FROM THE PRINCIPAL

At each College Board meeting, the staff representative Mr Ian Elwood gives an account of what activities and events have taken place at the college since the preceding meeting. Many of these activities require voluntary assistance from staff in order to run. Out of interest I list below the following events that staff and students have been involved in during the month of May:

- Year 8 SOSE Medieval day
- Year 10 Reach program – Pastoral Care
- Vinnie’s Soup Vans
- Oznam House Social Justice Programs
- Year 11 & 12 Study Skills program
- VCE Performance Evening
- SIS Drama Workshop
- Year 8 English incursion – Maori Cultural Presentation
- SIS Sport :-
  - Cross Country
  - Junior Girls Netball
  - Junior Girls Football
  - Junior Mixed table tennis
  - Intermediate Girls Netball
  - Intermediate Girls Soccer
  - Intermediate Boys Basketball
  - Intermediate Boys Football
- Preparation for Year 10 Work Experience
- Preparation for Year 9 City Experience

Staffs have also been busily preparing our senior students for year 12 exams which take place this week through the provision of after school practise exams and extra revision classes. Assessment and reporting for semester one is at its peak during this time period for all staff members.

It is our staff member’s job to teach, however the point I make is that when you strive to teach the whole person as we do it requires a commitment to give more than the bare minimum.

I am thankful that we have such a dedicated staff both teaching and non-teaching who work professionally to give our students a comprehensive education but who also share in a vision that provides our students with a variety of opportunities that develop and challenge them to be the best they can be.

Mr Tim Hogan
Principal

STUDENT FREE DAY
TUESDAY 15TH JUNE
Report Proof Reading Day

AMSTEL GOLF CLUB
We have had a complaint from the Amstel Golf Club who are concerned about students that are walking up their fairways at the end of the school day on their way home while golf is being played.
This is a very dangerous practice and someone could quite easily sustain an injury from a flying golf ball.
Students are not to walk along the fairways or in the scrub on the golf course at any time.

CYBER SAFETY AND CYBER BULLYING
A number of staff recently attended a Cyber Safety seminar conducted by Dr Michael Carr-Gregg and Alana Ross (from the Alannah and Madeline Foundation).

Some interesting insights and facts I would like to share with Parents:

- The most problematic Web Sites are: NineMSN, Facebook, Youtube and Myspace
- Some key tips for parents:
  1. Do not allow Computer in Bedrooms
  2. Negotiate an online contract
  3. Use a filter
  4. Monitor and supervise usage
  5. Know your children’s passwords- internet usage is not a right of children. Parents need to be firm with this
  6. Talk to your children regularly about where they go online
  7. Mobile phones should not be taken to bedrooms at night. When left on whilst children are sleeping, it lends itself to the habit of “all night texting”, which only results in sleep deprivation. It is much better to insist that Mobile phones are left to charge (for example on the kitchen bench)when children go to bed
- A recent survey from ACMA (the Australian Communications and Media Authority) in July 2009, found the average internet usage by 16-17 year olds was 3 hours and 30 minutes. As a College, we suggest Year 11 students complete 3 hours of
From the Yr 11 Coordinator

Yr 11 students will be commencing Unit 2 Coursework for the remainder of the semester in English and a number of other subjects. A reminder that attendance requirements must still be adhered to – 80% attendance is required to satisfactorily pass a Unit. Please provide medical certificates for absences from assessments and for extended periods.

Ms Gina Goss
Yr 11 Coordinator

SPORTING NEWS

SIS CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday 19th May, the annual SIS Cross Country Carnival was held at Baxter Park, Frankston. St Peters sent across a team of 120 runners to compete under clear blue skies. Congratulations to all team members who represented the college with pride and showed great sportsmanship on the day.

The following students placed in the top 10 in their division:

Under 13 Females  Teegan Crowley  9th position
Under 13 Males    Kailum Newland  5th position
                  Riley Anderson  10th position
Under 14 Females Kailyn Wakarstchuk  6th position
Under 16 Males   Todd Roscoe  8th position
Under 17 Females Helen Katsimalis  4th position
                  Kaitlin Schweiger  7th position
Under 17 Males   Jimi Johnson  2nd position
Under 21 Males   Craig Thorne  9th position

Congratulations!

SIS INTERMEDIATE GIRLS NETBALL

The girls played their semi final match at Beaconhills in the play off for third and fourth on Friday 28th May. Unfortunately the girls were narrowly defeated in the match. Congratulations to the girls who displayed great skill and sportsmanship throughout the fixture. They are to be commended on their performance. The SIS netball team will now go on to compete at the Victorian Schools Netball Championships at Royal Park in July. Team members are: Helen Faamausili, Cathy Faamausili, Shauna Williams, Cristin Daly, Sharnie Robinson, Emily Neeson, Jessica Caarels and Kate Pope.

SIS JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS

The boys played their final match against Beaconhills on Thursday 27th May. All the boys played well in their home game. Congratulations to all of them on a fine season of table tennis. Team members included: Nidhin Benny, Peter Boland, Mitchell Green, John Turbian, Kynan Strachan, Mark Latham-Beare, Dillon Harridge, Abhi Singh and Dean Campbell.

Cathy Heijden
Coach

ASSSESSMENT & REPORTING

All families would be aware that students are currently engaged in completing semester one. This week, Yr 12 students completing Unit 3 in each of the Sciences and also Accounting will take part in Externally assessed exams. All yr 12 students and Yr 11 students completing a Unit 3 & 4 sequence will undertake the GAT exam this Thursday. We wish them well and trust their efforts will be rewarded. The way in which our Yr 11 students conducted themselves during their exams last week was most pleasing. Similarly the students in middle school recently completed a fortnight of tests and exams in each of their subjects. As a result of this and the completion of set work at Years 7 & 8, teachers are now at their busiest with corrections, report writing and the completion of classes for the semester.

During this time, the teaching staff has been supported brilliantly by the many support staff within the college. The staff in Special Programs and the Library have supported with individual assistance to students in both completing tasks or re sitting exams due to absence. In addition the staff in all other areas of the college from AV & IT to Technology, Office, Welfare and Maintenance have been busy in furthering the access of students to the best possible learning environment to assist their learning – all of this done in a great spirit of friendliness, respect and service to others.

Together the teaching and support staff are critical in providing the best for our students. Together, they do so very well and we are indeed fortunate.

Over the coming fortnight, Yr 9 students will take part in a City Experience with their homeroom group, for two days. For the remainder of the fortnight, they will complete various lessons and activities, designed to give students a broader perspective of their community and their city. Yr 10 students suspend their normal school routines to take place in a work experience placement, again to broaden their perspective, this time with respect to working life and possible careers beyond school. Each of these opportunities has been carefully organised and I hope that students will draw great benefits from them.

Elizabeth Hanney
Deputy Principal

St. Peter’s College new Website
Can be found at
www.stpeters.vic.edu.au

St. Peter’s Day

PARENT HELPERS REQUIRED

If anyone would like to come along to help cook and distribute sausages and drinks they can call Helen on 0400574103 or email schwieger@unite.com.au.
Many universities are hosting ‘experience’ programs at the moment where you can go and attend info sessions, go on tours, attend workshops and hear from current students.

**Career News**

**Reminders……**

- **Herald Sun Careers Expo**, Fri 30 July-Sun 1 Aug. Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre.
- **UMAT**; Late registrations close 18 June; Test date: 28 July 2010; [http://umat.acer.edu.au](http://umat.acer.edu.au)

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**SHORT COURSES IN THE ARTS, FILM, TV AND Radio**

- The Faculty of the VCA and Music is offering a diverse range of short courses in the winter school break. Get access to practicing artists and industry professionals, purpose built training facilities and gain personal advancement in a supportive framework. Short courses in: art, digital storytelling, film and TV, music theatre, theatre and voice. **Info**: [www.vcam.unimelb.edu.au/short_courses](http://www.vcam.unimelb.edu.au/short_courses).
- The Australian Film TV and Radio School (AFTRS) has a holiday program of short courses for 13-17 y/o’s. The school has state-of-the-art courses including acting and directing for the screen, focussing on reading and interpreting scripts, planning shots, using story boards to develop a film, and the role of the director. **Info**: 9602 8300; **Web**: [www.aftrs.edu.au](http://www.aftrs.edu.au).

If you are interested in multimedia there are also several open days you can check out:

- **Monash** - 23rd June. Design, Fine Art & Multimedia ~ Caulfield campus [www.monash.edu/study/schools](http://www.monash.edu/study/schools).

**STUDENTS INTERESTED IN ALLIED HEALTH AREAS SUCH AS PHYSIOTHERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PODIATRY, EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY** are invited to attend the Student Careers Night at The Sports Injury Clinic in Frankston. This session will give you an opportunity to learn more about these study areas at university as well as the chance to speak with practitioners from the professional areas. The event will take place on 16th June from 7-8pm at 365-367 Nepean Highway, Frankston. RSVP to Olivia Martin on 9783 9990.

**FLYING SCHOLARSHIPS** – Applications are open for those between 17 and 25 years for four flying training scholarships offered jointly by the Royal Australian Air Force Association and the Royal Victorian Aero Club and valued at about $6,500 each. **Application forms**: Collect personally from the Royal Victorian Aero Club’s counters at Moorabbin Airport or Coldstream Airfield; **Info**: [www.rvac.com.au](http://www.rvac.com.au) or ph 9580 0088; **Applications close**: 31 July, 2010.

**DEFY GRAVITY IS A SINGLE DAY AVIATION AWARENESS PROGRAM** designed to give young adults a taste of what the aviation industry can offer. Students can design the day to suit themselves, according to their own interests and budget; but it may include introductions to flight; aircraft, glider or helicopter flights; and careers advice. This program will take place at the Bacchus Marsh School of Aviation and further information is available by contacting Melanie at melanied@tvsaa.com.au.

**HOLMESGLEN TAFE IS OFFERING STUDENTS THE CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN A BRICKLAYING TASTER PROGRAM**. Students will gain hands on experience in bricklaying which includes using power tools, laying bricks and blocks, reading plans and learning measurement calculations. This will take place during the school holidays and it’s free. Go to [www.holmesglen.edu.au/tasters](http://www.holmesglen.edu.au/tasters) for more information.

**THE MELBOURNE AQUARIUM OFFERS STUDENTS A SUITE OF CAREERS BASED ACTIVITIES**. During the school holidays, students can participate in the ‘Aquarist for a Day’, ‘Aquarist for a Week’ or ‘Careers Day’ events – all designed to allow students to gain an in depth understanding of what it involves to work in this industry, including hands on encounters. Call 9923 5911 for more information.

Shannon Maher
**Careers**

**Ai Saito — Seeking Host Family**

We are looking for a family to host Ai Saito. Ai is a student at our sister school, Sapporo Seishu High School, and she will be joining the group who will visit us in Term 3 from July 15th to July 21st. Ai visited our school last year; some of you may remember her. She has Down syndrome, but is very independent, speaks English quite well and is very sweet. If you are interested in welcoming Ai into your home, please contact Miss Faulkner via the college office or by email.

Melissa Faulkner
**LOTE Coordinator**
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Last week was a busy time for our Year 9 & 10 students with their exams but especially their Religious Education exam. Within our faith, there are certain facts that can be examined requiring students to respond to and explain. It was pleasing to see so many students doing well.

The celebrations for the canonisation of Mary Mackillop are developing and adding to the anticipation and excitement for this great event. All secondary schools in the Diocese of Sale are invited to create a t-shirt based on the life, work and words of Mary Mackillop. The best design will be featured on the t-shirts worn by the pilgrims to Rome. The best 15 designs will be used in a 15 month calendar to be released in October 2010. The due date for the designs is 23 July 2010. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to be creative and contribute to Mary Mackillop’s canonisation. If your son or daughter is interested then please encourage and support them on this endeavour.

Once again during the upcoming school holidays, the Diocese of Sale is co-ordinating a two day retreat for students in Years 7 – 10. It is called “Cool 2 b Catholic” and it is being organised by the Youth Ministry Co-Ordinator for the Diocese. If you are interested in taking up this opportunity, the contact details are below or contact me at the school for an application form. There is also the opportunity for our Year 11 CSYMA students to assist as a group leaders if they are interested. Once again, contact Jess on the details below.

Cool 2 b Catholic

Cool 2 b Catholic is a two-night retreat during the school holidays that invites young people to celebrate their Catholic faith, learn a little more about what it means to be Catholic and to have a boat-load of fun along the way. The retreat begins at 7pm July 7 at St Joseph’s Parish Hall, Iona and concludes at 2.30pm July 9. Young people in year 7 to year 10 are invited to participate. The cost is only $30 and includes all meals and simple classroom accommodation. Give Jess a yell on 5126 1063 or jessd@sale.catholic.org.au to receive a registration form and all the details. We are also on the lookout for senior students and young adults to act as group leaders for this retreat. If you are interested please contact Jess.

Jessica Denehy
Youth Ministry Coordinator
Catholic Diocese of Sale

Dear Lord,
Lead us from death to life,
From falsehood to truth.
Lead us from despair to hope,
From fear to trust.
Lead us from hate to love,
From war to peace.
Let peace - Fill our hearts,
Our world,
Our universe.
Amen.

Bernadette Tolan
Religious Education Leader

ST. AGATHA’S NEWS

AN HISTORIC PARISH MEETING will be held in the hall on Tuesday 15th June at 7.30pm. This meeting is to discuss, inform and update Parishioners on the proposed new Parish and Primary School development for Cranbourne East. Parishioners who live East of the Cranbourne-Narre Warren Road are especially encouraged to attend this meeting. All Welcome!

WORLD YOUTH DAY IN MADRID: If any Parishioners are planning to attend WYD in Madrid please leave your details with Sr. Mercy so that information can be passed onto you.

ECCUMENICAL PRAYER SUMMIT: Parishioners are invited to join with other Christians from the Churches of Cranbourne to unite in prayer each evening at 7.30pm from Monday 7th June to Friday 11th June. Please pick up a flyer from the foyer for further details of the venue for each night.

GUEST SPEAKER IN OUR PARISH: On Friday 2nd July at 7.30pm at St. Peter’s College Hall Cranbourne Bishop Christopher Prowse will introduce, Immacule’e Ilibagize, a most remarkable woman from Rwanda. Immacule’e will share her dramatic and moving story on how her Catholic faith was instrumental in her survival of the Rowandan holocaust. Seating is limited so be early. There is no admission fee but there will be a collection to cover expenses. Flyers available in the foyer.

Last week was National Reconciliation week. This year marked the 14th anniversary of National Reconciliation Week with the theme ‘Reconciliation: Let’s see it through!’. National Reconciliation Week offered an opportunity for all Australians to focus on reconciliation and celebrate the rich culture and history of Indigenous Australians. Of course, we should be doing this everyday and not left to just one week. Our world too, in so many different ways needs reconciling. Our prayer for this week is highlighting the need to trust and to love each other.

Greg Nelson
ST. AGATHA’S PARISH REPRESENTATIVE