

## FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dr Peter Casey

I congratulate our students and staff on the many great achievements of recent weeks including success at South Street in debating and music, the most enjoyable production with Loreto College of Buggy Malone, the successful completion of many of the winter sports already adding to the joy of our summer sports successes. Well done to all.

With the arrival of Spring, I hope that we can warm to the weather and to the task. We have a diminishing amount of time to achieve all that we would wish for ourselves and our school in 2008 but as many of you have heard me say, there is no time like the present, and it is never too late to start! I encourage you to make the most of your class time between here and the end of the term. Work together to maximise the outcomes for all and enjoy the challenge!

### College Captains and Elections

A sign that our time is drawing to close is the Australian Electoral Commission's visit on Friday to conduct the elections for the new Student Congress. Each year I appoint two members of each house within each Year level to Congress, as well the Captain and two Vice-Captains of each House. I rely on the student and staff votes to inform my decision so I appreciate the efforts of those who accept nomination and the work of all those who take the election process seriously.

Prior to the elections for House Leaders, it is appropriate that I announce the College Captain and Vice Captains for 2009. The Year 11s and all staff have been part of a process which has led me to announce the 33 boys who would be finalists in the election process for Year 12 leaders. I presented each of those boys with a certificate at Tuesday's College Assembly recognising this achievement.

It is with pleasure that I announce that Stephen Kirby of Ryan House will be College Captain. Stephen is well known to many at the College as a public speaker, debater and leader of St Vincent de Paul Society. On Wednesday Stephen won the Sir Hugh Devine Impromptu Speaking contest and was a member of the winning W.T.Doyle Debating Team. Stephen will be assisted by Liam O'Riley of Galvin House and Lachlan Barker of Galvin House. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating these young men on their appointment.

### Art Exhibition

The long awaited and much planned for St Patrick's College Art Exhibition kicks off with its Gala Launch next Friday evening. In anticipation, I congratulate our committee who have met under the leadership of Mrs Trudy O'Connor since 2007 to turn this great idea into a reality. We have a variety of fine art pieces from several states as well as some of Ballarat's best known artists. The times are detailed elsewhere in The Crest, but I would encourage you to join us at some stage of Friday evening or over the weekend to celebrate another aspect of our school life. It is also an opportunity to see the new Pavilion in full swing.

### Father-Son Evenings

Many thanks to Mr Howard Clark and staff for two very informative and well-attended Father-Son evenings this week with more than 250 in attendance over the two nights. The evenings were a good lead up to Father's Day Mass (Friday) and Father's day itself on Sunday.

### 2007 Report to the College Community

The Website version of the report recently forwarded to all families has a number of adjustments to the published report. My apologies.

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## FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER

Mr Steven O'Connor

### Annual Debating and Oratory Competitions

On Wednesday, September 3 the College conducted its major public speaking and debating competitions; the Mary Purcell Debate and Breach Oratory for Junior and Middle School students and the W.T. Doyle and Purton Oratory for boys from the Senior School. Once again, the standard of the boys involved in these important competitions was particularly high and I wish to congratulate all boys who were involved in this year's competitions.

I was fortunate enough to be involved as an adjudicator for the Doyle Debate and Purton Oratory with Mrs Taylor, the Director of the Kelty Resource Centre and teacher of Units 3 and 4 English Literature. Both Mrs Taylor and I were highly impressed with both the debate and the oratory and found the final decisions quite difficult to make in our deliberations.

The ability to speak well in public and to conduct a constructive debate is a tremendous life skill and reflects attributes required from students who produce strong academic results. I was pleased to see an increased number of boys involved in these debates and oratories – a sign perhaps that our boys value these activities amongst the many other wonderful pursuits available at the College.

Thanks to Ms Victoria Moore for her organisation leading up to and on the day. It was a great success and would not have been so without her work in promoting debating and public speaking amongst the boys – well done!

### South Street Success

The College has been involved in numerous aspects of this year's Royal South Street Competition and has enjoyed a good deal of success as a result. Well done to all boys who competed in the various sections of this highly regarded competition and my thanks to the staff who were involved in preparing the boys. In particular, I wish to thank Mrs Kathleen Plastow, the Director of the Performing Arts for her tremendous work in this important area. The results from South Street are detailed elsewhere in this newsletter, but I simply wish to congratulate all involved!

### Father's Day

The College conducted a Father's Day Mass and breakfast on Friday, September 5, which was once again, very well supported by boys, their fathers and in some cases, Grandfathers and Guardians. Thanks to Mr Joe Doolan, the Director of Mission and members of the Mission Team who coordinated the Mass and to the Catering Team for the breakfast. It is great to see opportunities like this so well supported – I hope all Dads and their families have a great weekend!

### DIRECTOR OF MISSION

Mr Joe Doolan

### Flags, Flagellation and Tradespeople Memories from World Youth Days in Sydney

An undoubted highlight of the pilgrimage to World Youth Day for many was the boat trip with the Pope and our arrival at Darling Harbour. This was an amazing celebration of faith with an impressive gathering of thousands of pilgrims poised along the water's edge seeking a glimpse of Benedict XVI. The numerous flags from different countries rendered an arresting view and the elation grew as the papal boat rounded Garden Island. Some students said the cruise was the best thing that they had ever done. Others, not on the boat, reflected that the sight of a smuggled flag of St Patrick's was a real bonus as the television crews beamed our banner around the world. The added coup was that our Flag was nearly as large as the name on the vessel! It was an advertising success for the College. If only we had access to the advertising rights we could all be off to Madrid for the next WYD!

On Friday of that great week, the 14 Stations of the Cross were staged around the city of Sydney. Commencing at the Opera House and concluding at Darling Harbour the scale of the dramatic presentation was very large with some interesting adaptations. The simplicity of the Last Supper tableau on the steps of the Opera House was matched by a brilliant scourging scene. Jesus was raised up by his hands and lowered in a place of torment. After a time he was dramatically hoisted, feet first, above the stage, his body suitably scarred and reddened. This worked very powerfully the message of his self-offering and suffering for others. Unlike a Hollywood focus on flagellation the pain inferred, the message nuanced: The suffering of Christ for our salvation incorporates several themes of Redemption, not just the forgiveness of sins.

Simon of Cyrene, who assisted with the carrying of the cross, was played by an Indigenous figure; a clever interpretation of the Gospel account. Some students stated that until they witnessed the scenes in Sydney they did not fully appreciate the Stations, though these scenes surround the pews of almost every church and chapel. Unlike Christ's short distance along the Via Dolorosa the character playing Jesus walked, or was dragged, several kilometres through the thousands of pilgrims lining the foreshore. Wherever you were in the gathering you got close to the action.

The scale of the performance made these Stations a real highlight. Jesus was crucified late on the Friday afternoon against a stunning sunset with the backdrop of the Harbour Bridge. This focus upon his surrender to the Father against a modern city eloquently reminds us that his death was not merely a past occurrence. The crucifixion was a once and for all event: a trans-historical death for all people, of all races and eras.

On the Saturday we all teamed up at North Sydney station for the ten kilometre walk across the Bridge and out to Randwick Racecourse. Not many people gain the opportunity to traverse with 350,000 people and the Sydney Harbour Bridge. This is only the third time in its history that the bridge was closed; it was a special experience. You will appreciate that the view was awe-inspiring and the atmosphere engaging. The different nationalities, especially the Spanish and Mediterranean participants, really know how to celebrate and have few inhibitions when it comes to demonstrating their faith.

That Saturday walk elicited an amazing photo opportunity. One of the key memories of the day was a small group of construction workers we walked past in the middle of the city. They were on a ledge and waved at us as we came by. One of the men had bolted some scaffolding into a cross and raised it up for all to see. We are sure that most young people took a photo of the Pope's boat, and many got a shot of Jesus as he carried his cross during the Stations. The surprising thing is that thousands of people stopped their Saturday stroll to get a picture of the 'tradies' hoisting up a metal cross in the middle of Sydney. Not to be forgotten in our prayer on that weekend were the workers for whom Christ suffered, died and rose again. The dignity of work was displayed for us and the cheering for these tradespeople sounded God's blessing for them and the millions they represent.



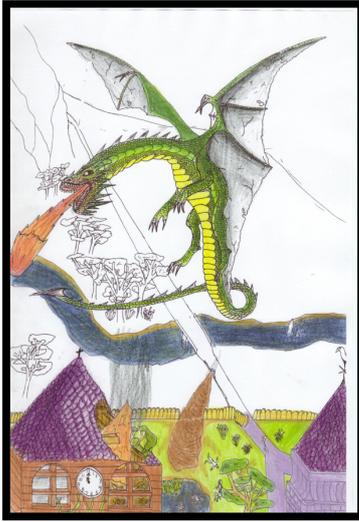
### COLLEGE DEAN

Mr Stephen Hill

### College Assembly – Wednesday September 2

At this week's assembly we acknowledged the excellence of two students, one teacher and the hundreds of boys who have contributed points to the 2008 Academic Shield.

The first Headmaster's Excellence Award was presented to Year 7 student **Thomas Hoy** in recognition of the story book he completed in Year 7 Art. In meeting with Thomas it was clear that he is a student who is genuinely enthusiastic about Art. Thomas is a fastidious artist who is most particular about the detail he includes in his work. This was evident to all at the assembly after we viewed a presentation of some of the excellent work Thomas has produced this term.



Artwork by Thomas Hoy

The second award was also a Headmaster's Excellence Award and was presented to Year 11 student **Ethan Stewart**, in recognition of his outstanding results in his VET Automotive Studies. Ethan was the winner of the automotive section of the Regional VET in School World Skills competition and finished in fourth place at the National competition in Sydney. The World Skills competition required Ethan to safely demonstrate a range of skills that might be required when servicing a car (checking the cooling system, brakes, wheel bearings etc). The standard of skills on display was of an exceptionally high standard and Ethan's fourth place was an excellent result when you consider that he was just two and a half points behind the eventual winner. Ethan has an approach to learning which all students could benefit from; 'Do your best. Hard work pays-off'.

Several students from the Junior School were then presented their certificates of participation to acknowledge their participation in the Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children competition. Certificates were presented to Year 8 students **William Gallagher** (writing and drawing section), **Jai Shah** (drawing section), **Alexander Fitzsimons** (drawing section) and Year 7 student, **Andrew Groch** (writing section).

At previous assemblies the College has presented Academic Endeavour and Headmasters Excellence awards to many students across all Year levels. At this week's assembly we heard from Year 9 students Timothy McOwan and Regan Boyce who explained how the Rocketry unit, developed by Year 9 teacher Mr Bryan, had a significant and positive effect on student learning.

*The core of the experience was to understand how a rocket works and then to design and construct one from scratch. This proved to be enjoyable and an excellent change from our usual timetable.*

*We had to complete some theory before moving on to construction. We covered the physics involved exploring terms such as lift, thrust, drag and gravity. As well as this we had to have a detailed understanding of the safety aspects. This involved having to pass a launch simulation test before we were allowed to launch our rockets. Our rockets also had to pass numerous tests before it was confirmed that they were stable and ready to fly.*

*In general, I think everyone learnt a lot because it gave us the opportunity to focus on one aspect for an extended period of time. We also had the chance to work in groups, which allowed us to come up with many ideas and*

*discuss options in order to get the best possible results.*

*The combination of a hands-on approach with the theory made it both interesting and fun. I'm glad I had the chance to participate in Rocketry and I hope that it continues to be an option in future years.*

**Timothy  
McOwan 9G**

Students were also given the following up-date of points for the **Father Michael Quinn Academic Shield**:

Fr Michael F Quinn (SPC 1893-1894), Foundation student of the College, Dux of the College 1893, matriculated 1894, ordained 1900 for the Diocese of Ballarat, first parish priest of Charlton, died October 11, 1932.

The Quinn Academic Shield will be decided by the House that receives the greatest number of academic points in the given competition year. Academic points are to be awarded for work practices on all interim and semester reports and percentage results on end of semester reports.

**Points carried forward from 2007:**

- Galvin: 41,978
- Keniry: 43,851
- Nunan: 44,994
- Ryan: 43,473

In 2008, all work practices graded as 'Excellent' will receive two points. All work practices graded as 'Very Good' will receive one point. All assessed pieces of work with a percentage result of 80 -100% will receive two points. All assessed pieces of work with a percentage result of 70 - 79% will receive one point.

**Points from Semester One 2008 reports:**

- Galvin: 6,951
- Keniry: 8,188
- Nunan: 7,477
- Ryan: 7,328

Academic Endeavour Awards which acknowledge students who have completed a piece of work to the very best of their ability regardless of how this work compares with other students' work: 50 points.

**Points to September:**

- Galvin: 150
- Keniry: 200
- Nunan: 300
- Ryan: 350

Headmaster's Excellence Awards which acknowledge work of an exceptionally high standard: 75 points.

**Points to September:**

- Galvin: 300
- Keniry: 450
- Nunan: 450
- Ryan: 525

Chris Nolan Awards: the top 15% of students in each year level at the end of each semester: 100 points.

**Points from Semester One 2008 reports:**

- Galvin: 3,900
- Keniry: 4,100
- Nunan: 4,900
- Ryan: 4,000

**Totals Academic Shield Points (As of September 1, 2008)**

- Galvin: 53,279 points
- Keniry: 56,789 points
- Nunan: 58,121 points
- Ryan: 55,676 points

**DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE**

**Mr Kelvin Porter**

**Year 9 Drug and Alcohol Workshop  
Year 9 Student Leadership Team  
Brandon Weller**

As a result of Federal Government funding through SCADE (School Community Approaches to Drug Education), Year 9 students from both Loreto College and St Patrick's College have formed a committee to organise a drug and alcohol workshop day on Wednesday September 17, which is the last Wednesday of Term Three. The day will be held at Loreto College where a series of workshops will be presented warning students of the dangers and effects of drugs and alcohol.

Some of the sessions include: Beer Goggles, First Aid, Positive Choices, Motivational Media- 'The Power of Everyone' and a performance by the Nexus Arts Theatre Company. St Patrick's College students are to wear full College uniform. Students are required to bring their recess snack and lunch on the day. Students will return to the College for normal dismissal.

**DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION**

**Ms Elizabeth Till**

**Term 3 Conclusion and Term 4 Commencement**

Term 3 will conclude on Friday, September 19. Boys will be dismissed at 2:30pm to coincide with the Bus services.

Term 4 will commence on Tuesday, October 7. Boarding students return on Monday October 6. Boarding Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place from 3 to 5 pm.

New Junior School timetables will be distributed on this day to incorporate Year 7 and 8 Art and Technology rotations.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Head of Middle School**

**Mr Terry Blizzard**

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



**YEAR 9: JAMES ELFORD**

For commitment to the SPC swimming programme.



**YEAR 9: NICHOLAS THOMAS**

For commitment to the SPC swimming programme.

**JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**Head of Junior School**

**Mr John Richards**

**Student Achievement**

Congratulations to William Gallagher from 8B who has been awarded 'Runner Up' in the recent Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children's competition. As a result William will receive a \$50 book voucher. Entrants were asked to write up to 1000 words on the title 'A Monochromatic World'. The judges were very impressed with his interpretation of the topic.

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**YEAR 8: BENJAMIN RODGER**

For consistent and disciplined commitment to the College through early morning swimming training.



**YEAR 8: JORDAN ATKINSON**

For consistent and disciplined commitment to the College through early morning swimming training.



### YEAR 7: JACK GUNN

For consistent and disciplined commitment to St Patrick's College through early morning swimming training.



### YEAR 7: SAMUEL MICHICH

For winning the individual Gold Medal at the Level 4 State Gymnastics competition.

## 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.

### Cricket

From Director of Cricket  
Mr Damian McKee

There has been a relatively low level of interest in our UK cricket tour scheduled for June/July 2009. Given this level of interest we are extending the period of time for expressions of interest a further two weeks until the end of this term. If you are considering the tour for your son you may consider the following information:

- The tour will be conducted during the three week term break between June 20 and July 11 2009.
- There will around 12 fixtures in Scotland, Yorkshire, Midlands, Surrey and one fixture on return to Australia via Singapore.
- All students selected will have demonstrated a record of participation within the College's cricket programme from Year 7 to 11.
- The tour is a part of the 1st XI cricket programme. In line with this the Committee will select its best team to represent the College in the future, provided that players considered for selection are making sound academic progress and do not have a behavioural record that could suggest they may not represent the College in the manner expected of St Patrick's College students.
- It is estimated that the cost of the tour will be \$5,000. The final cost will be notified following the announcement of the squad.
- An 'expression of interest' payment of \$500 is due on **Friday September 19**. \$50 of this payment will be non-refundable on the selection of the touring team.

- The first official instalment of \$500 is to be paid on Friday November 28. Please refer to the instalment conditions. \$1,000 instalments will be due on January 30, February 27, April 24, May 29.
- To assist families in the cost of the tour the College will compile a sponsorship package for families to present to a local business. The package will provide a scale of sponsorship and the benefits for the business.
- Please contact Mr McKee or Mr Chris Gleeson (Director of Sport) at the College if you have any questions regarding the process.

### Junior Cricket Squad

This term a selection of Year 8 students will be offered an opportunity to participate in a Cricket Development Squad. A list of names has been compiled by Mr Luke Corden and Mr Peter Brady. These boys will receive a letter within the next week outlining the Development Squad process that will commence in week three of Term 3. Each Monday night the boys will undertake some intensive training and video analysis. There will be intra-club practice matches on the SPC turf wickets, culminating in a match against Geelong Grammar during Cricket Week in December.

### Intermediate Cricket

Intermediate Cricket has been rescheduled from Term One to Term Four in 2008. Matches are played on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm. This year the Intermediate teams will be given the opportunity to play all of the games on turf. The Year 10 team will play all games on the Main Oval turf and the Year 9 team will play all games on the Hill Oval turf. We are hoping that boys playing in this competition will go on and represent our First XI in the near future and therefore we expect all boys to wear full whites.

Mr Terry Blizzard will coach the Year 10 team with Mr Joe Carmody in charge of the Year 9 side. More information regarding this competition is available on the St Patrick's College website. A registration meeting has been held for students who are interested in joining a team and if there is any student who has missed this meeting should see Mr Blizzard, Mr Carmody or Mr McKee as soon as possible.

### Basketball

Ms Tamara Westwood

### Year 7

#### SPC Green 46 defeated Ballarat Grammar 44

Top scorers for SPC Green

Josh Cullinan	14pts
Jack Gunn	14pts

#### SPC Gold 47 defeated BCC Red 16

Top Scorers for SPC Blue

Declan Leishman	10pts
Nick McMaster	10pts

### Year 8

#### SPC White - Bye

#### SPC Green 17 defeated by Ballarat High School 34

Top scorers for SPC Green

Tom Germon	6pts
Mitchell O'Keefe	6pts

#### SPC Blue 50 defeated Ballarat and Clarendon College 30

Top scorers for SPC Blue

Ryan Collier	16pts
Callum Klien	9pts

## Intermediate: Year 9 and Year 10

### SPC Green 66 defeated Ballarat Grammar 60

Top scorers for SPC Green

Ash Constable	24pts
Jack Bennett	22pts
Tom Gall	11pts

### SPC Blue 57 defeated BHS Green 40

Top Scorers for SPC Blue

Trent Clark	19pts
Ben O'Keefe	12pts
Aaron McKinnis	10pts

## Cycling

Mr Matt Taylor

### Victorian Schools Cycling

On Tuesday August 26, students from St Patrick's College competed against schools from across the region in the Western Zone Finals of the Victoria School Cycling Championships. The students competed on a 3.9km closed street circuit around Victoria Park in Ballarat, in what were ideal conditions, except for the wind chill that made spectating a little cold!

St Patrick's College had competitors entered in all age groups and category groups available. In the Under 15 racing category, Conor Dickson put up a gallant fight against a competitive field to finish in third place. The Under 15 novice held the largest number of representatives for the College, Harry Martin and Tom O'Shea coming in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> respectively.

The Under 17 racing category was led by Ciaran Conaughton who put up a gallant fight but was unable to catch a late breakaway finishing narrowly ahead of Charles Martin and Killian Plastow. The Under 17 novice was the largest field of riders and St Joseph's College, Geelong worked efficiently to take out the major places, with Hugh Lennecke coming in 9<sup>th</sup> place, the first of the St Patrick's riders, closely followed by Simon McMaster and Jake Belsar.

The Under 19 novice saw another large group of riders jostle for position, Oliver Whitely worked courageously throughout the race to finish 7<sup>th</sup> overall along with Ashley Haase who fought hard, despite losing contact with the large field and struggled to re-establish himself. Well done to all riders who competed on the day, every student gave their best effort showcasing the talent and enthusiasm cycling has within the school.



## Football

Director of Football

Mr Howard CLark

### BAS Grand Final

SPC V BCC

### St Patrick's College 8- 8- 56 Defeated Ballarat College 6 - 7 - 43

**Best Players:** Shaun Lyle, Josh Cowan, Nic Suban, Daniel Nicholson, Ben Hayes, Luke Gunnell, Daniel Ross-Smith, Rex Hickman

**Goal Kickers:** Lucas Cook 3, Jared Hall 1, Glen Kirby 1, Rex Hickman 1, David Lang 1, Josh Cowan 1.

After a long season, which started in Darwin, the SPC 1st XVIII were up against Ballarat and Clarendon College in the BAS Grand Final. Going through the season undefeated in the BAS competition is a fine effort but it would have been disappointing to lose the big one. Winning the right to host the final was a small advantage but with conditions extremely windy it was sure to be a fierce contest. The boys were asked to "honour their team mate" before the match and to enjoy the occasion, which for some, would be the last time they would pull on the traditional long sleeved blue, green and white.

Kicking into a stiff breeze, BCC jumped SPC to kick the opening two goals. The SPC backline got itself sorted out and the midfield started to win more of the contested football. Jared Hall opened the SPC account after a 50m penalty brought him to the goal square. Lucas Cook then started to exert his presence up forward; his second goal from near the boundary line into the breeze was a 'ripper'. Mr Gleeson showed little faith in Lucas by stating he was "1000 to 1" to kick the goal. Glen Kirby had been contributing well at ground level and snapped truly to extend our lead to 10 points at quarter time.

Kicking with the breeze we failed to capitalise on the scoreboard. The backline was cutting everything off and pumping the ball long into the forwards who peppered the goals to kick 2 goals 4 behinds for the quarter. BCC kicked a late goal to bring the margin back to 19 points. At half time the boys were instructed to still attack into the breeze, be accountable and most importantly continue to win the contested ball.

BCC, kicking with the aide of a 3 goal wind, out scored SPC two goals to one in the third quarter with Rex Hickman converting from 35 metres after continually presenting at half forward. Seamus Herrick, Tom Frawley, Josh Cowan, Ben Hayes and Luke Gunnell continued to mop up across halfback and showed lots of desperation in many contests. Nick Suban was instrumental in the midfield whilst Shaun Lyle gained numerous possessions and continued his fine season. The margin at the last break was 11 points. At the huddle the boys needed little motivation as all players were determined to walk off the ground winners.

The last quarter was a scrappy affair as players from both sides threw themselves at contests with twenty two 1%ers being recorded by SPC. This is a good indicator that everyone was playing for each other. David Lang managed to snap after earlier receiving a heavy knock. BCC had more of the play but could only manage 1 goal. When the siren sounded the final scores stood at 8. 8. 56 to 6. 7. 43 with SPC victorious for the second year running.

Congratulations must be extended to the entire 1<sup>st</sup> XVIII playing squad who went through the BAS season undefeated. This is a significant achievement considering 44 players represented the College at 1<sup>st</sup> XVIII level in the BAS competition. It was equally significant that 33 players played a minimum of five 1st XVIII games throughout the season and deserved the right to be presented with the time honoured 1<sup>st</sup> XVIII jumper at the seasons end.

Many thanks must be extended to the 1<sup>st</sup> XVIII support staff of Mr Andrew Chamings, Mr Gavin Webb, Brendan James and Mr Chris Gleeson who provided specialist coaching and mentoring to each boy in the Senior programme. Their wonderful support contributed greatly to the success of the programme. Thanks must also be extended to Mr Ryan Berg who was an effective and supportive Team Manager.

## Gymnastics

**Br Brian Davis**

### Victorian Inter School Gymnastics Championships

At the 2008 Victorian Inter School Gymnastics Championships held at Donvale on Tuesday September 2, the SPC continued their dominance of gymnastics in Victoria with the following excellent results being attained.

#### **DIV E Level 3 Team SPC 1<sup>st</sup>**

C.McGrath, J.Brown, James Fahey, Jeremy Seymour-Quest, Jarrod Cosgriff.

**Individual:** 1<sup>st</sup> J.Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> James Fahey 3<sup>rd</sup> J. Seymour-Quest

#### **Div D Level 4 Team SPC 1<sup>st</sup>**

Daniel Christie, Samuel Micich, Zacari Poole, Zachary Robertson, Thomas Thorpe.

**Individual:** 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel Micich 3<sup>rd</sup> Zacari Poole

#### **Div C Level 5 Team SPC 1<sup>st</sup>**

Samuel Cosgriff, Anthony Zreikat, Matthew Norman, Benjamin Rodger.

**Individual:** 1<sup>st</sup> Benjamin Rodger, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anthony Zreikat

#### **Div B Level 6**

Julian Atwood and Dylan Chandler were members of the winning team with Julian Atwood placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the individual competition.

Congratulations to all team members on retaining the position of leading Boys' school in Victoria.



#### **2008 SPC Gymnastics Team**

**Back:** Br Bernie Scott (Head Coach), Julian Atwood, Dylan Chandler, Nathan Willey, Mr Don Pennell (Coach).

**Third Row:** Zeb Morcombe, Caleb McGrath, Daniel Christie, Anthony Zreikat, Ben Rodger.

**Second Row:** James Fahey, Matthew Norman, Sam Cosgriff, Sam Micich.

**Front Row:** Jarrod Cosgriff, Jeremy Seymour-Quest, John Brown, Zachary Robertson, Zacari Poole, Thomas Thorpe.

Thanks to Br Davis and Mr Pennell for helping during the competition.

## The Nike Human Race

On August 31 Isaac Kirby, Jake Belsar, Pat Cashin, Matt Cashin, Pat Adeny, Todd Delahey, Mr Joe Carmody and Mr Jeremy House were among thousands in Melbourne and around one million runners in 25 cities around the world who participated in the Nike Human Race. The 10km race through the picturesque streets and gardens of Melbourne marked the end of the Fittest Schools Competition. It was a fantastic event which finished with a concert featuring Faker and the Hilltop Hoods with all proceeds from the race going to 'The Lance Armstrong Foundation', 'The UN Refugee Agency' and the 'The World Wildlife Fund'.

Overall the programme has been very successful in engaging many of the boys in regular physical activity, with some of them running up to 240 km's in the past four weeks. The majority of the boys were just enjoying having a fun run with friends and benefiting from the associated health benefits. Thanks to all the boys who participated so enthusiastically in the programme and hope that you can all maintain such fantastic levels of physical activity and wellbeing throughout the year.

## Shooting

### Noorat Regional Clay Target Shoot

**Mr Matt Taylor**

On Wednesday August 28, 19 students made the early start to Noorat in Western Victoria to compete in the Regional Schools Clay Target Championship. The weather was cold and drizzling rain, but this didn't stop over 250 students from across the region gathering to contest the annual event which involves down the line clay target discipline, with students shooting at 20 targets using single barrel only. The students shot in two rounds of ten targets.

After the first round, Francis Mason was the best placed out of the SPC representatives shooting 9 out of 10 targets. The second round saw students move to trap house number one, where improvement was seen by both Joe Ruffo and Matt Hall both hitting 9 out of the 10.

Unfortunately this wasn't enough to catch the leader of the event, Emily Dawson who won the overall competition shooting 20 out of 20 targets. The leading shooter representing the College was Francis Mason who shot 17/20 closely followed by Joe Ruffo 16/20. The leading junior shooter was Matt Stewart who maintained constant rounds of 7 with a final score of 14/20.

Well done to all shooters who competed on the day, this was the first time students had competed in this event and every student gave their best effort showcasing the talent and enthusiasm that shooting has within the College.



## **First XI Soccer Mr Tony Beggs**

### **Senior Soccer BAS Grand Final St Patricks 1 Defeated Ballarat College 0**

After two years of tied results in the BAS Senior Soccer Grand Final played on the Ballarat College main oval on Wednesday afternoon, St Patrick's was finally able to secure a result over College and win the pennant outright with a 1-0 win.

In a high speed and hard at the ball game, the College defence, namely the tall goalkeeper Sam McDonald, were able to repel numerous attacks from the St Patrick's College attackers until the deadlock was broken through the second half. Captain Kieran McDowell was able to regain possession of the ball on the far right of the goals and delivered a ball into the 18 yard box. Marcus Lynch got a shot off at the goals from close in, but it was fended off until Daniel McIntyre tapped it over the line. St Patrick's continued to attack and was able to stop College's desperate attempts to recover from the centre of the pitch.

Despite the tight score line from the outset, the match was a great spectacle for the supporters of both schools that lined the pitch. The match began with great passing down the ground by both teams and many crosses into the danger area especially by the St Patrick's forwards Tim Beggs and Tom Young. The College defence was constantly breached with a few very well measured shots, but anything in the air was claimed by College's goalkeeper who was clean handed throughout.

Kyran Taylor in the centre for St Patrick's showed a class touch as he joined with Marcus Lynch and Scott Berg to deliver to the forwards. The St Patrick's backline was able to stop most moves at centre defence through Angus Martin, with David King and Jacob Krusche very solid also. BCC put a major scare through the St Patrick's supporters when the ball came in from the front right. It was rebounded, but crashed towards the goals by Tom Shepherd only for it to be taken cleanly by keeper Tom McKinnon.

Leading up to the goal, St Patrick's attacked relentlessly with many great chances to score. A powerhouse shot from 30 metres from Tom Young went wide and a dribbled ball from Kieran McDowell went perilously close to the right post. Players were nearing exhaustion due to the constant pace and pressure and College swung more forward but were thwarted through the centre by the efforts of Kyran Taylor, Tom Young and David King.

College coach Michael Low summed up the match; "What a great game to end the season on. Our boys were disappointed but I think gracious in defeat against a talented St Patrick's side."

A light tea for the team was held in the Dining Room after the match and during the celebration the best and fairest count was held with Kyran Taylor winning with 20 votes from Marcus Lynch (13 votes) and Angus Martin (12 votes). Congratulations to all team members who played this year, keeping the team undefeated for the season.

**Goal:** Daniel McIntyre

**Best:** Tim Beggs, Tom Young, Marcus Lynch, David King, Kyran Taylor, Scott Berg, Kieran McDowell, Angus Martin, Jacob Krusche, Alex Georgiou, Tom McKinnon, Daniel McIntyre, Jack Parry, Tim Parry.

### **Squash and Racquetball Mrs Colleen Pope and Mr Les Bone**

#### **Finals will be contested on September 11**

Teams in the top four places will play in the upcoming finals. All players in each team must have played at least two weeks of matches to qualify.

## **Student Achievements**

On Saturday August 30 and Sunday August 31, Jordan Atkinson of Year 8 was placed third in the 17 and Under Division of the Australian Bowhunting Association's State 3 Dimension Titles. He used a Browning Micro Midas 3 compound bow and shot in wet and windy weather all weekend. This effort means that he is ranked 3rd in the State.

## **FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

**Development Manager**

**Mr Mark Waddington**

### **2008 St Patrick's College Art Exhibition**

**September 12 to 14, 2008**

**Old Collegians Pavilion**

#### **Gala Launch**

**Friday September 12, 7 pm to 11 pm**

**Weekend Opening Times**

**Saturday 10 am – 5 pm**

**Sunday 10 am – 4 pm**

Just one week to go until the inaugural St Patrick's College Art Exhibition will be staged in the Old Collegians Pavilion! The Art Exhibition has been organised by a sub-committee of the Parents and Friends Association and will feature a range of outstanding works from artists from around the country.

A feature of the Exhibition will be the awarding of an acquisitive prize, 'The Flanagan', an open award for all artists and the University of Ballarat Emerging Artist prize for student, and recently graduated artists. Over 140 entries were received for the prizes, from which 74 exceptional pieces have been chosen for display.

The Exhibition will open with a Gala Launch featuring exquisite regional food and wine, fantastic musical entertainment from the College's Stage Band as well as the chance to view works and to be present when the inaugural winners of 'The Flanagan' and University of Ballarat Emerging Artist Prize are revealed by Ballarat Fine Art Gallery Director, Mr Gordon Morrison.

Tickets for the Gala Launch are \$40 per person and can be purchased from the Front Office at the College. Tickets are strictly limited so please get in early to avoid disappointment. Weekend viewing passes are just \$5 and can be purchased at the door. Entry for all students is free of charge.

For all ticket enquiries please contact Ms Caitlin Bennett on 53 311 688 or [cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au)

## **RIP**

Sincere condolences to Jacob Garvey (Year 12) and Peter McDonald, (past staff) and their families on the passing of Donald McDonald this week. The funeral will take place on Monday, September 8 at St James Church in Sebastopol at 11am.

Tom Tobin (SPC 1941-46) of Winslow in South West Victoria passed away last week. Tom was a passionate old boy and a regular attendee at the OCA Warrnambool dinner.

## EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

### Canteen

Canteen Roster Monday September 1 to Friday September 5. 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 September 8

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

### Tuesday September 9

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

### Wednesday September 10

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

### Thursday September 11

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

### Friday September 12

\*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

### Men's Communion Breakfast 2008

**Guest speaker: Bernard Coburn**  
Recently retired Regional Coordinating  
Magistrate for the Ballarat Region



**Where:** St Bernard's Church & Parish Centre  
Bacchus Marsh

**When:** Saturday, September 6, 2008

**Time:** 7.30 am Mass followed by a home cooked breakfast in the Parish Centre.

**Cost:** by donation, suggested \$5.00

### 2008 VCE Parents' Information Evening Deakin University Burwood, Melbourne.

Deakin University invites VCE students and their parents to attend the 2008 VCE Parents' Information Evening at Deakin University's Melbourne Campus at Burwood on Thursday September 11, 2008.

The event will commence at 6pm with a course information expo followed by a presentation at 7pm in the Rusden Lecture Theatre 13. Friendly staff will be available to answer your questions about courses and careers, student support services, applications and enrolment, scholarships and accommodation.

To register your interest in this event please call 03 9246 8055, visit [www.deakin.edu.au](http://www.deakin.edu.au) or email [future-students@deakin.edu.au](mailto:future-students@deakin.edu.au)

### Experience Monash Peninsula Monday September 29

#### 10am-2.30 pm

This program aims to introduce you to the opportunities and experiences available to students at Peninsula. Tour the campus, speak to staff and current students, experience our facilities and learn more about the transition to university.

**For program details and to book online visit:**

**Email** [valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au](mailto:valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au)

**Ph:** 9903 4758

[www.monash.edu.au/study/events/experience](http://www.monash.edu.au/study/events/experience)

**Ballarat-Redan Junior Cricket Club**

**U14 and U16 Registration Night**

**When:** Wednesday September 10

**Time:** 4.30-6.00pm

**Where:** At the clubrooms, Alfredton Recreation reserve.

For further details please contact Scott McLeod 03 5334 3187 or [scott\\_mcleod@aapt.net.au](mailto:scott_mcleod@aapt.net.au)

### St Columba's Tennis Club

**Anyone interested in playing tennis for the coming season!**

The season starts on October 11. Please phone Bernadette Lyle on 5331 3005 by September 5.

## COMING EVENTS

### Monday 8 September

Rugby Presentation Dinner 7.30 pm

### Tuesday 9 September

Year 7 & 8 Basketball

P & F Ballarat Dinner 7.00 pm

Year 7 & 8 Basketball

### Wednesday 10 September

Senior School Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews 4.00 pm – 9.00 pm

### Friday 12 September

SPC Art Exhibition – Gala Launch, 7.30 pm

Year 8 2009 Enrolment & LOTE forms due

### Saturday 13 September

SPC Art Exhibition – 10am to 5 pm

### Sunday 14 September

SPC Art Exhibition – 10 am to 4 pm

### Tuesday 16 September

College Assembly

### Wednesday 17 September

Year 9 Drugs and Alcohol Workshop – Loreto – 9.00 am – 3.25 pm

### Friday 19 September

Last Day Term 3 – 2.30 pm finish

**Second Annual  
Bishops Forum on Social Justice  
Friday, September 19, 2008  
7.30 p.m.**

Mulkearns Theatre,  
Australian Catholic University.  
Mair Street, Ballarat

**Launch of the Australian Bishops Statement on  
Social Justice**

**By Bishop Peter Connors**



**DIOCESE  
of BALLARAT**

**A Rich Young Nation: The Challenge of Affluence  
and Poverty in Australia**

**Guest Speaker on the Statement: Michael Gourlay,  
Jesuit Social Services**

Michael Gourlay is the Policy Director for Jesuit Social Services (JSS). JSS is a leading social justice organisation of the Catholic Church. It works to build a just society by advocating for social change and promoting the health and well-being of disadvantaged young people, families and communities.

Michael joined JSS in April 2008 after 10 years as the Chief Executive Officer of the Association for Children with a Disability. His work at the Association included the establishment of the Australian Association for Families and Children with a Disability (AAFCD), a national advocacy organisation for families of children with a disability. Michael's professional background is in social work. His career includes stints as the CEO of a Family Resource Centre in Melbourne's outer northern suburbs and as a Policy Officer with the Victorian Council of Social Service (VCOSS). There he specialised in policy and advocacy work relating to poverty, taxation and inequality in the distribution of income, wealth and life chances.

# THE BALLARAT DIALOGUE

## What is the Ballarat Dialogue?

*The Ballarat Dialogue* is the first phase of the development of a plan that will guide future decision making around the ministry of the Catholic Parishes in the City of Ballarat. *The Ballarat Dialogue* will be followed by

- Ministry Models & Community Response
- Planning for the Future
- Creating the Future

The aim of *The Ballarat Dialogue* is to:

- To generate dialogue amongst the six parish communities located in the City of Ballarat
- To share the positives and limitations of the current Catholic parish structures as they exist today
- To honestly name the challenges facing the Catholic Church in the City of Ballarat
- To reflect on current data in order to make informed and quality decisions about the future
- To explore possibilities for the co-operative sharing of ministry across the City of Ballarat
- To promote ownership by the Catholic Community of the need for a process to create an achievable and authentic future together

## Why is there a need for such a process?

The environment in which our parishes in the City of Ballarat operate is a changing and fluid one. As a Catholic community we will have the opportunity through *The Ballarat Dialogue* to acknowledge this changed environment and together to respond to it. Our dialogue will take into account:

- The mission of Christ's church and the responsibilities of all baptised members
- Traditions and current structures of the six parishes
- Current and future demographics of the City of Ballarat
- Changes in church attendance patterns
- Numbers of clergy available for ministry in the City of Ballarat

## What will the dialogue involve?

There will be three elements to the process:

1. The presentation of INFORMATION which will enhance our understanding of current societal and church realities.
2. The engagement of all participants in a structured and comprehensive DISCUSSION process. The discussion framework will be the seven elements of parish life: Evangelization, Worship, Word, Community, Service, Stewardship, Leadership.

3. An opportunity for groups to make a RESPONSE which in turn will inform future planning.

## Where are the locations for *The Ballarat Dialogue*?

Sunday Sept 7th	10.15am	Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Centre
- 12.15pm		482 Gillies St. Wendouree
Monday 8th Sept	7.00pm - 9.00pm	O'Collins Hall Dawson St Sth Ballarat ( <i>Adjacent to Cathedral</i> )
Tues 9th Sept	7.00pm -9.00pm	St James School 260 Albert St Sebastopol
Wed 10th Sept	9.15am - 11.15am	Lumen Christi School Hall 111 Whitelaw Ave Delacombe
Tues 16th Sept	1.15pm -3.15pm	St Francis Xavier School Fortune St. Ballarat East

**2008 ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE BALLARAT**



# **ART EXHIBITION**

**St Patrick's College  
Old Collegians Pavilion  
September 13 and 14, 2008**

**Featuring the winners of the  
Flanagan Prize and the University of  
Ballarat Emerging Artist Prize**

## **Exhibition Opening Times**

**Saturday September 13      10 – 5 pm  
Sunday September 14      10 – 4 pm**

**Tickets available at the door  
Saturday and Sunday  
Weekend Viewing Pass \$5**

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