



## **NEWSLETTER**

# **Lavalla Catholic College**

**12 September 2003**

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of the third term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your co-operation and support. The term has been packed with a number of wide ranging activities. These cannot be achieved without the generosity of staff, the enthusiasm of students and the forbearance and support of parents.

During the winter term it is most important to have varied opportunities to ensure that students keep up their interest in school and involve themselves in what is being offered. If you are a regular reader of the Newsletter, you will have noticed that the College has acquitted itself very well and we can be justly proud of the student body.

As we approach the last term, there is more focus on the final assessments and ensuring that students are ready for the next stage of their education. For the Year 12 students this represents just a few weeks before they finish classes and begin their final preparation for the external segment of their VCE.

So my hope is that the coming holidays are truly refreshing for all concerned and that we can return full of enthusiasm for Term IV.

**Br Julian Casey**  
Principal

### **Calendar Dates**

<b>Wed 17</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Interviews (4.00 – 7.30p.m.)</b>
<b>Thu. 18</b>	<b>Parent Support Auxiliary (2.00pm)</b> <b>Secondhand Uniform Shop (3.30pm)</b> <b>Debutante Ball</b>
<b>Fri. 19</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Interviews (10.00a.m. – 12.00noon)</b> <b>Pupil Free Day</b> <b>Debutante Ball</b>
<b>Sat. 20</b>	<b>Debutante Ball</b>

**Classes for Term 4 commence Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

## ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

Plans are progressing for the de-roofing of the Stoddart Block, which will begin as soon as classes cease at the end of this term. We will be sending home information next week that details student attendance during the first week of term 4. Obviously Yr 7 students and Yr 8.5 - 8.8 will be unaffected by the re-roofing.

**Congratulations to Roisin Lafferty** who recently competed in the Gippsland Gymnastics Competition. After much dedicated training and a great performance she has become the Gippsland Gymnastics Champion, Level 5, Open Section.

**Thanks to Bernie and Rose Ferguson** who recently hosted Damian and his class 8.6 at their farm. They certainly enjoyed communing with nature. It's unclear if it was the class or Ms Zahra who had the best time.

**Re-enrolment** - A reminder to all families that re-enrolment forms **should have been returned** to the College by now.

### **Interim semester 2 reports and interviews**

These reports and interviews should be indicators of your son or daughter's progress to date and affirm all the work she/he is doing. The interviews in particular, will give you and your child a chance to speak to the teachers about current progress and future goals. Hopefully the report will be cause for celebration and praise. A reminder too, there are no parent teacher interviews at the end of the year.

*We live by encouragement and die without it--slowly, sadly, angrily.--*  
Celeste Holm

*Lee McKenzie*  
*Head of St Paul's Campus*

## PRESENTATION CAMPUS

**This will be the last report for Term 3.**

May I congratulate the students on a solid term's work. Under difficult circumstances with the changes to staffing, all students have acted in a positive and responsible manner to the delivery of curriculum. Can I also thank the staff for the professional manner in which they coped with the term, both in the classroom and with the many extra curricula activities that were offered the students.

The term focused on the subject selection process for 2004. Expo was a great success and both staff and students commented favorably on the experience.

Student numbers for 2004 at this campus will be about 165. This is an increase of approximately 27.

Congratulations to **Peter Dougan and Tim Stephens** who were selected to represent the College in the Intermediate Soccer team on Friday of last week.

**Mr. De Van Der Schueren** is organizing a trip to the **World Rugby World Cup** in October. May I thank Mr. De Van Der Schueren for his enthusiasm and interest in the organization of this out of school hours excursion. There may be a few places left. Please contact the College if you are interested in attending.

**The Year 9's conclude the Red Cross Community Action Program this week.** They have been working in various community centres for the past 8 weeks. The feedback from all groups has been very encouraging and supportive of the efforts of our Year 9's. My congratulations to all those students involved in the program and to the many parents who assisted in the transport of the students to the placements.

**The Parent Support Group** drew the **Father's Day raffle** last Friday. The winners were:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Mrs. Davis**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Bramstedt Family**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Aquilina Family**

Thank you to all people who supported this fundraiser and the members of the PSG who organized the raffle.

**My I wish all students and staff a well earned holiday and a safe return for the start of Term 4** on October 7<sup>th</sup>. To finish this term on a positive note, all parents are invited to the Parent Teacher interviews to be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:30pm or on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

Yours in the spirit of strong minds and compassionate hearts.

*Chris O'Brien*  
*Head of Campus.*

## SENIOR SOCCER

### **Catholic All Schools Soccer Finals:**

Last Friday Lavalla Catholic College was involved in the CAS Soccer Finals. Both the senior boys and girls teams were not given much chance of winning the competition; however this wasn't the case as both teams got off to a flying start winning both their opening games.

On the day, the Senior Girls won 3 games, drew against St. Monica's Epping and lost two games. The girls would go on to finish fourth with 10 points missing out on the finals by 3 points. Best players on the day were: Claire McLean, Elisha Massaro, Corrine Wells, Adele Brady and a special mention to Belinda Flowers for her spectacular goal keeping efforts! A great team effort!

The Senior Boys continued on with a massive 3-0 win over Wodonga, but just like the Senior Girls they could not continue on with their performance

from early games, going down in the closest of games to rivals St. Monica's 2-1.

But the boys weren't going to let the loss deter them, they bounced back with a great 2-1 win over a very talented Sydenham team. This game would also see goalkeeper, Ryan Murphy make a great save from a penalty awarded to Sydenham in the second half of the game.

The team moved into the semi-finals and a Nick D'Alessandro goal was enough to put the team into the Finals, where they would replay last year's final against rivals, St. Monica's Epping.

The team could not have started in a worst possible way conceding a goal 5 minutes into the game. However, again a Nick D'Alessandro goal brought the score back to one all.

**Senior Soccer (contd....)**

The score would stay like this until 5 minutes left in the game, when Lavalla were awarded a free kick with Paul Riess doing the rest with a freaky free kick that zoomed past the St. Monica's goalkeeper into the back of the net to put Lavalla 2-1 up. Shortly after the goal, the final whistle was blown and Lavalla Senior boys were the new Catholic All Schools Victorian Soccer Champions. Best players on the day

were: Paul Riess, Woody, Jarrod Pirrota and Dean Pyle.

Congratulations to the Team, to all players who represented the College and also to Dean Pyle who has been selected to represent Victoria in the Under 15 Victorian Country Soccer Team.

**Conor Clarke**  
**AFL Sports Trainee**

**PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

A big thank you to Anne Wilson, Project Officer for VCAL, (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning) who was the guest speaker at our last meeting. Parents found the talk very interesting and informative.

The **next meeting** of Parents and Friends will be held on **Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2003** at the Resource Centre at St Pauls Campus (Library) at 7.30pm.

Thank you also to **Maree Debono** for operating the uniform shop on the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup> August and 1st September prior to P & F meeting. It gave working parents the opportunity to

purchase uniform needs for their children.

New and continuing parents are encouraged to attend P & F meetings, as the evenings are always interesting and informative. 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 Term 4** – 3<sup>rd</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December (Xmas breakup)

**Jenny Hansch / Felicetta Kile**  
**Co-Chairpersons**  
**(03) 51221684 / (03) 51661480**

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Kildare</b>
Mon. 15 Sept.	G Hastie, T Roberts	J Caffrey	S Robb, M Rigg
Tue. 16 Sept.	P Johnston, A Prezioso	B Renwick	T Stratford, B Whittaker
Wed. 17 Sept.	D Hall, R Crowle	I Koolen	M Tomkins, M Leahy
Thu. 18 Sept.	A Scully, C Deering	C Seymour	K Licciardi, help req'd

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