



## NEWSLETTER

# Lavalla Catholic College

18 November 2005

Dear Parents and Students

I am happy to announce that for 2006

***Ashleigh Dalton & Dale Mitchell*** are the College Captains  
and

***Reannah Marino & Michael Easton*** are the College Vice-Captains

The role of student leadership is an important one. It includes such things as being a force for unity among the student body, representing the student body at functions, being involved in student activities and, at the same time, maintaining their goal of completing their schooling. They must have a good, if not impeccable, record of co-operation and general conduct; they must have the support of staff and students and they must be able to represent the College in public, in the community and among the whole student body across the three Campuses.

The Captains and Vice Captains work as a team, and share the various tasks and duties required of them. It is a tall order and for the role to be effective, they need the encouragement of all. It is a position of service to the College and one that must be given generously. Like those who have gone before them, they will undoubtedly contribute much to the Lavalla community. I offer these students my warm congratulations on their selection and wish them well as they take up their tasks.

### ***Art and Technology Exhibition:***

The opening night was a refined and elegant affair and it gives me great pleasure to offer my warm congratulations to all the recipients of awards. The students gave us a wonderful opportunity to experience the perceptions and feelings of the teenage world through creative and artistic expressions and they can feel justly proud of their achievements. I am sure that the staff too who have worked to harness this creativity and to provide direction and guidance each day, can bask in the pride of such an event.

I thank our Head of Arts, Frank Mesaric and Head of Technology, John Williams and, in John's absence, Tina Sonka, who so generously and enthusiastically provided the leadership for this extensive and worthwhile exhibition. I encourage you to make the effort to view the display at the Champagnat Centre when next you drive past the College.

**Erica Pegorer**  
**Principal**

## ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

Staff and students are really at the business end of the term. Next week sees the beginning of the two-week no interruption period, where our focus will be on ensuring that all students are in class completing the year's work. Both are short weeks with the Traralgon Show Day holiday, 25<sup>th</sup> November and the Report writing day on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Industrial Action**

My thanks to all the staff that gave such timely notice of their intention to strike or work on Tuesday. It really helped with our planning. Thanks also to the parents who had to make alternate arrangements for the Yr 7's, and to the students who attended on the day for their cooperation.

### **Tidiness**

It is lovely to hear from visitors to our school that they appreciate the cleanliness of the environs. While generally it is true that rubbish in the yard is put there by students it also true that students remove it. It is very much part of our care for each other that students are involved in the tidying and beautification of the campus. Over coming weeks this student involvement in clean –up will increase as we prepare for the end of the year. This is

one of the ways students come to understand themselves as stewards of the campus and the world at large.

### **Uniform**

Thanks to those parents who are writing notes to explain uniform problems. Please remember that students are required to be well, and appropriately, presented until the end of school.

### **Christmas Hampers**

There will be a big push in homerooms to finalise these hampers. Please ensure that your child contributes to this and can then share in the pleasure, which comes from giving.

### **Booklists**

Please be aware that 2006 booklists, secondhand book information and a list of relevant dates will be distributed early next week

**"There are those who give with joy,  
and that joy is their reward." ...**  
Kahlil Gibran ("On Giving" *The Prophet*)

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

## PRESENTATION CAMPUS

As Mr Chris O'Brien is away at Tamboritha with Year 9 students there will not be a campus report this week.

## KILDARE CAMPUS

### **Year 10 End of Classes:**

I would like to remind parents and students that Year 10's still have a very full program that runs right through until Wednesday December 7 with classes, a series of activities and finals, a period of examinations and a few days of workshops to prepare for 2006. Parents are cautioned that if their son or daughter comes home and says that "all we are doing is watching

videos" or "we are cleaning the classrooms" or "we do nothing all day long" or words to that effect, then let me reassure you that the program is well structured and is designed not only to keep students gainfully employed with revision classes and examinations, but also to provide some fun for the remaining weeks of term.

The last two periods (Periods 5 & 6 only) of Wednesday, December 7 will see students packing up classrooms, doing a little cleaning of the grounds and then moving as a group to the Chapel for a final liturgy and farewell.

### **Year 10 Social:**

The culmination of the year will be the Year 10 Social. The Social will take place in the Kildare Campus Hall from 7.30 p.m. until 11.00 p.m. on Thursday, December 8, 2006. I would like to offer some helpful suggestions to parents in respect of the evening.

- The Social is a Year 10 function for current Year 10 students only.
- Tickets may be purchased in the coming three weeks during Recess and Lunchtime. Ticket cost is \$10.00.
- Please do not spend too much money. There is no need for expensive clothes or limousine transport. Indeed that might be reserved for the Debutante Ball in 2006.
- The Social concludes at 11.00 p.m. and we do not want our young

people wandering the streets at that time of the night. It is not safe to do so and minimises the chances of students getting into mischief. Please drop your children off at 7.30 p.m. and collect them at 11.00 p.m.

- Doors will be closed at 8.00 p.m. and there will be no ticket sales at the door.
- No "Pass Outs" will be issued and students will be dismissed to their parents promptly at 11.00 p.m.
- If a student needs to leave early, a note written and signed by a parent or guardian is presented on the night.
- As this is a College endorsed function, prohibited substances would not be brought onto Campus. The usual College regulations apply. Security personnel will check all bags on entry to the Hall, and during the course of the evening, the College grounds will be patrolled and any illicit substances confiscated.

*Peter Schneider*  
*Head of Kildare Campus*

### **EDUCATION FORUM FOR PARENTS END OF THE YEAR GATHERING**

Traditionally our group has a gathering at the end of each year to thank the many people who have helped us during the year and to farewell the teachers who are leaving the college.

We are meeting at the St Paul's Campus staff room at 7pm  
for some light refreshments on  
Monday November 28<sup>th</sup>

I would like to invite anyone who has come along  
to our nights throughout the year.  
Hope to see you there

**Norma Bellerby- Chairperson Ph 51341677 (BH)**

## **Vacant Position**

### **CANTEEN MANAGER Commencing on 27 January 2006**

**Kildare Campus  
Students Years 10-12**

**The position of Canteen Manager is a job share position (FTE 0.5)**

The successful applicant would need to demonstrate a strong understanding in food handling - preparation and serving. Applicants should have completed Certificates both in Occupational Hygiene for the Food Industry and a Supervisor's Course.

A resume detailing past experience in the Hospitality Industry and the names and phone numbers of two referees should accompany your letter of application.

For information regarding the above position please call the Business Manager, Mr.Robert Tarraran on 5174 5272

Applications will close on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2005 and should be addressed to:

**The Principal  
Lavalla Catholic College  
Canteen Manager  
P O Box 1080 Traralgon 3844**

## **CALENDAR DATES**

### **November**

|                 |                                                             |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday 21       | Victorian Golf Championships, Traralgon – Yr 9-11           |
| Mon 21 – Thu 24 | Unit 3 and 4 (2006) Workshops                               |
| Thursday 24     | Last Day for Year 11 students                               |
|                 | Graduation Mass (St Michael's) & Supper Dance (Kernot Hall) |
| Friday 25       | Traralgon Show Day Holiday                                  |

### **December**

|                |                                                             |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Friday 2       | Pupil Free Day – Report Writing/Correction Day              |
| Sun 4 – Wed 14 | Marist Cricket Carnival, Lismore, NSW                       |
| Tuesday 6      | Year 9 Familiarisation Day at Kildare                       |
|                | Year 7 (2006) Orientation Morning                           |
|                | Year 11 (2006) Workshops commence                           |
| Wednesday 7    | Last Day for 10 students                                    |
|                | Graduation Mass for Year 9 Presentation students, St Mary's |
| Thursday 8     | Last Day for Year 9 students                                |
|                | Year 10 Social, Kildare Hall                                |
| Friday 9       | Last Day for Years 7 and 8 students                         |
| Wednesday 14   | Reports Distributed                                         |
| Thursday 15    | Last Day for Teachers                                       |
| Friday 16      | Administration and Campus Offices                           |

## **CANTEEN ROSTER (St Paul's)**

|            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|
| Mon 21 Nov | K Manson, D Berryman      |
| Tue 22 Nov | P Johnston, I Gregson     |
| Wed 23 Nov | H Stoddart, (help wanted) |
| Thu 24 Nov | V Sammut, (help wanted)   |