## NEWSLETTER

# Lavalla Catholic College

#### 23 July 2004

Dear Parents,

A College needs to pay attention to its history and ethos. On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, students and staff from all three Campuses gathered together at Mass with a number of parents and our parish priests in order to commemorate the life and influence of St Marcellin Champagnat.

We recalled the Marist story, and marked a number of events in his life. We prayed together for the community of the College that its efforts might be blessed. We reflected on the importance of service and self-sacrifice and we were able to show images of La Valla, the place from where we have taken our name and the place of our Marist beginnings.

We especially chose two students from each Year Level who are currently showing promise and encouraged them to continue to develop strong minds and compassionate hearts. These students were awarded the Champagnat Medal for 2004.

We congratulate these students:

Year 7:	Courtney French; Patrick McKenzie
Year 8:	Steven Groves: Kirsten Larkin
Year 9:	Jess Dean; Lachlan McDougall
Year 10:	Peter Johnson; Kimberly Pollard
Year 11:	Jordan Atkinson; Ashlea Rohde
Year 12:	Layton Allan; Maria Marino

And so finished a most impressive and formal ceremony, with students in full uniform taking part actively in the ceremony.

Br Julian Casey Principal

> Courses and Careers EXPO Friday August 6<sup>th</sup> Champagnat Centre, St.Paul's Campus 12.00 till 5.30

Subject information VCE/VET/VCAL/special programs Careers information

Take the chance to work with us and your child to plan for next year

#### ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

**Congratulations** to the Champagnat Medal winners; we are very proud of **Courtney French, Stephen Groves, Jess Dean** and **Lachlan McDougall** who are the recipients on this Campus.

My thanks to all the students for their behaviour during the Champagnat Mass and to all the students who had jobs on the day. A special thanks to the students who entertained us after Mass, it was great to see everyone enjoying your music.

#### **Yr 9 Transition**

In coming weeks the Yr 9 students will have an opportunity to become familiar with the Kildare Campus. In the same way that we ease Yr 7 students through the transition to secondary school, we will be working to ease the fears of Yr 9 students who recognise that Yr 10 will bring a significant change to their lives. In the next few weeks they will also receive the course booklets so that they can begin the process of subject selection.

#### **Fund Raising**

The combined funds raised for the India School from the staff lunch, Indian food stall, cake stall and sausage sizzle was **\$715.95**. This is a commendable effort and congratulations go to all the students and staff involved.

**Pre-Expo Information Night** – please note Kildare Campus report for further details

"The hero is known for achievements; the celebrity for being well-known. The hero reveals the possibilities of human nature. The celebrity reveals the possibilities of the press and media. Celebrities are people who make news, but heroes are people who make history. Time makes heroes but dissolves celebrities" ..... Daniel J. Boorstin

> Lee McKenzie Head of St Paul's Campus

#### PRESENTATION CAMPUS

**Congratulations** to Kirsten Larkins (8.9) and Patrick McKenzie (7.10) for their selection as Champagnat Medal recipients for 2004. The Medals were presented at the Champagnat Mass on Tuesday.

The Medals acknowledge students who demonstrate in their time at the College a living out of the College Motto. "Strong Minds and Compassionate Hearts". Kirsten and Patrick are to be commended for their nominations bringing both a sense of achievement and pride to themselves and their families.

The **Ski trips** are now finalized. Year 8's will go on Wednesday  $28^{th}$  July, Year 9's on Wednesday  $4^{th}$  August and Year 7's on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> of August. Any

parents interested and able to assist should contact the College.

Our **enrolments for Year 7, 2005** are now finalized. We currently have a waiting list. Our focus over the coming term will be Year 9 into Year 10 and Year 8 into Year 9. We have vacancies in both Year 8 and 9 for 2005.

Our **current Year 9's** and their parents are encouraged to attend an Information Evening to be held at Kildare on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. For additional details please see Kildare Campus Report below

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> all **Year 9's** will be going to Kildare Campus for their first round of **Subject Selections**.

**Expo** is on August  $6^{th}$ . All Year 8 and 9 students are expected to attend sometime between 12.00 and 5.00pm on this day. Year 7's will have no scheduled classes but are welcome to attend.

We currently have our resident nesting Lapwinged Plovers setting up yet another nest about 20 metres from the main building. They now have 4 eggs the last one being laid on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July. We expect little hatchlings in 4 weeks. The students and Plovers are getting used to each other.

Yours in the Spirit of Strong Minds and Compassionate Hearts.

Chris O'Brien HEAD OF CAMPUS

#### KILDARE CAMPUS

#### **Pre-Expo Information Night**

I am writing to Parents and Students of Years 8 and 9 to extend a warm welcome to a Parent Information Night to be held at the Kildare Campus on **Wednesday**, **July 28**, in the Virtual Services Centre at 7.30 p.m. The evening will be of particular interest to parents and students of Years 8 and 9. An invitation was posted last Wednesday.

## The evening will explore what's next for your child:

?? Are there lots of questions you would like to ask about your child's schooling?

- ?? Does your child dream of going to University?
- ?? Do you know what TAFE can offer?
- ?? What is VET?
- ?? Have you heard of VCAL? (If your child is a hands-on learner this may be for them.)
- ?? Did you know that you could do an apprenticeship part time?
- ?? How should your child best prepare for an apprenticeship, traineeship or employment?

The evening will take approximately one hour and will be followed by a cuppa. We hope to see you on the night.

> Peter Schneider Head of Kildare Campus

#### SPORTS NEWS

On Friday 16 July, the senior girls' Soccer Team travelled to Warragul to compete against Marist Sion in a practice match leading up to the interschool Enthusiasm and team soccer games. morale was high as the girls took to the field. Julia Auciello, Adele Brady, Jane Barrett and Alexandra Dimitropoulos worked tirelessly in defence making goalkeepers', Jasmine Flores and Samantha Whitty, job easy. Nadine Sloan, Megan Smith, Laura Corponi,

Tina Panayiotou and Ashlea Rhode continually fed balls throughout the midfield to the forwards Rhea Chapple, Elisha Massaro, Mary Corponi and Noelene Demetrios. The girls displayed fantastic teamwork and skills, outclassing the opposition in a 4-0 win. Goal scorers were Mary Corponi (2) and Elisha Massaro (2). This Friday the team competes in Traralgon at the interschool sports.

> Miss Stewart Senior Girls Soccer Team Coach

TAMBORITHA COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETING Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July – 8.00pm Please note that the meeting will be held in the Staff Room, Kildare Campus and <u>not</u> the Principal's Conference Room

#### PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

The **next meeting** of Parents and Friends will be held on **Monday 2nd August** at the Resource Centre (Library) at St Paul's Campus starting at 7.30pm.

A brief meeting will commence at 7.30pm followed by **guest speaker Mark Judd, Year 12 co-ordinator.** This will give all parents the opportunity to find out more about VCE and to

### CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 26 July Tue 27 July Wed 28 July Thu 29 July Fri 30 July St Paul's M Lappin, D Webb M Armatas R Crowle, L Weckmann D Buckley, D Leatham C Battista, D Berryman K Manson discuss any questions they may have regarding their child's up coming VCE years.

If you are unable to attend the meetings but would like a copy of the minutes or any further details please do not hesitate to phone either chairperson, Jenny Hansch 5122 1684 or Felicetta Kile 5166 1480

#### **Kildare** C Dougan

C Dougan D Webb H VanBerkel P Radovich, D Hall B Wittaker, Wojciechowski M Auciello, M McCluskey N Ellis Presentation

T Brown I Bramstedt I Koolen M VanLambaart K Shaw



### YOUTH ALPHA

This program is now underway – lots of fun, scrumptious food and drink. Come and see what life's all about. You are most welcome to come along – you may like to bring a friend. Come along this Sunday!!

> Where: When:

St Michael's Hall Every Sunday evening at 7.00pm

## Kids, Food, Behaviour: What's the link?

Thursday 12 August – Moe Town Hall (Albert Street) Cost \$10 per person (payable on day) includes lunch & showbag

This seminar will explain the process parents can go through in order to pinpoint the cause and decrease the side effects of certain illnesses. This seminar will be of interest to parents who have children with:

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder & Autism, Sleep disturbances, Chronic health issues, Allergies, itchy skin rashes, Learning difficulties, Irritability, Migraines or Stomach aches, Poor reading or school performance, Asthma

An explanation will be given in relation to foods connected to these problems and way s to deal with them. Information stands at seminar; resources will be available for purchase on the day. For information or to register contact:

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