P.A.C.C Newsletter Term 3

From your captains...

JASPER MAGRI-DRAMA CAPTAIN



In 2020 we established the Drama Club. Myself and Jeremiah Muller worked with Ms Allen to run a weekly lunchtime session where students where able to work on their performance skills and most of all.. have fun! The Drama Club was invited to audition for the term 3 play; "The Brother's Grimm Spectaculathon" which was looking amazing however due to covid-19, was cancelled. This didn't stop drama club from going virtual though! Yep you heard it drama club went online which was fantastic as students got to participate in fun weekly challenges. I would personally like to thank every student who attended drama club throughout 2020. Despite the cancellation of the play the students have built a foundation that I am sure will continue in the coming years. This year myself and Jeremiah were elected as the first Drama Captains for the college in over 6 years which is a massive achievement alongside creating Drama Club with the ongoing support from Ms Allen. I am very proud of the Drama Club and what has been achieved this year.

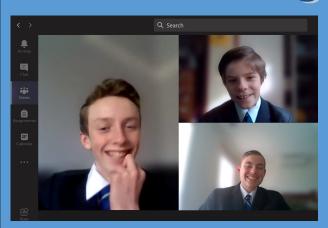
DARCY WILLIAMS—DEBATING CAPTAIN



From the outset of this years DAV (Debater Association of Victoria) competition, it was clear to see it was going to be one of unfamiliarity and novelty. As a result of Covid-19, the competition was set to run on an online format, either zoom or teams, where the speaker presents their speech over the call to the other team and an adjudicator. This online format seemed to discourage other schools from participating, yet not St Pats. Every round, from the help of Mr Winfield, Ms Sharp and Ms Allen, the boys rallied together and where prepared to debate if the opportunity arose. Which it did in round 2, where we edged out a formidable Overnewton Anglican Community College. From this we then moved onto the octofinals, where we lost to an exceptional Korowa Anglican Girls School, however still enjoyed our time and learnt lots about on how to improve. Overall, the year presented a good challenge to the normal way we debate, which I believe we relished and enjoyed.

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Junior Debating



This term, SPC has entered a year 7 and a year 8 team into the DAV Online debating competition. As you can see in this image, it is a whole new way of debating, virtually through Microsoft Teams against schools from all over Victoria. Both teams experienced a loss in Round 1 and a win in Round 2. Interestingly, the two SPC teams verse each other in the final round of debating in term 4; Paddy boys V Paddy Boys! It has been a wonderful experience coaching the year 7 team and I thank Glenda Morris and Rachel Zuidland for coaching and supporting the year 8 team—Ms. Allen.

Purton Oratory Competition

The 10th of September would have been the annual *Purton Oratory Competition*. In recognition of this esteemed event and in celebration of the skill of public speaking we asked students to submit a speech on the topic '*2020 & Beyond'*. We would like to acknowledge and thank all the entrants who put time and effort into writing, recording, and uploading their speech. We would like to specifically acknowledge the winners of two sections:

Junior: Jonathon Stephens

Senior: Darcy Williams

We look forward to the 80th year of Purton Oratory Competition in 2021.



Rehearsals during a Global Pandemic

Pictured above are the senior theatre studies students workshopping their monologue solo performances which they will present to an external panel of assessors on Wednesday the 21st of October. We wish the students all the best in their preparations and look forward to seeing many more drama students back in the black box theatre in term 4.