

**FROM THE HEADMASTER**  
**Dr Peter Casey**

I am writing my newsletter article from Sydney where I have had the pleasure of representing the College at the annual meeting of schools auspiced to be part of the Indigenous Youth Leadership Programme. The meeting has been buoyed by the spirit and intent of the Prime Minister's apology to the Stolen Generation and is firmly committed to enhancing educational outcomes for Indigenous students. St Patrick's College is very much at home amongst the schools represented at the gathering; our Catholic ethos as modelled by Jesus of the Gospels and inspired by Blessed Edmund Rice calls us to commit to such initiatives and reminds us of much of what we hold close to our hearts at St Patrick's. Other significant events this week illustrate our calling and why we have much to celebrate.

**Academic Recognition**

Thank you to Mr Steven O'Connor and Mr Stephen Hill for the introduction of the academic recognitions at our regular assemblies. In our first recognitions at assembly, it was evident that our 1150 boys listened to the citations read out for our first two recipients. I encourage all students to strive for excellence so that we may all recognise the exceptional performances of our boys.

**Rowing**

Congratulations to our Rowing Club on a most successful conclusion to the season with Bronze Medals in the Australian National Titles for Schoolboy and Under 19 Fours. We have maintained our edge over the Ballarat Schools in a stellar, national arena to round off a great season. We were rowing against crews who actually had access to water and lost to Shore Crews 1 and 2! Well done to the Club for a stellar performance. Thank you to Mr Jamie Lynn and Mr Peter Blanchfield particularly for their consistent work to keep us Number One across a dry lake.

**Mrs Maree Rantall RIP**

We are saddened to report the death of Mrs Maree Rantall who was the wife of Rod, mother of Matthew (SPC 2001-06) and Bridie (SPC staff 2008). Maree died on March 9 after a long battle with cancer in a stoic manner. May the Lord be as gracious with her as she has been with all those she met during her protracted illness.

**BAS Swimming Competition**

Well done to our swimmers, to Captain of Swimming Tim Rodger, to Br Davis and Br Scott who successfully defended our swimming title for the 28<sup>th</sup> time. The success of the team highlights what is possible through commitment to training, strong planning and the building of strong team spirit. As always if we put good programmes in place for students, the results will look after themselves.

**St Patrick's Day 2008**

Thanks to the fall of the full moon, the Hebrew calendar and Roman dependence on these, we have St Patrick's Day translated out of March 17 in Holy Week to Friday, March 14 in 2008. The Rudd Government's declaring that Parliament would sit on Fridays meant that no politicians could attend the relocated festivities. This decision has subsequently been rescinded after two weeks of the new parliament!

Despite any of these extraneous joys we have much to celebrate formally this week on St Patrick's Day: principally the leadership of our students, the commitment of our staff, and the gathering of our Old Collegians because they value who we are. We will also bless the Miller Wing and the Old Collegians' Pavilion. We will be blessed by the company of our patron, Bishop Peter Connors, His Eminence George Cardinal Pell (SPC 1949-59) as a former colleague of Br Miller and Patron of the Pavilion Appeal, and many others. May the good Lord shine providentially on all our undertakings.

Please join with our boys in praying for the wellbeing of all those who gather in our name, past, present and future. Enjoy the day – we have much to be thankful for.

**FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER**  
**Mr Steven O'Connor**

**Road Closure**

The College drive that takes vehicles from the Wilding Gates (Alfred Street) past the Br R.M. Miller Wing along the edge of the Main Oval and to the Wanliss Road side of the property has been closed due to building works on the Old Boys Pavilion. The drive will be closed permanently and a new drive will be placed at the back of the Pavilion once it is completed. Parents and visitors to the College should be aware that there is no longer through access from the Wilding Gates to the O'Shea Gates via the College drive for the time being.

**BAS Swimming – 29<sup>th</sup> Successive Victory!**

Congratulations to all members of the SPC Swim Team and the Director of Swimming, Br Brian Davis on winning the annual BAS Swimming Championships at Eureka Pool on March 12. This is the 29<sup>th</sup> year in a row that the College has won this event and the hard work and dedication of the staff and boys involved paid handsome dividends yesterday. I was pleased to be able to be at the swimming for a short period of time in between classes and other engagements – well done to all involved!

## Year 7 2009 Information Night

This event was conducted on the evening of March 12 and was attended by close to 400 people. The Master of Ceremonies was Alexander Eva of Year 8 who did a mighty job in presenting to the audience in a very professional presentation – well done, Alexander! Thanks also to the other boys who led the prayer and presented other aspects of the night – and to the boys who modelled the various uniforms.

Another aspect of the night that I was really impressed by was the Senior Band, which performed for people as they arrived outside of the Chapel. It was terrific to see the boys enjoying themselves so much and the standard of their performance was very high. Congratulations to all members of the band and Mrs Plastow, the Director of the Performing Arts; there is obviously some great work being done in that area of the College and I look forward to future performances!

Thanks of course must go to Mr John Richards, Head of the Junior School and Mr Mark Waddington, College Development Manager for their work in preparing the evening. Thanks also to the Junior School staff who assisted on the night.

## Summer Uniform

At a recent Year 12 Student Council meeting a decision was taken to extend the period during which boys will be permitted to wear the College shorts to school for 2008. This decision reflects this year's very short Term 1. Boys will be allowed to wear the College shorts up until and including Friday April 18. All boys must be wearing long trousers to school from Monday, April 21; trousers must be worn until the end of Term 3.

## Term Two dates

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| I would like to clarify the term dates for boys in Term II: |  |
| Monday April 7  | <b>Classes commence for all students</b>             |
| Thursday April 24   | <b>No classes: Parent-Student-Teacher Interviews</b> |
| Friday June 20  | <b>Term Two finishes</b>                             |

*Term Two classes will finish on Friday, June 20 for all boys. Boys in Year 10 will undertake Work Experience placements commencing the week of June 23.*

Term Three will commence for all students on Tuesday July 15.

## DIRECTOR OF MISSION

Mr Joe Doolan

### Some Last Minute Fasting To Prepare For The Feast

*The Easter Event is the celebration of the light, fragrance and music of Christ.*

In this last of this short term the Church is celebrating Holy Week. The Diocese of Ballarat on Monday evening will bless the oil used in our churches over the next year: Holy chrism for anointing, the oil of catechumens strengthening the new members who will join the body of Christ, and the oil of the sick to assist the frail members of our community and help them grow in faith. This celebration at the start of Holy Week prepares our senses for the rich onslaught of symbols that we employ during the triduum: the seventy-two hours from Holy Thursday evening to sundown on Easter Sunday.

Since this week is replete with arresting music, gesture, sacred objects and silence our best preparation is to continue the Lenten fast.

It is hard to imagine the surprise of the message that Christ is alive for we have heard that assertion so often. The notion of Jesus rising from the dead and gaining an eternal enthronement in heaven is a normal motif for Christians. Right from our baptism we have heard and participated in the mystery of Christ living amongst us. So common is the Easter rhetoric that the initial surprising statement – *He is Risen*, fails to jar our well worn memories and ears. How do we recapture the freshness of the message? How can we revitalise the memory of this event?

Perhaps the symbols of Easter might help the process? The Lenten weeks were opportunities to fast.

**If we fasted** with our eyes, lived in darkness for these days then the brilliance of the Easter Candle would burn into our brain the consciousness of a new vision. The resurrected Christ is a bright, transfigured person for us and our world.

**If we fasted** from flowers, incense and perfume then the fragrance of the Easter ceremonies with their incense, richly spiced oil and flowers would arrest our senses and herald the newness of an event: the raising of Christ from the dead.

**If we fasted** from music in lent then the harmonies of Handel and lyrics of Rice and music of Mozart and Lloyd Webber might speak to us of the new alignment that creation has been given in Christ. Perhaps it is in the symbols of Easter that we gain the wisdom of God.

The Easter event is a well worn celebration. We can inject some freshness into the time by a simple attentiveness to the symbols we use. The newness of the Risen Christ in our midst may be captured by a certain revitalising of these gifts.

## DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE

Mr Kelvin Porter

Parenting Tip: **Mutual Obligation  
Teamwork between Parents, Year 12 Students and the School**

*My interest is in the future because I am going to spend the rest of my life there. Charles Kettering*

It should come as no surprise to anyone associated with the rearing and education of children that the three most important sets of people in this wonderful process are parents, teachers and the young person. If all three are 'on the same page' then success is much more likely but never guaranteed. The child's biggest influencers are: ★Parents, ★Teachers ★ and Peers and friends.

If the student hears and observes quite differing values between home and his School's values, then he will be confused and caught in the middle. Success is unlikely and the likelihood of distress is much greater. By Year 12, young people are becoming close to being autonomous but they still need the leadership and guidance of parents and staff.

Brain maturation is widely different across the range of students; some have adult brains, many have still developing frontal lobes – the site of decision-making and judgements, which will take up to six more years beyond Year 12 before full adult maturity. More boys than girls will have some time to go before full development of good judgements. When students turn eighteen, nothing magic happens; they do not suddenly mature overnight!

This leads to some points which are important for students, teachers and parents at this time. The final schooling year is important because it will set the stage for the next few years. For some, it will provide the opportunity for fast-tracking into the major life choices; study, career, travel and more. Some will have to take a much slower path, in some instances by some years because of decisions made and implemented *or not* this year.

A School's Responsibilities are many but include:

- Conducting our School according to the Mission and Values;
- Providing good leadership consistent with our Christian Mission;
- Assisting parents and students in creating strong positive choices for character, life and career at the close of Year 12;
- Adhering to the mandated agendas of Commonwealth and State Policy;
- Providing a strong academic curriculum which will give the student every chance of attending a university or other tertiary course of choice;
- Providing good teaching and strong, professional, helpful teachers;
- Ensuring excellence of behaviour in classrooms and in other programmes;
- Ensuring that School is a safe, supportive place free from harassment and bullying;
- Providing a good range of co-curricular opportunities for participation and achievement in sport, performing and creative arts, community service, outdoor education, leadership and exchange programmes.
- Communicating with parents through reports, newsletters, meetings, parent-teacher meetings and being ready to meet parents to discuss any worries and concerns relating to the student.

#### What do we ask of Year 12 Parents?

- Please ensure your son attend Schools every term-day on time; we require a written, signed note of explanation for each absence;
- Please ensure they do homework and study – EVERY night, at weekends and during vacations; a good steady approach all year, not last-minute cramming; please don't make excuses for them;
- Please monitor discreetly that they are getting enough sleep; mobile 'phones and MSN/ MySpace are often in use through the night making the following day's classes problematic; pull the plugs if they won't;
- Keep them off all alcohol; it negatively affects cognitive function especially in developing brains; binges increase the risk of alcoholism. Attending parties and social events is one thing and fine in moderation, keeping them alcohol-free is another.
- Restrict major distractions like cars; they have managed so far without one; hold off to the end of the year, otherwise a lot of study-time may be wasted;
- Please let the College know *early* if there are any worries or concerns which may affect the student's mood or well-being or performance at School;
- Please ensure they are playing sport and/or getting exercise; it is a very bad idea to give up sport at this stage. The exercised body and brain are much fitter, calmer and ready; with a healthy diet and good sleep, good study is more likely;
- Please ensure they are dressed and presented according to the school rules;

- There *is* time in each student's schedule for exercise, relaxation, a co-curricular activity, some community service; wise balance is important. Please remember the Colleges, some employers and other organisations view school and community involvement very highly – for entrance selection, for scholarships and bursaries. A small amount of part-time work may be all right, but some students sacrifice a year or more of professional life (through neglect of study) to the excessive 'need' for spending money now.

- Your son needs your leadership as much as ever; it is simply a more discreet mentoring and discussion-style leadership than that of a few short years ago. Most of what is needed in Year 12 is up to them, but they still need wise counsel and some boundaries. Please do not abrogate all leadership and decision-making support.
- Please read the School newsletter so you are well informed.

#### What do we ask of Year 12 students?

- Please read the list above!
- Understand your responsibilities *before your rights*; if you have rights, then please ensure you have met your responsibilities.
- Excellent self-leadership.
- Leadership of your colleagues in Year 12 and of the School.
- There are no "frees" or "free periods"; you may have some *study periods*.
- Invest in your future – good study patterns, good exercise, sleeping and eating patterns.
- Enjoy the process; for most students Year 12 is tough, enjoyable and goes very fast! Laugh a lot. You learn much about yourself in the course of the Year.
- Set clear strong specific goals with the game-plan to achieve them.
- Your team consists of you, your peers, your parents and your teachers. If you are fighting, squabbling or ducking away from any of them, it is your problem and you need to address it!
- If you are worried about things, confide in someone. If they are affecting your school work, we are happy to try to assist. Look out for your peers' well-being and let us know if anyone needs help.

#### Source

Abridged from Girton Grammar's *Advice for Year 12 Students and their Parents*.

### DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION Ms Elizabeth Till

#### Term 1 Finishes

Term One will conclude on Thursday March 20 at 2.30 pm.

#### Term 2

Term Two for all students will commence on Monday April 7.

#### Mailout

Interim Reports will be mailed out to all families next Thursday. Included with the reports will be The Crest and Parent-Student Teacher Interview Bookings forms. If you do not receive this mail please contact the College as soon as possible.

**SENIOR SCHOOL**  
**Head of Senior School**  
**Mr Hamish McCrum**

The Year 10 boys this week had a break from normal routine to take part in a Retreat, Differential Aptitude Testing (DAT) and OH&S, Careers and Leadership activities. We trust they enjoyed the activities and are also glad to have resumed normal classes. The results of the DAT will be available early in Semester Two and will be of assistance in choosing career directions and VCE subjects. The careers and OH&S activities serve as a reminder that students need to be arranging Work Experience which will take place at the end of Semester One. Thank you to the boys for their cooperation and to the various staff who provided something extra in this week.

Many of our Year 11 and 12 students have been engaged with the ENTER calculator on the College network, which gives them an indication of the Grades and Study Scores they need to achieve in order to be accepted into various courses. This is a timely reminder that the level of performance required to achieve a desired ENTER score can sometimes be higher than students imagined and if they are to be as competitive as their ability allows, then they need to be doing their best over a long period of time. This application can be downloaded and used at home from <http://bryn.humberstone.id.au/computer/index.php>

**Parent and Student-Teacher Interviews**

Parent and Student-Teacher Interviews take place on April 24 and no classes will operate on this day. This provides an opportunity for open dialogue between students, parents and teachers with regard to current and future progress in various subjects. I look forward to seeing all students attending with their parents.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**Head of Middle School**  
**Mr Terry Blizzard**

**Melbourne Experience**

With the term coming to a close, it is time to start thinking about the Melbourne Experience in Term 2. I am sure you will agree that the experience will be a beneficial one for the boys and that your son will not only benefit from the experiences during the week but that he will also gain essential life skills from the time in Melbourne.

The dates for the experience are:

**April 28 – May 2: PEL000, PEL005, PEL006, PEL009.**  
**May 19 – 23: PEL003, PEL004, PEL008, PEL010.**

Past experience tells us that many families take the opportunity in the term break to do some reconnaissance with their sons so they become familiar with routines such as using public transport and for becoming familiar with the Melbourne CBD.

To alleviate any concerns that parents have regarding the week, the Middle School Team will be conducting a 'Melbourne Experience' Information Night early in Term 2. I have also included below some frequently asked questions for your assistance.

**Melbourne Experience**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**

*Q. Will the boys be with their teacher at all times during the day?*

**A.** No, there will be times when the boys in their groups of six will be working independently of their teacher. They will however be in constant contact with staff via mobile phone. The groups will be structured so that one or more mobile phones are available. Staff and students will be aware of all numbers.

*Q. If my son cannot get accommodation in Melbourne, will he be excluded from the experience?*

**A.** Any boy in this situation will not be disadvantaged or excluded in any way. If accommodation is not possible the boys simply commute by train each day.

*Q. My son does not know how to catch public transport in the city. What should we do?*

**A.** You may wish to do a family trip to Melbourne prior to the experience to familiarise your son with trains and trams. This would be most advantageous, however if this is not an option, don't worry. All of the boys will be thoroughly instructed in public transport use in the weeks prior to the trip through a programme called "Get on Board" and others. If you would like to do some preparation from home we suggest you visit [www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au](http://www.metlinkmelbourne.com.au)

*Q. Will there be a cost for entry into any of the venues to be visited?*

**A.** No, entry to all of the venues that are part of the schedule to be visited is covered through the school fees.

*Q. How do we obtain a Metcard student concession?*

**A.** Application forms can be obtained from the Ballarat (or other) train station. When the form is filled in, bring it to school to be stamped. This is only necessary for boys 15 years and older.

*Q. How much money will my son need each day?*

**A.** It will depend on whether the boys choose to buy their lunch or bring a cut lunch. Not all hosts are able to supply a cut lunch therefore the boys would need to purchase something. Obviously a cut lunch is the cheapest option. Money for Metcards for train / tram travel will be necessary and the boys will be able to calculate amounts during their planning. No money is required for entry to venues.

*Q. Can we contact our sons while they are in Melbourne?*

**A.** Certainly. If your son has a mobile phone or you have the number of a phone in his group you could use this option. Otherwise you could ring the supervising teacher on the number that you will be supplied with.

**Equipment and Uniform**

Students will be required to bring a display folder, their journal and pen to Melbourne each day. The display folder must contain their map of the CBD, the itinerary, the group's individual timetable and the contact numbers of staff. Resources are to be collected during the week and added to the folio for assessment.

**Full College uniform is to be worn on each day of the experience.**

**Travel Arrangements**

We are aware that accommodation in Melbourne may not be possible for all students and therefore some students would have to commute back and forth each day by train. The travel arrangements for these students will be finalised in the weeks leading up to the activity as will the return details for all classes.

Those accommodated in Melbourne will formulate their schedules with their Pastoral teacher.

## **JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**Head of Junior School**  
**Mr John Richards**

Edmund Rice Awards are presented to students displaying positive behaviours in line with the charism of Blessed Edmund Rice.



### **YEAR 8: LACHLAN ISBISTER**

For his fine achievement in winning a best player award in the Ballarat Cricket Association Under 14 Green Section.

## **DIRECTOR OF SPORT**

**Mr Chris Gleeson**

**Director of Cricket**  
**Mr Damian McKee**

### **AGSV v BAS Representation**

Congratulations to Mathew Begbie, Nicholas O'Brien and Ben Hayes who were selected in the BAS First XI Cricket team to play the AGSV schools at Penleigh and Essendon Grammar on March 17, commencing at 10.00am.

Matthew made 441 runs and will wicket keep. Nicholas took 17 wickets and Ben led our wicket taking for the season with 19 wickets. I am sure the three young men will equip themselves well and represent BAS with pride.

### **Junior Cricket**

#### **Year 7**

#### **BAS Round 2 (Rescheduled)**

**SPC Green 3/65 defeated by BGS 4/131.**

Nick Lourey 25 retired, B Jackson, D Mai1 wicket each. Laidlaw bowled very well.

#### **BAS Round 6**

**SPC Blue 2/99 Defeated by Ballarat College 1/164.**

Harry Murphy 24.

#### **Year 8**

#### **BAS Round 2 (Rescheduled)**

**SPC Green 6/73 defeated by Ballarat Grammar 5/162.**

Jayden Hayes 2/19, Josh Benfield 24, Lachlan Phyland 15.

#### **BAS Round 5**

**SPC Blue 1/84 defeated by Ballarat High 3/100.**

Ben Harris 27 not out, Riley Henderson 26 not out, Chris Jew 23.

**SPC Green 6/77 defeated Ballarat College 6/66.**

Zeb Morcombe 12, Brandon Nedimovic 10, while Jayden Hayes, Dylan Atchison, Ben Haintz and Oliver Hayes all bowled very well.

### **BAS Round 6**

SPC Blue 5/119 defeated Ballarat College 7/119.

Riley Henderson 33 ret, Mitch Cattell 25\*, Jamie Powell 2/5, Charles Cook 2/7.

**SPC Green defeated Damascus College on a forfeit.**

### **Senior Volleyball - February 27.**

**Mr Juri Kaczowski and Mrs Fiona Carroll.**

### **SPC 2 sets def BCC1, 1 set**

A good team performance resulted in SPC winning its first match of the season. This is a terrific reward for the team after a couple of narrow defeats in the early rounds of the competition.

### **Cycling**

#### **Mr Bottrall and Mr Taylor**

On Sunday March 16, four boys from St Patrick's College will be representing the Ballarat Sebastopol Cycling Club at the State Teams Championship at the velodrome at DISC. Ciaran Conaughton, (Yr 9) Charles Martin (Yr 9), Killian Plastow (Yr 9) and Beau McIntosh (Yr 8) will compete in the Team Sprint, Time Trial and a Pursuit. Congratulations and good luck to all four of the boys

### **BAS v AGSV Annual Fixtures**

Monday March 17 will see the annual summer sports competitions between the BAS representatives and the Associated Grammar Schools Victoria. Congratulations to the following SPC representatives.

Cricket: Nicholas O'Brien, Ben Hayes and Mathew Begbie.

Tennis: Shaun Lyle, Mitchell Phelps and Mitchell Taylor

At the time of printing volleyball teams were still to be finalised, good luck to our boys trying out for those teams.

### **Bacchus Marsha Late Bus**

All students are reminded of the Bacchus Marsh Late bus that runs on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday's throughout the term. This is particularly relevant as students consider their term 2 sports choices.

### **First XVIII Football**

#### **Mr Howard Clark**

On Tuesday March 11 the First XVIII Northern Territory Trip participants met to outline plans and itineraries. All students who were in attendance were handed out apparel for the trip. Good luck to all staff, students, and their parents who are travelling with the group which will be a memorable experience.

The first XVIII has also confirmed its annual challenge match against Xavier College on Wednesday March 19. The match will be played at Parade College and we thank our Edmund Rice colleague for providing a fitting venue for the Melbourne match.

### **Congratulations**

On the weekend a number of St Patrick's Year 7 and 8 boys played in the Under 14 Cricket Grand Final winning team for the Golden Point Cricket Club. For Golden Point it was their first Premiership in Under 14's since 1976. Well done to Aden Nestor, Nick Treloar, Ben Broadbent, Tyson Jenkins and Ben O'Brien.

## DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Mr Mark Waddington

### Boarding - Footy Jumpers for the Top End!

During the holidays members of the boarding team will be visiting the Timber Creek community as we seek to further strengthen our relationship with the community. If you have old children's sized football jumpers at home gathering dust, please consider donating them to the Timber Creek community. Jumpers can be left at the Front Office, marked to the attention of Mr Mark Waddington.

### Enrolment @ St Patrick's College, Year 7, 2009

The College will conduct a Year 7, 2009 Information Night on Wednesday March 12 from 7:30 pm in the College Chapel. Families will be able to learn more about the exciting curricular and co-curricular opportunities provided by the College and will be able to participate in a series of interactive classroom experiences in a variety of subject areas. To receive a 2009 Enrolment Package please contact Ms Caitlin Bennett on 53 311688 or [cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au) *Please note that Year 7 2009 Enrolment closes on March 28, 2008.*

### Friends of Music

Mrs Trish King

The Annual Chocolate Drive is happening in April. Each family involved in the Music programme will receive a box of chocolates to sell to family and friends for return on the first day back of Term 2 - Monday April 7.

The next Friends of Music meeting will be held on **Wednesday March 19** at 5:00 pm, following Senior Band rehearsal. All parents are most welcome to attend and help support music at St Patrick's College.

## EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

### Canteen

Canteen Roster Monday March 17 to Thursday March 20. Please, if unable to attend phone Veronica 5335 6244, Cheryl 5339 3655 or the College Canteen on 5322 4481, preferably the evening before your rostered day.

### Monday March 17

Leisa Carey, Colleen Flynn, Miranda Fraser, Marlene Murphy, Fiona Thomas, Josie Donegan, Melinda Murphy \*Lisa Plinius.

### Tuesday March 18

\*Joanne Dickson, \*Nicki Quinlan, \*Susanne Boswenger, \*Debbie Hill, Marty Forbes, Veronica Inglis, \*Bernadette Scott (10-12), Sharon Sewell, \*Sandra Nibloe., Angela Langdon, \*Barbara Boyce.

### Wednesday March 19

Laureen Duffin, Lyn Weightman, Michelle Drummond, Andrea Perkins, Raelene Harty, \*Sam Fraser, \*Annette Barresi, Gary Lenneke, Mark Allan.

### Thursday March 20

\*Angela Cushing, Gayle Edmends, \*Maree Torpy, Anna McIntyre, Francis Powlett, \*Jacqui McMaster, Maree Dodd, Carla Taylor, Liz Quick\*.

### Friday March 21

**Good Friday - No School, End of Term 1**

**\*Not in attendance for the entire canteen duty**

### Uniform Shop

Please contact Annette on 5333 7486 for personal fitting appointments.

### Uniform Shop hours effective Term 2:

Tuesday 12 - 4.00 pm

Thursday 12- 4.00 pm

**In order for parents to purchase long pants, the Uniform Shop will also be open on Thursday April 3 from 12-5.00 pm.**

## EVENTS OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE

### Retreat In Daily Life

Retreat In Daily Life will be offered to people in the Ballarat region in June 2008. Please note the following dates in your diary. **June 5 - June 20, 2008.** Details and enrolment forms will be available in April. Enquiries: Maureen McAloon ph: 5332 7797 email: [maureen\\_mcaloon@hotmail.com](mailto:maureen_mcaloon@hotmail.com); Peggy Nijam ph: 5330 2693 email: [peggy@vic.chariot.net.au](mailto:peggy@vic.chariot.net.au)



### Golden Point Junior Football Club

Invites all past and new players to the Annual registration day and BBQ at White Flat oval on Sunday March 16 from 12.00 Midday until 2.00 pm.

New Players Invited in all grades Under 10's, Under 12's, Under 13.5, Under 15's & Under 16.5's - from 1/1/2008 .

**Come along and join a "Great Family Club"**

### For More Information Phone

**Peter McErvalle 0408 508674**

**John McKinnon 0417 314921**

**Barry Wright 0417 053532**

## COMING EVENTS

### **Sunday March 16**

Palm/Passion Sunday

### **Monday March 17**

Year 9 Camps

### **Tuesday March 18**

Year 9 Camps

Year 7 Information Night Bacchus Marsh – 7.30 pm at St Bernard's Hall

School Assembly

### **Wednesday March 19**

SPC v Xavier College (Parade College, Bundoora)

### **Thursday March 20**

End of Term 1. Finish 2.30 pm

### **Monday April 7**

Term 2 commences for all students

Boarding Parent-Teacher Interviews, 3.40 pm

Residential Committee Meeting, 5 pm



**Students from Unit 3&4 Outdoor Education – Scuba experience at Queenscliff**





**St Patrick's College – BAS Swimming Champions 2008.**



**Year 7 2009 Information Evening Wednesday March 12**