



NEWSLETTER

Lavalla Catholic College

19 August 2005

Dear Parents,

At the end of July, we conducted the Annual General Meeting of the College Council, formally welcomed two new members, Mrs Kathleen Roberts (Traralgon) and Mr Gary Foster (Churchill); we thanked and farewelled Mr Larry Naismith who has been a member of the Council of Catholic Regional College Traralgon from 1997 to 2001 and who has led the Lavalla Catholic College Council as Chairperson since 2002. We also thanked and farewelled Mrs Margaret Hammond who has served as a member of the Council for the last three years.

The Council welcomed Mr Peter Cefala as the new Chairperson of Lavalla Catholic College.

The Council received Annual Reports from the Chairperson of the Council, the Business Manager, Mr Robert Tarraran and the Principal. These reports were accepted, discussed and forwarded to the Governors of the College, Bishop Jeremiah Coffey and Br Paul Gilchrist, Marist Provincial.

The members of the Council are:-

Mr Peter Cefala, Chairperson (Parent Member)
Fr Peter Bickley, (Nominee of the Bishop)
Fr John Dunlea, (PP Moe)
Br Paul Kane (Nominee of the Marist Brothers)
Br Julian Casey, Principal
Mr Vincent Carr, (Catholic Education Office)
Mrs Annemarie Clarke, (Staff Member)
Mr Peter Foster, (Parent Member) [pending nomination from
Moe/Newborough]
Mrs Norma Bellerby (Parent Member)
Mr Gary Foster, (Parent Member)
Mrs Kathleen Roberts (Parent Member)

Mr Robert Tarraran, College Business Manager, in attendance.

I am sure that we are all grateful for the contribution and generosity of these people.

Br Julian Casey
Principal

ST PAUL' S CAMPUS

Last week I attended camp with 8.5 and 8.7. The students were very well behaved and certainly a credit to themselves, their families and Lavalla. As with all the other groups, we received compliments about their behaviour and demeanour, 8.5 were even complimented for their behaviour during Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. While they returned home tired I am sure there were many stories to tell.

Family Life

During the coming week we will be running "Family Life" sessions for the Yr 9's and their parents. The parent session will be on **Monday 22nd at 7:30pm**, the venue will depend on the numbers attending. In fairness to Mrs Susan Collis who facilitates the evenings for us, please return your reply slip to the College. The evening gives parents an opportunity to hear the type of information that Susan will explore with the Yr 9 students in the following days. Parents have found past evenings very helpful for opening up sometimes difficult discussions with their children.

Snow Trips

Monday will see students in Yrs 7, 8, and 9 from homerooms 1 and 2 take to the slopes. Thursday it will be the turn of homerooms 3 and 4. Please note that these trips leave early, **5:30 am** and return late **7:30 pm**. As staff and

students will return cold and tired it's vital that parents collect the students on time. Should you need to make contact with the excursion staff around drop off or pick up times please call **0419 890972**. While these trips are very worthwhile and well organised by **Miss McCullagh**, they are not compulsory and families should not feel under any financial pressure for their child to attend.

Victory in the Pacific

Last Monday, fifteen students were invited to attend the 60th anniversary celebrations of VP, at the Traralgon RSL. We thank the RSL for this invitation and also the students who attended this celebration on our behalf.

Cold weather

Recent weather has meant the need to rug up. Students are encouraged to dress warmly; however they should follow the College policy of navy blue accessories particularly in relation to coats, hats and scarves.

"Happiness consists not in having, but of being, not of possessing, but of enjoying. It is the warm glow of a heart at peace with itself." --Norman Vincent Peale

*Lee McKenzie
Head of St Paul's Campus*

PRESENTATION CAMPUS

The subject selection process for Yr 9 and 10 (2006) is in the final stage. All students intending to be at Lavalla in 2006 will have completed their subject selection online by next week.

If you have any concerns about your son's or daughter's subject choices please contact Mr O'Brien during office hours.

We celebrated the **Feast of the Assumption** on Monday with a prayer service during period one. All staff and students attended. My thanks to Mrs Fredrickson, Mr Hansen and the Yr 9 students involved in the preparation and leading of this liturgy.

Last Friday our Year 9's attended a **Social Justice Day** at the St Paul's Campus. It was a good opportunity for all Year 9's from both campuses to work together in small groups to discuss a wide variety of Social Justice Issues that challenge us today. Our thanks to the St Paul's staff who organised the day and made us feel welcomed.

Coming Dates:

Year 7 Mass at St Kieran's
Wednesday 24 August

Year 9 and 7 Ski Trip on the 24 and
25 August (snow depending)

Finally, after 39 days sitting on a nest, some 20 metres from the main building the Plovers successfully hatched 4 chicks on Friday. At the time of writing all were doing well and had moved to the lake area of the property. Photos of the chicks are available on the Presentation Intranet.

*Yours in the Spirit of Strong Minds and
Compassionate Hearts*

*Chris O'Brien
Head of Campus*

KILDARE CAMPUS

Clay Target Shooting Team

The College, under the guidance of Mr, John Williams, presented three teams in the Victorian Inter-school Clay Target Championships held at the Frankston

Clay Target Club in Carrum Downs last week. There were 10 schools competing with over 150 shooters involved on a blustery, wet and cold day.

Team Members

Team 1:

Joshua Fowler
Dale Fleming**
Brenton Pump
Leigh Plant

Team 2:

Jarrold Lancaster**
Matthew Stokes
Lachlan McDougall
Brendan Clarke

Team 3:

Bradley Fleming
Brian Thexton
Frank Albanese**
Cameron Dunn

** St. Paul's Campus students.

The College was placed second, with a score of 55/80, behind the St. Anne's Gippsland Grammar School from Sale who scored 59/80. **Brenton Pump** was the overall champion shooter of the competition and competed in an exciting shoot off, in atrocious conditions, to win with a near perfect

score of 19/20. Congratulations Brenton, who brought home a very impressive trophy and sash. Our thanks to Mr. **John Williams** for his continuing interest in these students.

*Peter Schneider
Head of Kildare Campus*

CALENDAR DATES FOR TERM 3

AUGUST

Mon 22 - Thu 25	Yr 9 Family Life evenings – 7.30pm
Tue 23 – Fri 26	NET Retreats for Yr 10 students
Thu 25	Yr 12 Tertiary Information Evening
Sun 28 – Tue 30	Snow Trip to Mt Hotham – Kildare Campus
Wed 31	GCSSSA Cross Country Championships

SEPTEMBER

Sun 4 – Mon 12	Yr 11 “Discover” Immersion at Lytentye Apurte, N.T.
Mon 5	Education Forum for Parents meeting, 7.30pm
Wed 7 – Fri 9	Senior VCAL City Familiarisation Excursion
Fri 9	Interim Reports Distributed
Tue 13	CAS Athletics Carnival, Olympic Park
Wed 14	Parent/Teacher Interviews, 4.00-7.30pm
Thu 15 – Sat 17	Debutante Balls
Fri 16	Term 3 concludes

CANTEEN ROSTER

	St Paul's	Kildare
Mon 22 August	D Webb, M Nocera	B McNulty, J Kurrle
Tue 23 August	S Garrett, T Pledge	I Gregson, S Prosser
Wed 24 August	C Hinds, G Edebohls	S Hillier, T Sloan
Thu 25 August	R Gillow (help wanted)	M Wojciechowski, A Scully
Fri 26 August	P Cummins, A Farley, (help wanted)	P Atkinson, C Barry

ST MICHAEL'S YOUTH PROGRAM

Friday 26 August

“Craft Nite”

(for the creative and not so creative)

St Michael's Hall

Between 7 and 9 pm

Cost \$2

Phone Mel 0408 499012 or Lou 5175 0877 for more information

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