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Celebrating their 30 year reunion were Anthony Fasciano, Naomi Connor (Harmer), Kylie Akker, Toni Freer and Joseph Longo from the Class of 1992

Love and Connection

How quickly this year has flown. It is an honour and privilege to be contributing to the Old Scholars newsletter at the end of my first year as Principal of St Mark's College.

During the year, I have discovered how much love and connection there is in the community for St Mark's College, and this was definitely evident when Old Scholars returned to celebrate their reunion in Term 4. It was lovely to hear the stories of people's experiences over several decades. Some things have clearly changed in education, and facilities have improved significantly to provide the best learning environments for students. However, it is the connection with friends and the fun experiences at school that were recounted at the Reunion. Buildings do not make a community; people do.

At this time of year, we celebrate the success of our Year 12 students who achieved 100% SACE completion and some outstanding results. As Old Scholars, you would appreciate that there are multiple pathways to success. Roads to fulfilling careers can be winding, and school results and achievements do not define who we are as people.

As alumni of St Mark's, you will remember the significance of St Don Bosco to the charism of the College. He taught his Salesians that love is the foundation of effective teaching and learning. We do

not have to look for extraordinary ways to be good people but should just do ordinary things in an extraordinary way, with humility and generosity. Don Bosco called on us to 'Accept what the day brings', do it well and offer it as a prayer. As I reflect on the achievements in the College in 2022, I cannot help but reflect on the ordinary things accomplished this year in extraordinary circumstances, and for that I am immensely grateful and very proud. I invite you to reflect on your own achievements in a challenging year, and how the spirit and charism of the College continues to shape your lives.

Just as Christmas is a time of hope and new beginnings, so it is a time for all of us to give thanks for God's goodness and to commit to learning and growing every day into better, kinder, and more loving people. It is why we are here, to have life and live it to the fullest.

Walt Disney once said, 'You can dream, create, design and build the most wonderful ideas in the world, but it requires people to make the dream a reality.'

As you continue to create and live your own dreams, I wish you all a happy and holy Christmas.

Sandra Hewson
Principal, St Mark's College

AROUND THE COLLEGE

Our latest group of Little Lions are ready to take to the classroom in 2023, including Jaymes Harmer (daughter of Jenna Anderson, 2006) and Hugo George (son of Abby Fisher, 2002)



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Around the College



CLASS OF 2022: Our Year 12s celebrated the end of their schooling with Graduation



CAPTAINS: Our student leaders for 2023 include Amity Lane and Connor Gorey as College Captains, and our inaugural Vice-Captains, Sophie Tattoli and Thomas McNamara



CAPTAINS: Our 2022 Benedict Captains were Lewis Camporeale (son of James Camporeale, 1998, dec) and Sloan Chivell (daughter of Nadine Rafanelli, 1994)

Around the College



CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS: During September we recognised the efforts of our Class of 2021. Pictured are Mrs Jane Gibson (Year 12 Coordinator), Georgia Pryor (ATAR 90+ and Merit), Chloe Wright (ATAR 90+), Grace Dunbar (ATAR 90+), Dr Dale Allison (Guest Speaker, Class of 1993), Scarlett Tod (College Dux, ATAR 90+), Trixie Stanley (ATAR 90+), Lia Albanese (ATAR 90+ and Merit), Eve Clark (ATAR 90+) and Dr Sandra Hewson (Principal).



PRESENTATION NIGHT: Congratulations to our students who were awarded at Bosco Presentation Night, including Thomas Hunter (Service to the College), Eliza Mezzino (Salesian Award), Ava Ireland (Teacher's Award) and Mabel Arbon (Insignis Award)



SPORTS DAY: McNally took out the win at Benedict Sports Day! Visits from the Team Mascots always brings much excitement!



NYRSTAR: Old Scholars at our Trade Skills Centre, returning for training with Nyrstar. Pictured are Seth Combe (2022), Austin Gilmour (2021), Cameron Williams (2021) and Jack Wulf (2021).



OPEN NIGHT: The College hosted its first Open Night during August

Old Scholars' Reunion



CLASS OF 2002: (Back) Claire Longbottom, Melanie Collett, Tyson Fetherstonhaugh, Andrew Quinn, Hannah Lavis, Jordan Wilton, Andrew Palumbo, Sarah Gardner, Adam Pasche, Jon-Louis Bellifemini, Sally Bosworth, Anita Mezzino, Jamie Barnett, Chiara Spartalis, Abby George, Leah Bellifemini, Jenna George, Lisa Nelson, Claire Paparella and Emma Richards
(Middle) Stacey Davidson, Jess Allison, James Hellmanns, Maurie Mezzino, Greg Willson, Keren Best and Amber Thoman
(Front) Leigh Saracino, Ryan Davidson, Ben Ervin and Ryan Hanlon



CLASS OF 1982: Kingslee Stanley, Kerry Court and Garry Fitzgerald



Chiara Spartalis (2002), Angelica Murn (2001) and Leah Bellifemini (2002)

Old Scholars' Reunion



CLASS OF 2012: (Back) Zoe Worby, Rebekah Malycha, Grace Keain, Cassandra Allan, Brady Allan, Brayden Lucivero, Thomas Noonan, Cameron Trenowden, Samuel Paproth, Peta Madley, Cassidy Dunkley, Courtney McDonald, Tori-Anne Gill, Chelsea Harmer and Erin Moir
(Middle) Matt Munday, Daniel Hunter, Antony Sciancalepore, Kristofer Sjostrom and Isaac Chapman
(Front) Brodie Jarmyn, Nathan Brook, Lee Kirchner, Nick Keane and Matthew Thomson



CLASS OF 2001: (Back) Bryce Nestor, Breanna Harre, Jess Tobin and Colin Grantham (Front) Mykayla Demarco, Claire Demarco and Liz Clarke



CLASS OF 2012: Matthew Thomson, Matt Munday, Brady Allan and Cameron Trenowden

Old Scholars' Reunion



CLASS OF 2001: (Back) Alistair Haskett, Tony Manuel, Abbie Thomas, Zoë Gower, Elisha Camp, Danielle Bishop, Angelica Murn, Marc Cliff and Nicholas Grieg
(Front) Patrick Tietz, Anita Hoffmann, Amy Parker, Felicity Torpstrom and Daniel Bowman



Zoe Gower (2001), Felicity Torpstrom (2001), Pat Tietz (2001), Hannah Lavis (2002) and Robyn Tietz



CLASS OF 1991: Matthew Anderson, Rachel Tubb and Brett Stevens

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Old Scholars
Samuel Spadavecchia
and Dayna Parr both
from the Class of 2013
were married in Port Pirie
during February 2022.



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Old Scholar Achievements



JOE KEAIN **Class of 2010**

Joe has been awarded the 'Podiatrist of the Year' at the Australian Allied Health Awards this year in Sydney. He is photographed at the awards with his parents Jack (1979) and Pia.

Joe lives in Adelaide and works for Pod Fit Podiatry.



SIMONE ATKINSON **Class of 1985**

Simone graduated with a Graduate Diploma in Psychology from the University of Adelaide.

Simone lives in Crystal Brook and works part-time at our Benedict Campus while studying Honours.



TONIA BARNES (MEZZINO) **Class of 1992**

Tonia, who is the talented Senior Designer at Red Design Group in Melbourne, lead her team in designing the amazing Petersham RSL which was officially opened by Anthony Albanese during August.

Around the College's

AQUINAS COLLEGE

- Amelia Smart (2020) and Sophie Millard (2020), were awarded the Fr Michael Scott Prize, as they both attained straight High Distinctions
- Individual faculty prizes were also presented to Amelia for Arts, Sophie for Allied Health and Lucy O'Dea for Medicine



ST ANN'S COLLEGE

- Eve Clark (2021), has been awarded the prestigious EDJ Symon Bursary for their 2022 stay at St Ann's Residential College
- Jack Tiller (2020), has been awarded the prestigious E. Wojciechowski Scholarship for their 2022 stay at St Ann's Residential College



Celebrating Love



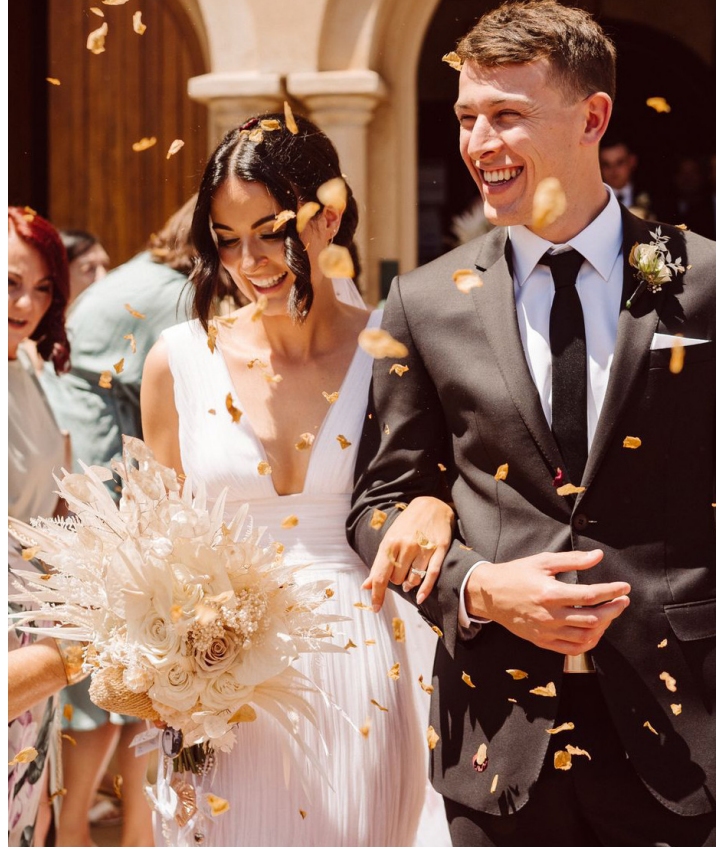
SAMUEL SPADAVECCHIA and DAYNA PARR

Class of 2013

Samuel married Dayna at St Mark's Cathedral on 5 February 2022 followed by the reception at the Northern Festival Centre. Samuel and Dayna live in Port Pirie, where Samuel is an Electrician at Nyrstar and Dayna is a Beauty Therapist who owns The Beauty Studio on Esmond.



Samuel and Dayna's bridal party included Emily White, Daniel Spadavecchia (2008), Maegan Parr (2015), Samuel and Dayna, Lachlan White (2013), Jannah Norton (2022) and James Spadavecchia (2004).



SAM PISANI

Class of 2013

Sam married Esther on 28 May 2022 in Memorial Park and celebrated their reception at the Sporting Precinct.

Sam, Esther and their son Koda live in Port Pirie, where Sam works at Nyrstar.



Sam's family, including Steven (2003), Jack Clarke, Natina Clarke (Pisani- 2006), Esther, Sam, Koda, Joanne Pisani, Joe Pisani, Elizabeth Elliot (Pisani- 2008) and Russel Elliot



Celebrating Love



ALEESHA DEGIGLIO

Class of 2010

Aleesha married Brady Krawczyk on 17 September 2022 at Sunnybrae Estate in Adelaide. Aleesha and Brady live in Port Pirie, where Aleesha is a Lawyer practicing Family Law.



ANGUS DEARLOVE

Class of 2008

Angus married Francine Cabale on 22 September 2022 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Mildura with the reception at nearby venue Willow & Ivie.

Angus and Francine live in Mildura, Angus currently works as a Media and Communications Officer for Federal Member for Mallee Anne Webster.



Celebrating Love



NATHAN BROOK and KATELYN STERRETT

Class of 2012 and 2014

Nathan married Katelyn at Maple and Pine in Jamestown on 15 October 2022. Nathan and Katelyn live in Port Pirie, where Nathan is an ESO at our Bosco Campus and Katelyn is a Registered Nurse at the Port Pirie Regional Health Service.



Tory Caputo (2012), Nikiesha Swearse, Ben Higginbottom, Madeline Combe (2014), Nathan, Katelyn, Toby Hurst (2021), Laura Price, Samuel Spadavecchia (2013) and Caitlin Mudge (Brook- 2014)



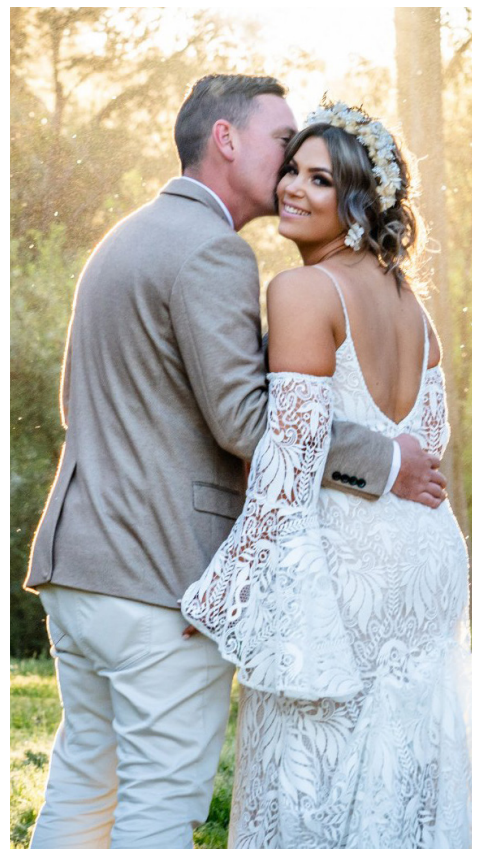
YASMINA WICHT

Class of 2006

Yasmina and Roger Phillips were married at Maple and Pine in Jamestown on 5 November 2022. Yasmina and Roger live in Gladstone and Yasmina is the Office Administrator at Wardle Co Real Estate in Port Pirie as well as a qualified hairdresser



Yasmina with her family, Nikki and Michael Wicht (2003) with their daughters Milla and Lenni, and Jannean Wicht



Celebrating Love



DANIELLE KIRCHNER

Class of 2007

Dani married Matt Adams on 19 November 2022 at Bowman Park and celebrated their reception at the Sporting Precinct.

Dani and Matt live in Port Pirie, where Dani is a radiographer.



Dani with her parents, Roger (1979) and Kaye Kirchner



Dani with her brother Lee Kirchner (2012)

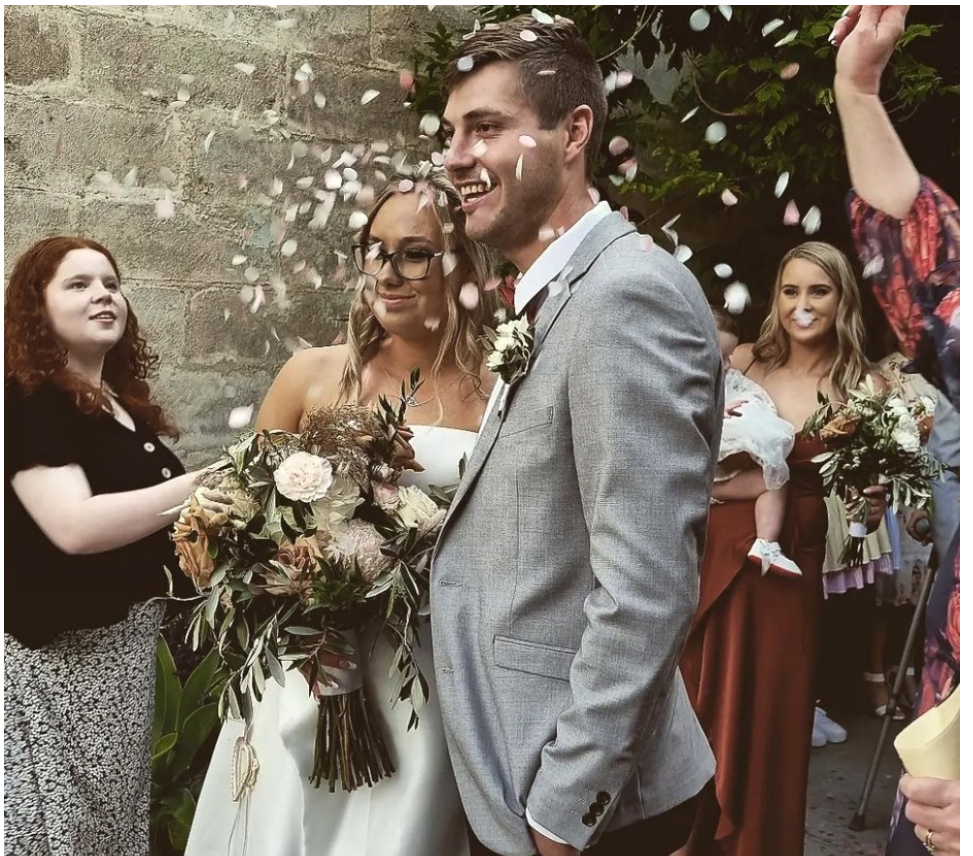


COREY DAVEY and CLAUDIA THOMAS

Class of 2015 and 2014

Corey married Claudia in a surprise wedding at Carn Brae on 22 October 2022.

Corey and Claudia live in Port Pirie, where Corey is a PE teacher at our Bosco Campus and Claudia is the Branch Manager for Pets Domain.



Celebrating Love



OLIVIA DEMARCO

Class of 2014

Olivia married Riley Spartalis on 18 November 2022 at Solomontown Beach and celebrated their reception at the Virtus Soccer Club.

Olivia and Riley live in Port Pirie, and both work at BHP, Olympic Dam.



ERIN POTTER

Class of 2012

Erin married Ross Caven at Seppeltsfield Winery on 2 September 2022. Erin and Ross live in Adelaide, where Erin is a Psychologist.



Erin was accompanied by Old Scholars Laura Caven (2013), far left, and Ella Ward (2014), far right



Celebrating Love



ANTHONY D'AGOSTINO

Class of 2009

Anthony married Hannah Joyce on 8 November 2022 at Memorial Park and celebrated their reception at the Northern Festival Centre.

Anthony and Hannah live in Port Pirie, where Anthony works at Nyrstar.



Our Newest Arrivals



ALEXA (JOHNSON) SIMMONS, Class of 2011

Alexa and Obie welcomed Iggy Rae in July 2022. The family live in Port Pirie where Alexa is a Registered Nurse at the Port Pirie Regional Health Service.



COURTNEY (WADE) SMITH, Class of 2005

Courtney and Josh, along with big sisters Quinn and Bronte, welcomed Darcie Ann in July 2022. The family live in Port Pirie where Courtney is a teacher at John Pirie Secondary School.



JAMES SPADAVECCHIA, Class of 2004

James and Jacqui, along with big sister Eloise, welcomed Leroy John in May 2021. The family live in Port Pirie, where James works at Nyrstar.



**JESSIE HAMMOND, Class of 2010 and
DANIEL SPADAVECCHIA, Class of 2008**

Jessie and Daniel welcomed Franco Jon in October 2022. The family live in Port Pirie where Jessie is a Physio Assistant at Yorke and Northern Health Network and Daniel is an Electrician for Energy Australia.

Our Newest Arrivals



YASMIN BISHOP, Class of 2015

Yasmin and Cody Ellis welcomed Octavia Faye in October 2022. The family live in Port Pirie, where Yasmin is a Pharmacy Assistant at Terry White Pharmacy.



SAM MAYES, Class of 2011

Sam and Cassandra, along with big brother Cooper, welcomed Oliver in November 2022. The family live in Adelaide, where Sam will play football for North Adelaide next year.



KALI RODDA, Class of 2008

Kali and Bailey Heinrich welcomed Elly Florence and Mila Kym in August 2022. The family live in Port Pirie where they are the owners of Serges Crash Repairs.

Out and About



Guests at the wedding of Olivia and Riley Spartalis included Matt Dennis, Adam Stringer, Brad Dennis, Trent Davidson, Ellise Davidson, Riley Collins, Nick Keane, Josef Caputo, Sam Dignan, Matt Lucivero, Ben Noonan, Mitchell Collins, Fraser Heidrich, Taylor Grenfell, Maggie Ward, Gabby Dennis, Jonno Mudge, Austin Lowe, Bianca Nunan, Fraser Collins, Isabelle Coates and Bree Williams



The Bridal Party at the wedding of Dani and Matt Adams included Old Scholars Millie Johnson (2016), Luisa Fetherstonhaugh (Keane- 1999), Alexandra Simmons (Scollin- 2007) and Emily Patterson (D'Agostino- 2007)



Old Scholars who attended Benedict in the 70's, 80's and 90's would fondly remember Mrs Pauline Waters. Pauline recently celebrated her 80th birthday with her family- Jane Dickeson (1984), Andrew Waters (1999), Rebecca Andrews (1988) and Sally Johns (1986)



Old Scholars celebrating at a wedding recently included members of Mrs Megan Congdon's (Griffin- 1996) caregroup over the years. Photographed are Anthony D'Agostino (2009), Mitchell Bond (2010), Joel Grenfell (2008), Tyron George (2007), Nicole Gordon (2003- van de Water), Travis Ley (2011) and Ottavia Edwards (2009- D'Agostino).

New baby?
Just tied the knot?
Maybe you have
graduated from Uni?
Or simply caught up with old
school friends.

Send your photos or news to:
info@smc.catholic.edu.au
and we will include it in the
next newsletter!

Celebrating our Graduates



Graduate Ryan Finlay, centre, with Aleisha Finlay (2018) and Leah Finlay (2020)



Graduate Jannah Norton, centre, with Cody Johns (2013) and Jay Norton (2020)



Graduate Anton Giancespro, right, with his sister Mya Giancespro (2020)



Graduate Lucinda Smith, left, with her sister Jessica Smith (2021)



Graduate Kelsey Monaghan, centre, with her brothers Corey (2020) and Ryan (2017)



Graduate Bree Farrugia, centre, with Old Scholars Erini Seindanis (2015) and Alexander Young (2014)



Graduates Charlise Caputo, left, and Kalan Caputo, centre, with Merina Caputo (2016)



Graduate Lucy Grossman, right, with Georgina Grossman (2020)



Year 12 Coordinator Mrs Jane Gibson with Old Scholars Tiah Peek and Sophie Farrugia both from the Class of 2021

OUR ST MARK'S FAMILY

Benedict Campus
farewelling Mrs Gayle
Dunning after 44 years of
service to the College.



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Farewelling Staff



This year we have farewelled many College staff and familiar faces to our Old Scholars' community. We wish them all the best in the next chapter of their lives!

We celebrated a special farewell for long-serving staff members Mr Jim Scavarelli, Mr Jack Jordan, Mr Graham Ford, Mrs Margaret Congdon, Mrs Gayle Dunning and Mrs Deb Slade. We are grateful for their enormous contribution to our College!



At the beginning of Term 4 we farewelled Boarding House Parents (of 21 years!) David and Denise Arbon. David and Denise are pictured with Jane Dickeson who continues to work at the College.

Farewell to staff who have completed their time at St Mark's College in 2022:

- Peter Rochette, Bosco Campus
- Peter Richens, College Administration
- Brian Hayes, McNally Farm
- Deb McArthur, Bosco Campus
- Meriam de Vries, Bosco Campus
- Katherine Stringer, Benedict Campus
- Marc Forster, Bosco Campus
- Desiree Gearing, Benedict and Bosco
- Sophie Porcelli, Benedict Campus
- Emily Komljenovic, Bosco Campus
- Leanne Klemm, College Administration
- Hannah Arbon, Benedict Campus
- Rebecca Hill, Benedict Campus
- Trystan Perry, Bosco Campus
- Chloe Liddicoat, OSHC
- David Antell, Bosco Campus
- Cleo Li, Bosco Campus
- Emma Stone, Bosco Campus
- Giulio Waun, Bosco Campus

EVENTS

join us

to celebrate your
SCHOOL REUNION!

Old Scholars' from the Graduating Classes of
1973, 1983, 1993, 2003 and 2013

Saturday 28 October 2022,
4:00pm - 6:00pm
Bosco Campus, The Terrace, Port Pirie

Follow the event on:
www.facebook.com/stmarkspirie
to stay up to date with all of the details!



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