



# ALUMNI

Welcome to the Chancellor State College Alumni, and to our very first Alumni newsletter.

Chancellor State College is without doubt a high performing and highly regarded educational institution. We have very strong student learning outcomes, excellent College/community relationships, and excellent staff, volunteers and support from our P&C and College Council.

Additionally we had our first Year 12 graduates leave our classrooms in 2008 and go on to live productive lives, some within this geographical community and many others some distance away – but all of them members of the Chancellor family.

Since that time, just under two thousand students have graduated from Chancellor, and now live and work all over the world in roles as many and varied as their locations.

All of these elements, along with our status as an Independent Public School, has provided us with the impetus to look at establishing a mechanism for engaging with our former students.

The objectives of the Alumni are to:

- Create stronger connections (networking) between alumni, alma mater, current students and the community.
- Celebrate the success of alumni by promoting/sharing stories with students, staff and the community.
- Further strengthen the transition for current students as they move into work and further study, and
- Create opportunities for alumni members to contribute back into the alma mater.

The Alumni team look forward to further interactions with you as members of this important group.

Peter Kelly

Executive Principal

## *A message from the Alumni Committee*

We believe our current students could benefit immensely from hearing about your experiences since leaving school, and will be in touch with some of you shortly to see if you would like to participate in future events. These events may include our Chaplaincy functions, Career Information Sessions and Celebration of Excellence Evenings, just to name a few.

We would also love some testimonials from past students to display around the school, giving inspiration to our current students.

But perhaps most exciting of all, we would like to invite all Alumni Members to a welcome event, giving you the opportunity to see the changes around our school, meet up with old friends and to see how you may be able to contribute to our growing College. We are in the process of organising this event and will be in touch with you soon with an invitation.

Once again, we would like to warmly welcome you to the Chancellor Alumni and encourage you to invite any past students to join as well.

To join they simply need to access our College website and click on the “Past Students” tab under the “Our community” tab, where they will find the link to our Alumni database, or you can forward them the link below.

We look forward to seeing you soon and hearing the stories you have to share,

The Alumni Committee:

*Peter Kelly, Jayme Field, Kathleen Edwards, Melissa Shenton, Len Falknau, Paula Ufer.*

The Governance Group:

*Peter Kelly, Jayme Field, Kathleen Edwards, Melissa Shenton, Richelle Rae, Amanda Poeppmann, Anita Edmonds, Len Falknau, Mark Hudson, Cathy Bennett, Chloe Coward.*

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### *Alumni Profile*



#### **Lachlan Money – 2008 Graduate**

Lachlan is a student not many 2008 graduates would forget. Characterised by his warm nature and sense of humour, he has gone on to become one of Chancellor’s most successful graduates. Refreshingly though, it’s not his numerous nominations for Young Financial Advisor of the Year, or his appointment as the Vice President of the Suncoast Business Network that Lachlan sees as making him successful. To him, success is making others happy; whether it be through his career, his participation in local theatre or running around on the basketball court with his teammates.

For Lachlan, it has never been about the amount of degrees he has, or the title next to his name, but rather following what makes him happy. And whether it be from an outsider’s definition of success, or his own, Lachlan Money is certainly a success story to be celebrated.

Since leaving Chancellor and completing a Bachelor of Commerce, majoring in Financial Planning at the University of the Sunshine Coast, Lachlan has forged ahead with his career. On reflection, he credits completing two courses at USC through the Head Start Program as being an excellent start to his degree. Looking back at school, Lachlan’s fondest memories aren’t those created inside the classroom, but outside on the football field and on a Year 12 geography camp to Charleville. It was friendships forged in these arenas, and others, which have left him with many lifelong friends.

In the time since Lachlan finished school, he has met people from all walks of life that have left him with a real appreciation for the things in life that truly matter most. It is these experiences, and some beautiful advice from his Dad, which has led him onto the path he is today. He says that we often get asked what we want to be when we grow up, when really, we should be asking ourselves what makes us happy. He has seen that if you follow what makes you happy, the rest just falls into place. He learned from the great Steve Jobs that you can’t connect the dots looking forward, you can only connect them looking back. And looking back, it’s clear that taking every opportunity that comes along has put Lachlan on a path that will only continue to lead him toward great things.