



... a credit to our students and their thirst for knowledge and leaning as well as a credit to the dedicated teaching staff

Our Year 9 students also had a successful year in ACS sport, winning a number of summer and winter grand finals in a variety of sports, as well as contributing to the overall College success in the major carnivals.

2011 has been another very successful year for our students from a performing arts perspective. This year for the first time, Rock Eisteddfod was a combined Year 9 and Senior School activity. The enthusiasm of the Year 9 students coupled with the experience and leadership of the Senior School students ensured that *The Curious Case of...* was a spectacular performance, winning them third place in the Victorian Premiere Division of the Rock Eisteddfod Challenge. This was an excellent achievement for our students and the staff and parents involved. The Year 5 and 6 students also did well in Junior Rock Eisteddfod. Their performance of *The Fabulous Mr. Dahl* was just brilliant and won them numerous awards.

The College Musical, *Once on this Island*, provided students from Years 7 to 12 with the opportunity to put their singing, dancing and acting skills on show for the entire community. The touching story certainly highlighted the talents of all of the students involved and provided the audience with a wonderful evening of entertainment.

The Year 5 and 6 Musical, *A Night at the Performing Arts Museum*, was a wonderfully entertaining performance by the Year 5 and 6 students involved. It was clearly obvious to everyone in the audience that the students were having a great time performing this musical and their level of talent was fantastic. It was a great experience for everyone.

The theme for the 2011 school year, *"Making Connections"*, clearly describes Overnewton. Who we are as a College community, is a result of the many connections we have made since the College was started. The connections with the values of the College, the learning that takes place and all of the people who make up the Overnewton community are the binding forces that keep us focused on that one common goal – our students. The educational writer, Peter Senge once wrote, *"A shared vision is not an idea, it is rather, a force in people's hearts. At its simplest level, a shared vision is the answer to 'What do we want to create?'"* Clearly, at Overnewton Anglican Community College we have all made that connection with that shared vision of wanting the very best for our students, and as a College community, that is what we want to create and together, that is what we are working towards every day.

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