS OF 1997 – 20 YEAR REUNION



Help us Reconnect

Whitefriars College would like your assistance to connect us with Old Collegians with whom we have lost contact.

We would like to keep everyone informed about College news, events and reunions. If you are able to assist Whitefriars in contacting any of the following Old Collegians, please contact the Development Office on +61 3 9872 8213 or email woca@whitefriars.vic.edu.au.

CLASS OF 1968

Randal Barker
Benedict Ciullo
Adriamus De Kort
Francis Fraschilla
Francis Gallo
George Gallo
George Kosi
Gregory Mcnaught
James O'Dwyer
Malcolm Peters
Petrus Smits
Robert Taylor
Robert Teklenburg

CLASS OF 1978

Gavin Bartlett
Wayne Blyth
Terrence Bulmer
Andrew Caines
Damian Callanan
Glenn Davey
Peter Dearn
Stefan Dieters
Christopher Elliot
Ashworth Ernst
Simon Fraser
Paul Gerraty
Francis Geurts
Christopher Healy
Mark Hollis
Edward Horton-Crundall
Mark Howson
David Johnson
Vincent Jones
Matthew Kelly
Timothy Langenbacher
Roger Leong
Gregory Liddell
Michael Mackey
Mark Marsden
Brian Mayhew
Kevin Miller

Graeme Moore
Andrew Murphy
Martin O'Donoghue
Kevin Otten
Robert Price
Phillip Ragg
Sean Selleck
David Sutton
Walter Van Bergen
Luke Venkus
Colin Walsh
Robert West

CLASS OF 1988

Craig Ashcroft
Geoffrey Bainbridge
Peter Bainbridge
Matthew Banks
David Blackburn
Anthony Cartmel
Jonathon Clarey
Michael Dimitrou
Michael Goodman
Brent Houghton
Damian Kennedy
Anthony Laras
John Looby
Gordon Marx
Sean McLean
Andrew McLennan
Bradley McMillan
Adam O'Neill
Michael O'Sullivan
Rohan Quinn
David Rankin
Joel Roache
Tim Salter
Allastair Sellar
Andrew Smith
Luke Sweeney
Nicholas Thornton
Simon Traynor

CLASS OF 1998

Adam Aiple
Robert Alcock
Travis Barugh
James Beaine
Timothy Blankenstein
Adriano Cerantola
Stephen Cotton
Nathan Danchisen
Damian Denapoli
Finton Eames
Mark Fleming
Paul Halabi
Adrian Herbert
Bradley Higgins
Adam Hill
Benjamin Holmes
Peter Luong
David Luu
Matthew Malady
Anthony Mortellaro
James Murray
Luke Ostrowski
Sunishke Perera
Peter Pezzimenti
Christopher Poussard
David Robins
Colin Rockett
Anthony Salce
Nathan Sceberas
Scott Schlink
Christopher Stats
Glenn Thomas
David Trounce
Paul Van Winckel
John Wallace
Thomas Ward
Edward Warfield
Nathan Welch

CLASS OF 2008

Joseph Biondo
David Brown
Dustin Byrne
Ho Yiu Chan
Jihui Cheng
Daniel De Cesare
Adrian Di Giulio
Akaradet Diawpanich
Sean Dowdle
Robert Indovino
Dae Woo Kim
Mitchell Lennie
Ming Liu
Hugh McLellan
Daniel Michelangeli
Habib Nasr
Shaun Pond
Han En Shih
Zacharia Sotidis
Christian Stewart
Bartholomew Toohey
Peter Wishnowsky
Kong Ip Wong
Ho Lung Yam

Important Dates

OCTOBER

Monday 9	Performance and Language Oral exams commence
Friday 13	Last day of Year 12 classes Year 7 2019 Offers posted
Monday 16	Year 12 Celebration Breakfast Years 10 – 12 Sports Appreciation Dinner
Tuesday 17	Year 12 Valedictory Mass and Dinner
Wednesday 18	Student Free Day/Staff Professional Learning Day
Thursday 19	Piano Recital
Friday 20	VCE Art Exhibition – Opening Night
Tuesday 24	Manningham Council Young Leaders Sustainability Conference
Wednesday 25	Carmelite Enrichment Program
Thursday 26	Year 9 Social Evening
Monday 30	Open Morning College Tours

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 1-24	VCAA Written Examinations
Tuesday 2	Middle Years Production 'The Robin Hood Files'
Monday 6	Mid Term Break – Staff and Student Free Day
Tuesday 7	Melbourne Cup Day
Thursday 9	Mothers Christmas Mass and Supper
Monday 13	Presentation Evening Hamer Hall
Wednesday 15	Carmelite Enrichment Program Year 7 2018 Transition Parent Information Evening
Thursday 16	Year 11 Examinations
Friday 17	WFC Inaugural Golf Day – Riversdale Golf Club
Tuesday 21	Year 7 Concert
Wednesday 22	Year 7 2018 Transition Morning for Solos
Thursday 23	Thank you evening for all volunteers at the College
Friday 24	Correction Day – Student Free Day Class of 2016 Reunion – Canteen Decking
Monday 27	Year 7 OLP Camp Year 10 - 12 2018 Flying Start Shared Stories Anthology Launch
Tuesday 28 – 21 December	Antipodeans Trip, Nepal

DECEMBER

Monday 4	Year 8 Immersion
Tuesday 5	Orientation Day Year 7 2018
Wednesday 6	Last Day for Year 7 - 11 classes
Wednesday 20	College Administration closes

JANUARY 2018

Monday 22	College Administration Reopens
Wednesday 31	Year 7 and 12 Students and all new students return

FEBRUARY 2018

Thursday 1	Year 12 Academic Conference, Mannix College Year 7 Orientation Program Years 8 - 11 Students commence
Monday 5 – 9	Year 7 Orientation Camps
Friday 16	2008 10 Year Reunion
Saturday 17	Big Bands Sunsets Performance
Friday 23	Open Morning Tour 9 – 10.30am

MARCH 2018

Thursday 1	House Athletics
Monday 12	Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 14	Victorian Young Leaders to China
Tuesday 20	Twilight Evening
Friday 23	1977/78 Reunion 40 Years
Monday 26	Indonesian Study Tour
Tuesday 27	Believe in Music Concert
Wednesday 28	Term 1 concludes
Thursday 29	Staff Spirituality Day – Holy Thursday
Friday 30	Good Friday

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