# NEWSLETTER Lavalla Catholic College

### **15 October 2004**

Dear Parents,

There are camps going on at Year 9 level this week and it has served to remind me that besides classroom work, there are a number of activities that the College undertakes. These activities allow the students to experience their fellow students and their teachers within a different environment and in different activities. In such situations students feel a stronger sense of closeness to the College and generally do better.

This attachment to the College comes about because students perceive that teachers care, that teachers are fair-minded and that they have, among the students, friends who help them ride through the inevitable challenges that confront them.

Year 12 students complete their final week of their formal schooling on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and as they look back, they will begin to appreciate the various ways they were helped to feel a sense of belonging to the College. On behalf of all the staff and the community at Lavalla Catholic College, I wish them well for their examinations and their future. I am sure that their experience over their years at Lavalla Catholic College will help them as they take their place in society.

## Br Julian Casey Principal

### Next Week's Calendar Dates

Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> All Students in Summer Uniform

8.8 Surfing Excursion - Inverloch

Wed. 20th 9.7 - Tamboritha Camp commences

Thu. 21<sup>st</sup> Last classes for Year 12 students

Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Pupil Free Day - Staff Curriculum Day

### ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

Last week's camp at Tamboritha with 9.5 was a resounding success. It seems they broke all records on their walk and made it back to the Chalet by 2:00pm. Well done to the students and their very fit teachers. Students from 8.2 enjoyed their surfing day.

### Yr 9 Visits to Kildare

Earlier this week all Yr 9 students visited Kildare Campus and listened to a presentation

on Work Experience. This is one of the highlights of the Yr 10 program and Mrs Johnston explained the process required for the students to complete a satisfying and safe Work Experience placement. The students responded to the presentation with insightful questions and should have brought home their Work Experience booklet this week to discuss with parents.

# St Paul's (contd....) Primary Principals

As part of the ongoing connections between Lavalla Catholic College and our Catholic primary feeder schools, we met at Sacred Heart, Morwell, on Friday. These meetings give principals a chance to discuss issues and pass on information.

### **Summer Uniform**

All students should be in summer uniform by Monday 18<sup>th</sup>. A couple of reminders with this: socks should be at least covering the ankle and not disappearing in to the shoe. Girls need to remember that dress should be a 'modest length', ie they should be able to reach and bend without displaying underwear. For students who choose to wear boxer shorts, these should not be visible.

### Welcome Back

We welcome back our Italian adventurers who returned on Monday evening. We know that all the stories will take days to tell and that there will be hours of photo viewing.

# Hep B 2<sup>nd</sup> Inoculation

This will take place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> for all Yr 7's who received the first vaccination.

### Sunscreen and sun hats

Please remember that your child spends at least recess and lunch outside every day. It's important that they have adequate sun protection. There is no official school hat and students are free to wear any sun smart style they like as long as it is navy blue in colour.

With the coming of the good weather comes high spirits - this can sometimes lead to silly behaviour. In the case of water fights or throwing water, students have been asked not to involve themselves in this behaviour. If students do get wet, they will not be able to attend class. In extreme cases parents may be asked to collect them or supply dry clothes.

Each individual in fact has moral responsibility for the acts which he personally performs; no one can be exempted from this responsibility, and on the basis of it everyone will be judged by God himself.--Pope John Paul II ("Evangelium Vitae")

Lee McKenzie Head of St Paul's Campus

### ST MICHAEL'S ANNUAL PARISH BALL

When: Saturday 23 October

Where: Premiere Function Centre, Grey St. Traralgon

Time: 7.30pm Dress: Semi-Formal

Cost: \$20 per person (Finger Food and Drinks at Bar Prices)

Band: 'Pull My Finga'

Bookings: Ring either Sharon McLean (5176 6882 or 5174 2629) or

**Susan Grumley 5174 1219** 

### **PRESENTATION CAMPUS**

All students have returned and settled in to the new term.

On Wednesday 20 October, the parents of Year 7 are being offered a talk entitled "Family Life". The presenter is Mrs Susan Collis from the CEO in Warragul. The night will begin at 7.00pm and focus on early adolescence and the many changes that occur during this time of development. We encourage all our Parents and Year 7 students

to attend. A note has been sent home regarding this event.

The following Wednesday, 27 October, Mr. Crawford will be showcasing the many creative talents of students on this campus with a display of **Art Work.** The display will be between 4.00 and 7.30pm. The College Jazz Ensembles will be playing between 6.00 and 7.00pm.

Other examples of student work from different faculties will also be on display. Light refreshments will be on offer. We encourage all parents to attend. (Please see accompanying green sheet – Presentation only)

The **Writers' Club** is hard at work editing their 'copy' and illustrations in preparation for the compilation of our first volume, entitled 'Generation One', It is our aim to publish in weeks 7 and 8 and distribute, for a small cost, to interested staff and students in weeks 8 & 9. If you are interested in a copy or copies for your class please let Janet Winfield know. More news later.

A reminder that Friday next week is a **Student Free Day** to enable staff to work on Curriculum and Course Writing for 2005.

With the **warmer weather** we would encourage students to have a water bottle for use during the day. Water bottles can be taken into class but must be refilled before the start of the double lessons. Students will not be allowed out to fill bottles during class time. A blue hat would also be a useful addition to your son or daughter's uniform during recess, lunchtime and PE classes.

Yours in the Spirit of Strong Minds and Compassionate Hearts.

Chris O'Brien HEAD OF CAMPUS

### **KILDARE CAMPUS**

### A Reminder:

All students are required to wear the full College summer uniform beginning on Monday.

### **Unit 4 Examination Period:**

The Unit 4 Examination Period has begun. LOTE (Italian) students presented for their oral examination last week and on Monday the Drama (Solo) Performances took place. Unit 3 & 4 students are keenly aware at the moment of the impending exams and at the recent Assemblies there has been a focus on awareness and preparation. Students about to present for their final examinations are working towards that end.

Information about the end of the year for Year 12's has been sent home already. I would wish all students the best of luck in the exams.

### **New Bus Loading Arrangements:**

The new bus loading arrangements have been a great success. Bus Companies, drivers and their supervisors are generally happy with the arrangements and the students have been most co-operative. We are clearing the bus area by between fifteen and eighteen minutes earlier than in the past each day. However, there are still a small number of students who do not regularly bring their bus passes each day. I would remind all students that in order to travel on their allocated bus, they need to present their pass both morning (to the driver) and at night (to the supervising staff) or they will be denied access to the free service. There are some buses where students are permitted to pay a fare.

> Peter Schneider Head of Kildare Campus

### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

	St Paul's	Kildare
Mon. 18 Oct	G Edebohls, J Hartley	C Dougan
Tue. 19 Oct	S Garrett, T Pledge	B Boothman, S Prosser
Wed. 20 Oct	R Crowle, L Weckmann	A Prezioso, F DiIorio
Thu. 21 Oct	C Barry, M Johnston (check date)	D Leatham, S Carrigy
Fri. 22 Oct	S Brady, N Ellis, M Lowe	M Auciello, A Fogarty (lunch)
		M McCluskey (recess)

Melrossa Art Studio presents
'Parade of Treasures'
ART SHOW

16 and 17 October from 10am to 5pm Morwell Town Common (Gold Coin Entry)

### 'COUNTRY CHARM QUILT EXHIBITION'

The Student Events Committee of **St Vincent's Primary School Morwell** is organizing a Quilt Exhibition in order to raise funds for the school.

When: Sunday, 17 October Time: 10.00am to 4.00pm

Venue: St Vincent's School Hall in Rowell Street

There will be nearly 100 items on display ranging from wall hangings to bed quilts including traditional and contemporary styles. This is the third annual event and has become a great way for local people to exhibit their patchwork. Entry includes tea/coffee and cake so it's a great opportunity to come along and have morning or afternoon tea. There is a driveway which comes right to the front door providing easy access for the elderly or disabled. Entry will be \$5.00, \$4.00 pensioners, children free.

For further information or an entry form to hang an item please contact Clare Morgan on 5134 6741 or Jancey Crilley on 5174 4699.

### 'RICH MAN, POOR MAN DINNER'

Change your outlook on mealtimes and have a great night!

When: Tuesday, 26 October at 7.30pm

Cost: \$12 per head

Where: Kildare Campus Hall, Kosciuszko Street
Purpose: To help raise funds to pay for the Year 11

'Discover' Trip to the Northern Territory

earlier this year.

If you would like to join us, please complete the tear-off slip below and return together with money to the Kildare Campus office by 21 October.

Ordered and paid tickets for the Dinner may be collected from the Kildare Office on
Friday 22 and Monday 25 October

RICH MAN, POOR MAN DINNER			
Student Name (Please Print)			
Number Attending Dinner	Amount enclosed	Homeroom	