

## Star singer gives tips to students

THE burgeoning entertainers at Clairvaux Mackillop College are busy getting ready for two big musicals this year.

Luckily they have singer Chris Fennessy on their side, supplying expert advice. The seasoned performer has starred in operas and musicals in Australia and the UK in major roles, including Jean Valjean in *Les Miserables*.

Mr Fennessy said the fledgling stars had "a lot of potential".

"If they continue performing the way they're performing now I think they've got a great future," he said.

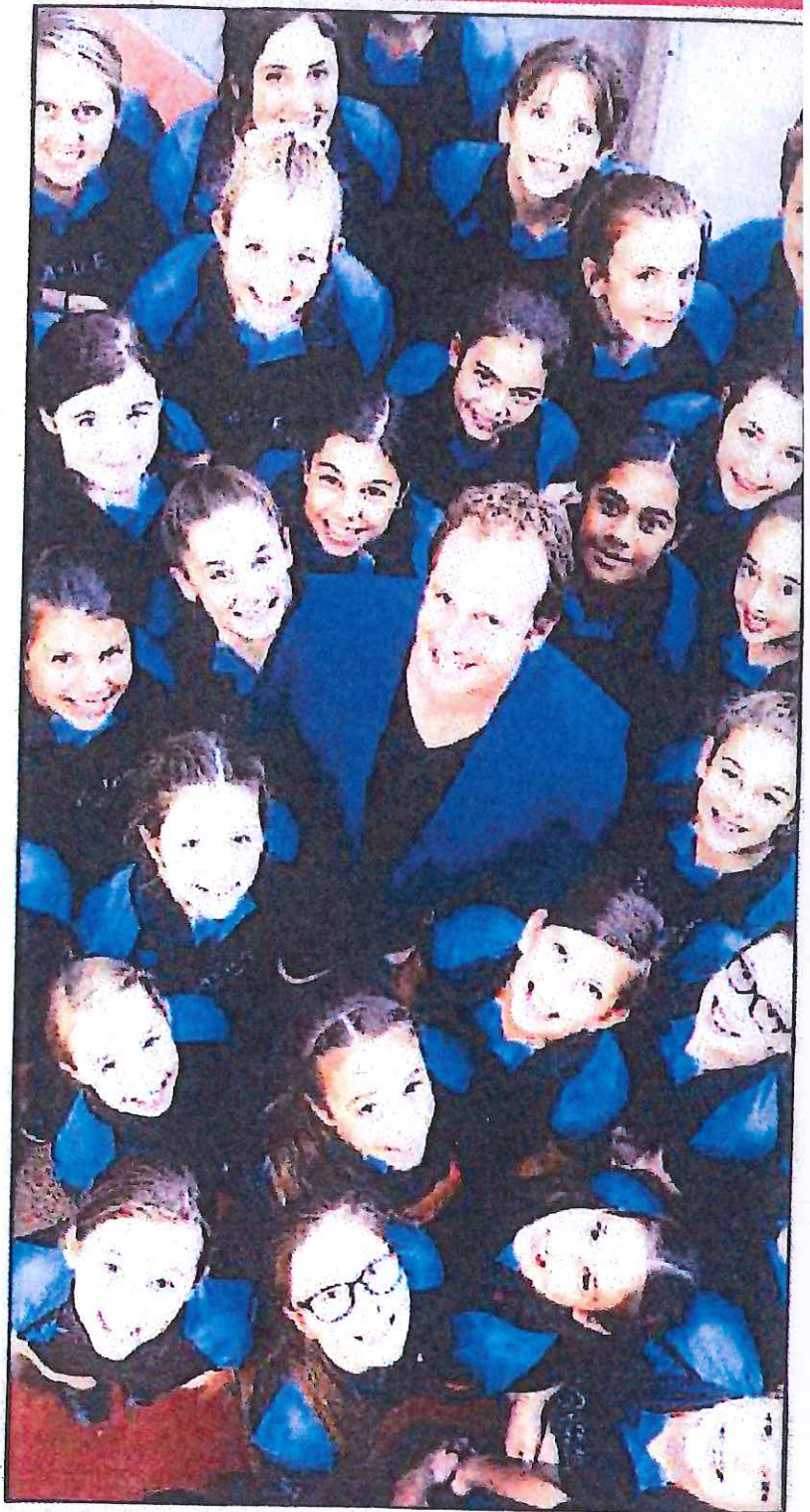
"To succeed you have to have a passion and focus on improving all the time."

Clairvaux is set to perform its junior musical *Alice in Wonderland* on Friday and Saturday.

Mr Fennessy said audiences would enjoy the fantasy.

"There's a lot of energy in a lot of the characters and it gives children a lot of scope to act," he said.

The school's senior musical *The Addams Family* will show from July 31-August 1.



Chris Fennessy with Clairvaux students. Picture: RICHARD WALKER