



NEWSLETTER

Lavalla Catholic College

29 August, 2003

Dear Parents,

We are on to the next stage of our planning and it is now time to put the planning for 2004 in full swing. Year 7 students have been enrolled and we again are planning for eight classes at this level for St Paul's Campus and two classes for Presentation Campus. Although we are now into waiting lists for Year 7, there are vacancies at Years 8 and 9. We are trying to finalize our subject choices and re-enrolments for next year and I seek assistance from parents and students to address the issue of planning for next year. You have all the information from the Expo and the Handbooks.

We do not want to be chasing students and families and discovering that this most important task has been neglected. No further data or information is required. Hence it is time to get on with this part of the process and not dilly-dally or procrastinate.

Attending to these tasks will ensure that our detailed planning for 2004 gets off to a good start and everyone will benefit from that.

Br Julian Casey
Principal

DATES for 1st to 5th SEPTEMBER

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| Mon. 1 | “Keys Please” – Road Traffic Authority – Virtual Services Centre, Kildare Campus, 7.00-9.00pm. (Presentation for parents and students who are learning to drive)
Parents & Friends Meeting, St Paul's Campus (7.30pm)
Secondhand Uniform Sales (6.45 to 7.30pm) |
| Tue. 2 | 9.5 Transition visit to Kildare (9.55am)
9.1 Transition visit to Kildare (1.45pm)
L.V. Eisteddfod – Instrumental Section commences |
| Wed. 3 | Edison Mission/Win TV Anti Drug Program (9 to 12)
CAS Cross Country Championships |
| Fri. 5 | CAS State Soccer Finals |

ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

This week we were able to offer vaccinations to students across Yr 7, 8, and 9. This was done at no cost to parents and it gives us pause for thought about living in such a fortunate country and time in history. Some students were anxious about the 'needles', but any discomfort is far outweighed by protection of their health. We are most thankful for the work of the Council of Health Services.

Congratulations to Kate Walker 7.3 who has been selected to represent Victoria in U13 hockey.

Eisteddfods

Congratulations to the many students who have taken part in the Eisteddfods.

Whether part of a group, troupe, choir, ensemble or solo, your participation is a credit to you. Our sincere thanks go to the many volunteers who organise and run these very worthwhile events.

Building

At this stage it seems that the tuckshop refurbishment and additional two classrooms will be finished by the end of this term. We should be well placed to begin the work on the Stoddart Block over the holidays. The first stage of the job will be the re-roofing and this will have implications for the way we begin the term with students. **You will be advised of any changes to start dates or attendance for the first week of term 4 as these become clear.**

*Lee McKenzie
Head of St Paul's Campus*

PRESENTATION CAMPUS

Four of our Year 8 students and one Year 7 turned up to class on Monday proudly wearing Premiership medallions. The Moe Saints – U/14's won the Grand Final on the weekend. Congratulations to **Ben Kerrigan, Anthony Battista, Anthony Dodorico, Symon Lee (Yr.7) and Matt Hardy.**

My congratulations to all of our students who participate in community based sporting teams throughout the year – a great deal of commitment and dedication is evident.

The Adult Computer Course concluded last week. 14 adults completed the 10-week course under the instruction of **Jackie O'Sullivan.** All participants commented on the quality of the teaching, which focused on Word, Excel, Power Point, and Internet use. My thanks to Jackie for her time, energy and

commitment to this course. Jackie plans to run a similar course in 2004.

The Parent Support Group **Father's Day Raffle** is fast coming to a conclusion. Please support this fund-raiser and purchase a book of tickets. They have been sent home with your son or daughter.

The Plovers are now 5 in number. The 3 chicks are alive and well and continuing to thrive in the lake environs. To survive 3½ weeks in the open, sitting on eggs in all that winter has to offer, avoiding students, footballs, Barry's lawn mowing service and the occasional aggressive animal is just another example of Mother Nature at her best.

Yours in the Spirit of Strong Minds & Compassionate Hearts.

*Chris O'Brien
Head of Presentation Campus*

KILDARE CAMPUS

Subject Enrolment Forms

Almost all Subject Enrolment Forms have been returned now, however, there are still some that we have not yet received. I mentioned this to students at yesterday's assembly. I would ask parents and

students to attend to this as soon as possible, please.

Also at the assembly, I presented the **Semester Academic Awards**. Congratulations to the following recipients:

Year 12:

Christopher Flynn
Nicholas Morgan
Thomas McLean
Daniela Maselli
Rebecca Obersby
Pawan Kashyap
Tilly Junker

Year 11:

Nicholas Fiddelaers
Jarrod Pirotta
Claire Issell
Naomi Boyce
Laura Hollands
Maria Marino

Year 10:

Jessica Black
Michelle Vitale
Jordan Atkinson
Simone Weckmann
Rhea Chapple
Katy Webb
Aislinn O'Mara

Sports Awards were also presented to the following students who represented the College:

Netball: Ryan Murphy, Glen Scholtes, Louise Membrey.

Clay target shooting: Chris Brady.

Latrobe Valley Eisteddfod

Although the Latrobe Valley Eisteddfod is far from over, I was delighted to have attended the Choral and Vocal sections last Thursday evening. The College entered two Choirs, the Senior and Junior Choirs, in Section 305 The Gippsland Championship Cup for Secondary School Choirs, and the Senior Choir in Section 306, Choral Group for Under 20 Years, and Section 307, for Choral Group (Open).

The Choirs who represented the College left parents, members of staff and me with a great sense of pride. The Junior Choir received an Honourable Mention in Section 305. The Senior Choir performed brilliantly and won each section. The comments by the adjudicator were most complimentary and acknowledged the work that has been done with such a large group to achieve such a mature, musically competent and artistically sophisticated group performance.

I would like to **thank all members** of the **Choirs, Mrs. Marian Jenkinson** and **Mr. Peter Cavenagh** for their dedication, commitment and group and individual discipline to produce performances of such high standard.

Peter Schneider
Head of Kildare Campus

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of Parents & Friends will be held on **Monday 1st September** at the Resource Centre (ISC) at St Paul's Campus at 7.30pm.

A big thank-you to **Mr Mark Judd**, Year 12 Co-ordinator, who was the guest

speaker at our last meeting. All parents found the talk very interesting and informative and the evening gave them the opportunity to ask any questions they may have regarding VCE.

The guest speaker for our next meeting on 1st September will be **Anne Wilson** who will speak on **VCAL (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning)**. This is a great opportunity for all parents of children to come along and discuss the VCAL option.

New and continuing parents are encouraged to attend these meetings as the evenings are always interesting and informative and are a great way for interested parents to keep informed.

If you are unable to attend but would like a copy of the minutes or any further details please contact Jenny or Felicetta.

Meeting nights for the remainder of 2003

3rd November and
1st December (Christmas Break-up).

The **uniform shop will be opened from 6.45 -7.30pm (Monday 1 September) prior to the P & F meeting** to give parents unable to attend the daytime uniform shop the opportunity to obtain their child's summer uniform needs for 4th term.

Jenny Hansch / Felicetta Kile (Co-Chairpersons)
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CANTEEN ROSTER

	St Paul's	Presentation	Kildare
Mon. 1 Sept.	L Thorburn	C Seymour	F DiIorio, A Zaghet
Tue. 2 Sept.	D Berryman, K Manson	C Risol	M Matthews, R Sawyer
Wed. 3 Sept.	P Radovich, L Weckmann	W Gibson	D Hall, R Crowle
Thu. 4 Sept.	C Battista	M Bortignon	C Payne, S Eccles
Fri. 5 Sept.	C Shippen, J Kivisalu R Hadjistefanis	-	J Hansch, (help req'd)

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Tuesday 30th September 2003

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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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