

FROM THE HEADMASTER
Dr Peter Casey

St Patrick's Day

Another marvellous week in the life of the College comes to a conclusion! As usual there have been many great things happening in and out of the classroom this week, and lots of us have been doing small things exceptionally well on a daily basis. On the other hand many people have contributed to some spectacular events. The highlight of the week was St Patrick's Day with a beautiful, engaging and prayerful celebration of Eucharist led by our Patron Bishop Peter Connors. The Mission Team led by Maree Moore had transformed the gym into a magnificent place of worship. The Assembly which followed acknowledged our Student Council, our staff and our Year 12s. Stephen Kirby, our College Captain, spoke in a captivating and moving way of what it means to be a Paddy's boy. This will be reprinted in this term's edition of The Shamrock and I encourage you to take the time to read it. The Old Collegians enjoyed these celebrations before adjourning to the Pavilion for a very cordial luncheon - their first in the pavilion they have built for us. Overall I was impressed by the response of our boys to the opportunities presented to them on Tuesday- they were attentive, engaged and appreciative. I in turn was appreciative of all that went towards making the day such a joy. Well done to all concerned.

BAS Sports History Launch

On Monday evening more than a hundred people gathered in the Old Collegians Pavilion for the launch of the electronic sporting history of the Ballarat Associated Schools which in 2009 consists of:

- Ballarat Clarendon College
- Ballarat Grammar
- Ballarat High School
- Damascus College
- Loreto College
- Mt Clear Secondary College
- St Patrick's College

In 2008 the Association commissioned well-known local historian Phil Roberts to research and compile an electronic history of the various interschool competitions of the member schools. Thus the history embraces the chronicles of:

- Ballarat Associated Schools
BAS Inc
- Ballarat Schools Sports Council Inc
BSSC Inc
- Ballarat Public Schools Association
BPSA
- Ballarat Schoolgirls Sports Association
BSSA
- Central Highlands Schools Sports Association
CHISSA

Rather than publish a finished work, the project was designed to incorporate the records of the Association up to the present along with stories of the participants over time. The launch was aimed at encouraging others to come forward with anecdotes which can be added to the online history through the BAS Executive Officer, Sharyn Canny. Each participant at the launch was given an electronic copy of the history so far and encouraged to add to it. Guests included several Olympians as well as sporting legends from many eras. The Master of Ceremonies was Steve Moneghetti (SPC 1975-80). A thoroughly good time was had by all. Copies of the history are available for loan from the Kelty Resource Centre.

Regards

PeterC



St Patrick's Day Mass

FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER
Student Wellbeing
Mr Chris Caldow

St Patrick's Day Mass and Celebrations

This week the College gathered as a community – students, staff, parents, friends and Old Collegians for a celebration of the Eucharist and a special Assembly to commemorate the feast day of St Patrick. The Mass and Assembly was a wonderful occasion and I sincerely thank all staff and students involved in preparing the event. I wish to acknowledge the contribution of our Mission Team, led by Mrs Maree Moore as Director of Mission, for their planning and preparation of the Welcome to Country from Uncle Murray Harrison (ably assisted by Mr Brett Goodes on didgeridoo). The planning and preparation of the Mass celebrated by our College Patron, Bishop Peter Connors, College Chaplain Fr Greg Tait and concelebrant Fr Gerard Dowling was the highlight of a magnificent celebration of St Patrick's Day.

I wish to acknowledge the College Captain, Stephen Kirby for his address to the College community. Stephen spoke of his hopes as College Captain for all students; these hopes included that all St Patrick's College students will always act as young gentlemen, that they will always give of their best in everything they do and that all boys will work hard and take advantage of every opportunity offered to them. It is important that the Captain has an opportunity to talk of these important things to his peers and to the younger boys. Congratulations, Stephen!

Term II Reminders

Trousers

All boys are reminded to wear long trousers during the winter terms – Terms 2 and 3. The College trousers are available for purchase from the College Uniform Shop. If required, trousers should be purchased prior to the Term 2 commencement on April 20 to avoid any problems. The College Uniform Shop will not be open during the Term break, so parents or boys will need to come to the shop during opening hours from 12 noon to 4 pm each Tuesday and Thursday of next week if new trousers are required.

Hair

The term break is often a very good time for a hair cut and to get ready for a new school term. A number of boys are pushing the College's guidelines on acceptable hair cuts and styles presently and rather than leading to the inevitable clash, I would expect boys to show some initiative, make sure their hair is acceptable and avoid this conflict at school.

BAS Swimming – A 30th Consecutive Victory!

Congratulations to all members of the SPC Swimming Team and the Director of Swimming, Br Brian Davis on winning the annual BAS Swimming Championships at the Eureka Pool on March 11. This is the 30th year in a row that the College has won this event and the hard work and dedication of the staff and boys has well and truly paid off. I believe that it was the first time that SPC won all ten relays for the event; what a fine finish to the day!

Whole of School Photograph

The whole school photograph of the students and staff was taken on Monday March 2, 2009. This was an exciting event involving over 1150 students and approximately 130 staff. The last whole school photograph was taken in 2004. The photograph has a heavy duty laminate finish and on the reverse side, has the names of all students and staff.

The photograph will be sent home early in Term Two with the eldest member of each family at a cost of \$65.00. Families can elect **not** to receive a photograph but must notify the College of this prior to Friday March 27. Further details regarding the whole school photograph will be sent home in a letter at the conclusion of the term.

Mobile Phones

The College has a very reasonable policy on mobile phones. In essence we are attempting to educate the boys with regard to the appropriate use of technologies including mobile phones. I remind all boys and parents that no mobile phones are to be taken into any class; they are to be locked in lockers. Any phones in class will be confiscated by staff regardless if they are on or off. I would ask that parents only attempt to make contact with their son on these mobile phones during out of class times. I have had a number of interesting discussions with a number of my colleagues regarding inappropriate use of technology such as using Ipods and MP3 players within the school environment. Stay tuned for more developments in this area.

FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER

Teaching and Learning

Mr Stephen Hill

Mrs Clare Kavanagh

Head of Mathematics

Years 7, 8 and 9 Mathematics Blocking

2009 has seen the introduction of a blocking structure for all Year 7, 8 and 9 Mathematics classes. The structure being used generally has four classes of a year level blocked together to study Mathematics at the same time. The main aim of this change is to have students in groupings that broadly suit their abilities in mathematics. This allows the classroom teacher to develop and deliver lessons at a pace which is more suitable to the grouping of students. The College sees that this will be of great benefit both for students who are able to grasp mathematical ideas quickly and for those who benefit from further explanation.

The other significant aspect of this structure is the introduction of a fifth teacher to each block. Students who have the most difficulties with their mathematics have been the first to benefit from this aspect of the new blocking structure. Having been identified by internal and external testing and placed in a class which has a lower student - teacher ratio, these students are now completing a modified mathematics program based on the same topics as the rest of their year level.

As the semester progresses the mathematics teachers will use class observation and data from further internal and external testing to sort the students into broad groupings of those who work easily through the mathematics at their year level standard and those who find mathematics more of a challenge. In Years 8 and 9 this further sorting will occur over the remaining weeks of Term One, aiming to be in place by Term Two. Year 7 students, other than those already in the modified mathematics group, will stay as a Homeroom class for the whole of first semester, and be sorted into their groupings in Semester Two.

This is a significant teaching and learning initiative resulting in smaller class sizes working at a pace more suitable for them. Our aim with this change is to give each student the most suitable mathematics pathways as he progresses through the College. If you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact your son's Mathematics teacher, in the first instance or Mrs Clare Kavanagh, Head of Mathematics.

Mathematics Tutoring

The College will continue to offer mathematics tutoring in 2009. Sessions take place each Wednesday from 3:45pm until 4:30pm in WIL 101. Mr Steve Rajki also tutors students Tuesday mornings from 7:45am until 8:45am in WIL008. Students are most welcome to attend these sessions at any time.

DIRECTOR OF MISSION

Mrs Maree Moore

Lenten Prayer

God of times and Seasons

You have brought us to this time in Lent. Through our observance of Lent, help us to understand the meaning of Your Son's death and resurrection, and teach us to reflect upon it in our lives.

In you is found no shadow of change but only the fullness of life and limitless truth. Open our hearts to the voice of your Word and free us from the original darkness that shadows our vision. Restore our sight that we may look upon your Son who calls us to repentance and a change of heart.

You have taught us to overcome our sins by prayer, fasting and works of mercy. When we are discouraged by our weakness, give us confidence in your love. Guide us and make us channels of blessing for others.

Grant us a Lenten blessing, and may we not miss this time of growth.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION Ms Elizabeth Till

End of Term 1

Term 1 will finish on Thursday April 2 at 3.25 pm.

Term 2

Term 2 will commence for students on Monday April 20.

Parent, Student and Teacher Interviews

Parent, Student and Teacher Interviews will take place on Friday April 24 (Week 1 of Term 2). Families will receive booking forms with the end of term mail out. Based on the Interim reports, families should book times with teachers to attend these interviews. Boys will need to book times with their relevant teachers in Term 2. All Pastoral teachers will go through the process with students to ensure that they understand the procedure and remind them to organise bookings. If you are unsure of the process then please contact the College for clarification. Please note that because of these interviews, no classes will operate on this day and boys are expected to attend the interviews with their parents.

Anzac Day Public Holiday

The College will be closed on Monday April 27.

DIRECTOR OF KELTY RESOURCE CENTRE Mrs Sara Taylor

Boys, Blokes, Books and Breakfast Morning

The Wide Interest Reading English Development (WIRED) Programme involves Year 7 to 9 students reading a novel of their choice for one English session a cycle. Our WIRED programme's central focus is to develop a reading culture at St Patrick's College in partnership with the community, parents and staff of the College. The main way to break down the stereotype of reading being a 'nerdy' activity for middle school boys is to actively encourage the use of male role models. As boys enter high school the emphasis is often on strength, masculinity, social acceptance, sports, hierarchies and power.

Reading can threaten boy's fragile sense of self and growing masculinity unless male role models prove reading to be a worthwhile pursuit. It is with this thought in mind that we extend an invite to the men of St Patrick's community to attend our 'Boys, Blokes, Books & Breakfast Morning'. Students from Year 7 to 9 along with their father or other significant male in their life, are invited to attend a cooked breakfast in the Old Collegians Pavilion.

All men and boys attending will be asked to bring their favourite book to discuss with others in attendance. Special guests include the North Ballarat Football Club, the Ballarat Miners and the hilarious author, Scott Gardner. The event will be held from 7am to 8am on Monday March 30 2009.

The cost for breakfast is \$5.00 per person and will be a choice of bacon, sausage and egg rolls or cereal and a muffin with tea and coffee and juice. See you there!

HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL Mr Michael Busscher

This week provided Senior School students with an opportunity to experience a fabulous College Mass led by Bishop Peter Connors. As a new comer to St Patrick's College the opportunity of sharing in the celebration of St Patrick's Day is something I will long remember. For the Senior School the Year 12s were acknowledged as true leaders of this remarkable College.

Robert Schuller writes; *"The soul is dyed the colour of its thoughts. Think only of those things that are in line with your principles and can bear the full light of day. The content of your character is your choice. Day by day what you choose, what you think, and what you do is who you become. Your integrity is your destiny -- it is a light that guides your way"*.

I am sure that each of the Year 12 students stands firmly behind their commitment to uphold the principles of leadership expected by all St Patrick's boys both past and present. We truly have a glorious past and from what I witness on a daily basis an equally prosperous future!

Next week Year 10 boys will deviate from their usual school routine from Monday March 23 until Thursday March 26. The four days will consist of a Retreat, Differential Aptitude Testing, Occupational Health and Safety training, a Career Voyage Workshop, Leadership Development and Art Experience activity.

As a vital part of the Year 10 Religious Education curriculum, students are given the opportunity to extend their spiritual development through a Retreat day. As such, St Patrick's College is committed to providing an educational environment that will allow students to develop into well-rounded adults. This occurs both within and outside of the regular classroom activities. Ultimately retreat days are intended to provide our boys with time to reflect upon life in relation to the world, humanity and God.

HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL Mr Terry Blizzard

Term 1 Camp Experience Dates

Term 2 Melbourne Experience

May 18 – 22

PEL004, 006, 008 & 010

June 1 – 5

PEL000, 003, 005 &

009



St Patrick's College House Cricket

HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL
Mr John Richards

Parenting with the Brain in Mind
John Joseph M Ed
St Patrick's College, Ballarat
Thursday April 2, 7pm - 9pm

Some advanced notice of a Parent Evening to be conducted by John Joseph. John has conducted a number of professional development days with the College staff. He will be working with the Year 8 boys on April 2 on the topic of Brain Based Learning. The day entails lots of hands on activities and multimedia presentations based around the way in which we learn and the part that the brain plays in that process.

The Parent Evening on April 2 at 7pm will complement the student workshops. Parents are crucial partners in the learning process as they are child's first and most important teachers. 'Parenting with the Brain in Mind' is designed to achieve two broad goals:

- 1) Provide parents with an understanding of what the school is seeking to achieve with their children; and
- 2) Give practical strategies for children's academic learning, wellbeing and emotional development at home.

The workshops have drawn outstanding feedback from thousands of parents who have attended across the globe. It is fair to say that their support and admiration for educators is greatly enhanced by attendance at these sessions.

Parenting with the Brain in Mind – Themes:

- The Four World Model – creating harmonious families
- Developing 'I can do it' concepts with your children
- The critical role of sleep in learning and behaviour
- The crucial role of emotions in learning and in relationships
- The importance of adult responses to children's behaviour
- Assessing each child's learning style
- Using questions to engage our kids in conversation
- Key ways for parents to support their children at school

Please consider this opportunity and enter it into your diary. We shall look forward to seeing you there.

Year 8 Camps

Year 8 camps continue at Apollo Bay over the coming weeks as per the dates below:

Year 8 Camp Dates

March 23-25	8H
March 25-27	8C

Boys are reminded that they should be responsible for packing their own equipment for the camps. Mum and Dad shouldn't be taking responsibility for this!

The Year 8 Camp at Apollo Bay is an excellent opportunity for the boys to gel as a class group, to make new friendships, get to know staff in a setting outside of the school environment and to enjoy the many pleasures of the Victorian south coast. In addition to this the boys will have the opportunity to learn about Victoria's maritime history through visits to the Cape Otway Lighthouse and the Apollo Bay Cable Museum.

DIRECTOR OF SPORT
Mr Chris Gleeson

BAS Swimming

Research has revealed that the recent triumph in the BAS swimming was not the first time all relays have been won by St Patrick's! Up until this year there have been eight relays: U/14, 16, Open Division Two; U/13, 14, 15, 16, Open Division One. St Patrick's College won all eight relays in 1994 and 1997. This illustrates the challenge of having an Archivist as the Director of Swimming!

This is the first time that there have been ten relays and so is the first time that ten relays have been won.

Tennis

1st IV Tennis

Mr Hamish McCrum

SPC 6 sets, 48 games defeated BHS 0 sets, 12 games.

Congratulations to all involved in this convincing win. A special congratulations to Shaun Lyle, Mitchell Phelps and Mitchell Taylor who were selected to represent the BAS in the annual BAS v AGSV Summer carnival.

2nd IV Tennis

SPC 6 sets, 48 games defeated BHS 0 sets, 19 games.

Congratulations to the boys on a compelling win, in which SPC did not lose a set across all the double and single games.

Good luck to the senior teams who are participating in the finals this Friday.

House Tennis

Ms Ursula Bridges

House tennis concluded last week. Thank you to Mrs Bridges for conducting the event over the past six weeks.

Volleyball Round 3 - Wednesday March 4

Mrs Fiona Carroll

The senior team had a bye in this week's competition

Lawn Bowls

Round 3 V DC at Webbcona

Monday's competition was washed out. The team is still looking to be in a sound position to win the pennant. Good luck boys.

House Lawn Bowls

Mr Chris Gleeson

Each House had four representatives in this week's competition where some excellent matches were contested:

Keniry def Galvin 15 shots to 0

Ryan Def Nunan 6 shots to 1

Next weeks draw Galvin V Ryan. Nunan V Keniry

Volunteers required

To assist the SPC term 2 sports programme we are currently looking for volunteers in a range of areas including umpires and team managers. If you are interested in assisting in these sports specifically including football, soccer, rugby, please contact Mr. Chris Gleeson via email at cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au or log onto the College webpage for more information

Student Achievements

Congratulations to Luke Polmear who with his dad Michael won the Talbot Pairs Lawn Bowls competition and went on to be runners up in the Midland's Pairs Event. Luke also won the Talbot tournament with his Dad as skipper, his Grandfather as third and brother Matthew as the second. Well done to the Polmear family!

Director of Cricket
Mr Damian McKee
BAS Representatives

Congratulations to Brad Whittaker (Vice Captain), Peter Colbourne, David Dickinson and Nicholas O'Brien who were all selected in the BAS representative cricket team to play the AGSV at Ballarat Grammar on Monday March 23.

Award Winners

Congratulations to the following award winners for the 2008/2009 Senior Cricket season:

2009 Players of the Year - Peter Colbourne
First XI Bowling Aggregate - David Dickinson 23 wickets.
First XI Batting Aggregate - Peter Colbourne 301 runs.
Second XI Player of the Year - Caleb Hepworth
Second XI Bowling Aggregate - Joshua Plozza
Second XI Batting Aggregate - Caleb Hepworth

From the Director of Cricket Mr Damian McKee
Junior House Cricket: Play Off for Third: Nunan 8/80 defeated Galvin 6/67

Best Players (Nunan): Matthew Dwyer 29 & 4/0/0/10, Eden Marson 11 & 2/0/1/2, Toby Hutt 28, Simon Langdon 2/0/1/3, Matthew Cashin 4/1/1/8, Jack Ferguson 4/0/3/11.

Best Players (Galvin): Nev Fraser 22, Sam Romeril 11 & 3/0/2/5, Callum Stevens 10 & 2/0/1/8, Jake Wilkie 3/0/1/9, Daniel Phyland 2/0/1/3.

Junior House Cricket: Grand Final: Ryan 4/114 defeated Keniry 5/83

Best Players (Ryan): Jack Peeters 31 retired & 3/2/0/1, Will Fay 3/0/2/7, Riley Adams 11 retired & 4/1/1/4, Mitch Crosier 3/0/1/8, Sam Hower 3/0/1/12, Nick Treloar 13 not out.

Best Players (Keniry): Kelly Lyle 30 retired, Pat Tansey 12 & 3/0/1/7, Ned Tansey 12, Jackson Holloway 16 & 3/1/1/3, Ben Howes 3/1/1/6.

Congratulations to Ryan House for winning the inaugural House cricket shield. Ryan sent Keniry in on a soft wicket and Keniry played very well starting with a 50 run opening partnership between Kelly Lyle and Jackson Holloway. After that the team struggled to put together any significant partnership and Keniry finally succumbed to the line and length bowling of the powerful Ryan bowling attack.

Ryan had no difficulty passing the total with Jack Peeters once again proving to be the best player in the competition making a polished 31 before retiring and Riley Dams and Nick Treloar playing support acts with the bat. Ryan deserved their shield as they were unbeaten for the season.

Player of the Season: Jack Peeters (Ryan House).

KENIRY HOUSE
Mrs Nicole Hexter

The Junior House Cricket competition finished this week with Keniry and Ryan playing off in the Grand Final and Nunan and Galvin playing off for third position. I would again like to publicly acknowledge the work of Alex Brown and Andrew Groch for their organisation of the Keniry cricket team each week. Congratulations to all the boys involved in the House Cricket this term.

This year the St Vincent de Paul society will again conduct an Easter Egg drive for the needy in our community. The collections this year will be on a House basis with points going to each House according to the number of Easter Eggs gathered. So please get involved and bring in an Easter Egg.

Jarryd Allan, Tom Blood, Ash Jan, Justin O'Brien and Brayden Allan showed great leadership skills in the way they conducted themselves at the Junior and Middle school swimming carnival recently. They did a great job at getting the boys organised into their events and played a huge part in encouraging house spirit. I would also like to thank Mrs Rebecca Dean for her organisation of the Keniry boys in the house area.

The SPC House Athletics carnival is being held on Wednesday April 29 (Week 2 Term 2). Sign ups for events will be held next Tuesday March 24. There is plenty of opportunity on the day for ALL boys to be involved in at least one track or field event. When you sign up to an event at the House meetings, you are making a commitment to participate in that event at the carnival. So please, make sure that you fulfil this commitment by doing your best on the day!

NUNAN HOUSE
Mr Warrick Bottrall

House Athletics

The athletic sign up sheets are ready to go. Could all boys please get involved at the House meeting next Tuesday - 'sign up' day!

Congratulations to

- Brad Whittaker (Vice Captain)
- David Dickinson
- Nicholas O'Brien

These boys have been selected in the BAS Cricket v AGSV on Monday March 23 at Ballarat Grammar.

House Cricket

Play off for 3rd: Nunan 8/80 defeated Galvin 6/67

Best Players: Matthew Dwyer (N), Toby Hutt (N), Jack Ferguson (N).

The following Nunan students were involved in an Indigenous Student personal development programme with North Melbourne Football Club players on Thursday March 19. The boys represented the College and their community very well.

1. Xavier Allemand, Year 7
2. Trent Clark, Year 11
3. Blair Gilson - Deutscher, Year 7
4. Simon McDonald, Year 11
5. Jidah Rose, Year 7
6. Alex Shaw-Rose, Year 10
7. Mikey Smiler, Year 11

RYAN HOUSE
Mr Damian McKee

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



RYAN HOUSE: NATHAN EARLES

For his community involvement in being a member of the Ballarat City Youth Council which aims to provide a voice to the youth of Ballarat.

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Mr Mark Waddington

Enrolment @ St Patrick's College, 2010 Year 7

A reminder that the closing date for 2010 Year 7 applications is rapidly approaching. To receive a 2010 Enrolment Package please contact Ms Caitlin Bennett on 53 311688 or cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au

Please note that 2010 Year 7 Enrolment closes on March 20, 2009.

St Patrick's College
Parents and Friends Committee
Mr Bernie Wilson, President

Meeting dates and events for Term 1, 2009 (Tuesdays)
Term One

24 March (AGM)

Current Positions

President: Bernard Wilson
Secretary: Lynn Prosser
SPC Staff Representatives: Mr Chris Caldow
Mr Mark Waddington

Tuition Fee Raffle – Please return tickets to Student Reception on Monday March 23.

The annual Tuition Fee raffle is currently being held. First prize in the raffle is a year's free tuition for one student. Please return all sold tickets to Student Reception as soon as possible to be eligible to win this great prize. All proceeds from the raffle will go to projects that benefit all students at the College. As the old saying goes, "you've got to be in it to win it!"

If you would like any further information about Parents and Friends, please contact Bernard Wilson on 0419 330 708 (mobile) or 5341 2662 (home). Alternatively previous meeting minutes can be located on the College website (www.stpats.vic.edu.au - P&F link).

EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

Canteen

Canteen Roster Tuesday March 23 to Friday March 27

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. The canteen provides an invaluable service to students as well as funds for student programmes and urgently requires additional volunteers. If you are able to assist, even if only for a few hours a month please contact Cheryl or Veronica.

Currently the Canteen is in need of volunteers. If you think you may be able to help out in any way please contact Cheryl or Veronica on the above contact numbers.

Monday March 23

Jane McDonough, Debbie Coutts, *Lee Couch, Sandra Jobling, *Linda Breguet, Denise Gillingham, Mariska Wines.

Tuesday March 24

Karen McMaster, Narelle Howes, Simone Meagher, *Julianne Allen, *Julianne Slater, Caz Hearn, Rhonda Slater, *Theres Leighton, * Sarah Sullivan.

Wednesday March 25

Kathy Walters, *Debbie Lee, Robyn Lavery, Christine Laidlaw, Simone Adamczyk, Paula Bandy, Melinda Nicholls, Daydie Burgess.

Thursday March 26

Bridget Vallance, *Kelly Day, *Angela Smith, Cathy Van Rijin, *Anne Fay, Sue McDougall.

Friday March 27

*Catherine Schuurs, *Susan Azzopardi, Janice Foley, Bronwyn Stewart, Mary Hopkins, *Kathy Harris *Katherine Mundy, *Helen Spratling, *Donna Weightman, Dianne Debono.

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

Uniform Shop

Please contact Annette on 5333 7486 for personal fitting appointments.

Football Shorts and Football Socks have now arrived in the Uniform Shop.

Uniform Shop hours:

Tuesday 12 -4 pm

Thursday 12-4 pm

EVENTS OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE

St James Parish Primary School Sebastopol

Do you want to be a Debutante this year?

The St James Parish School Deb Ball for 2009 is being held on Friday 21st August, 2009 at the Ballarat Lodge. An information night will be organised for the coming weeks.

Please contact Nicole Cassells on 5336 3696 or 0439 332 228 after 7pm any night to discuss your interest and details.

English Tutor

Experienced and VIT registered teacher available for tutoring.

Excellent references.

Please phone Di on: 0409 967 949

Damascus College Presents:

The Final Hours

A Re-enactment of the last hours of Jesus Life.

Where: Damascus College, Mt Clear Campus

When: Thursday April 2 – 8.00 pm

Friday April 3 – 8.00 pm

Wednesday April 8 – 8.00 pm

Thursday April 9 – 10.00 pm

Good Friday – April 10 at 8.00 pm

Bookings are essential to avoid disappointment.

Please contact Damascus College on 5337 2222

Cost: Donation please.

EAST BALLARAT JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

All players who are not already registered are welcome to **register** for the 2009 Season at Russell Square on Wednesday 8th of April between 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm.

New players are sought for our Under 10s and our Under 14s; and our coaches and players will make all players very welcome.

Under 14 players have started training at Russell Square on Mondays & Wednesdays between 5.30 pm and 7.00 pm. Come along to the next training session.

Under 10s will train on Wednesdays, commencing on April 1, at Russell Square between 4.30 pm and 6.00 pm.



**St Patrick's College
Autumn Working Bee
Saturday April 4, 2009
8.30 am – 12:00pm**



WE NEED YOU!

We need your help in maintaining and developing the facilities of the College to ensure students and staff enjoy first class teaching and learning facilities. The working bee is also a great opportunity to meet other families and staff in a relaxed, social environment. Parents will also be joined by leaders from Keniry House who have as their student leadership portfolio, responsibility for gardens and grounds.

Tasks to be completed include:

Maintenance works on garden beds and plantings – mulching, replacing top soil and garden works to rejuvenate our beautiful gardens and grounds after another dry summer students

Please bring a wheel barrow if you are able to.

The working bee will conclude at 12 noon with a BBQ luncheon and some well earned liquid refreshments!

If you are able to attend please complete this form and return to the Development Office by post, fax (5331 8150) or ask your son to hand proforma to Student Reception in the Edmund Rice Centre.

Please meet at the O'Malley Sports Centre at 8.30am

Please return RSVP slip to Caitlin Bennett: Locked Bag 31 Ballarat 3350

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Name.....

Number Attending..... Contact Phone Number:.....

COMING EVENTS

Monday March 23

Year 8 H Camp – Apollo Bay
Year 10 Retreat

Tuesday March 24

Year 8 H Camp – Apollo Bay
Year 10 Retreat

Wednesday March 25

Year 8 H Camp – Apollo Bay
Year 10 Retreat
Year 8 C Camp

Thursday March 26

Year 10 Retreat
Year 8 C Camp

Friday March 27

Year 8 C Camp

Tuesday March 31

College Assembly
2010 Year 7 Enrolment Interviews 5.00
pm – 9.00 pm

Wednesday April 1

2010 Year 7 Enrolment Interviews 5.00
pm – 9.00 pm
Term 1 Sports Photos

Thursday April 2

Year 8 Student workshop – John Joseph
End of Term 1 Finish – 3.25 pm
Parent Information session – John Joseph – 7.30
pm

Saturday April 4

Autumn Working Bee 8.30 am

Sunday April 5

First XVIII Melbourne Camp begins
Sunday April 12 Easter Sunday

Monday April 20

Term Two – classes commence
Boarding Parent – Teacher Interviews 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm

Friday April 24

P/S/T Interviews – no classes



**1920-1969 St Patrick's Day Reunion Luncheon
Keith Jubb (SPC 1944-49) and Brian Hogan (SPC 1944-49) celebrating the
60th anniversary of the all conquering 1st XVIII team of 1949.**