The Good News of Christmas is that our God is not a God of the heavens, but God is with us present in everyone.

Dear Parents, Friends, Staff and Students

As the curtain came down to end the journey for our Year 12s at the Graduation Dinner at the Hilton last Wednesday, our young graduates, moved as one to the dance floor for a spontaneous rendition of the Katy Perry song “Fireworks” which had ignited their theme and their spirit in 2014. It was a moment of joy, gratitude, of hope and excitement and of unity; even at the end they were giving their all. They have had a wonderful year, and for most, what was captured in that moment was the culmination of their five years at Mt St Michael’s.

Indeed 2014 has been another year of abundance for the whole College in whatever direction we look. With the publication of our College magazine which will be distributed tomorrow, our mission, our vision, our values, our culture, our spirit and multiple highlights of the year are captured for all to see. Pictures capture a thousand words and our magazine truly captures the spirit of our relational culture along with the rich and diverse learning environment. Thank you to all those who contributed to our magazine with words of wisdom and inspiration, recording many special events and memories. Particular thanks to our artistic IT designer, Ms Fleur Kelly and Mrs Ahern for ensuring that we all met our timelines.
Tomorrow in our Advent Liturgy we will celebrate the end of our year as we reflect on Mary the mother of Jesus, a woman of grace, forever open and trusting in the pathway her God had prepared for her. The season of Advent is a time of preparation, a time of waiting in anticipation of the birth of the Christ child; the fulfilment of the promise that our God is forever with us, present in everyone and everything.

As our school year concludes I would sincerely like to thank every member of the College community, staff, parents and students who generously give their gifts and talents to make our school community such a very special place.

I wish you the joy and peace of Christmas, wonderful summer holidays and a happy and safe New Year.

Sincerely

Alison Terrey
Principal