Fr John Allen
On a sad note I begin the term with the news that Fr John Allen, the much loved priest of the Sale Diocese passed away peacefully at Cabrini Hospital on Friday the 12th of July. Fr John would be known to many in our community as the long standing Parish Priest of Narre Warren who has battled cancer over the last six months.

Grant, we pray, O Lord,
That the soul of John, your servant and priest,
whom you honoured with sacred office while he lived in this world,
may exult for ever in the glorious home of heaven.
Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen

A Rosary and Vigil Mass will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Narre Warren on Thursday the 18th of July at 7 pm and a requiem Mass on Friday the 19th of July at St Brendan’s Church Lakes Entrance at 12 noon.

Staff Formation Day
On Monday of this week Fr Denis lead our staff on a spiritual development day titled “Searching, finding and Moving Forward”. Fr Denis unpacked his experiences walking the Camino or The Way of St. James. The Way of St. James was one of the most important Christian pilgrimages during medieval times, together with Rome and Jerusalem. Legend holds that St. James’s remains were carried by boat from Jerusalem to northern Spain where he was buried on the site of what is now the city of Santiago de Compostela. It is always a great privilege to hear how the spirit has worked in people’s lives and I thank Fr Denis for the way he so generously shares his life with our community.

World Youth Day – Rio 2013
We extend our prayers and best wishes this week to staff member from the East Campus Ms Rebecca Crosier who will be attending World Youth Day in Rio along with other teachers of the Sale and Melbourne Diocese. World Youth Day (WYD) was established by Pope John Paul II in 1986 as an annual event to reach out to the youth of the world. Every two to three years, WYD is taken to an international host city for a week-long series of events attended by the Pope and an estimated two million young people for a pilgrimage in faith where they can meet and experience the love of God. We look forward to hearing from Rebecca on her return.

Futures evening
In this newsletter you will find the information and dates for our Middle School Subject Selection and Futures Evenings which take place in the coming weeks. These nights provide important information for our students and their families as our young people discern their future directions in life. I encourage them to approach this time with an open mind and a willingness to ask questions and research all options. Teacher assistance and career guidance will be available on these two nights so that students can select the subjects that will assist them along their future career path.

Carbon Management Class
This Friday students from the VET 111 Carbon Management Class will give a demonstration of this course of studies to staff from the Melbourne Catholic Education Office. Teachers Mr Beutelschiess and Ms Alles and students will demonstrate learning activities that they have participated in as a way of informing CEO staff as to the variety of transition and pathway programs available to students in Catholic Secondary Schools.

Staffing
I welcome back Ms Shannon Maher as she returns from maternity leave this term to replace Ms Louise Forrester who takes maternity leave to wait the arrival of her second child. In the finance department Assistant Business Manager Mrs Jo Heart will be taking this term as long service leave and I welcome Mrs Alison Scandurra who will take on the Assistant Business Manager role in her absence.
Welcome Kanon Adachi

I welcome Kanon Adachi from Japan who will be completing an exchange program with us over the next month. Kanon will be attending Year 10 classes and is looking forward to making new friends and learning about Australia. At the end of this term Ms Bonnica and Mr Denny will accompany 7 students to Sapporo Sieshu High School as part of our 3 week exchange program. I also take this opportunity to congratulate Mikaela Tai who was successful in receiving a scholarship from the Australia Japan Society of Victoria which has allowed her to join the exchange program in September.

Mr Tim Hogan
PRINCIPAL

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

ST. PETER’S DAY 2013– TUESDAY, 25TH JUNE

On the last Tuesday of Term Two (25th of June), the College Community celebrated St Peters Day, to recognize the Feast Day of our Patron, Saint Peter and recognise our Catholic Ethos.

The day started with a beautiful Thanksgiving Mass, celebrated by Father Denis, Father Joseph and Deacon Tony. This set the tone for what was a fun and successful day for our College.

This was followed by a day of fun activities organised by the SRC, the House Groups, the Cranbourne East Students and Auscorp.

The activities included: bucking bull, gladiator challenge, bouncing boxing, bumper castle and bungee run, the amazing race, face painting, golf competition, football handball challenge, dance competition, spinning wheel, pancake eating competition, sponge throw, student radio and food stalls.

A yearly feature of the activities is the Male College Captain (this year Jake Uhlenberg) challenging Mr. Hogan to the Gladiator Activity.

Unfortunately for the staff, Mr. Hogan was soundly beaten by Jake, therefore blemishing the staff's unbeaten record in staff vs student activities in the past year.

The day finished with the traditional and now famous St Peter’s Day Talent Quest. This event sees the whole school together in the Hall, listening to and seeing, the amazing talents we have on display. This year we had close to 20 acts, including dancing, singing, instrumentals and for the first time speed painting (by our Arts Captain Ryan Pola).

The pool of talent was amazing and this made it difficult for the judges to decide the overall prize winners. These were the place getters as awarded by the panel of judges:

- Encouragement Award: Will Veenman (playing the keyboard), $30 Voucher
- Third Place: Martin Merin (playing acoustic guitar), $20 Voucher
- Second Place: Mikaela Tai (playing the violin), $30 Voucher
- First Place: Matthew Blackburn (playing acoustic guitar), $50 Voucher

Well done to all students and staff who contributed to making the St Peters Day Celebrations so wonderful.

The SRC must be thanked, along with the House Leaders/Pastoral Leaders for organising the day's activities.

Also a huge thank you to The Parents and Friends Association who each year provide a free BBQ lunch and can of soft drink for all students on the day. This year they were assisted by a team of our former students and this was coordinated by Mrs. Hampson. Thankyou to these people as well.

Overall funds raised go towards the Bishops Family Foundation, for underprivileged people in the Sale Diocese. This year, the Collective profit raised by the College was $2,105.50
ANDREW FULLER RESILIENCE TIPS

Andrew Fuller is a Clinical Psychologist and Family Therapist, The Resilience Institute Fellow, is a member of the Departments of Psychiatry and Learning and Educational Development University of Melbourne, a Scientific Consultant for the ABC series “Whatever: the science of teens” and an Ambassador for Mind Matters. He is also a member of the National Centre Against Bullying.

Please find attached an article from Andrew with tips on “How to be Happy”, which continues the series of worksheets from Andrew on how to build resilience in our young people.

How to be happy

The art of making yourself happy is something we can all learn and practice. No one is happy 100% of the time. Life has its ups and downs. Even so there are some sure fire ways to increase your happiness.

1. Don’t wait to see if you are having a good time. Instead of going to places and seeing if it is fun decide in advance to have fun regardless of the circumstances. Enjoy the day regardless of the weather. Make the most of the occasion regardless of the company.

2. Go outside and play. You were told to do this as a kid and I’m telling you to do it again, play more. Go for walks, throw a dog a stick, skip, sing loudly or imagine yourself to be a spy passing through enemy territory. Whatever does it for you. Make a promise to play more.

3. Develop deep friendships. Your friends are your true wealth, Value them and see them regularly, Let them know how important they are to you. Most people only have two close friends so don’t fool yourself into believing you are less popular than most people.

4. Increase the closeness of extended family. Keeping in close contact with your family gives you a support base for difficult times and also strengthens your sense of where you come from. Feeling you belong in a family is a powerful way of being happy.

5. Play to your strengths. Have a good long hard look at yourself. What are you good at? Make a commitment to develop your skills, talents and abilities as much as you can. If you don’t develop your own unique talents the world misses out.

6. Seek out groups that most strongly value what you have to offer. Finding the niche where your abilities are valued is the basis of success.

7. Avoid social groups where your unique attributes are not valued. Not everyone is going to like you or think you could amount to much. Get used to it. Accept that it is so, and then get out of their way.

8. Live in the dreamtime. Find and follow your passions. Dream big dreams and make a promise to yourself to live a wonderful life.

9. Laugh a lot more. Find people, shows, books, films and situations that make you laugh and surround yourself with them.

10. Have something bigger than yourself to believe in. Think about the contribution you can make while you are on this planet and do it.

11. Love as much as you can- and then love some more.

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Congratulation to Hinemoa Collier (East- 7I) for being picked to represent the Henderson regional team, this team is picked from the best repetitive players in the zone. The team will play in a 2 day tournament in October at the State Hockey and Netball Centre against other Regional State teams. This is a fantastic achievement for Hinemoa to have achieved especially at her age and will no doubt go onto bigger and better things with her Netball career. We wish H all the best for this amazing opportunity in October and remember we will be cheering in the stands!

Rebecca Stewart
HEALTH & PE TEACHER CRANBOURNE EAST

Mr. Anthony Banks
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL-STUDENTS
Robyn's Caped Crusaders

Be a super hero and join the fight against breast cancer

Our dear friend Robyn Griffiths is fighting breast cancer. To keep up to date with the latest details on how you can help the Griffiths family, please join the Facebook group “Robyn’s Cancer Crusaders”.

Family Trivia Day & Auction
St Agatha’s Church Hall
Saturday 27th July from 2pm
Tickets $10 for adults and $5 for children
Dress as your favourite children’s character from books/TV/movies!
Decorate your table in pink!
Prizes for best dressed and best decorated table.

For more information or to purchase tickets for these events please contact Melissa on 0419 180 675, or Sam on sam@keatsaccounting.com.au

Japanese Speech Contest

JAPANESE LANGUAGE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA JUNIOR SPEECH COMPETITION 2013

DATE: Sunday 25th August 2013
VENUE: Wesley College St Kilda Road Campus

Every year the Japanese Language Teachers of Victoria Association give Primary to Year Ten students a chance to compete in a speech contest. The students must deliver a set passage and then a passage they have created themselves. Their own passage cannot exceed 60 seconds. There are two sections the students can compete in, individual or pairs. The individual section speech can be of any topic and of course must be in Japanese. The pair’s speech is to be a dialogue (conversation) between the students in Japanese and cannot exceed 90 seconds.

St Peter’s is limited to one entry per division. If we have more than one entry per division we will have auditions.

If you are interested in the competition please see your Japanese teacher or Miss Bonica by the 2nd of August, who will give you a copy of the set speech and assist you with creating your own.

Great prizes are on offer and I think we can do ourselves proud!

Hanami DAY SEPTEMBER 22nd

The Australia-Japan Society of Victoria invites you to celebrate Japanese Hanami (flower viewing) with members of the Japanese and Australian communities.

Bring your picnic basket and rug/seat and join us under the cherry blossom trees.

Visitors will be treated to Origami, Japanese Drum, Traditional Tea Ceremony, Ikebana, Bonsai, Calligraphy and many more!

Where: National Rhododendron Garden
        The Georgian Road , Olinda (Melway Ref. 66 K4)
When: Sunday 22 September 2013 10am - 4pm
Cost: Free
Booking: Booking not required

ST PETER’S FUTURES EVENING – MONDAY 29TH JULY

SAVE THE DATE Invite for all Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 students and parents

This event will commence with a tailored presentation, specific to the requirements and future development of each year level, with a topics relating to:

- VCE Subject Selection Requirements
- Study Plans and Exam Preparation
- VCAL (the alternative VCE)
- VET in Schools
- Tertiary Course Options
- VTAC Application
- Study and ENTER Scores
- Scaling of Study Scores
- Scholarships and SEAS (Special Consideration)
- Plus much more…

The Careers Expo will be set up in the College Hall where you can see displays and speak with Teachers from the College Curriculum Areas and speak directly with University, TAFE and Employment Agency representatives. These include Australian Catholic Uni, Chisholm Institute, Deakin, Defence Force Recruiting, LINK Employment, Monash, RMIT, Southern School of Natural Therapy, Swinburne, Vic Uni, William Angliss, Engineers Australia and CCBTraining.

Ensure you don’t miss out on this fantastic opportunity to receive this extremely valuable information relating to your child’s education and future.
### CAREERS NEWS  OPEN DAYS 2013

The University of Melbourne Meet Melbourne 2013 Dandenong
Information session for prospective students and their families.

#### Program schedule

**When? Date:** Thursday 8 August 2013  **Time:** 6.30pm – 8pm  
**Where?** Dandenong High School  Princes Highway, Dandenong

Cost and registration: Admission is free but places are limited. Register to secure a place at: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/meetmelb

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16 November 2013, (10.00am - 3.00pm) |
| Advance TAFE | [www.advancetafe.edu.au](http://www.advancetafe.edu.au) |
| Australian Catholic University | Melbourne Campus: 11 August 2013, (10.00am - 4.00pm)  
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| Australian College of Sports Therapy | 11 August 2013, (10.00am - 4.00pm)  
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| Australian College of the Arts | [www.collarts.edu.au](http://www.collarts.edu.au) |
| Australian Guild of Music Education | [www.guildmusic.edu.au](http://www.guildmusic.edu.au) |
| Australian Institute of Fitness | 24 August 2014, (10.00am) |
| Australian Maritime College | 25 August 2013, (10.00am-3.00pm) |
| Bendigo TAFE | [www.bendigotafe.edu.au](http://www.bendigotafe.edu.au) |
| Billy Blue College of Design | 17 August 2013, (10.00am - 2.00pm) |
| Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School | 07 September 2013, (10.00am) |
| Box Hill Institute | 25 August 2013, (10.00am-3.00pm) |
| Charles Sturt University | [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au) |
| Chisholm | Berwick, Frankston and Mornington Peninsula campus: 18 September 2013, (4.00pm - 7.00pm)  
Bass Coast, Cranbourne and Dandenong campus: |
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Geelong Waterfront Campus: 11 August 2013, (9.00am-3.00pm)  
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| Elly Lukas Beauty Therapy College | [www.ellylukas.edu.au](http://www.ellylukas.edu.au) |
| Endeavour College of Natural Health | 13 October 2013, (10.00am) |
| Footscray City Films | 25 August 2013, (1.00pm - 4.00pm) |
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| Gordon (The) | 11 August 2013, (10.00am-3.00pm) |
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| Holmes Institute | <a href="http://www.holmes.edu.au">www.holmes.edu.au</a> |
| Holmesglen | <a href="http://www.holmesglen.edu.au">www.holmesglen.edu.au</a> |
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Melissa Dillon
CAREERS COORDINATOR
The Parents and Friends Association undertakes numerous activities, including fundraising activities and the donation of such funds to various areas of College activity. Meetings are held on a Tuesday evening, twice a term, and at most meetings a staff guest speaker comes to address the group on activities associated with their day to day life at the college, and our Principal reports on relevant College issues and activities.

The Parents & Friends Association have undertaken their annual support of the St Peter’s Day celebrations at the College by supplying and cooking a sausage sizzle, which with a soft drink was supplied for the lunch of all students & staff. Thank you to all parents and Alumni Students who helped on the day. It was greatly appreciated.

**TUESDAY 30th JULY**
7.15 Tea and Coffee
7.30-9.00 pm St Peter’s College West Campus
Frankston-Cranbourne Road, Cranbourne, 3977
Enter via Navarra Drive Gates

**GUEST SPEAKERS – MR ANTHONY BEUTELSHEISS & MS TRACEY ALLES**

-MR ANTHONY BEUTELSHEISS - TEACHER
Learning Advisor, Maths, Science, Carbon Management, Applied Science

-MS TRACEY ALLES – TEACHER
Dip.Ed.; B.Science; Cert 111 Carbon Management
VCE Psychology, Life Science, Environmental Science, Science

**NEW COURSE: CARBON MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE 111**

In 2011 Mr. Anthony Beutelsheiss and Ms Tracy Alles completed the Cert 111 in Carbon Management course with a view to introducing this course into our Curriculum in 2012. In its first year Anthony had eight students from year 10 who are completing the first year of this two year program which covers the following areas of study:

- Climate Change & Greenhouse Gases
- Measuring Carbon Emissions
- Carbon Reduction Options & Emission Factors
- Carbon Action Plans
- Implementation of Environmentally Sustainable Work Practices

Anthony and Tracy will give an update on the progress of this course into 2013 and the potential career pathways a course like this provides.

**ST PETER’S SCULPTURE & GARDEN FUNDRAISING PROJECT**

We are again in 2013 giving families and individuals the chance to have their name as a permanent part of the landscaping of our Sculpture Garden at the West Campus. To Order please use attached order form or visit the College website in the Our College/Parents & Friends section.

**RITCHIES COMMUNITY BENEFITS CARD.**

A Reminder that 1% of your spend will be donated to St Peter’s College P&F Association. All new parents to the College will be sent the card for them to activate in the next week. Thank you for your support of this program.

**Members of the Executive of the Parents & Friends Association may be contacted:**
Phone: 03 5990 7777
Fax: 03 5996 8277
Email: office@stpeters.vic.edu.au

**ST PETER’S COLLEGE WEBSITE**
Visit our College website www.stpeters.vic.edu.au for all up to date information on the College structure and activities. Recent updates include End of Semester 1 College Assembly, Staff Reflection Day, Welcome to Japanese Exchange student.

You will also find in ‘News and Events’ numerous current and past stories and pictures of the ‘Day to Day’ College life of our students.

**ST PETER’S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER**
Find details on how to register to get your College Newsletter on-line. Remember anyone can register to receive the College Newsletter on-line, so sign up extended family members and friends. Grandparents particularly love to keep up to date with your children’s school day to day activities.
St Peter’s College
Parents & Friends Association

YOU CHOOSE:
FAMILY OR INDIVIDUAL STUDENT NAME
TO GO DOWN IN HISTORY

INDIVIDUAL PAVER
Your donation of $30.00 entitles YOU to have your name engraved into a paver as a lasting record of your families/years at St Peter’s College. The paver will be permanently installed in the St Peter’s Statue Memorial Garden in 2014

A unique and lasting record of your time at St Peter’s College, Cranbourne

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Simply fill out this form and return with full payment by cash, cheque or with Credit card details to:
St Peter’s College, PO Box 615, Cranbourne Vic 3977 or call into your Campus Reception

Contact Name:.................................................Phone.................................................................
Student Name...........................................House Name............................................................
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PLEASE NOTE : Paver Program for East Campus to be undertaken in Semester 2 2013 once suitable area for installation has been identified within the current new building program.

Offer closes on the 1st November 2013 or Unless Sold Out Earlier
ST PETER’S COLLEGE PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION
Thanks You For Your Support!
TERM 3 2013 CALENDAR

| Year 7 - 12 WEST AND EAST CAMPUS UPCOMING DATES |  
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| **JULY** |  
| 29 | Careers Futures Evening  
| 30 | Parent and Friends Meeting  
| 31 | SIS Debating Round 1  
| **AUGUST** |  
| 1-2 | Justice Camp  
| 9 | Solomon Island Immersion Cultural Program Trivia Night  
| 13 | Year 7 Science Fair (Cranbourne East)  
| 15 | College Assembly  
| 16 | Year 7 Science Fair (Cranbourne West)  
| 27 | Athletics Carnival  
| 28 | SIS Debating Round 2  
| **SEPTEMBER** |  
| 3 | Stage 2 Cranbourne East Blessing  
| 10 | College Assembly  
| 11 | SIS Chess  
| 12 | Student Free  
|  | Parent Teacher Interviews 9am – 8.30pm  
|  | SIS Debating Semi-Finals  
| 16 | Year 12 Dance & Drama Performance Night  
| 17 | Lunchtime Concert/ Footy Colours Day  
| 18 | Central Australia Trip Departs  
| 20 | End Term 3  

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)
Second Installment 2013

The Education Maintenance Allowance is paid to parents of eligible students under 16 years of age, and the student is enrolled in a Government or non-Government School in Victoria on census day, 28 February 2013 for installment 1 and 2 August 2013 for the second installment.

The Education Maintenance Allowance will be paid in two instalments and to be eligible you must be enrolled on the first day of 1st Term (29 January 2013) for the first installment and on the first day of 3rd Term (15 July 2013) for the second installment:

Parents who were paid the EMA at the school that their children are still attending for the first installment of 2013, are not required to complete a new application for the second installment.

Parents who were paid EMA at a different school for the first installment of 2013, or parents who are claiming EMA as they have just become eligible will need to complete an application form at the new school for the second installment.

EMA applications forms may be collected from the College office

Applications must be submitted to the College by 2 August 2013 with copy of eligible Health Care Card.

Ms. Alison Scandurra  
ACTING ASSISTANT BUSINESS MANAGER  

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The first day of Term Three saw the staff of St. Peter's College attend a Reflection Day at the Cranbourne Botanical Gardens. The day was led by Fr. Denis O'Bryan. Father spoke of the nearly eight hundred kilometre walk that he made several years ago as part of the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage walk in Spain. He explained that the walk gave him an opportunity to reflect about a number of issues that were important to him. He then encouraged staff to utilise the beautiful surroundings of the Botanical Gardens to do some personal reflection.

As we begin Term Three, may I suggest that some time is found in our busy days to stop and reflect upon the things that are important in life: our relationship with God, with our partners and families, with our friends and colleagues and with those who may need some care and comfort in their daily lives?

A good way to do this is to find a spot that in some way speaks to you of things other than the daily routine and sit quietly. Thoughts are apt to flow at random. Try to discern which ones are important and contemplate them and, if you feel the need, ask the Creator for some guidance.

Mary Mackillop, one of our House Patrons used to pray, “Compassionate God fill our hearts with love deep enough to walk in the shoes of those who have known hardship in their lives.”

The hardship may, indeed, be in our own lives. So, perhaps in times of personal need, this is a prayer that we could all use.

Greg Nelson  
ACTING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LEADER