

20 May 2005

Dear Parents,

More recently we have been reading about concerns over strained cross-cultural relations and worrying examples of neglect and oversight by immigration officials. We also see on the TV news and read in the papers about fights between groups and gangs. Whilst we are appalled at these situations we must remember that Intolerance and neglect go way beyond race and skin colour. It can also seep into social classes, clubs and cliques.

Within Lavalla Catholic College we have students who come from different backgrounds, cultures and regions. We have one College situated on three Campuses. Hence it is important that we maintain our identity by promoting unity and tolerance among the students and putting before students the importance of mutual respect, courtesy and school unity.

Externally, this is done by the use of the name "Lavalla" rather than the use of the Campus name, by a common uniform, by having one principal across the three Campuses, by putting the same policies into practice, by having teachers who teach on more than one Campus and by bringing students from the Campuses together for common activities.

In this way we, we will together promote unity, acceptance, and respect among all members of this College. We do this through on-going communication, unifying activities and education. In this way we are doing our part in uprooting intolerance within our community.

Br Julian Casey Principal

Calendar Dates for Coming Week			
Mon 23	Year 7 Family Life – Parents' Evening – St Paul's Campus		
	Presentation Campus – Class Photos		
Tue 24	Information Night for Year 7 (2006) – St Paul's Campus		
	St Paul's Campus Class Photos		
Wed 25	Year 7 Family Life – St Paul's Campus		
	Year 12 Drama Performance Examination – 7.00 to 11.00pm		
Thu 26	Year 7 Family Life – St Paul's Campus		
	Kildare Campus – Homeroom Photos		
Fri 27	Year 7 Family Life – St Paul's Campus (9am to 1.00pm)		

YEAR 7 2006 ENROLMENTS

Enrolment applications have been posted to parents for students attending <u>State</u> <u>primary schools</u> in Grade 6 who are siblings of Lavalla students.

If you have omitted to inform the St Paul's Campus of a <u>sibling</u> attending <u>Grade</u> <u>6 at a State primary school</u>, or if you have not received your package in the mail, please telephone Jean Jennings at the St Paul's Campus office immediately (51747355)

Other students attending State primary schools should register their name on the enrolment application list by telephoning St Paul's Campus.

Applications must be completed before the deadline of May 31st.

ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

This has been a busy week at the campus with our Open Morning held last Wednesday. As always it was a pleasure to show visitors through the Campus. Our students were wonderful ambassadors on the day and certainly created a positive impression on the visitors. Thanks to the students who acted as official guides on the day. Thanks also to the staff for the great efforts on the day.

Yr 9 Exam Week

Please note that Yr 9 students will be facing SOSE and Maths exams during the week of **June 6th**. For those students who are anxious about Maths, the Maths teachers will be continuing the lunch time Maths support in Portable 3. The exams are designed to help the students practise appropriate exam behaviour as well as test their knowledge.

Campus Photos

Please remember that campus photos will occur on **May 24th**. It is important that all students are present on the day and looking their best.

Congratulations

Mrs Kelly Murray who only recently left us to begin maternity leave was delivered of a little boy, **Keelan Chisholm**, on Tuesday 10th. We extend our warmest congratulations to the Murray family.

Enrolments

Please remind family and friends seeking places at Yr 7 2006, that all applications must be into Mrs Jean Jennings at the St Paul's office by next Friday, May 27th.

Names

We have vast collections of items of clothing and footballs in the office. We are often unable to return these to the owners as they are not labelled.

How the West was Warped

Volunteers are urgently required to help with costume alterations. If you have a flair for sewing and are available any Monday afternoon between 3:30 and 5:30pm, please contact Ms Gloria Zahra (St Paul's Campus) who is co-ordinating the costumes.

Reporting

At this point in the semester we are being particularly vigilant about outstanding work. If you receive a letter regarding supervised study, if it is at all possible please ensure that your child attends and completes the work so that their report can truly reflect their efforts.

Faith goes up the stairs that love has built and looks out the window which hope has opened --Charles Spurgeon

> Lee McKenzie Head of St Paul's Campus

PRESENTATION CAMPUS

Grade 6 students from St. Kieran's and St. Mary's spent an hour on Monday morning this week learning about Year 7 and touring the campus. Our Year 7's buddied up with a Grade 6 student and answered any queries they had. Carly and Abbey have included the following article.

Year 6 Visit.

On Monday the 16th May the Year 6 students from St. Kieran's and St. Mary's came to visit Lavalla Catholic College to get equipped with the Year 7 life.

They enjoyed the information that was given to them via a quick video.

Later on the Year 7's showed the grade 6's around Lavalla Presentation Campus.

They enjoyed it and are exited on coming to Lavalla for the rest of their schooling. (Carly and Abbey)

Our **Year 8's went to Inverloch** last Friday to catch a few waves and improve their surfing skills. The day was a great success. It is worth noting that while at McDonald's in Leongatha a lady approached me and asked was I the teacher in charge of those students. Fearing the next statement I prepared for a critical comment. Instead she wanted to congratulate me on their behaviour, manners, attitude and general demeanour. Needless to say, I enjoyed my lunch. The school is only small part of a student's development. In giving credit to me I feel she was acknowledging the students own personal worth and the influence of their families. Well done to everyone involved.

Last week **aerial photos** were taken of each campus. The students at this campus formed the numbers 7, 8 and 9 on the oval. The prints are on display in the foyer and students will be able to obtain a large A3 size print at some time in the future. Prices are still to be negotiated.

My congratulations to the following students who assisted at the Sacred Heart Primary School Athletics Sports on Monday. Feedback from the staff shows they were most appreciative of the students' assistance.

Jared Risol	Katie Seymour
Nick Fogarty	Renee Shine
Kelsey Phillips	Chelsea Gore
Rhiannon Kane	Daris Laurins
Kimberly Breit	Kaycee Ryan

Enrolments for 2006 close on 31st May.

Yours in the Spirit of Strong Minds and Compassionate Hearts.

Chris O'Brien HEAD OF CAMPUS

KILDARE CAMPUS

Year 11 Debutante Ball

Arrangements for the Debutante Balls are well under way. There is a large committee of very hard-working mums who have made several decisions already and progress is swift. The first Debutante Ball newsletter was distributed yesterday along with the Registration Form. I include last week's note to reiterate the College process for registration and participation in the event.

Registration Day for participation in the Year 11 Debutante Ball is Friday, May 27.

Registration Forms and the deposit will be collected from Room 41 at lunchtime. Girls will need to have a partner from Year 11 and if a partner is requested from a different year level, approval needs to be sought from the Head of Campus. As the Debutante Ball is a Year 11 function, partners typically come from that year level. Students who leave the College before Registration Day and their payment of the deposit are not accepted as debutantes or partners. Students who leave after Registration Day may continue, as long as an undertaking is made to cover appropriate behaviour. Kildare Campus (contd...)

Kildare Campus Photographs

Next Thursday, May 26, the photographer will be on Campus to take the homeroom photographs for the College Magazine. He will also take individual portraits of the students. I would ask that during the week, the uniform be attended to, please, and that on the day itself blazers are worn for the photos and that students take care to present themselves very well.

> Peter Schneider Head of Kildare Campus

CANTEEN ROSTER

	St Paul's
Mon 23 May	L Calabrese, M Nocera
Tue 24 May	A Zaghet, V Sammut
Wed 25 May	M Lowe, R Salleh
Thu 26 May	J Kivisalu, help wanted
Fri 27 May	D Buckley, L Mills, P Brown

Kildare B McNulty, C Dougan P Radovich, M Northover D Webb, S Eccles M Whitty, N Ellis A Prezioso, A Fogarty

ST MICHAEL'S YOUTH GROUP

Bowling Night

Friday 3 June

Come along to the bowling night for some "friendly" competition. Meet at Morwell Tenpins: 6.30 to 9.00pm Cost \$10 (2 games and shoe hire) Payable 2 weeks prior to night along with permission form (forms available from St Paul's Campus Office)

For more information phone Mel 0408 499012 or Joy 5174 1904

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