Dear Year 12 student

With the start of Term 3, your last full term in a Catholic school is upon you. No doubt this stirs mixed emotions of joy and anticipation as you move on to the next stage in life, but also sadness at leaving old friends. With the HSC exams in Term 4, a solid period of study is upon you at the same time.

Therefore, before you become fully absorbed in your studies, I want to wish you all the best for your HSC and the future and to thank you for the contribution that you have made to the schools that you have attended. I am confident that you have been well prepared for life beyond school, and I wish you every success and happiness in whichever pathway you chose to follow.

Year 12 students tell me that their final year is stressful and demanding; but for many students it is also one where they experience the great joy of studying under the guidance of an inspirational teacher. Similarly, teachers often report that teaching Year 12 students is an incredibly rewarding part of their career.

Have you ever considered being a teacher? You could change lives.

If you have, then you should find out more about the exciting scholarship program we offer, where we financially help a large number of young people through University with a view to them becoming teachers in our schools at the end of their studies.

Please don’t assume that this is out of your reach. If you expect to achieve an ATAR of 74 or above, you could have a good chance of receiving a scholarship, particularly if you are active in the community and your parish.

You can find out more at [http://www.ceosyd.catholic.edu.au/Teachers/Pages/Scholarships.aspx](http://www.ceosyd.catholic.edu.au/Teachers/Pages/Scholarships.aspx) or by emailing Alison Gray at: teach@ceosyd.catholic.edu.au for more information.

Closing date is 30 September, 2011. Why not write it in your diary now if you might be interested?

Once again, may I wish you every blessing for the HSC exams and the future, and warmly congratulate you on your achievements to date.

Dr Dan White

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