How quickly we find ourselves at the point of saying farewell and best wishes to our Year 12 students. In looking back to 2008, when this group first entered Year 8, and I dwell on how fast these boys have grown and developed into young men and the leaders of our College. I am delighted with the way in which our class of 2012 have approached their secondary education and their involvement in the multitude of activities which have been on offer both inside and outside the College. We are very grateful for the leadership and service our Year 12 students have provided to the College Community.

In every young person's life there are often key dates. It is often said that human life is a journey and so these are the special events that mark the journey and create each person's history. The first part of their journey into Year 12 was the Road Ahead Camp at New Norcia. The camp provided the students with an opportunity to reflect on their personal journey at a significant time in their life. The camp was designed to enable the students to look at where their life is at present and where they might be headed in the not too distant future and to also reflect on the important relationships in their lives. The camp was extremely successful due to the boys having an open mind, sharing their talents in music and comedy and also a few tears.

On 5th July, the Year 12 College Ball was held at the Grand River Ballroom at the Pan Pacific Hotel. Stunning young ladies and handsome and dashing young men quickly took to the dance floor, only taking time out for supper and for the presentation of awards. All the boys conducted themselves in an exemplary manner throughout the evening. Congratulations - it was a privilege to share this special occasion with you.

Thanks to the Year 12 Form teachers: Mrs Lima, Mrs Godfrey, Mr Johnson, Mr Briggs and Mr Bolton. Each of these teachers have really had the boys' interest at heart, and as all teachers do, have gone beyond doing just their jobs. The same for the Year 12 subject teachers who gave up their own time to maximize the boys' academic success. On behalf of the year group, thank you.

To the graduating class of 2012 - we pray you will choose happiness when at all possible. We pray you’ll keep good memories and discard hurts and failures. We pray you’ll allow yourself to make mistakes and realise that’s when we learn our biggest lessons. You are a precious and valued person who deserves the best in life - take it - and share it with others.