

NEWSLETTER 3/10
Friday September 19, 2008

FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dr Peter Casey

Congratulations to all on another great term, celebrating our joint ventures in teaching and learning and our diverse student talents. Perhaps the diversity of opportunities we offer came home to me at the opening of the Art Exhibition on Friday night.

Several people commented on their bemusement that St Patrick's College, which is renowned for excellence in sport, was actually the first school to initiate such a prestigious Art Exhibition. Yes, it is true that St Patrick's College is renowned for its sporting prowess, but we are no less proud of spiritual dimension including our 326 Old Collegians who have been ordained to the priesthood, including the Cardinal Archbishop of Sydney; or of those who have established community services such as Legacy; of those who have entered politics and served the state and nation; and of those who have dominated in law and commerce. Perhaps not so well known are our achievers in the arts like Sir Bernard Heinze and Raimond Gaita. This Exhibition and the Flanagan Prize will give us a platform to put before our boys some others from the ranks of Old Collegians and their achievements. We continue to be a diverse lot, and celebrate this diversity.

The Art Exhibition

Congratulations to our Parents and Friends Association and the Art Exhibition Committee led by Trudy O'Connor for a sterling effort. We have set a high benchmark for future years in terms of the quality of the art on display, the preparation for the show, the presentation of the works, the number of parent volunteers, the number of past and present student waiters and performers, and the general feeling of joy over the weekend. Special thanks to members of the Committee: to Debbie Hill and to Mark Waddington for their involvement in everything from Day One, to Terry Blizzard for curating the exhibition, to Leonie Spencer and Trisha Hughes for the volunteers, to Sue Blizzard and Trudy O'Connor for the food and drink from local establishments, to Tracey Wilson for acting as Secretary to the Committee, to Bernie Wilson for handling the logistics, and to Steven O'Connor for the vision of an SPC Art Show. The Art Exhibition was a great opportunity to showcase the College but it worked because of the College we are- great people working together generously. I offer my sincere appreciation to all.

Staffing

We bid a brief farewell to Mrs Jo-Anne Patching at the end of this term as she will be back on staff in 2009. Jo-Anne must be thanked for her patience, passion for teaching and compassion towards all: staff and students and the goodwill she has shown this year. No doubt she will embrace a change of pace during Term 4 ready to return in Term 1 next year. Thank you as well to Mr Norm Christie who has filled in for Mr Les Lindorff (Long Service Leave) during the term and slipped into the teaching load with ease. We welcome back next term Messrs Tim Bennett, Les Lindorff, Glenn Fisher and we wish Mr Michael Weadon an enjoyable break during Term 4 while he takes his Long Service Leave. We bid farewell to Mrs Nola Brown who is starting a new chapter in her life by moving to Echuca and thank her for the commitment and dedication she has shown during her nine and half years at SPC as a staff member, parent, President of P&F, Board Committee member and general friend to the College.

Students Leaders 2009

To support Stephen Kirby as College Captain and Liam O'Riley and Lachlan Barker as Vice Captains of the College in 2009, I am pleased to appoint the following House Captains, Vice Captains and Congress representatives within each house and year level. It is always a pleasure for our students and staff to have so many great students from whom to choose their representatives. Well done.

	NUNAN	GALVIN	KENIRY	RYAN
YR 8	Luke Wilson	Peter Oakley	Alex Brown	Riley Adams
YR 8	Mark McOwan	Lachlan Murphy	Andrew Groch	James Mangan
YR 9	Charlie Powlett	Jack Romeril	Mitchell Coutts	Michael Cocomazzo
YR 9	James Costigan	Michael White	Nathan Ross	James Gilbert
YR 10	Adam Spencer	Harry Mai	Mathew Begbie	Blair Keys
YR 10	Thomas Gillett	Toby Ford	Brayden Allan	Ciaran Conaughton
YR 11	Daniel McDonald	Edward Arthurson	James McMaster	Kieren Toohey
YR 11	Dominik Cartledge	George Martin	Justin O'Brien	Jake Belsar
Vice Captain	<i>Daniel Sharp</i>	<i>Patrick Dwyer</i>	<i>Thomas Blood</i>	<i>Thomas Bevern</i>
Vice Captain	<i>Patrick Adeney</i>	<i>Angus Martin</i>	<i>Ashley Jan</i>	<i>Timothy Corbett</i>
Captain	<i>Samuel Howard</i>	<i>Rhys Sizeland</i>	<i>Jarryd Allan</i>	<i>Thomas McKinnon</i>

The Break

Thank you for all the good work and company of Term Three. Come back to us energised for the last term of 2008, and what a great deal we have to accomplish yet!

Regards

PeterC

FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER

Mr Steven O'Connor

Term 4 details

A reminder that Term 4 classes will commence for all students on Tuesday October 7 at 8:50 am. The academic staff will be involved in a further Professional Development workshop on Monday October 6 with John Joseph, the 'Brain Man'. The workshop that Mr Joseph will lead staff through will focus on how teachers can prepare and model their assessments and their pedagogy for boys with the various learning styles and the 'brain in mind'.

2009 Student Congress

At the College Assembly this week, the boys who have been elected to the 2009 Student Congress and the House Captains and Vice Captains were announced. I wish to congratulate all boys who were nominated for the elections and to those who were successful in being elected and appointed to represent their peers at Congress and as House Leaders throughout next year. The College plans to conduct a hand-over of the Student Leadership at its next Assembly on Tuesday October 14. I will be sending out invitations to the parents of those boys who will be involved in this hand-over ceremony.

VCE Practice Exams

The College will conduct practice exams for all Unit 4 subjects during the up-coming term break period. These practice exams are very important in terms of preparing students for the demands of the end of year exams and it is a clear expectation that all boys will attend and complete all practice exams for their VCE subjects. The exams will be conducted on Wednesday October 1 to Friday, October 3 in the Wilding Wing. Mr Hamish McCrum and Ms Elizabeth Till have published the schedule of these exams in this week's Crest. Boys should ensure that they are fully aware of when the relevant exams are to be conducted during these three days.

End of a Busy and Successful Term

At this week's Assembly, I spoke briefly of the numerous successes the boys and the College have achieved and enjoyed during Term 3. They are too many to list in detail, but the positive thing is that they reflect the diversity of the College – we have witnessed great things academically as we began the term with the presentations of the inaugural Chris Nolan Awards; there has been great sporting successes; many boys have been involved in retreats and ongoing community service works; large numbers of boys have competed successfully at the South Street and other cultural competitions during the term; we saw the significant involvement of our boys in the musical production 'Bugsy Malone' and of course, we have recently enjoyed our first SPC Art Exhibition.

A lot of work and effort goes into all of these things – from boys, staff, parents and friends of the College. I am sure that boys are looking forward to a well deserved break. I trust that everyone will have an enjoyable break, stay safe and return for the final term of 2008. Well done to all for all of the efforts across the board during this term!

DIRECTOR OF MISSION

Mr Joe Doolan

A couple of years ago the Brisbane Piano Competition was given to a contestant who made a couple of small mistakes in the final. Another gifted pianist, who got all the musical notes correct, was named second place. There ensued a lively debate from the judges and commentators upon the awarding of excellence in such events: should the prize go to the one who has mere mastery of the score or to the best interpretation? The rationale given for the win was that, despite some small lacunae, the winner gave the best effort at creating a contemporary, fresh interpretation.

We may be technically faultless in reproducing notes and the composer's instructions. A good performance is accurate to the score because performers cannot do what they like with Mozart and still call it a symphony. But a good performance is more than that. It is also creative. Composers do not merely describe how to produce sounds but seek to create an experience.

So there is no single, true interpretation of a text as new aspects are revealed wherever the text confronts new horizons and questions.

I have listened to T. S. Eliot read his famous poem 'The Wasteland' but he prefaced the broadcast with the corollary that, though he wrote the work, his was not the definitive interpretation. Others will, at different times, render a different slant upon the work and elicit a different response.

As our students are entering the last weeks of study in preparation for their final examinations it is wise to remember that their work will be judged for creativity as well as accuracy. Moreover, the examiners will reward the inventive, lateral thinkers. Putting an English cap on I would assert that with the 50,000 papers to correct many a mediocre paper will yield a yawn at the reiterated themes from the Insight Guide. The student who interprets the question accurately, creatively and forges a new path will arrest the reader and engender a more favourable mark. This task of interpretation of a text is not merely confined to the VCE curriculum.

The message of God to love one another as Christ did demands living out in new horizons and in response to new questions. In these last weeks of Year 12 at St Patrick's the students have their final chances to live out the Gospel in familiar surroundings. Soon enough will come the new placement, different audience and the wide ranging expectations of a bigger world. Then the real challenge begins: to live out the message of love and word of hope that they have seen, studied and practiced at school.

COLLEGE DEAN

Mr Stephen Hill

College Assembly -September 16

We commenced this week by following-up on a presentation made at the last assembly. A fortnight ago the College acknowledged the efforts of a number of Junior School students for their participation in the recent Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children's competition. Last week we were told that Year 8 student **William Gallagher** had been awarded runner-up in this competition and will receive a \$50 book voucher from the Gifted and Talented Association in recognition of his written piece titled, *A Monochromatic World*. Congratulations, William.

Academic Awards

The first award was an Academic Endeavour award to acknowledge the efforts and talents of Year 7 student **Luke Wilson**. Before receiving his award, Luke entertained the assembly with an excerpt from the recent Loreto and St Patrick's musical production, *Bugsy Malone*. From this performance we could all see that Luke is talented young man but what makes his endeavour all the more commendable is that his lead role in *Bugsy Malone* was Luke's first drama performance. As you can imagine, Luke was nervous but excited about being the lead in *Bugsy Malone*. What he found most challenging was the singing that he was required to do as part of this role. After a few singing lessons and a lot of practice, Luke completed this part of the role with great success. One aspect that has surprised Luke was just how much support he received from so many students. Luke told me that a number of boys made an effort to congratulate and acknowledge him, making particular reference to his courage to do something a little different as against what most boys involve themselves in. Well done Luke, not only on the quality of your performance but also on your willingness to take a risk and try something new and different.

Another award recipient shares much in common with Luke. He is also in Year 7, has been willing to try something different and has done so with great success. An Academic Endeavour award was presented to Year 7 student **Callum Linane** in acknowledgement of his efforts in being able to maintain a high level of academic success whilst travelling to Melbourne each day for the two to three hours of classes he attends at the Australian Ballet School. Callum was in the top ten of Year 7 students for last semester's Chris Nolan awards, attaining this excellent result despite only attending Year 7 classes up to mid-day each day. Whilst other Year 7 students continue with their studies, Callum is in Melbourne studying ballet, folk dance, contemporary dance, music and psychology. Congratulations Callum on your success with your dance and your excellent academic results.

Another Academic Endeavour award was presented to Year 7 student **Mark McOwan** in recognition of his ability to maintain a high level of academic success across a broad range of subjects whilst being a strong and positive class leader. Mark particularly enjoys the problem solving aspect of Mathematics and likes the way that his LOTE studies have helped him with his English work. As a class leader, Mark makes a real effort to listen to what others are saying and has become increasingly more confident in his role and the expectations that go with it. Well done, Mark.

Two Academic Endeavour awards were presented to recognise the efforts of Year 8 students **Chris Debono** and **Scott Robson** in completing work of a high standard in the SOSE *Middle Ages* unit. Chris has embraced every opportunity given to him in SOSE this term. His meticulous research, his logical and effective presentation of research materials and the high-order questions he asks in class have all contributed to Chris' excellent results. Scott has worked hard in SOSE all year, but his most recent assignment, *Middle Ages Weapons*, depicted a level of research, an attention to detail and a method of presentation that only a sustained effort and determination can produce. Well done to both boys an all your efforts throughout the term.

The Academic Endeavour and Headmaster's Excellence awards presented this year have been to acknowledge the efforts of individuals. At this week's assembly Headmaster's Excellence awards were presented to acknowledge the work of a number of Year 10 students who were required to work as a team to achieve success. The six students, **Brad Brennan, Aaron Lewicki, Barton Hill, Ben O'Shea, Sean Keem and Thomas Smardon** all recently participated in the Mindshop Excellence Programme.

The Mindshop Excellence Programme is a Year 10 Work Experience opportunity with a difference. The aim of the programme is to place a team of six Year 10 students into a workplace that has a very real issue to be solved after five days. On the first day the students were trained in universal problem solving techniques and were then presented with the unique workplace problem that became their responsibility to solve. The students were considered to be consultants and they worked unsupervised within the company. On the final day the students professionally presented their findings to the executive officers and staff of the company who would be directly affected by the implementation of their recommendations. The students were also required to present a summary of their findings at the Town Hall later that day and recently presented an overview of their experiences at a St Patrick's College staff meeting.

The boys were placed at FMP Group and were required to solve a communication issue relating to the functioning of a machine that manufactures brake pads. Their task was to make communication more efficiently between staff about the status of the machine in order to improve efficiency and production output. The boys did an outstanding job and, if implemented, their recommendations could save the company up to \$3 million per year. Throughout the week the boys were required to interact with staff from the FMP Group and to reliably work together with little to no adult input. Their presentation of the solution to the problem was entirely their own work. Congratulations to each of the six boys.

The last of this week's awards was a Headmaster's Excellence Award and was presented to Year 12 student, **James Cowan**. James' award recognises the outstanding quality of the folios he has produced in completing VCE Units 3/4 Visual Communication and Design. Students viewed a PowerPoint presentation of James' work which clearly highlighted the extensive research he conducted and the significant amount of detail James has included in his folios. James has combined this research and detail to produce folios of an exceptional standard. Congratulations James, on the quality of your work.

Competition Success

Many of the College musicians have been busy competing in a variety of Eisteddfods over the past few weeks. The preparation for the competition season has required many of the boys to attend two or three rehearsals each week since the commencement of Term 2. At least one of the rehearsals each week being before the start of school. The effort however, has paid off as evidenced by the following excellent results.

Bronze for Concert Band

The Senior Concert Band travelled to Melbourne to compete in the Melbourne School Bands Festival on August 20. After lunch at Monash University, the boys performed in the Robert Blackwood Concert Hall. This was followed by a short workshop with Mr Don Wilcox, Chief Adjudicator from the United States of America. Students were then taken to analyse their performance by watching the DVD made while they were playing. This proved to be a valuable lesson and has improved the bands performance greatly. The Concert Band was awarded the Bronze Award with special mention being made of their great rhythmic security and overall performance.

Royal South Street Society

Great success was also experienced by students at the recent Royal South Street Society competitions. The Woodwind Ensemble was awarded the 'Highly Commended' for their performance in the Instrumental Groups - 20 Years and under. The Year 9 Clarinet Trio received the Highly Commended in the Small Ensemble - 15 years and Under; Nathan Antony and Dermot Conaughton received Honourable Mentions for their solos and the Guitar Ensemble took Third Place in the Small Ensemble - 15 Years and Under. We greatly appreciate the work done by Mr Peter Camm, guitar teacher, for his outstanding preparation of the boys for this competition. Both Junior and Senior Concert Bands performed superbly and only just missed out on places.

Performance News

On Friday September 12, the Woodwind, Brass, Guitar, and vocal Ensembles, along with the Year 9 Clarinet Trio and Soloist Bernard Kuek entertained the guests at the Gala Launch of the 2008 St Patrick's College Art Exhibition. Each Ensemble rotated through their programme so as to provide a variety of music throughout the night. It was wonderful to see the boys have yet another opportunity to perform for the community and support such a valuable function. Thanks to the Friend of Music Association that provided the boys with a barbecue dinner prior to the performances.

The Music Department has been invited to provide the music at the Ballarat Show this year. This is a great honour for the boys and more information will be supplied as we get closer to the performance dates.

DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE

Mr Kelvin Porter

Parenting Tip: Helping at Home

Contributing to the smooth running of the family can teach children:

- to value their own and other people's belongings;
- to look after things and other people;
- responsibility within a family;
- skills for living;
- independence; and
- self control.

Getting children to help:

A good way to enlist help from children is to start small and gradually build up as they and their confidence and abilities grow. What jobs are appropriate will vary between families and cultures. Including your child in part of the decision making usually means they are more likely to finish the job.

Ideas which may help include:

- Try to live by the rule, 'Don't put it down, put it away.'
- Make a 'cleaning time' each day or each week or according to your family's needs. Knowing it is coming can help you all put up with the mess at other times.
- Have a place for dirty clothes in each bedroom or bathroom, preferably wherever the children are when taking off their clothes.
- When possible give your children a choice of jobs to do.
- When children do a task, it is done. Don't do the job over again or it will make them feel bad.
- Allow children to do a job their way. It won't hurt if they make patterns with the crème cleanser before cleaning the bath!
- Give each child only as many jobs as they can handle.
- Choose times when they are happy and not busy with their own things to ask them to help. None of us like doing chores when tired or doing something fun.
- Try not to 'remind' them too much.
- Write notes to remind children about jobs. Make them silly sometimes like writing a note saying 'Help! I'm lost!' and putting it on to a jacket which has been left on the floor.
- When children do chores they are learning about consequences. For instance if their dirty clothes are not put in the dirty laundry basket they won't have anything clean to wear to school.

Source: www.community.wa.gov.au/fcs

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION

Ms Elizabeth Till

2009 Re-enrolment Forms – Years 10, 11 and 12

All students who are currently in Years 9, 10 and 11 will receive in this week's Mailout a letter to confirm their 2009 **initial** subject selection choices. This is not a confirmation of what subjects each student will be undertaking next year, a letter of confirmation will go out early in Term 4 to confirm these.

The form must be returned to the College by Friday October 10. If there are any amendments to the initial 2009 subject selection choices, parents are asked to contact either myself or Stephen Hill during the first week of Term 4.

2009 Year 8

Year 8 Re-enrolment and LOTE allocations will be sent home in this week's Mailout. Based on parental feedback and LOTE results, all Year 7 students will be offered one of: Japanese and French, Japanese only, French only, International Study or Linguistics.

Term 4 Commencement

Term 4 will commence on Tuesday October 7.

Middle and Junior School Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

Middle and Junior School interviews will be held on Thursday October 9 from 4.00 pm – 9.00 pm in the Wilding Wing. Booking forms have been mailed home with the Interim reports.

Unit 3/4 Practice exams Lower Wilding Wing	
Day/Date	Examination
Wednesday October 1	
Session 1	Business Management
9.00 am - 11:15am	History Revolutions
	Legal Studies
	Literature
Session 2	Chemistry
12:00pm - 2.15 pm	IT - Applications
	Media
	Physical Education
Session 3	Specialist Exam 1
3.00 pm - 4:45 pm	Further Maths Exam 1
Thursday October 2	
Session 1	Further Maths Exam 2
9.00 am - 11.15 pm	Math Methods CAS Exam 2
Session 2	Health and Human Development
12.00 pm - 2.15 pm	Japanese
	Systems Engineering
	Texts and Traditions
	Religion & Society
Session 3	Biology
3.00 pm - 5.15 pm	Economics
	IT - Software Development
	Outdoor & Environmental Studies
Friday October 3	
Session 1	Food Technology
9.00 am - 11.15 pm	History Australian
	Visual Communication
	French Exam
	Specialist Maths Exam 2
Session 2	Accounting
12.00 pm - 2.15 pm	Design and Technology
	Music Performance
	Physics
	Studio Arts
Session 3	VET Sport and Rec.
3.00 pm - 4.45 pm	Math Methods CAS Exam 1

SENIOR SCHOOL
Head of Senior School
Mr Hamish McCrum

At the end of last term, when the Year 10 boys were undertaking work experience, many of the Year 12s had their first taste of VCE external exams. There is at least one Year 11 who has an apprenticeship lined up for the end of the year who can tell me at any given time, the exact number of school days he has remaining. The time remaining for the Year 12 boys is very short, with Term 4 containing just two and a half weeks of Year 12 classes.

Year 12 students need to spend much of the term break revising and completing practice exams. This is a critical time for all the boys. To assist students in the preparation for the practice exams, many teachers will conduct extra sessions as detailed below. Unless stated otherwise, these additional sessions will take place in the Senior School Wilding Wing and are open to all students. Year 11 boys undertaking a Unit 3/4 subject are also expected to do the necessary revision and practice exams.

Unit 3/4 scheduled revision sessions

Date	Subject	Teacher	Time
Monday September 22	Religion & Society	G Brodie	10am to 2:30pm
Tuesday September 23	Legal Studies	G Brodie	10am to 2:30pm
Wednesday September 24	Economics	G Brodie	10am to 2:30pm
	Chemistry/Biology	C Pope (MIL 109)	Noon to 4pm
	Japanese (orals)	M McIntyre (Best Dev. Centre)	9am to Noon
	French (orals)	N McDonald	1pm to 2:30pm
Thursday September 25	Math Methods CAS	S Callahan	9am to 5pm
Friday September 26			
Monday September 29	Literature	S Taylor	9am to 3pm
Tuesday September 30	Texts & Traditions	J Doolan	9am to 11:30am
	Math Methods CAS	H McCrum	Noon to 4pm
Wednesday October 1	Practice exams		
Thursday October 2	Practice exams		
Friday October 3	Practice exams		

2008 VCE Practice Exams
(October 1 to 3, in Lower Wilding Wing)

All students are expected to complete practice examinations over the three days. Should students have a clash they are still expected to complete the clashing exams in any other scheduled time. Students need to be mindful of presenting on time for their practice exams, with their own equipment which is good practice for the in the weeks to come. School uniform is not required for the practice exams.

The practice exams are scheduled in the second week of the term break. Teachers will endeavour to mark these exams before students resume in

Term 4 and the feedback from teacher will form a significant part of the students continuing preparation.

VTAC and SEAS Applications

VTAC applications for tertiary courses in 2009 are to be completed online and timely applications close at 5pm on September 30, during the term break. Timely applications cost approximately \$25. Late applications can be made at a significantly increased cost, which may also be after some course interviews have occurred or folios have been due. All students are encouraged to make a timely VTAC application. Having done this they are then able to change preferences at several stages in the process, including when they have received their results, until 5pm on December 22. (Any interview or folio requirements need to be taken into account when changing preferences).

SEAS (Special Entry and Access Schemes) applications also open on August 4 and close at 5pm on October 10. These are also completed online, however supporting documentation is usually required which may take time to be assembled. SEAS applications are made when students wish to apply for scholarships with participating universities or when they wish special circumstances to be considered including: non-English speaking background, difficult family circumstances, rural or isolated, disadvantaged socio-economic status, personal disability or long term illness or being indigenous. Students need to be aware that the amount of weighting universities give these considerations vary, and typically students need to finish very close to the cut-off score.

Mr Anthony Meehan will conduct support sessions for VTAC and SEAS applications commencing at 3pm from September 22 to September 30, in MAC 114.

It is also important for the Year 12 boys that they relax and re-charge to some extent over these two weeks. This will be done best if their outlets from study involve some physical exercise. They also need to get to bed early enough to get enough sleep (one hours sleep before midnight is worth two after) and need to eat and drink sensibly to give themselves every chance of staying healthy for the run home.

JUNIOR SCHOOL
Head of Junior School
Mr John Richards

Interim Reports

Enclosed with this week's mail out you will receive your son's Interim Report for Term 3. This report is a mid-semester check of your son's progress and application to his studies. Please take the time to read through the report with your son and talk to him about his efforts this term. At the end of next term you will receive a more detailed report.

On Thursday October 9, Parent-Teacher-Student interviews will be held. Also included in the mail out is an interview booking form. Your son is to bring this form to school and arrange interviews with the appropriate staff. Please ensure that this occurs if you wish to meet with your son's teachers.

Year 7 into Year 8 Transition

As part of the transition from Year 7 into Year 8 it is time for parents and students to consider the options available for 2009. In next week's mail out all boys will receive a 2009 Subject Selection form to be completed with their parents.

Boys will have the opportunity to select a LOTE (Languages Other Than English) subject for study in 2009, or to take up the opportunity to select International Studies as an alternative to a LOTE subject. LOTE subjects on offer are French and Japanese and boys can choose to study one or both of these subjects or International Studies. The preferred option for study would be the selection of a LOTE subject/s, however we acknowledge that not all boys are suited to such a curriculum choice.

International Studies is offered as an alternative course of study to LOTE subjects. It is an engaging and interesting subject in which the boys are exposed to a range of different world cultures, historical perspectives, current affairs and a deepened understanding of world geography.

It is an expectation that boys in the Linguistics programme in 2008 would continue to be involved in the programme in 2009. The subject selection form will be included in next week's mail out. If you have any questions regarding the selection of subjects for 2009, feel free to communicate with your son's LOTE teacher or Mr John Richards at the College.

Japan Challenge

The presentation of prizes for the Japan Challenge Contest took place at the Ballarat Town Hall on Monday September 15. St Patrick's College was represented by four Year 7 students, Jacob Baric, Jack Wakefield, Thomas Thorpe and Riley Adams. Each boy had their poster displayed and Jacob Baric won second prize in the Year 7 and Year 8 category. Well done to each of these students who completed their posters outside of school time!

SPORT

**Director of Sport
Mr Chris Gleeson**

Nicholas O'Brien Trivia Night!

To support Year 9 student, Nicholas O'Brien in his quest to tour the West Indies in November with the Australian Under 15 Cricket Team, a Trivia Night / Sports Memorabilia Auction will be held on Saturday, October 4 commencing at 7.30pm in the Old Collegians Pavilion. BYO drinks and nibbles. Please contact Tim O'Brien for more details on 0418 15 3528.

Bacchus Marsh Late Bus

A reminder that the Bacchus Marsh late bus **WILL NOT** run in the last week of Term 3 and the first week of Term 4.

Term Four Sports

Parents and students are reminded that term four sports include;

- Junior Golf on Wednesdays with Mr Scott Kruger;
- Junior Hockey on Tuesdays with Mr Art Nichols;
- Croquet on Wednesdays with Mrs Melissa Griffin;
- Volleyball: Intermediate on Thursday's and Junior on Wednesday's with Mrs Fiona Carroll and Mr Juri Kazcowski;
- Touch Rugby, Thursdays with Mr Peter Joyce and,
- Intermediate Cricket (Tuesday and Wednesday) with Mr Damian McKee.

Many of these sports have had initial start up meetings and boys interested in participating in any of these sports should contact the teacher in charge as soon as possible.

Squash and Racquetball Results

Semi Finals – Thursday September 11 2008

Squash

A Grade

Chris Thornton won 30 points to 19

B Grade

Patrick Dwyer won 30 points on a walkover

Racquetball

SPC A1 118 points defeated Ballarat and Clarendon A 100 points

Jack Ferguson 7 points to 30

Barton Hill 30 points to 13

Anthony Jreige 30 points to 4

Patrick Dwyer 30 points to 17

Jamie Ferrer 21 points to 30

SPC A2 126 points defeated Ballarat Grammar A 102 points

James Edmends 30 points to 9

Chris Thornton 30 points to 9

Andrew Jreige 29 points to 24

Matthew Cashin 19 points to 30

Scott Erkamps 18 points to 30

SPC B1 104 points lost to Loreto B 127 points so finished 3rd overall

Richard Bauer 30 points to 17

Nick Aringo 30 points to 23

Liam Russell 30 points to 27

Daniel Sharp 5 points to 30

Kyle Carey 9 points to 30

Thank you to Kyle Carey for stepping in to play at the last minute and Jack Ferguson for moving up to play for the A1 team due to a no-show by one of the A1 players.

SPC C 140 points defeated Loreto C 74 points

Patrick Cashin 30 points to 8

James McDougall 30 points to 13

Joel Karslake 30 points to 9

Charles Cook 20 points to 30

Matthew Lange 30 points to 14

SPC D 143 points defeated Ballarat Grammar D 73 points

Andrew Groch 30 points to 10

Matthew Gove 30 points to 19

William Gallagher 23 points to 20

Luke Polmear 30 points to 13

Will Perkins 30 points to 11

SPC E 150 points defeated Damascus E 73 points

Adam Murphy 30 points to 23

Caleb King 30 points to 16

Joel Burzacott 30 points to 16

Patrick McKinnon 30 points to 12

Nicholas Moriarty 30 points to 8

Finals

Squash

A Grade

Chris Thornton won the pennant 25 points to 21

B Grade

Patrick Dwyer won the pennant 25 points to 24

Racquetball

SPC A2 126 points won the pennant over SPC A1 113 points.

SPC A2 finished 1st overall and SPC A1 finished 2nd.

James Edmends 30 points to Anthony Jreige 16 points

Chris Thornton 30 points to Barton Hill 20 points

Andrew Jreige 18 points to Jack Ferguson 30 points

Matthew Cashin 18 points to Patrick Dwyer 30 points

Scott Erkamps 30 points to Jamie Ferrer 17 points

SPC C 143 points won the pennant over Ballarat Grammar C 114 points

Patrick Cashin 30 points to 15

James McDougall 30 points to 21

Joel Karslake 24 points to 30

Charles Cook 29 points to 28

Matthew Lange 30 points to 20

SPC D 109 points lost to Damascus D 138 points. SPCD finished 2nd overall

Andrew Groch 29 points to 23
Matthew Gove 23 points to 28
William Gallagher 13 points to 30
Luke Polmear 17 points to 30
Will Perkins 27 points to 27

SPC E 121 points lost to Ballarat Grammar E 141 points, SPC E finished 2nd overall

Adam Murphy 28 points to 30
Caleb King 25 points to 26
Joel Burzacott 17 points to 30
Patrick McKinnon 30 points to 25
Nicholas Moriarty 21 points to 30

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Mr Mark Waddington

Inaugural St Patrick's College Art Exhibition

As reported in other sections of The Crest the inaugural St Patrick's College Art exhibition was conducted at the weekend and was an outstanding success on many levels. The P&F will report in weeks to come about the funds raised to enhance the educational facilities available to all boys; the Public Relations Committee led by Tracey Wilson will meet in the weeks to come to examine the considerable media coverage of the event, in particular the College's commitment to celebrate the place of the arts in the rich life of St Patrick's and the Art Exhibition Committee will fully analyse the event and develop strategies to further improve the event in years to come.

From a Development perspective the Exhibition was a wonderful celebration of our community and a tangible example of what can be achieved when committed and talented students, parents and friends of the College join together to develop an initiative that challenges boys to expand their horizons and underlines what can be achieved when people commit to the goal of achieving personal excellence. Congratulations and well done to the following people:

- Committee Chair Trudy O'Connor for her visionary leadership;
- Logistics Coordinator Bernie Wilson for his sheer persistence and determination in getting tasks done (with the support of Mr Tony Liston and the SPC Maintenance team);
- Mr Terry Blizzard and Deb Hill for their inspired curating of the Exhibition – their skill, networks and passion were integral to the success of the Exhibition; and
- Our volunteer team who provided the inspiration and perspiration to stage an Exhibition of this magnitude – thank you to volunteer coordinators Trisha Hughes and Leonie Spencer.

A significant factor in the success of the event was the generous support of community partners who sponsored the inaugural St Patrick's College Art Exhibition. Please consider supporting the following sponsors who supported this event and the boys of St Patrick's:

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As noted in coming weeks all aspects of the Exhibition will be evaluated and contingencies developed to further enhance the event in 2009. Please keep an eye on The Crest for opportunities to get involved with the 2009 Exhibition to support the P&F Association's mission of enhancing the educational facilities and programmes available to all boys at the College.

Parents and Friends

President
Mr Bernie Wilson

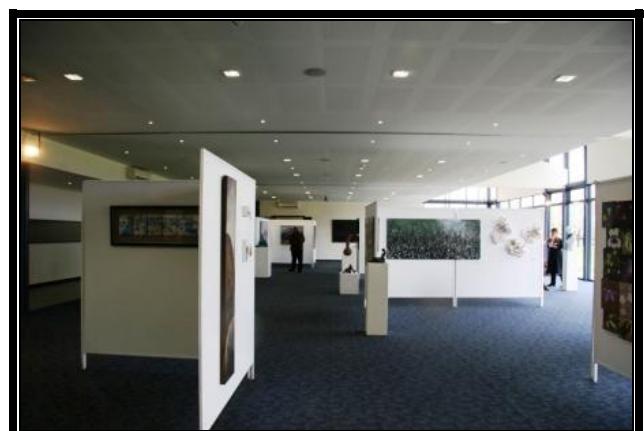
What an amazing achievement for the Parents and Friends Committee last weekend. The inaugural SPC Parents & Friends Art Exhibition was held in the Old Collegians Pavilion. The Patron Saint of Art, Saint Catherine of Bologna, certainly graced us with her presence over the weekend to ensure the event was a success!

Of course there was also a significant amount of effort before the weekend and I was very proud to be able to open the event on Friday night as the spokesperson for the Parents and Friends and the Art Exhibition sub-committee.

- Thank you to Trudy O'Connor for accepting the role of Chairperson.
- To Dr Casey and the school community for their support, encouragement and faith, that this event could be achieved by a small and dedicated group of parents and friends of the College.
- Debbie Hill and Terry Blizzard for their knowledge and expertise of the art world. Trish Hughes, Leonie Spencer and Nola Brown for recruiting the volunteers.
- Mark Waddington and Caitlin Bennett for all of their efforts to promote the event. Sue Blizzard and Tracey Wilson for their efforts on the committee over the past 18 months and of course all of the volunteers.

The feedback from the Art Exhibition from artists and visitors has been very positive and will ensure that this event will become the premiere event of the art world in the region. Thanks once again to all involved, and I will look forward to seeing a few new faces when we reconvene for the event in 2009.

The next meeting of the P&F will be held on October 28 at 7.30pm in the College Boardroom. Please feel free to come along and join us for an hour or so



EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

Canteen

Canteen Roster Monday October 6 to Friday October 10. 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 October 6

Term break – no canteen

Tuesday October 7

Claire Torpy, Jenny McErvale, Karen McMaster, Simone Meagher, *Julianne Allen, *Catherine Clarke, *Julianne Slater, Maria McOwan.

Wednesday October 8

*Maria Cook, *Kathy Harris,, Kathy Walters, *Debbie Lee, Robyn Lavery, Paula Bandy, Melinda Nicholls, Margaret Rowe, Christine Laidlaw.

Thursday October 9

Cheryl Clough, Jo Cowan, Catherine Craig, Libby Harrison, Colleen O'Sullivan, Bridget Vallance, Cathy Van Rijn, Monica Dickson.

Friday October 10

*Catherine Schuurs, Suzan Azzopardi, Janice Foley, Bronwyn Stewart, Mary Hopkins, *Katherine Mundy, Michelle Salvatore, Glenda Jones, Linda O'Hagan, *Donna Waightman, Dianne Dibono, *Helen Spratling.

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

Dobson's Uniform Shop

Please contact Annette on 5333 7486 for personal fitting appointments.

The Uniform Shop will be open on Monday October 6 from 12-4 pm.

Uniform Shop Hours - Term 4

Tuesday 12 - 4.00 pm
Thursday 12- 4.00 pm

COMING EVENTS

Monday 6 October

Staff Day
Boarding Parent/Teacher Interviews – 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm
Shamrock Association Meeting, 5 pm

Thursday 9 October

Junior & Middle School Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews – 4.00 pm – 9.00 pm – Wilding Wing

Saturday 11 October

OCA Class of 1998 Reunion Dinner 6.00 pm

Tuesday 14 October

College Assembly

Saturday 18 October

OCA Class of 1988 Reunion Dinner 6.00 pm

Sunday 19 October

Boarding Open Day 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm

Thursday 23 October

Year 12 Finish Classes
Year 12 Farewell Mass 7.30 pm



**SPC Art Exhibition Committee Members:
Bernie Wilson and Terry and Sue Blizzard**

