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CATHOLIC LEARNING IN THE LIBERAL ARTS

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Work begins on \$18.5m Campion Building Expansion

The next phase of the Master Development Plan work has commenced. The first stage of construction will focus on a new academic wing, including a two-story library, lecture theatre and classrooms, as well as a large dining hall which will double as an event space. The building expansion will also include an underground car park, four new residential houses and a circular drive around the campus.

Library

The current library is a temporary building and many of our resources are in storage because space is limited. The new facility will be able to house the College library's significant liberal arts collection with a focus on history, literature, philosophy, theology and classical studies. The plans also provide for seminar rooms, office spaces and special collections.

Teaching Spaces

Building

work in progress

To accommodate our growing student body, we need to increase our number of teaching spaces. The

plans include a lecture theatre as well as four classrooms, a computer lab, media room and office spaces.

Multi-functional Space/Dining Hall

This large space will give us the opportunity to host larger functions, seminars and events on site. We see this as an opportunity to showcase the contribution of the western intellectual tradition to the local community through lectures, theatre and musical performances. This space will also serve as a dining hall for our residential and day students.

Residential Halls

The modern residential houses are configured with several types of rooms: single and double share with ensuites. Each room will have a bed, desk and wardrobe. The new houses will replicate the current houses Jordan Hall and Ryder-Cheshire Hall which were opened by John Howard and blessed by Archbishop Anthony Fisher on the 7 August 2018.

The total cost of the development is \$18.5M. We are pleased to share







with you that we have secured \$12M for the project. The Federal and NSW State Governments have committed \$10 million to the project. We have a Capital Appeal Campaign to raise the remaining funds for the development. If you would like to know more about how you can support the Capital Appeal Campaign, please get in contact with Yvette Nehme, Director of Development 02 9896 9318 or y.nehme@campion.edu.au

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Awards and Prizes Campaign

Each year we reward high academic achievers as well as skilled writers with Awards and Prizes for their accomplishments.

The College encourages students to participate in the *Awards and Prizes Campaign*. For many this is a chance to showcase their learnings and share their thoughts. We currently have 5 awards that are available to the students.

The Lord is Our Shepherd Book Prize

Funded by a gift from Mr & Mrs John and Marguerite Fennell. This year, awarded to Ashleigh Mills and Simeon Casey.

The Tom Cooper Book Prize

Funded by a gift from Mrs Pat Cooper. This year, awarded to Deon Testore and Matthew Selbst.

Ted O'Halloran Latin Award

Kindly donated by Mr John O'Halloran and Mr Michael & Mrs Anne Gray, in memory of John and Anne's father, Mr Ted O'Halloran. Awarded annually to the best Latin student in 300-level unit.

Noreen Mavis Daley Poetry Prize

Endowed by the late Royston Porthouse in memory of his mother.

Awarded to an original, unpublished poem not exceeding 50 lines.

The Fr Julian Carron Prize for Theology

This is a newly established prize, kindly donated by Dr Matthew Tan.

The Awards and Prizes Campaign isn't possible without the generous supporters who believe in the College's mission, "To provide a foundational education in the liberal arts that integrates the insights of faith and reason."

If you would like to learn more on how you can support our *Awards* and *Prizes Campaign* please contact Yvette Nehme, Director of Development y.nehme@campion.edu.au 02 9896 9318.

GK Chesterton Original Signed Books

There is something elusively compelling about a book that is signed by its author. A handwritten signature is a very individual, personal touch on a printed book and seems to somehow bring to life the woman or man who wrote it.

Among my treasured possessions is a book of verse written and signed by the poet, Les Murray. Holding this volume in my hand I am reminded of the time I spent at an event listening to the Australian legend read his poetry. Seeing his handwriting on the title page of my book is a lovely reminder of this time and helps me connect the man with his writing in a very tangible way.

Recently, Campion's Library was fortunate to acquire two books by G. K. Chesterton, both of which have been signed by him. "Magic: A Fantastic Comedy", was written in 1913 and is a play in three acts, one of Chesterton's first dramatic works. It is delightful to think that the author held the blue boards of this book and turned the pages himself to write his distinctive signature across the paper.

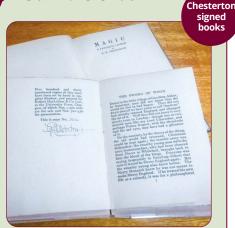
The second book is "The Sword of Wood", a short story written in 1928. This Elkin Mathews & Marrot

edition was the only publication of Chesterton's short story in book form – a mere 530 copies were made.

Not only is this a rare work, but the craftsmanship of the book is beautiful – the pages are made of rag paper, the type is set by hand, and the end-papers are decorated with a curlicue design. Chesterton's signature on the verso of the title page adds an extra element of curiosity to this lovely little volume.

The Library is privileged to own these two works as they provide examples of Chesterton's early writing and demonstrate his ability to turn his hand to different genres and styles of writing. The fact they are both signed by their author is a special feature that brings Chesterton to life; not just as an author, but as a man full of imagination and life.





Such purchases are not possible without the generosity of our supporters. If you would like to know how you can contribute to the Library fund please contact Yvette Nehme, Director of Development 02 9896 9318 y.nehme@campion.edu.au

Keziah Van Aardt, College Librarian



A Gift For The Future

When asked why one should leave a gift in their Will to Campion College Australia, we think about the students who are studying here. They work and study hard to achieve results and still find time to be part of the community.

Some of the students we talk to aren't sure of what the future holds for them after completing their Liberal Arts Degree, but they truly believe without the opportunity for this formative education, they would not have the knowledge required to make a difference in our society.

A gift in your Will really is a gift for the future. You can truly make a difference to the lives of young people, for generations to come, by considering leaving a bequest, a living legacy, to Campion Foundation Ltd for the development of Campion College Australia.

Supporting A Gift for the Future Campaign ensures that Campion College can continue to support activities, projects, residential life, scholarships and student needs long into the future. You may choose to gift a specific amount, a percentage

of your estate or the residue of your estate after providing for family and friends. An unrestricted gift allows the College to choose how your gift will be used. A designated gift enables you to choose how your bequest will be allocated.

We encourage you to join hands with those who will make a lasting contribution to the education of young people in the liberal arts. Including a bequest is not an alternative to looking after your family, it's a part of it. Please complete the form online www.campion.edu.au/giftforthefuture

If you would like to discuss in confidence *A Gift for the Future* possibilities or other ways in which you can support Campion College, please contact Campion's Director of Development, Yvette Nehme on phone 02 9896 9318 or email y.nehme@campion.edu.au

We Are Grateful

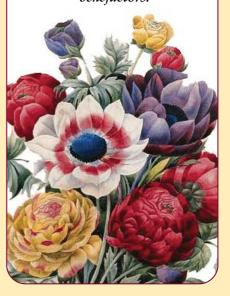
This year we remember our Campion friends and we would like to thank the following benefactors for their financial gifts throughout their lives:



Miss Anne Boyce
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Mr William Perazzo
Mrs Valeria Peyton
Mr Paul Pinel
Mr Lambertus (Burt) Schaafsma
Mrs Myrna Stinziani
The Hon Brian Thomas Sully AM



Their gifts continue to provide a foundational education in the liberal arts that integrates the insights of faith and reason. We pray for the repose of their souls and all our supporters and benefactors.



Campion Memorial Book



During the month of November the Memorial Book, in which we list Campion friends who have passed, will be displayed in the Chapel. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Dr John Casey, a retired medico from Brisbane, relishes the opportunity to contribute to Campion and further the cause of Catholic Education in young Australian adults. He said: "I strongly recommend the 'Gift for the Future' Campaign".

Where are they now?



CATHERINE DAY Class of 2011

Since Campion, life has been busy. I completed a Certificate IV in Teaching English as a Second Language and for several years, I taught English to international students. While teaching, I completed a Master of Journalism and Communication from UNSW. Now, I work for the NSW Government in the Better Regulation Division and I write for the Diocese of Broken Bay magazine.

During my time at Campion, my understanding and love for my faith grew and deepened. This love has continually influenced my writing. My columns have focused on the importance of being single, building romantic relationships, sex, the dignity of human life and the love of God. In 2019 I won the ACPA award for Best Column. I owe a lot to Campion, but mostly having the conviction to fight for my faith.

REBECCA COOPER Class of 2019

As the self appointed queen of the silent disco whilst at Campion, it's ironic that I am now working as the Operations Coordinator for a company who uses silent disco technology as a form of dementia care, for residents in Aged Care homes. I am also studying a Masters of Music Therapy at Western Sydney University.

Having a strong foundation in the liberal arts has enabled me to adapt, think on my feet and problem solve every day, both in my professional and personal life. Campion instilled in me the importance of a lifelong pursuit of learning, and I have tried to adopt this outlook when taking on a variety of corporate jobs and pursuing further study. This has led me to where I am now - in a profession (music therapy) I didn't even know existed until recently! For that, I will always be grateful.

Archbishop's Debating Cup

Campion College has dethroned reigning champion Macquarie University to take the prize in the 2021 Archbishop's Debating Cup.

Sydney Archbishop Rev. Anthony Fisher crowned Campion's debating team the victors in the Grand Final round of the Catholic intervarsity competition, named in his honour.

For the past several weeks Campion has debated other university chaplaincy teams on such theological issues as the papal role in the canonisation of saints.

Archbishop Fisher said he was deeply impressed by the theological arguments made by both teams on the topic, *Did Mother Mary undergo bodily death prior to her assumption into heaven?*

Campion team made up of Deon Testore, Sophia Shogren, and Ashleigh Mills, won the coin toss and argued in the affirmative. As captain, Deon spoke on behalf of the winning team, saying how very proud and humbled he was by the victory.

Read full story at www. campion.edu.au/campion-winsarchbishops-debating-cup/

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Experience College life and a taste of our liberal arts degree!



Our immersive four-day program provides the opportunity to reside on campus, experience college life and interact with like-minded peers. We have a fun filled social program as well as sample lectures from our history, literature, philosophy and theology lecturers.

Summer Program is free to attend thanks to funding from our generous donors but spaces are limited! If you know someone aged 16-20 who may be interested, please encourage them to register. Local and interstate students welcome. Visit www.campion. edu.au/summer-program

All prospective students are encouraged to get in contact with our Student Recruitment Manager for personalised advice and assistance with the admissions process. Contact Christine on (02) 9896 9303 or via study@campion.edu.au

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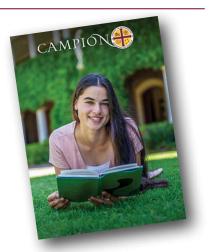
Information for Undergrads

Orientation Week for liberal arts undergrads begins on 21 February 2022! We accept applications right up to the start of O-Week but encourage you to apply as soon as possible. Find out more at www.campion.edu. au/ba-liberal-arts

If you're interested in applying for scholarships to help fund your studies and/or on-campus accommodation, the scholarship application deadline is 7 February 2022. Please note that you must receive your offer and enrol

Information for Postgrads

Graduate Certificate in Religious Education (Primary) course commences online on 14 February 2022. If you're a primary school teacher seeking professional development in religious education, visit www.campion.edu.au/ grad-cert-primary for more information. Applications close 4 February 2022.



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before you can apply for scholarships. We have a number of scholarships on offer including scholarships for leadership, sporting excellence, media/communications, fine arts/performing arts and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. High achievers who receive an ATAR of 90.00 or higher automatically receive our Academic Excellence scholarships. Residential and special circumstances bursaries are also available. Visit www.campion.edu.au/scholarships

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