Knowledge and Obedience in Christ 1 John 2:3
The year 2012 has been a year of transition when we farewelled our Secondary Principal, Mr Col Krueger, after serving at Mueller College for more than twenty years. Col has seen the College grow from its early years to the well-established school that it is today. Mr Paul Valese takes over as Head of College and with a new leadership team is poised to take Mueller College into the next generation. We thank Col for his many years of service at Mueller College and together with Libby we wish them God’s richest blessings for their future.

Mr David Litke was appointed as the Chief Financial Officer upon the retirement of Mr Tony Tang in March and brings a high degree of expertise and leadership to the position. We also thank Tony for his valuable service during the past seven years as we wish him every blessing for his retirement.

As part of our restructuring during 2012 we reviewed a number of our operations in consolidating for the future. We are now well placed as we look forward to the new administration team to lead Mueller College into its next phase of operations.

We often hear from past students who are grateful for the years spent at Mueller College and appreciate the foundations that have been laid in their lives through their education and experiences at Mueller. We received an encouraging email from the mother of a student who graduated in 2010 who wrote “Stephanie will be completing a degree at the Australian Defence Academy in Canberra over the next three years where it prepares her in her Air Force Role of Air Combat Officer. She will continue to study her passion of languages that commenced with Mr Valese – continuing her Chinese and the introduction of Indonesian. Stephanie has also elected to continue with her instruments that she studied whilst at Mueller – Saxophone. Mueller was a wonderful foundation to her academic requirements and as her parents we would like to thank Mueller for their wonderful education standards and foundation laid in her career path.

The selection process that ADFA undertakes required Stephanie to prove herself to be not only academically minded but also have leadership skills, be professionally minded, career driven and require good communication skills. This year Stephanie was one of an intake of 303 students from thousands of applications Australia-wide.”
The Co-ordinator of our Certificate in Ministry Course “Vetamorphus”, Mr Mick Cross, received the following email – “I really wanted to write to you this morning to thank you and Mueller, so much for the privilege of being involved with you and for the valuable tool Vetamorphus has been in Sophie’s and Alexander’s lives. Alexander exclaimed recently, “Vetamorphus has been the best thing Sophie and I could ever have done and you must make sure the other two girls do it too, Mum. It has put legs on our faith.” And it truly has. Sophie now lives down the coast. The valuable experience she gained whilst doing her Veta certificate has equipped her to serve in amazing ways. Not only were the booklet/modules great, but the propulsion into service/leading has not come to an end. She now leads youth groups in her Church on the coast and God has put her in the most beautiful of professions – looking after the marginalised. “Whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me,” said Jesus. Well, Sophie has been given a heart of huge love for the elderly, especially those with dementia and extreme difficulties and she works with them every day. Isn’t that amazing? The love and grace of God.

And it all began up here on the mountain with doing Vetamorphus, serving right here. So thank you, Mick and Mueller, for your input in our children’s lives. Mick, your own enthusiasm is contagious and that has a big impact on these young people too.”

Mueller College continues to do well in State and National events. Year 12 student, Sarah Todd, competed at the School National Swimming Championships in Sydney winning seven medals, including three gold medals and four silver medals, breaking the record in the 100m freestyle event. She went on to win four gold, one silver and two bronze medals at the Brisbane Short Course Championships at Chandler, breaking the Brisbane swimming records for the 50m and 100m freestyle. Well done, Sarah, and we congratulate you on your outstanding success and achievements.
Also MUROC (Mueller Radio Operated Craft) performed well at this year’s UAV (Unmanned Aerial Vehicle) Outback Challenge winning $14,000 in prize money. Our teams came 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the “High School Airborne Delivery Challenge”, as well as 1st in the “Search Phase” competition. Well done to Anthony Banks and the whole team.

The Christian Schools Association mid-year Staff Conference held in MPAC by the Queensland branch of CSA was a great success featuring an excellent keynote speaker, Mr Brian Cox, Head of SPH International Schools, Indonesia. It provided valuable in-service training for our staff as well as networking opportunities with other Christian Schools. The Primary Musical L.O.S.T. was also a great success and is a real credit to our Music Department and the wonderful resources of our Performing Arts Centre.

On behalf of the Directors of Mueller College, I would like to pass on our deep appreciation to all the parents of our students for their support of Mueller College as well as all the staff for making Mueller the unique ministry that it is.

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Executive Director