



SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

WEEK 4, TERM 4

WEDNESDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019**Reflection: Make the most of every opportunity given to you**

Students often wonder why they have to learn so much when sometimes they cannot see the point. There is an old legend about a group of shepherds who were preparing to go to sleep when suddenly the sky was lit up with a celestial light that shone upon them. Being shepherds, they knew something wonderful was going to happen and they waited with eager anticipation. At last a voice spoke from the heavens. It said to them "Gather up as many pebbles as you can find. Put them in your saddlebags. Travel a day's journey and tomorrow night will find you glad and will find you sad." The shepherds were disappointed and angry. They had expected the revelation of something great for them and for the world. It had happened before for other shepherds. But instead they had been told to do something that made no sense at all.

Grudgingly, the shepherds bent down and picked a few pebbles and put them in their saddlebags. Next day, they travelled their day's journey and that night made camp. They decided to empty the pebbles from their saddlebags. To their astonishment the pebbles had disappeared and in their place were sparkling diamonds. The leading shepherd turned to his companions and said, "The voice spoke the truth. Tonight we are glad and we are sad. We are glad because we have these precious diamonds. But we are sad because we did not pick up more pebbles."

We do not know in life which pebbles are going to turn out to be diamonds. Everything you learn without knowing why you are learning is a pebble. But others before you can be sure you will find your own diamonds. So learn all you can now, pick up as many pebbles as you can and you will be able to look forward to a sparkling future full of diamonds.

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

**STUDENT LEADERS** Recently the school went through the process of election of Student Leaders. This is a very thorough process that is very Gospel-based. After the recent Leadership for Justice Day, these were values to which our Year 12 2020 students have pledged themselves:

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| ✓ We are all called to lead | ✓ Affirm the efforts of others     |
| ✓ Put other people first    | ✓ Respect the uniqueness of others |
| ✓ Have fire in the belly    | ✓ Journey with the poor            |
| ✓ Humbly serve others       | ✓ Community involvement            |
| ✓ Make a difference         |                                    |

Congratulations to all of our Seniors who have not only taken the whole process well, but have elected wisely. Congratulations to the following students who have been elected to leadership positions for next year.

James Threlkeld  
Anthony Fortini  
Patrick Alexiadis  
Costa Nicolaou  
John Soueid  
Daniel Murphy  
Michael Moreira  
Luke Iacona  
Thomas Holland  
Giorgio Abou-Sleiman  
John Puglia  
Jonathon Cremen  
Dragan Mavrak  
Ellis Sherriff  
Max Geoghegan  
Charbel Somani  
Peter Stephens

School Captain  
School Vice Captain  
School Vice Captain  
Liberating Education Prefect  
Gospel Spirituality Prefect  
Inclusive Community Prefect  
Justice and Solidarity Prefect  
Primary Prefect  
Primary Prefect  
Brady Prefect  
Gallagher Prefect  
Healy Prefect  
Magee Prefect  
Kearney Prefect  
O'Neill Prefect  
Treacy Prefect  
Wynne Prefect

The next two pages give a short resume of our 2020 school leaders. Congratulations to them all.

**WE ARE ALL CALLED TO BE LEADERS** I often tell our seniors that all Year 12 students are called to be leaders – you don't need a badge or your tie to be one. A great example of this is Thursday afternoons at Cairnsfoot School, a school for mildly and severely disabled children. Below is a list of our current Year 11s who have attended the school on Thursday afternoons this year, actively working with children there:

Yerasimos Papas  
Gabriel De Felice  
Jonathon Cremen  
James Rua  
Adrian Trousdale  
William Bremner  
Joshua Puglia  
Alexander Zajakovski

Thank you to Justice and Peace Coordinator Mr Jonathon Bishop who organises it.

*With the guidance of Blessed Edmund Rice, may we continue to strive with strength to be of service to others. Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever.*

Yours truly,  
Br Paul Conn  
Principal



**Anthony Fortini** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended Dobroyd Point Public School in Haberfield. Anthony's interests are playing soccer, swimming and spending time with friends and family. As a student leader in 2020, Anthony would like to work with his peers to be great role models for younger students, as well as strive to make CBHS Lewisham a better place, academically, socially and spiritually.



**Max Geoghegan** has been a student at CBHS Lewisham since the start of Year 7. Prior to this he attended Rozelle Public School. Max's interests are motor sport, swimming and Formula One Online Esports League racing. As a student leader of the O'Neill House and of CBHS Lewisham, Max would like to make the school a more engaging and inclusive environment. Along with this, Max wishes to guide the O'Neill House to another Br Gartland Cup win and engage the house into some more co-curricular activities.



**Giorgio Abousleiman** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to that he attended St Joseph's, Belmore. Giorgio's interests are soccer and NRL. As a student leader in 2020 Giorgio would like to lead Brady to victory once again, alongside giving recognition to anyone who deserves so.



**Thomas Holland** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 8. Prior to this he attended Summer Hill Public School. Thomas' interests are Mathematics, Aviation, AFL, Football and League. As a student leader in 2020, Thomas aims to boost the academic results of his peers and promote greater respect between the student collective and teachers. Thomas pledges to help his year rank in the Top 100 schools for 2020.



**Patrick Alexiadis** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Mary Star of the Sea and Our Lady of Lourdes. Patrick's interests are soccer, schoolwork and church. As a student leader in 2020, Patrick would like to become a role model and the voice for kids that are too scared or not able to speak out about certain issues, for example bullying, making the school a safe place where kids want to come and visit.



**Luke Iacona** has attended CBHS since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Mary's Primary School, Concord. Luke's interests are playing every kind of sport and going out and spending time with his family. As a student leader of 2020 Luke envisions developing stronger bonds with seniors and junior boys, e.g. buddy groups etc. Also to advocate change in the school environment.



**Jonathon Cremen** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Anne's Primary in South Strathfield. Jonathon's interests are Cricket, Football and Maths. As a student leader of 2020, Jonathon would like to incorporate social justice as the integral core of the Healy House, by encouraging all students to be involved in strengthening and supporting the community.



**Dragan Mavrak** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Paul of the Cross Dulwich Hill. Dragan's interests are kick-boxing, Rugby and watching MMA. As a student leader in 2020, Dragan would like to be the voice of the students who are shy and he would also love to promote more in-school activities such as Teachers v Students Football. Dragan would also like to win every trophy possible with Magee.





an Aboriginal community.

**Michael Moreira** has been a student at CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Brigid's Primary School Marrickville. Michael's interests are Football/Soccer, Basketball and gaming. As a student leader in 2020, Michael would like to create new and innovative ways for boys to get involved in social justice and create another immersion to



our amazing Aboriginal Program.

**Daniel Murphy** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Joseph's Enfield. Daniel's interests are photography and swimming. As a school leader in 2020 Daniel would like to ensure we address issues relevant to our students such as mental health, and to appreciate the unrecognised work of our staff and keep up



to better inform students, and work with all leaders, in particular Touchstone Leaders, to create a more just and fairer school environment.

**Costa Nicolaou** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended Bexley North Public School. Costa's interests are politics, world affairs, current affairs and NRL. As a student leader in 2020, Costa would like to celebrate how good education is, and inform people of the power education has. Costa wants to work with the CBHS community



**Joshua Puglia** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove. Joshua's interests include science and aviation. As a student leader in 2020 Joshua would like to introduce new school activities that unify the cohort of students, especially amongst kids in each house group.



**Ellis Sherriff** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 7. Prior to this he attended Croydon Public School. Ellis' interests are Cricket, Football and going out with mates. As a student leader in 2020, Ellis would like to lead Kearney to a victory in a sporting carnival, as well as making himself accessible to all his fellow Kearney brothers.



**John Soueid** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended Holy Innocents, Croydon. John's interests are Netflix and sports. As a student leader of 2020, John would like to begin to make accelerated courses more accessible for students and work with the Justice and Peace Centre to become a more faith-centred school.



**Charbel Somani** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended St Michael's, Belfield. Charbel's interests are sport and music. As a student leader in 2020 Charbel would like to be known by all students in the school and to be seen as a welcoming and respectful person as well as trying to improve the school in more ways than one.



**Peter Stephens** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended Our Lady of Lourdes, Earlwood. Peter's interests are powerlifting, the outdoors and long walks on the beach. A student leader in 2020 Peter would like to inspire people to be able to speak up and have their point heard.



**James Threlkeld** has attended CBHS Lewisham since Year 5. Prior to this he attended Del Monte, Strathfield. James' interests are Cricket, Football, Debating and spending time with mates. As a student leader of 2020, James would like to improve academic care and instil the values of the Four Touchstones into the Lewisham community, whilst also showing his leadership abilities to the school.

## MCC SPORT REPORT

Round 2 of the Summer MCC Competition continued last week for Representative Sport with matches v Kogarah. Results were:

Cricket: First XI 4-130 v 10-59, 15A 4-174 v 8-113  
Touch: 1<sup>st</sup> VI 4-3, 2<sup>nd</sup> VI 3-0, U15 4-2, U14 13-0  
Tennis: 40-89  
Basketball: 1<sup>st</sup> V 48-36, 2<sup>nd</sup> V 16-22, U15 45-39, U14 32-32

Training continues this Wednesday after school. Touch will train at Arlington, Cricket at Beaman. Tennis at Henson and Basketball in the McDonald Centre with return bus transport provided for external venues and returning to school at 5pm. The only exception is U14 and U15 Basketball who will train on Tuesday afternoon after school in the McDonald Centre rather than Wednesday and our First XI who usually train in the school nets on Wednesday.

Round 3 matches on Thursday this week v North Shore. Those boys not involved in Summer MCC Sport who are part of the Swimming Squad will train at Sydney Uni during Thursday sport this term.

Matches this week and approximate return to school times are:

Cricket: First XI at Tunks, 15A at Tunks return 5 pm  
Touch: All teams at Morrison Bay return 3.45 pm  
Tennis: Ridge St Courts Return 4 pm  
Basketball: Alexandria Return 3.30 pm  
Swimming: at Sydney Uni Return 2.45 pm

All parents requiring information about NSW Combined Catholic College teams and events should visit the new website at [www.csss.nsw.edu.au](http://www.csss.nsw.edu.au) to download all information and entry forms. Please note that ALL individual entries and nominations must be done by parents of interested students via this process. Families should check the website for clarification so your sons don't miss out.

Mr David Mamo  
MCC Sports Coordinator





## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

During School Term  
Tue: 1:00pm-4:00pm  
Wed: 7:45am-11:15am  
Thur: 7:45am-11:15am  
68 The Boulevard Lewisham  
02 9572 9287  
cbhs@ranier.com.au  


### Final call for all students starting in 2020 needing uniforms

Please book online at [www.ranier.com.au](http://www.ranier.com.au)  
(School password: chrisbro2049)

### FITTINGS - NOVEMBER BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Last trading day: Thur 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
Regular trading commences: Thur 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020

### BOOK FITTING APPOINTMENT



[www.ranier.com.au/quickappointment](http://www.ranier.com.au/quickappointment)  
(Password: chrisbro2049)

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Log in: [www.ranier.com.au](http://www.ranier.com.au)  
Register an account:  
[www.ranier.com.au/register](http://www.ranier.com.au/register)  
(Password: chrisbro2049)

### Open days for January - No appointments needed

Please allow for waiting time as there may be long queues.

Wednesday 22nd	12.00pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 23rd	9.00am – 1.00pm
Friday 24th	9.00am – 1.00pm
Tuesday 28th	12.00pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm – 4.00pm

(29/10/2019)



