

**NEWSLETTER 2/3**  
**Friday July 25, 2008**

**FROM THE HEADMASTER**

**Dr Peter Casey**

Welcome to the world post-World Youth Day. I hope that you have been able to follow some of its enthusiasms, spiritual movements and social impact thanks to SBS Television particularly, the media in general and then maybe SMS messages and phone calls from our boys, staff and others. I pay my respects to those young men and staff members who made the pilgrimage to Sydney for their spectacular representation of the College. I have received many great reports from Sydneysiders about their behaviour and demeanour, probably highlighted by the St Pat's banner hanging from the top deck of the Pope's cruiser in Sydney Harbour on Thursday as he made his official entry.

I have recommended our pilgrims for bonus points for the Doolan Shield for community participation in our House Competition because of their initiative. The boys I have spoken with so far have been tired but ecstatic about their pilgrimage. I look forward to hearing more of our pilgrims' stories.



**FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER**

**Mr Steven O'Connor**

**Chris Nolan Awards**

Congratulations to the following boys who received a Chris Nolan Award at this week's College Assembly. It was great to have Chris present to witness the inaugural presentations along with his parents and some of his classmates from the Class of 1985.

The following boys have finished first semester in the top 15% of their respective year levels, based on an aggregation of their results from common assessment tasks and exams. It is a terrific achievement – well done!

**Year 7**

**Year 8**

**Year 9**

Jakob Baric	Darcy Anstis	Brayden Allan
Samuel Burzacott	Jordan Atkinson	Kayne Allen
Gerard Clifford	Nicholas Beaver	Daniel Baxter
Timothy Crowe	Cameron Butcher	Joseph Baxter
Matthew Dwyer	Robert Conroy	Aaron Blomeley
Andrew Fay	Matthew Cove	Regan Boyce
Jack Fowler	Christopher Debono	Tyler Brandenburg
Andrew Groch	Alexander Eva	Jack Callil
Jack Harrison	Jack Furness	Liam Davie
John Hickey	Jayden Hayes	Jack Dean
Matthew Hinge	Edmund Howes	Toby Ford
Andrew Howlett	Patrick Linnane	Carl Giles
Thomas Hoy	Jye Mathews	Samuel Higgins
Declan Leishman	Nicholas McKee	James Liston
Callum Linnane	Zak McMurray	Harry Mai
Jacob Lourey	Edward Meagher	Sean McDonald
Nicholas McMaster	Austin Miller	Timothy McOwan
Mark McOwan	Brett O'Hagan	Alexander McPherson
Adam Murphy	Bradley O'Loughlin	Matthew Norman
Timothy O'Shea	Kieren O'Riley	Samuel Peeters
Jack Peeters	William Perkins	Jacob Perkins
Angus Rooney	Charlie Powlett	Jaz Plinius-Wiese
James Rousch	Thomas Ryan	Patrick Ross-Taylor
Timothy Ryan	Jordan Santilli	Jayden Sammut
Jai Sharp	Benjamin Sculley	Mathew Thorne
Matthew Short	Jack Sloan	Patrick Thorpe
Matthew Spratling	Zachary Weightman	James Westbrook
Jarrah Staley	Nicholas Willowhite	Jonathan Willey
Aiden Thompson	Joseph Zreikat	Teague Wilson
Mitchell Thompson		
Thomas Thorpe		
Nicholas Whelan		
Luke Wilson		

**Year 10**

**Year 11**

**Year 12**

Bryce Andrews	Julian Atwood	William Beitzel
Connor Bourke	Scott Berg	Tony Castrignano
Bradley Brennan	Thomas Bevern	Nicholas Cook
Jake Clough	Samuel Burgess	Jack Ferguson
Nathan De Vries	Anthony Cocomazzo	Finlay Gustus
Benjamin Geddes	Timothy Corbett	Samuel Harrison
Luke Govers	Blake Davis	Seamus Herrick
Daniel Groch	James Edmends	Benjamin Jenkins
Joseph Hall	Nabeel Elias	Luke Jones
Matthew Hogbin	Daniel Ferguson	Thomas Kavanagh
Matthew Houlihan	Joseph Ford	Michael Keem
Patrick Hoy	Dominic Godfrey	Richard Keys
Gordon Hutcheon	Matthew Hampson	Paul King
Clay Jenkins	Ashley Jan	Glenn Kirby
Nicholas Johnston	Stephen Jew	Bernard Kuek
Sean Keem	Benjamin McOwan	Kieran McDowell
Aaron Lewicki	Gareth Mills	Andrew McNiece
Daniel McDonald	Michael Near	Michael Rix
Joseph McKee	Aaron Polson	Cody Stewart
Lachlan McLean	Daniel Sharp	Matthew Stewart
James McMaster	Ethan Stewart	Liam Toohey
Ryan Michell	Patrick Styles	Brendan Torpy
Justin O'Brien	Andrew Wallis	Matthew Van Der Ploeg
Ben O'Shea	Oliver Whiteley	
Thomas Smardon		
Cameron Thomas		
Kieran Toohey		
Luke Torpy		
Samuel Wilson		
Michael Xuereb		
Oliver Yeung		

**DIRECTOR OF MISSION**

**Mr Joe Doolan**

**The World Youth Day (WYD) Conclusion: The Angelus**

The amazing Mass that concluded the WYD celebrations on Sunday included the recitation of the Angelus. Why did the organisers select such a prayer? True it was prayed at midday, one of the ancient times that the oration is offered.

The practice of reciting the angelus three times a day probably stemmed from the ancient Church's pattern of praying the Our Father at morning, noon and night. Was the selection based upon the devotion to Mary or is there something far more profound to be discovered in the text?

This central Christian belief in the In-carnation (flesh taking) of God is a prominent theme at Christmas-tide but is somewhat forgotten during the remainder of the year. What are the key elements of this doctrine that for centuries has elicited public and private prayer?

**The Angel of the Lord Declared unto Mary**

For God to become human, the ancient church debated, then God must be greater than our meagre minds can imagine. God is the name we give to the mysterious being that exists at the heart of all creation. God is by nature incomprehensible and indescribably beyond our grasp. Our first grappling with God is with the immensity of her being. For God's essence to become human, as a child located in a place and time, is an even bigger jump of faith for our menial imagination; a belief even further beyond our struggling attempts to *comprehend* God. Therefore, the first facet of faith in Christ's incarnation is a belief that this event displays to us that God's power is even greater than we can imagine.

**Be It Done According to Your Word**

If God became human then God must have not abhorred the human race. God must have necessarily looked beyond the evil that humans do and displayed a real and substantial generosity toward us in taking our flesh. When we see the daily terror and torture that humans inflict upon each other it can boggle our minds to assert that a God of infinite goodness willed to become one like us! The predisposition required for one to look beyond our weakness is a profound generosity toward humanity.

**The Word was Made Flesh**

God wisely wanted us to be saved by one like us. God did not wish that the modelling of human life and death be given in a lecture or story but be shown in an authentically free and fulfilled human existence. God's wisdom is that we should be liberated by one like us.

**May We Remain Worthy of the Promises of Christ**

The fourth theme of the incarnation is the plan that evil is defeated in the life death and resurrection of Christ; justice is restored in the triumph over Satan.

The predictions and promises of Christ's saving design will ultimately win.

No longer do we hear church bells calling us to prayer but in our daily lives, in the recitation of an Our Father, Hail Mary or the Angelus, we might remember that the origin of these prayers is the event of Christ's incarnation. Perhaps *The Angelus* is worth a second look since its daily recitation is a salutary reminder of the great event of God becoming human. The school bells call us to study; the Angelus calls us to praise God's incomprehensible power, goodness, wisdom and justice. The conclusion of the World Youth Day with the Angelus was perhaps a shrewd one, reminding the pilgrims of the great journey that Christ embarked upon in his taking flesh of the Virgin Mary.



**Chris Nolan Award Ceremony**

**COLLEGE DEAN**  
**Mr Stephen Hill**

**Careers and Transition Coordinator**  
**Mr Anthony Meehan**

**2009 Year 11 Students 'Careers Night'**

Year 10 students and parents are welcome to attend the VCE Parent Information Evening and Career Expo, next Thursday July 31 from 7.30pm in the College Chapel. Special Guest is Mr Peter Flynn (SPC 1976 – 81), a Director of Building Contractor (W.M. Flynn Pty Ltd), who will speak about career opportunities in the building professions and trades.

Old Collegians, Universities, TAFE's and private providers will be present at the evening to provide advice on a wide range of pathway options over the A – Z of career choices.

The UB show bag can be collected on the night which features copies of:

- 2008 Job Guide,
- 2008 VTAC Choice Guide,
- VCAA - Where to Now Guide,
- Choosing Can Be Confusing Booklet,
- University Of Ballarat Course Guide, and
- Each student's individualised Differential Aptitude Test (DAT) results.

**Year 12 VTAC Guides and Briefing Sessions**

The 2008 Year 12 VTAC Guides are due to arrive at SPC this Friday for distribution to all Year 12 students. In addition to a general briefing for all Year 12 boys on the use of the VTAC guide, special group sessions will run to assist with VTAC registration.

These sessions will take place in Study Block times throughout late August and early September. The sessions will focus on practice for VTAC Preference selection and on SEAS applications. Please see Mr Meehan for other details or careers enquiries about Open Days, Scholarships, Accommodation, GAP year projects, Apprenticeships, Employment and Training.

*Please note: As a reminder for students and parents - a VTAC Information Briefing will take place on Thursday August 14 at the Wendouree Performing Arts Centre.*

**2009 VET Information Night**

All Year 9 and 10 students and parents considering VET studies next year are advised to attend the Ballarat VET Cluster's Information Evening on Wednesday August 13 at the Ballarat Mining Exchange.

Invitations to all Year 9 and 10 students were posted out with the mid year reports. VET teachers, Registered Training Providers and Apprenticeship experts will be available on the night to talk about VET studies options. A limited number of 2009 VET Information booklets are available from Mr Meehan's office on application. Please note that St Patrick's will be introducing a number of new VET programmes into the school curriculum next year. The VET application process will require two sets of interviews. An initial interview with SPC staff will take place mid August. Any student applying to VET cluster programs will undertake a second interview with VET cluster personnel in September.

**2008 Work Experience Week**

Over 190 St Patrick's Year 10 and 11 students undertook work experience in the June and July holiday period. Employer reports were extremely positive and our boys are to be congratulated on their exemplary behaviour and enthusiasm for the tasks at hand. Moreover I would like to acknowledge over 40 parents who responded to and returned the Parent Evaluation Forms. Many valuable comments were made in terms of praise for the work experience programme and constructive criticisms to help improve the processes next year and beyond. So to parents who helped make it happen, my sincere thank you for your support!

**Director of Performing Arts**  
**Mrs Kathleen Plastow**

**Bugsy Malone News**  
**Ms Stephanie Greet**  
**Loreto College**

It is only a few weeks before production week and the excitement is building. During the term break much hard work was completed by staff and parents. Maree Stephenson was busy collecting costumes and bumping into Kayleen O'Donoghue who is also assisting with the costumes. The bars and desks arrived and thank you to Michael Kent, Peter Kennedy and Alister Ford for their construction. Sally Malcher started work on the t-shirts and Ms Fell finalised the poster and organised the printing. Thanks to Mr Stephen Pearson, a St Patrick's parent for the printing of the very attention grabbing posters.

Thank you to parents for the speedy pick ups this week. It is very important that we try to minimise the chances of cast members falling ill. A reminder that parents are welcome to come and watch Sunday rehearsals and we hope the students are singing you their songs, and practising their lines and blocking.

Letters and permission slips regarding production week will be out this week. Please remember to have it signed and returned promptly.

Tickets are now on sale. Matinee tickets are \$5 concession and adults are \$10. Evening tickets are \$12 concession, and \$16 for an adult. Purchases can be made at Student Reception at Loreto College and also at the Wendouree Centre for the Performing Arts. Tickets are selling quickly. To avoid disappointment, please organise your purchases very soon.

If you have any questions regarding the show, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Kathleen Plastow.

**DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE**  
**Mr Kelvin Porter**

**Cybersmart KIDS ONLINE**

Enclosed with this mail out are some brochures produced by the Australian Communication and Media Authority, which is a sub-branch of the Australian Government. These brochures are entitled:

**The Smart Guide to Socialising on the Internet**  
**How to be Phone Safe**  
**Cybersmart Guide**

The brochures are an easy to read information pack for parents to keep their children safe when using the internet or mobile phones. Some of the topics covered are:

Social Networking  
Making Friends and Staying Safe Online  
Tips for Kids  
Do you know who your kids are talking to?

Another helpful website is [www.cybersmartkids.com.au](http://www.cybersmartkids.com.au)

### **Anaphylaxis Management**

In line with the Victorian Government's commitment to provide a safe and supportive environment in which children diagnosed at risk of anaphylaxis can participate equally in all aspects of their schooling, St Patrick's College is in the process of developing an Anaphylaxis Management Plan.

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction to a substance, most commonly nuts, egg, milk, wheat, soy, seafood, some insect stings and medications.

Anaphylaxis can be life threatening, but with proper management and prevention strategies in place the risks can be substantially reduced. Some symptoms of anaphylaxis include swelling of the lips, face and eyes, difficulty breathing, abdominal pain and/or vomiting and loss of consciousness.

### **What is the responsibility of parents or guardians of a child who has been diagnosed at risk of anaphylaxis?**

Parents and *guardians must:*

- Inform Mrs Carol Maciejewski, Sick Bay Officer, on 53 224455
- Discuss strategies with the College
- Work with the College to develop an individual Anaphylaxis Management Plan for the student (in consultation with the student's doctor)
- Provide copies of an ASCIA action plan for the student, with up to date photographs
- Supply the College with the student's EpiPen and ensure that it has not expired
- Inform the College if the student's medical condition changes

For further information go to  
[www.education.vic.gov.au/healthwellbeing/health/anaphylaxis.htm](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/healthwellbeing/health/anaphylaxis.htm)

## **DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION** **Ms Elizabeth Till**

### **Term 3 Mail Out**

This Crest is part of the Term 3 mail out, also including the Term 3 Calendar of events, Year 7, 8 and Senior School Assessment Planners, a Father's Day invitation and various other notification items.

### **2009 Year 11**

Year 10 families will be taken through a series of steps designed to ensure that each boy is allocated their best VCE course for 2009/2010. This process begins with an invitation to all Year 10 students and families to attend the 2009 Year 11 Information/Careers Evening on Thursday July 31 at 7.30 pm.

Copies of the 2009 VCE Booklet and the 2009 Re-enrolment form were distributed at the 2009 Year 11 Student Information session. Students who were absent when these were distributed are to see Mr McCrum.

All Year 10 students and families will also have the opportunity to meet with individual staff over the next few weeks to provide further assistance in selection of VCE studies.

### **2009 Year 12**

Current Year 11 students will receive a copy of the 2009 Year 12 Re-enrolment form at the 2009 Year 12 Student Information session. Each Year 11 student will also be emailed a copy of the 2009 VCE Booklet. 2009 Re-enrolments and Unit 3/4 study selections are due by Wednesday August 20.

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

This week it was a delight to have all of our World Youth Day students and staff return, all obviously enthused by the experience. Congratulations to the organisers, particularly to Mr Art Nichols who did a tremendous job behind the scenes and through his willingness, efforts and flexibility managed to secure a voyage with Pope Benedict across the harbour for nine of our boys. An amazing experience!

Year Twelve students are advised that VTAC applications for tertiary courses in 2009 open on August 4. Applications are submitted online and applications close at 5pm on September 30 (during the term break). Late applications can be made at a significantly increased cost, which may also be after some course interviews have occurred or folios have already been submitted. All students are encouraged to make a timely VTAC application. Having done this, boys are then able to change preferences at several stages in the process, including when they have received their results-until 5pm on December 22. Please note that 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. The applications are also to be completed online, and supporting documentation is usually required which may take time to be assembled. SEAS applications occur 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.

Many Universities hold Open Days in late July and August. A list of dates may be found at [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au). Open Days are valuable for all students at Senior School level. The website also offers the opportunity for VTAC and SEAS applications to be submitted.

On Thursday July 31 the 2009 Year 11 Careers and Information Night will be held for all current Year 10 students. Boys and parents will have the opportunity to speak with people working in a wide range of industries and with teachers from various faculties. Past students and parents have found this a very valuable evening and this year also looks very promising. Current Year 10 students will have the opportunity to have an interview to assist with subject selection on August 5, August 7 and August 9.

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

**Stocktaking Time!**

Semester Two is now underway and it timely for the boys to do a check of materials and equipment required for their subjects, particularly in the elective blocks. Some boys are carrying on with subjects that they undertook in Semester One and some are starting new subjects. With this in mind could I ask parents to please to a stock take with your son to see what materials and equipment items are required. It is vitally important that names and other details are on all items.

**Immersion Week**

By now boys and parents will have received the Immersion Week booklet and had the chance to make selections for the week. It must be noted that whenever possible boys will be given their first choices, however there will be occasions when this is not possible. This is a very exciting week for the students and teachers and I am particularly grateful to the Middle School staff for the enormous amount of work in planning and preparing for the week.

**On offer will be the following units:**

Life Skills / Money Matters  
Ballarat Past  
Indigenous Experience  
Plan Your Own Enterprise  
Melbourne Galleries  
Careers  
Advanced Learning  
Solve it!  
In History's Footsteps - Path to Eureka  
Nutrition, Muscles, Myths & Marketing  
First-Aid  
Housing Design & Construction  
Film IT  
Let's Rebel  
Living History  
Rocketry  
Exercise Rehabilitation  
Sports in Analysis

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

**Brain Based Learning**

Last Thursday the Year 8 boys were treated to a day with Mr John Joseph. John is a specialist in the area of brain-based learning. This day followed on from a professional development day attended by all staff at the end of Term 2 and a parent Information evening held last Wednesday.

All Year 8 boys participated in a half day session during which they listened to all sorts of amazing information pertaining to the human brain, viewed multimedia presentations and participated in computer based games that tested memory and thinking processes.

The main highlight of the presentation was the opportunity for each boy to dissect a lamb's brain and investigate the many components of the brain first hand. The boys engaged in this activity with a good degree of interest and vigour.

In the final activity, the boys constructed a model of the brain using plasticine. Some boys created a 3D model and there were many other interesting and accurate interpretations of what a brain should look like. This activity rounded the day out well and provided the boys with an excellent opportunity to consolidate the learning from earlier in the day.

John Joseph is indeed an interesting and engaging presenter who is able to cater for the many different learning styles of the boys. The chat afterwards was extremely positive and reflected much of the interesting material covered during the day.

**The Importance of Sleep**

John Joseph raised many interesting issues during his sessions. One of the most significant of these was the importance of sleep to the developing human being. Sleep is something that many take for granted and often underestimate its importance. Adolescents require significant amounts of sleep however due to lifestyle and other commitments, young people often function on insufficient amounts. This can affect their ability to take in new information, an inability to consolidate learning and can lead to poor decision-making.

Sleep is vitally important for the consolidation of the day's learning. It is during this time that the brain forges new neural links and prunes back others that are of no further use. In effect, sleep is when the brain does its housekeeping and new memories are born. This is a vital time for any student, as quality sleep has a very positive impact on an individual's ability to consolidate learning.

It is important to enable all boys to get adequate amounts of sleep. A number of factors or *sleep thieves* can reduce the amount of quality sleep that young people get on a nightly basis: high intake of caffeine based drinks, use of computers prior to bed time, television sets in bedrooms, mobile phones, light and many more!

**John Joseph's Ten Tips to Get Better Sleep:**

1. Have a regular bedtime each night.
2. Catch up on missed sleep another night.
3. Reduce *sleep thieves*, especially light.
4. Avoid exercising before bed.
5. Avoid food, caffeine, and sugar close to bedtime.
6. Get off the computer or away from the TV one hour before bed.
7. Use the bathroom before bed.
8. Have a relaxing, quiet bedtime routine.
9. Prepare clothes and gear for the next school day
10. Fill out a sleep diary and manage your sleep patterns.

**Year 8**

Commencing next Wednesday from 3:40 to 4:30 pm, the Year 8 Mathematics staff will be holding maths tutorial sessions in OMW 003. These sessions are available to any Year 8 student wanting some additional assistance in their mathematics. The sessions are free of charge and may offer your son the necessary assistance they require.

**Year 7 Father and Son Evening**

Parenting has become a major focus of research over the past five years and the issue of Parent - Child relationships continues to interest those who work in education and the health and welfare industry.

St Patrick's College has decided that the best way that to support parents and families is to work collaboratively with them on this important issue. As part of our Junior School social skills and relationships programme, a Father/Significant Male- Son evening for all Year 7 boys is being planned.

The evenings will be arranged over two nights according to College Houses. Each evening will run for approximately two hours in length and will involve 50 to 60 boys and their fathers or a significant male role model.

Below are the listed evening groups and the format of the evening:

**7A/7B/7C/7D Galvin and Keniry Monday September 1**  
**7E/7F/7G/7H/7I Nunan and Ryan Tuesday September 2**

If the nominated evening does not suit your family, please feel free to attend the alternate evening.

#### Times

7:00pm-8: 15pm Dinner and guest speaker: College Pavilion  
8:15pm-9:00pm Blue Earth Activity Session College gymnasium

Michael Brandenburg from Ballarat Men's Health will address the theme, 'Building positive relationships between Fathers and Sons'.



To help cover the costs, a Gold Coin donation would be appreciated.

It would also be appreciated if each student could please supply a photo of themselves with their father or significant male role model. Please submit the photo to the Pastoral Tutor by Monday July 28, which will be scanned and included in a reflection on the night.

We invite fathers and significant males to consider attending this important evening.

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



#### **YEAR 8: BRADLEY O'LOUGHLIN**

For his very positive attitude towards all aspects of school life and for always demonstrating a pleasant manner.



#### **YEAR 7: BRANDON APPLEBY**

For his kindness and initiative in rescuing an injured bird form which had swallowed a fish hook and had wire around its legs.

## **SPORT**

**Director of Sport**  
**Mr Chris Gleeson**

#### **Cricket Tour**

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

I am pleased to inform the St Patrick's College community that in June/July 2009 the St Patrick's College First XI will be conducting a cricket tour to Singapore and the United Kingdom. This will be an experience of a lifetime for 15 cricketers of the College and although twelve months away, there are a number of details that need to be conveyed to families who are interested in their son travelling on the tour.

The trip will be a development tour and will be open to players from Years 9 - 12 and the dates will coincide with the three week student Term Two break in 2009. At this early stage we are seeking expressions of interest to be made to Mr Damian McKee and the Director of Sport, Mr Chris Gleeson. Expressions of interest should be made via email or letter to [dmckee@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:dmckee@stpats.vic.edu.au) [cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au)

The cost of the 18 day tour will be approximately \$5,000 (to be confirmed) and the tour will include eight to ten matches in Singapore, England and Scotland. The tour will involve billeting and budget accommodation including a one-way domestic flight from London to Scotland. Other Self drive mini-buses will be the other method of travel.

For those interested there will be a preliminary information evening held in the College Dining Room on **Tuesday July, 29 at 7.30pm**. At this meeting a selection criteria will be presented to families as well as a sample itinerary that includes the dates of the tour.

I look forward to hearing from those families who are interested in participating in what will be a great experience.

#### **Term 3 Sports**

Students should be aware that the Term 3 sports offered include Basketball (Ms Tamara Westwood), Table Tennis (Mr Michael Brady), Intermediate Hockey (Mr Roger Knight) and Squash and Racquetball (Mr Les Bone and Mrs Colleen Pope) as well as the continuation of senior Football, Soccer, Hockey, Rugby and Basketball. Any students who wish to play Table Tennis or Squash/Racquetball should contact the teacher in charge or Mr Gleeson via email at [cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au).

#### **Thank you**

Thank you to the Director of Football Mr Howard Clark and the coaches of the two second XVIII teams, Mr Gavin Webb, Mr Mark Waddington and Mr Peter Blanchfield as well as the two intermediate teams coached by Mr Peter Joyce and Mr Jamie Bobrowski for the arrangements of the Grand Finals for the competitions to be held on Tuesday. Despite a heavy shower at 3.30pm the games were played with great skills and enthusiasm. Congratulations to all the boys who participated throughout the term.

#### **Junior Football Round Robin Competition Wednesday Week 3 Term 3**

The Junior Football programme will conclude with a SPC Junior Round Robin Day starting at 4pm on Wednesday July 30 (Week 3). Significantly, members of the First XVIII will assist the four coaches, Mr John Richards (SPC White), Mr Mark O'Loughlin (SPC Blue), Mr Michael Weadon (SPC Green) and Mr Phil Sherry (SPC Gold).

After match presentations to celebrate the Junior Football season for players, parents and coaches will be held commencing at 5pm in the College Dining Room.

Who will be crowned the Junior Football champions in 2008? Please come along and find out!

### Cross Country Results - Junior School

Below are the place getters in the Year 7 and 8 events which were conducted on the last day of Term 2. Despite the conditions being perfect for running it was disappointing to see a large number of boys in each year level fail to bring their required uniform and run in the event. Congratulations to these students and to all boys who competed.

#### Year 8 (6km)

Blood, Patrick - 8C-OMW004, Keniry	KENIRY	25.26
Hayes, Jayden - 8G-OMW011, Nunan	NUNAN	25.27
Humphries, Mitchell - 8G-OMW011, Keniry	KENIRY	26.09
Farquhar, Jesse - 8D-OMW006, Galvin	GALVIN	26.30
Linane, Liam - 8B-OMW003, Nunan	NUNAN	26.33

#### Year 7

Sullivan, Laiton - 7KD-OMW106, Keniry	KENIRY	22.30
Thompson, Mitchell - 7NF-OMW108, Nunan	NUNAN	23.32
Cullinan, Josh - 7RH-OMW112, Ryan	RYAN	25.28
O'Shea, Timothy - 7VI-OMW113, Ryan	RYAN	27.39
Ringin, Justin - 7GB-OMW103, Galvin	GALVIN	27.54

### BAS Cross Country Results

#### Mr Shane Hayes Director of Athletics

On a typical cold and windy day the best of Ballarat's junior distance runners competed in the annual BAS Lap of the Lake. St Patrick's was well represented in the U/16 division by the following students with six top 10 finishers. Congratulations to Tom Blood, Angus Martin, Aaron Preddy, Mitchell Taylor, Tom Nankivell, Charles Martin, Bart Harney and Nick O'Brien. In the U/14 division SPC had five participants with three top five finishes. Congratulations to Jack Murch, Laiton Sullivan, Mitchell Thompson, Patrick Blood and Joel Karlake. In the Open Division, SPC had seven participants with three top ten finishers. Congratulations to Chris Munn, Scott Berg, Clay Jenkins, Kyle Coutts, Jack Gudgeon, Angus Lennecke and Andrew Wallis

Finally, congratulations to Captain Chris Munn and the entire team in taking out the Boys Aggregate competition.

#### Boys Aggregate

POSITION	SCHOOL	POINTS
1 <sup>st</sup>	SPC	121
2 <sup>nd</sup>	BG	142
3 <sup>rd</sup>	BCC	240
4 <sup>th</sup>	DC	260
5 <sup>th</sup>	BHS	341

### Senior Soccer

#### Mr Tony Beggs

#### 1<sup>st</sup> XI Coach

#### Round 4

#### St Patrick's College 4 defeated Ballarat High School 0

**Goals:** K McDowell, A Murphy, D King, J Krusche

**Best:** D Blomeley, K McDowell, A Martin, J Krusche, M Lynch, S Berg, T McKinnon, D King, J Parry

The first half was fairly scrappy with the ball bouncing around on the hard and clumpy ground of the pitch. Kieran McDowell looked dangerous up front and got clear deep through Ballarat High's lines, however wasn't getting much backup from the others. The backline was sure footed with David Blomeley hassling well on the left back and Angus Martin and Bernard Kuek keeping the ball safe and regularly switching play.

David King scored the first goal coming through the centre and receiving a neat ball from Jacob Krusche at the top of the 18 yard box. He gained control and played through the defence, ran to the keeper and placed it past for a neat shot.

Late in the half all boys were sent into defence to keep out a free kick from close range, however Kane Fitzpatrick had trouble finding the inside defensive position as the shot went thankfully wide.

Marcus Lynch was dangerous on the wing and he put a delightful angled ball through BHS defence to Kieran McDowell up front, who showed pace and great touch to clear out from the defender and flip the ball over the advancing keeper.

Marcus again was in the thick of the action to draw a foul 30 metres out. Jacob Krusche sensibly ignored the line-up and drove a well weighted ball that hit the inside top of the goals to give SPC the third goal.

The final deliverance was a team play beginning with Scott Berg who found Kieran deep on the left. His centring ball was taken by Austin Murphy who had found space at the top and cleanly put away his second for the year.

#### Round 5

#### St Patrick's College 2 defeated Ballarat College 0

**Goals:** T Beggs, K McDowell

**Best:** K Taylor, T McKinnon, T Beggs, A Martin, J Krusche, K McDowell, D King, M Lynch

St Patrick's dominated the centre of the pitch through Kyran Taylor with his deft touch and accurate passing. Marcus Lynch was helping to close down their dangerous centre man and the backline was on top playing wide balls to ease the pressure and return the ball to our advantage. However, College's backline were able to salvage the ball from danger due to some of our attacks being too orchestrated.

One counter attack saw College gain the ball wide on the right. A deliberate shot from well out looked good off the boot as it curled high and then dropped with pinpoint accuracy under the cross bar. Tom McKinnon dived back and upwards to make a spectacular save and put the ball out of danger. However, College got a point blank second shot on target, only to be foiled by the gallant keeper again – a notable piece of goal keeping.

We committed to using more width in the second half and a pass out of the centre from Kyran Taylor found Kieran McDowell near the centre and he expertly headed the ball on to where Tim Beggs was able to control around the defender and have time to size up and beat the keeper to his right.

It was still a tight contest until Tim Beggs was given the ball on the left and his pass was captured by Austin Murphy in the centre. His pass was good to Kieran McDowell facing the goals and despite traffic, he was able to shoot through the gap to put the game safely in our keeping.

**Junior Soccer**  
**Mr Juri Kaczowski**  
**Director of Soccer**

Congratulations to SPC Blue who were announced as champions of the Junior Soccer competition after their stellar season. Their performances were outstanding all year and were clearly on top of the ladder at the end of the season, thoroughly deserving their pennant

**1<sup>st</sup> V Basketball**  
**Ms Tamara Westwood**  
**Director of Basketball**

For detailed reports and scores as well as other information in relation to SPC basketball please catch the basketball newsletter distributed each month.

**Student Achievements**

During the Term Break the Under 15 Australian Rules V-Line Cup was played in Melbourne. The Ballarat squad won the Division 1 Premiership in a thrilling match against Geelong. This is the first time the Ballarat squad has won the Division 1 Premiership for 20 years.

Many SPC students were part of the history making team including: Mathew Begbie, James Blood, Jayden Orr, Tom Nankivell, Nick O'Brien, Zane Thompson, Scott Spriggs, Nathan Olver, Andrew Clifton, Tom Stapleton, Chris Carson and Andrew Clifton. After the win, the boys gave a rousing rendition of the St Pat's "War Cry" in celebration.

Congratulations to Zane Thompson and Nick O'Brien who were recently named in the U/15 Victorian State Football Team to participate in the national carnival in Melbourne. We wish them well.

Finally congratulations to Nick Suban who was recently named as an 'All Australian' player after the NAB AFL National Under 18 championships. This is the second year in a row that Nick has been awarded this prestigious honour, a tremendous achievement that was thoroughly deserved. Well done Nick.

If anyone is aware of any student achievements please email them to [gleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:gleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au) so that they may be shared in the Crest.

**1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey**

With only three games left for the season, the 1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey team faced up to Ballarat Grammar last Thursday evening for a daunting challenge. Easily the strongest team in the competition, Grammar held its winning record and convincingly defeated SPC 5 goals to 1.

The first half was an even game of attack and defence with the scores level at half time at 1 all. Rohan Hill again proved his worth by scoring a brilliant goal deflected from a sharp pass from Jesse Hennessy. Other notable efforts from Drew Murphy, Liam Brookes and Zac Pietsch were typical of the team always giving 100%.

The next two games will be challenging with Jesse Hennessy out for the rest of the season with a broken wrist, however with continued effort from the rest of the members all matches will be played to the best of ability.

**FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**  
**Development Manager**  
**Mr Mark Waddington**

**Parents and Friends Association**  
**Mr Bernie Wilson**  
**President**

**Trots Night**

In collaboration with the SPC Rowing Club and the SPC Football Club, we are holding the fourth annual Trots night on September 4, 2008 at Bray Raceway. The P&F are seeking support from the St Patrick's community in the form of race sponsorship, door prizes and raffle prizes and a commitment to attend the night, enjoy good company and along the way raise some funds that benefit all our boys. Details are contained at the back of this edition of The Crest.

We are always keen to see parents join these meetings, so please feel free to come along to the next meeting and see just what a small and dedicated group of parents can achieve.

Meetings are held in the College Boardroom on the fourth Tuesday of the month during the school terms. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 22 July at 7.30pm; we hope to see you soon.

**Education Maintenance Allowance**  
**Mrs Aileen Loader**  
**Data Liaison Officer**

**New or Additional Claims for Second Installment**

If you have filled out a form at St Patrick's in Term One, you *do not* need to fill in another form for Term Three. If you claimed EMA in the first semester, but are now no longer eligible to claim, could you please inform Mrs Aileen Loader in the Finance Office.

**Eligibility:**

To receive Instalment Two of the EMA, parents or guardians must meet the eligibility criteria on the July 14 2008, the first day of Term Three 2008. To be eligible, parents or guardians must either:

- (a) Hold a current Pensioner Concession Card or Health Care Benefit Card;
- (b) Hold a Veteran Affairs Pensioner (TPI) Card; or
- (c) Be a Foster Parent.

**AND**

- (d) Submit your application to the school by the date listed below.

Parents who receive a Child Disability Allowance, Mobility Allowance, Remote Area Allowance or any other benefit not income tested by Centrelink are not eligible for the EMA unless they also comply with one of criteria (a) (b) or (c) above.

**Submission Date:**

The application form must be lodged at the school by **August 1, 2008** for the second instalment. The Ministry has imposed this *deadline*. Applications after that date will not be considered.

*Please note that if you have filled out a form at St Patrick's in Term One, you do not need to fill in another form for Term Three.*

## EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

### **Canteen**

Canteen Roster Monday July 28 to Friday August 1. 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 July 28**

Elaine Collier, Liz O'Loughlin, Tracey Stalker, Janet Santilli, Colleen Stephen, Jenny Gilbert, Betty Armstrong, \*Jill Watkins, \*Louise Miles.

### **Tuesday July 29**

Vicki Burton, Wendy Johnson, Cathy Keem, Rhonda Robson, Loretta Toohey, \*Wendy Dumaresq, \*Kerry Fiegert.

### **Wednesday July 30**

Kim Tibbles, Helen Cotter, Helen O'Brien, Monica Kirby, Cheree Cosgriff, \*Silvana Peters, \*Leonie Spencer, Gayle Peoples.

### **Thursday July 31**

Sandra Jobling, Trisha Hughes, \*Jo Rix, Marie Loader, Carolyn Tuppen, Sharyn Eva, Robyn Pavilach, \*Cathy Simpson, Kerryn Guest.

### **Friday August 1**

\*Orla Connaughton, \*Sharren Mullane, \*Annemaree Wilson, \*Sheryn Bucknall, Anita Houlihan, \*Debbie Jew, Barb Peters, \*Melissa Harris, \*Judi James, \*Sarah Howard.

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

### **Dobson's Uniform Shop**

Please contact Annette on 5333 7486 for personal fitting appointments.

### **Uniform Shop Hours - Term 3**

Tuesday 12 - 4.00 pm  
Thursday 12- 4.00 pm

## EVENTS OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE

### **Mt Clear Secondary College**

The Pathways Foundation proudly presents:  
'Raising Teenagers Talk'

Raising Teenagers is not easy! The Pathways Foundation is a registered harm prevention charity and a world leader in assisting teenagers with the challenging transition from teen to young adult. This FREE talk for parents is part of Pathways' social responsibility to raise awareness of ways to help our young people grow emotionally.

**Details:** August 12, 7.00 -9:30pm, Mount Clear College  
Olympic Avenue, Mt Clear  
RSVP - Phone: 03 5330 1500

### **Catholic Enquiry Night**

The Parish Communities of St Columba's Ballarat North, St James Sebastopol and St Patrick's Cathedral, invites anyone curious about, or interested in, finding out about the Catholic Faith to attend an Enquiry Night on Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup> at 7.30.p.m.

The evening will be held in the foyer of St Columba's Church, 801 Lydiard Street, Ballarat North

Further details can be obtained by phoning St Patrick's Cathedral 53312933 or St Columba's 53317131

## COMING EVENTS

### **Monday 28 July**

Year 11 Outdoor Education Ski Trip – 4.00 pm departure – Mr Lynn, Mr Bottrall and Mr Daniels  
Inter B Hockey

### **Tuesday 29 July**

Year 11 Outdoor Education Ski Trip  
Year 7/8 B Basketball

### **Wednesday 30 July**

Year 12 Retreat - depart 3.45 pm  
Year 11 Outdoor Education Ski Trip return – 9.30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Soccer  
Sen B Basketball  
Inter B Basketball  
1<sup>st</sup> XVIII Football

### **Thursday 31 July**

Year 12 Retreat  
2009 Year 11 Careers and Information Evening – 7.30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey

### **Saturday 2 August**

1<sup>st</sup> XV Division 2 Rugby – MC vs SPB 11.15 am

### **Monday 4 August**

Year 9 Immersion week  
Inter B Hockey  
Junior School Quiz – 7.30 pm

### **Tuesday 5 August**

Year 9 Immersion week  
College Assembly  
Year 7 & 8 Basketball  
Jun B Baseball

### **Wednesday 6 August**

Year 9 Immersion week  
1<sup>st</sup> XVIII Football  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Soccer  
Sen B Basketball (Final)  
Inter B Basketball

### **Thursday 7 August**

Year 9 Immersion week  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey

### **Friday 8 August**

Year 9 Immersion Week

## Semester 2

### Key Dates

#### **Term 3:**

Monday 14 July Staff Day

Tuesday 15 July Term 3 Classes commence

Thursday 24 July 2009 Year 10 Information Evening, 7.30 pm

Thursday 31 July 2009 Year 11 Information Evening, 7.30 pm

Monday 11 August Student Free Day – Staff Formation Days

Tuesday 12 August Student Free Day – Staff Formation Days

Wednesday 20 August 2009 VCE Subject Selection Forms due

Monday 25 August John James Medal Dinner

Tuesday 26 August P&F Bacchus Marsh Dinner, 6.30 pm

Friday 5 September Fathers Day Mass, 7 am

Monday 8 September Rugby Presentation Dinner

Tuesday 9 September, P&F Ballarat Dinner, 7pm

Friday 12 September, St Patrick's College Art Exhibition

Friday 19 September Term 3 Finishes 2.30pm

#### **Term 4:**

Monday 6 October Staff Day

Tuesday 7 October Term 4 Classes commence.

Thursday 23 24 October Year 12 Finish / Farewell Mass – 7.30 pm

Monday 3 November College Holiday – Exeat

Tuesday 4 November College Holiday – Exeat

Friday 21 November Speech Night

Saturday 22 November Year 12 Valedictory Dinner

Friday 28 November Year 11 Final Day

Friday 5 December Year 10 Final Day

Friday 5 December Year 7, 8 & 9 Finish

Friday 12 December Teaching Staff Finish

Friday 19 December Office Closes

## Parents & Friends Association “A Night at the Trots!”



The Parents and Friends Association in partnership with the SPC Rowing Club and SPC Football Club have arranged a family fundraising event at the Bray Raceway.

Please mark **Thursday September 4** in your calendar and join us at this fun filled St Patrick's College event which continues to grow in popularity!

\$30.00 provides you entry to the races, 3-course dinner in the Terrace Restaurant, with full waiter service, a race book to study the horses between each sumptuous course and drinks are available at bar prices. The more tickets sold the more funds generated that can be used for projects that benefit all students.

If that is not enough, you could also win the opportunity to ride in the Starter's Car to set a race underway!

If you are interested in promoting your business, you might like to sponsor a race on the night. Race names are broadcast around the country making this an great value for money investment – it might be your only winner on the night!

Alternatively, you may be able to donate a small spot prize to be raffled on the night. If you are able to help, please phone Bernard Wilson to find out more on 5341 2662 or 0419 330 708.

What we are looking for is your contribution to this event. How can you help all students at SPC you may ask? It is easy! Come along to the night and bring you friends. Get a group together and share in the fun and enjoyment whilst helping St Patrick's.

Tickets are available from the Front office of the College which is open between 8.30am -4.45 pm each day.

**Mr Bernard Wilson**  
**President P&F**

**Chris Nolan Awards 2008**

