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## From the Principal

### Dear parents, students and teachers

A warm welcome back to term three and from the fresh faces that greet us each morning it would seem that many students have had a rest and have had some personal time to renew their spirit and restore their energy. It has been a positive and energetic start and although we have only been back a few days the calendar is full of events for term three. The most significant of these, relates to subject selection for years 9-12 in 2014. We begin our planning now and it is important that families avail themselves of the many opportunities to plan next year's study programme.

**Our EXPO, on Friday 2 August** is the most significant event on the calendar. It is supported by a number of information nights that will be held at the Kildare campus. I look forward to meeting with you during these next two weeks as we work in partnership to support your child's future and immediate study plans.

We mourn the loss of **Father John Damien Allen** who died on 12 July after illness. Fr John was much loved and respected and as many of you will remember he was the Assistant Parish Priest in Traralgon from 1984-1986. Fr John was born on 8 November 1952 in Bairnsdale and was Ordained on 19 August 1978 by Bishop Fox at St Mary's Cathedral in Sale. Over the years he administered wonderful pastoral ministry in Lakes Entrance, Sale, Yarram and Morwell. In most recent times he was Parish Priest in Narre Warren and Iona. As with all good leaders he was on many committees and held other roles of leadership in the Church.

Fr John was a good man who showed great compassion and love for his parishioners.

He will be sorely missed. Please light a candle for his restful repose as he was buried today (Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July).

God Bless

**Ms Erica Pegorer**  
Principal



Father John Damien Allen  
1952 - 2013

*God of our dear and  
holy dead,*

*The hardest thing for  
us*

*is that we can no long-  
er touch,*

*or soothe, or embrace;  
our arms feel so emp-  
ty!*

*Help us to know that  
your arms are never  
closed,*

*and to entrust our  
loved one*

*to the wisdom and  
tenderness*

*that is resurrection  
and life*



## Kildare Campus Update

### Mr Doug Doherty, Campus Director

Welcome back after what was a well-deserved break and productive school holidays. During the holidays it was great to hear of the impending canonisation of Pope John Paul II and a quote by him rings out when I think of the forthcoming term – **“Let us work together so that everyone may have bread”**. This leads me to the theme for term 3 which will be solidified amongst the Lavalla Catholic College community – ‘Pathways to Success’.

This term will consist of a range of very important information events to provide guidance. These events have been organised to ensure students choose a realistic and ambitious pathway. The first of these is a consistent ‘drip-feed’ of information to the students on subject choice via their LA groups. During this time students will be issued with an electronic ‘Passport to Pathways Success’ which will need to be completed in readiness for their Pathway interview and advice giving session.

#### Senior Transition Evening

Students and parents/guardians are strongly advised to attend the ‘Senior Transition Evening’ on 24 July 2013. The year 9 to 10 Transition Evening will be held the following night Thursday 25 July. Both of these events commence at 7.00pm in the Kildare Campus Hall.

Information packs and re-enrolment registrations will be issued on that evening. The actual event of EXPO will take place on Friday 2 August at the Kildare Campus, 11:00am to 4:00pm. All staff are working exceedingly hard in preparation for this event and many representatives from a range of career and subject pathways will be in attendance to give advice.

The range of events are essential for the development of a realistic and aspirational pathway that supports every individual student within our college. So, as I began, this term is one in which all stakeholders of Lavalla Catholic College must work in solidarity to ensure that every student achieves the correct pathway to success.

#### Clay Target Shooting

Congratulations to the Lavalla Clay Shooting team which came 2nd out of 30 competing teams at the Alpine Country Clay Target Championships this week. Lavalla senior students individual placings:

**1<sup>ST</sup> Tim Sartori- 19/20 CLAYS**

**2<sup>ND</sup> Steven Wilson- 18/20 CLAYS**

#### Parent Parking:

I would like to remind all parents that driving or parking anywhere past the ‘turning circle’ is restricted only to staff and business vehicles. Please collect students only from the appointed areas.

It is also imperative that no parent enters a school building unless given the appropriate permission after signing in at student services and accompanied by a member of staff. This is for the protection of all community members.







## St Paul's Campus Update

### Mr Andrew Martin, Campus Director

A busy start to the term has focused our minds once again on the demands of learning programs and the dynamic nature of this school community. Already we have launched into our preparation process for year nine subject selection for senior school. Staff have been instructed in regard to interviewing students and 'Careerwise' testing was conducted on Wednesday for all year nine students. We hope to see all of our year 9 parents over at the Kildare Hall for the 'Careerwise' feedback session and the Parent Information Evening which follows from 6.20pm on Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. The annual Careers Expo is set for Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thanks to all of the 200 or more parents who attended the Awards ceremony on Thursday. It was a well-run and timed event which focused on student presentation and student achievement. Congratulations also to all of our deserving student recipients.

#### School processes

In respect of campus processes and information, I would like to remind parents that it is important that **uniform items are labelled** with student names. Unmarked clothing is only held for two weeks before it is laundered and put into the second hand uniform shop or given to families in need.

Thank you to all parents who are avoiding the front entrance of St Paul's as a drop off and pick up area. As I have explained previously, this is a dangerous area for students at the beginning and end of a school day.

Can I impress upon you as parents that it is important to let us know when students will be absent from school and more important that we receive a notification from you in writing or directly to confirm that you were aware of the absence. This notification makes it easier for us to comply with our obligations in regard to student attendance.

I trust that all has started well for your son or daughter this term. Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant homeroom teacher when a problem arises which might affect their learning or confidence.

#### Clay Target Shooting

Congratulations to the Lavalla Clay Shooting team which came 2nd out of 30 competing teams at the Alpine Country Clay Target Championships this week.

Lavalla junior students individual placings:

**3<sup>RD</sup> Tayler Charalambous – 16/20 CLAYS**

**4<sup>TH</sup> Dimitri Fkiakas – 16/20 CLAYS**

Both Tayler and Dimitri were in a shootout for third place and Tayler took out the third place. This is a great effort for both boys as been their first competition DTL Shoot.







## Principal's Award Assembly

Thursday 18 July 2013

Congratulations to all students that received a Principal's Award at the Mid-Year Awards Assembly. A significant number (345) students were presented with certificates and badges for their exceptional effort and results in Semester 1, 2013. Thank you to all families and friends that joined with us in celebrating these students achievements.

This year 233 students received Merit awards and 100 students received Diligence awards. The Senior Wind Ensemble performed and students were formally recognised for their achievements in Semester 1, 2013.

### The following students received the Principal's Award for Excellence:

Ella Darling	Year 7
Kirsten Piening	Year 7
Nathan Catherwood	Year 8
Grace Darling	Year 9
Erin Roberts	Year 9
Mikayla Sertori	Year 9
Jeremy Wall	Year 9
KarleeDal Pra	Year 10
Gabriella Duffy	Year 10
Bethany Hourigan	Year 10
Molly Irvine	Year 11
Ebony Jozsa	Year 11
Mukudzei Ruzive-Makura	Year 12
Stephanie Spehar	Year 12





## Upcoming Events

### Monday 22 July

Year 10 Work Experience (week)

Year 12 Biology Excursion - Monash University

### Tuesday 23 July

Football - State Schools Victoria Year 11 and 12

Year 9 - Present Your Subject

Year 9 & 10 Information Evening

### Wednesday 24 July

Basketball - State Schools Victoria Year 11 and 12

Senior Transition Evening, 7.00pm Kildare Hall

### Thursday 25 July

Jazz Ensemble Excursion - Victorian School Music Festival

Year 9 to 10 Information Evening, 7.00pm Kildare Hall

### Friday 26 July

Dante Aligheri Society Poetry Competition

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra Excursion



**When was the last time you felt really alive?**



God is glorified  
when men are  
fully alive  
St. Augustine

## MEN'S WEEKEND

The menALIVE Men's Weekend is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in your local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age.

**27 - 28 July 2013**

**St Michael's Church  
TRARALGON**

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Registration forms are available at St Michael's,  
Sacred Heart, Morwell, and Lumen Christi, Churchill.  
Please return your registration to John Cooney,  
COWWARR, 3857, by 19th July.



The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together,  
to renew their faith in God, and to encourage them  
to become an active force within the Church.

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