Dear Fellow Old Collegians,

You may remember that we were forced to cancel our Old Collegians Annual Dinner last year, due to the small number of confirmed bookings we had received. If we had continued with our plans to stage the dinner, we would have incurred a loss and you can understand that we were not prepared to do this.

You will recall that we invited suggestions from members and that we received spirited submissions at this year’s Annual General Meeting. We also distributed a questionnaire to gain old collegians’ feedback and suggestions. As a result, your Old Collegians’ Association Executive Committee has approved some significant changes to our operations and we trust that these will meet with your approval and ensure your personal support of our major event of the year: the Annual Dinner.

First of all, the Committee has resolved to remove the concept of an Annual Subscription for membership of the Association. This means that we extend membership of the Association to all old collegians, irrespective of their financial status. To support this, the College has graciously offered to print and distribute copies of The Gym to all old collegians that are in our Association’s records, which is a huge cost saving to us. To maintain membership of the Association and receive copies of The Gym, all you have to do is let us know your postal address.

Secondly, we have arranged to hold the Dinner this year at the Public Schools Club, which was the venue for our successful Seniors’ Lunch in May. The result of both these measures is that the cost for attendance at the Dinner is cheaper than it has been for a number of years. We are pleased to say that at $50.00 for a 3-course meal with complimentary drinks prior to dinner, we are presenting good value and hope that this will prove an encouragement to your attendance.

So put the date Friday 19 October in your diaries. Also, please find enclosed in this issue of The Gym a booking form for the Dinner. I strongly urge you to make contact with your ex-classmates and friends and make plans to attend this year’s dinner and help make it a successful event.

Should you wish to make any suggestions, give your committee any feedback or indeed offer your services and volunteer to help us, feel free to write to me c/- CBCOCA, GPO Box 2707, Adelaide SA, 5001 or email me c/- vjaksa@mac.com.

Wishing you God’s Blessing

(and hoping to see you at the Annual Dinner)

Mr Viano Jaksa
President (1971)

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Dear Old Collegians,

It is with pleasure that I write to you as both an old collegian (1979) and as Acting Principal as our Principal, Noel Mifsud is on sabbatical leave this term. Noel is currently in Finland and Europe visiting schools in countries that perform well in the PISA Report. He will be investigating contemporary pedagogies that are being used and classroom design and structure.

**Learning from the past**

This term the College has celebrated its 134th birthday with a mass and carnival on the Feast of the Assumption. This date has always been an important day for the Christian Brothers. Blessed Edmund Rice devoted his prayers towards Mary and prayed before a picture of the Assumption. The congregation was proclaimed on this feast day, Br Ambrose Treacy and three other brothers left Ireland for Australia on the Feast of the Assumption in 1868 and the foundation stone at Christian Brothers College was laid also on this feast day. This year we also commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of Br Ambrose Treacy, who arrived in Melbourne and built schools throughout Australia, including CBC Adelaide. In the recent book of his life entitled: Patrick Ambrose Treacy: Christian Brother, Enterprising Immigrant by Regis Hickey it recounts Br Treacy’s planned visit to South Australia in 1876. It states (p 135)

“The Bishop of Adelaide was very anxious that I should go over there to see for myself the inducements which he could hold out to entice us to his diocese. Not being able to see how I could reach it as soon as he would require Brothers. I refused on two occasions to go. During our retreat I received a note from the Vicar General to beg me to go during the vacation; that then I could have no excuse for want of time, that the bishop would pay all expenses and that I would be the guest of his Lordship during my stay in Adelaide, etc. I sent Brother Regis as I know he could combine business with pleasure.”

This term we have been extremely fortunate to have Br John Ahern cfc as Acting Deputy Principal at CBC from Rostrevor College. Br John brings with himself a wealth of knowledge and experience as Principal and Deputy Principal in schools in both South Australia and Western Australia. Br John taught previously at CBC in the late seventies and early eighties and shared with the students his memories of the college in the centenary year in 1978 when our First XVIII football side defeated Rostrevor College at the Adelaide Oval. The student body was mesmerized by the lace-up purple and white football top from that game that Br John brought in with him to the assembly.
Some of our Aspirations

Our college continues to develop the holistic education of our students. Many of our students this term have participated in the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal sleeping outside at the school on balconies to develop an understanding of the plight of homeless people. The Winter Appeal raised over $1380 with eight cubic metres of clothing and over 600 cans of non-perishable food which was presented to St Vincent de Paul Society.

Our annual CBC Art Exhibition occurred this term in the Centenary Gymnasium with over 150 paintings and sculptures produced by some 50 local artists. Greg O’Leary (old collegian) not only displayed works of art but was our guest presenter on the evening. Also Paul Vasileff (2007 old collegian) was recently featured in the Advertiser on the success of his designer label. Paul five years ago left CBC to commence his fashion label “Paolo Sebastian” using friends as models and audience at his displays. Now he has studied at the world renowned Istituto Europeo di Design in Milan and has been part of the fashion week in London. Paul recently designed a dress for Ada Nicodemou at the recent Logies presentation.

Our students continue to perform both academically and in the sporting field. CBC won the 2012 Brain Bee, had students winning a gold medal in the Surf Life Saving South Australia State Championships in U17 Surfboard Riding, and represented the state in football, touch football and soccer at the national level.

Envisioning the Future

Our college continues to be visionary. Recently, the new Junior Campus won the recent People’s Choice Awards. All successful award recipients were featured in the Adelaide Review. The article in the Adelaide Review is included below:

Swanbury Penglase Architects, who has a strong focus on exemplary educational design, has enjoyed their remarkable journey with the distinguished 134-year-old college to help create this new ‘state of the art’ 21st Century multimodal, multimedia enhanced educational facility, which has been designed around the interplay of shape, colour, texture and light. We are delighted to have designed the dynamic and controlled light filled interiors with its custom designed furniture and bold use of colour, that plays a significant role to encourage the children to joyfully interact, learn, create and explore their new comfortable, sustainable and stimulating learning environment. Located on a tight Adelaide CBD fringe site, the new CBC Junior Campus with its breathtaking views of the neighbouring parklands, adjacent city and the Adelaide Hills beyond has been conceived as a series of connected learning spaces with large breakout spaces up its three levels and to multiple external areas, which includes an innovative Roof Play area for the students to expand to. CBC have similarly confirmed they are proud that this bold new architecture with its award winning interiors has exceeded their wildest expectations and they wish Adelaide’s community and their current students, who come from 104 different postcodes, enjoy and celebrate this new vision for the college.”

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I look forward to meeting you all at the Old Collegians Dinner on Friday 19 October 2012 at the Public Schools Club.

Live Jesus in our Hearts.

Mr Shaun Clarke
Acting Principal
CBC wins Science competition again!

CBC Year 10 student Liam Hockley has won the State final of the Australian Brain Bee competition.

As well as winning the individual competition, Liam was a member of the CBC team which has won the team competition. Liam will represent SA in the national final in January 2013.

The results continue a winning streak for the college which took out the State finals in 2008, 2010 and 2011 (the school had to withdraw from the 2009 competition after being quarantined for Swine Flu).

Science teacher Dr Lynne Grbin said she was very proud of the students’ enthusiasm, motivation and the way they represented CBC at the competition.

CBC wins the Brain Bee State title!

Back (L–R): Andrew Nguyen, Jakeb Sanders, Declan Reidy, Peter Cooper
Front: Liam Hockley, Brian Wilson, Eric Sansome

The College community learnt with sadness of the death of Brian Pledger who left in 1981. Brian was a former paratrooper whose passion for the environment led him to working for the Salisbury Council as a biodiversity officer.

He was equally committed to Aboriginal youth having recently completed a charity walk from Broken Hill to Salisbury-walking 650km to raise $20,000 for a number of projects. His family has launched a charity to continue his good works.

Further information is available at www.pledgetrek.com.au
Br Smith Science Week

This year the College held its inaugural Br Ernest Gregory Smith Science Week. For those of you who remember Br Smith, he taught at CBC from 1957-68. He was the first science teacher to use the new labs which had just been built at CBC. Those labs are still the same as he left them! We do, however, hope to renovate them in 2013-14.

In order to provide first class equipment for his students using the new labs Br Smith worked with some of the fathers to construct science apparatus. They built a Cathode Ray Oscilloscope and a Wilson Cloud Expansion Chamber – equipment that was rare at that time. We still have the cloud expansion chamber.

Br Smith was a renowned science teacher who was awarded the Australian Industry Development Association Medal for his services to Science.

The Science Week festival included guest presenters, PhD students from the universities talking about careers in science and hands on experiments. Students from both Junior and Senior campuses participated in the activities.

Congratulations!

The CBC community would like to congratulate Br James Murray who recently turned 77 and Br Ray O’Donoghue who turned 88, both of whom celebrated birthdays in September.

Softball players wanted! CBC is looking for Old Scholars to form a team to compete in the upcoming Softball Challenge and support the work done by the Edmund Rice Foundation in Africa. Contact Greg Ward on 8400 4200 for details.

CBCOC Online Community

Log on to www.cbc.sa.edu.au and find the link to the CBCOC Online Community. There, you can enter your details and your name will be added to the directory, allowing people from around the world to email you.
Dear fellow Old Collegian,

The **2012 Annual Dinner** will be held this year at the **Public Schools Club** (207 East Terrace, Adelaide) on **Friday 19th October** at 7.00 pm.

Tickets for the Dinner this year will cost **$50.00**. Your Committee has recently approved changed membership arrangements and consequently there will be no addition for annual subscriptions to the Association. Life Members (including clergy and Christian Brothers) will earn a **$5.00** discount to the Dinner. Life Members who wish to take out 100 Club membership for the coming year will gain entry to the dinner at no extra cost. Ordinary members who take up the option of 100 Club membership will pay **$25.00** for the Annual Dinner.

As we must pre-sell the dinner tickets, we seek your co-operation in returning your details and money shown below to: The Treasurer, CBCOCA Inc, GPO Box 2707, Adelaide SA 5001, by Friday October 12th. Tickets will be posted to you in return.

As has become the custom, the Dinner will be a **“3-course set menu excluding drinks”** package, allowing you to purchase what you want, as required and allowing costs to be kept as low as possible. As an added bonus, there will be free beer, wine and soft drink available at the Dinner from 7.00pm until 7.30pm.

The Annual Dinner has proven to be a pleasant way of renewing or maintaining contact with fellow classmates and I ask all Old Collegians to make a special effort to invite at least one fellow Old Collegian to the Dinner, so as to contribute to the evening’s success and assist in spreading the fellowship of the Association. I ask you to also consider forming a table of your friends and old classmates and take on the task of spreading the news and coordinating their attendance by acting as the Table Captain. Table Captains should organise and confirm their numbers (and seating requests) with the Treasurer, Michael Moran ASAP or by Fri October 12th at the latest, on (08) 8276 9156.

I hope you can join us for a memorable celebration and reunion with old friends,

With best wishes,

Viano Jaksa, President

Please note: NO TICKETS will be issued WITHOUT THE MONEY or after 12th October (require final numbers for catering)

Please return with payment (GPO Box 2707, Adelaide SA, 5001)

DINNER TICKETS

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