NEWSLETTER Lavalla Catholic College

5 August 2005

Dear Parents

The Br Julian's Report was unavailable at time of printing. Please take the time to read the informative campus reports below.

ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

Over recent weeks four more Yr 8 classes had their turn at the Melbourne camp. These have been a resounding success. The teachers and students enjoyed the activities and certainly became well acquainted with the transport network in Melbourne. These groups received many compliments on their behaviour; we are proud that they were such great ambassadors for the College and themselves.

Expo - Friday 5th

Please remember that Expo is an important day for students and parents. We try to time the day so that parents can come during lunch breaks or after work to join their child in exploring the displays. Expo is designed for all students, those who have a clear idea of what they want to do in the future and those who have no firm direction at all. It is never too soon to encourage your child to explore all the options open to them. Expo is a non teaching day and students do not need to wear uniform when they come to Expo.

Mass

We try to have all classes go to St Michael's church for midday mass at least once through the year. Sometimes this has to be postponed because of funerals or other obligations which Fr Peter may have to meet. In these cases we hope that parents will be understanding of the fact that although they may receive information about their child going on a particular date this occasionally needs to be changed. Such was the case with 7.7 and 7.8.

Mornings

On these colder mornings, those students who arrive at school early are welcome to come into the reception area to sit by the heaters.

Language

I am sure that many families grapple with the issue of negative language which young people seem to use. We are always working with students to encourage positive language and to eliminate 'put downs' and swearing. We regard these things as offensive, they diminish the person who says them and those who hear them.

Uniform

Please remember that correct wearing of the uniform is a three way partnerships and the school, home and the students should work together to ensure that students are well presented at all times. "Watch your thoughts, they become your words

Watch your words, they become your actions

Watch your actions, they become your habits

Watch your habits, they become your character

Watch your character, it becomes your destiny." .. A nonymous

Lee McKenzie Head of St Paul's Campus

PRESENTATION CAMPUS

My thanks to Carol Wilson, Irene Bramstedt and Rita Warren for organising another successful Trivia evening. On Saturday of last week about 35 people including Father Bernie O'Brien spent an 'action filled' evening ably led by John Crawford as MC. Prizes were awarded on the night and we thank the business communities of Moe and Newborough for their support of this event.

Next week sees the start of the **Year 9 Exchange Program**. Year 9 students from both Campuses 'swap seats' for 3 days (Wednesday / Thursday / Friday) of each week. Students follow the timetable and subjects set down for the week. The core curriculum is common to both campuses ensuring that all students who undertake the exchange are not disadvantaged.

The program is aimed to make the transition from Year 9 to 10 a little less problematic as students are exposed to a wider range of potential friends and the need to adjust to a different environment and experience the bus travel between campuses.

The Year 10's from last year spent a pleasant afternoon with our current Year 9's last Friday week. The visit was to give our Year 9's an opportunity to discuss first hand the subjects, activities and experiences offered at the Campus. I would like to thank the Year 10's and Mr. Peter Schneider for making this visit the worthwhile experience it was. A number of our Year 9's expressed their satisfaction in being able to discuss their concerns with students who were faced with similar choices 12 months ago.

Expo is this Friday. A bus will be available for any students who need transport. Cost - \$2. Bus will depart Presentation Campus at 11.30am and return at 3.00pm. All Year 8 & 9 students are to attend.

Snow Report - No Snow!!

New Dates:- Yr.8 10/8/05 Yr.9 24/8/05 Yr.7 25/8/05

If you have any influence please pray for SNOW (soon)!

Yours in the Spirit of Strong Minds and Compassionate Hearts.

Chris O'Brien HEAD OF CAMPUS

KILDARE CAMPUS

Expo 2005:

Expo 2005 takes place **tomorrow**, **Friday 5th**. Although the day is a day where all classes are suspended, it is <u>not</u> a pupil free day. All students from Years 10 and 11 are

expected to attend and all Year 12 students are encouraged to come along and speak with tertiary and post-secondary organisations.

It is important that students and parents are aware of our timeframes and I trust that the information sent home on the yellow sheet last Friday was useful and is now kept in a prominent place.

Expo will provide an opportunity for students to discuss their courses of study for next year, will allow for further investigation of career and further education pathways and also encourage students and their parents to talk and think about their future.

Some Noteworthy Achievements:

Two of our students have won the prestigious Monash University Macromedia Competition, a Statewide Multimedia Competition. Josiah Brookes was awarded first place and Mark Ryan was placed third.

There will be presentations in due course where Monash University will come to the school to present the prizes to both the school and the students. There will also be a gala night in November, where trophies will be presented, and the work displayed at Federation Square.

Mark Ryan was also awarded third place for the Web page he submitted in the Webs for Business by Kids competition sponsored by Telstra. His work was very impressive. Daniel Ryan and Matthew Buglisi were also great ambassadors for the College on the local television news when interviewed about the competition. Their web pages for Neilson's are going to be used by the Restaurant. Cory Clarke was happy to demonstrate his web page in front of a large audience. His web page for Orbost Civil and Civic will be used by the company.

These two awards indicate clearly what can be achieved by well-motivated students who work with staff who have the expertise and who are able to bring out the best in their students. Congratulations to all students and to their teachers Mrs. Anne English and Mr. Marco DiCesare.

Peter Schneider Head of Kildare Campus

SPORTS NEWS

In recent weeks there have been many tryouts for a range of different sports. Year 7 girls head the most enthusiastic group trying to make Lavalla School Sports Teams. Netball, Soccer, Football all featured, along with Table-tennis and Athletics some months back. Some of the names of our talented athletes and sportsmen include:-

Year 7 Jarred Thornton (Athletics)
Stephanie Bishop (Athletics)
Emma Handley (Netball, Soccer)
Ashlee Raymond (Netball)
Callan Brooks (Swimming, Athletics)

Year 8

Brendan Caffrey (Swimming, Athletics, Football)
Zac Whittaker (Basketball)
Daniel Drowley (Basketball)
Megan Griffiths (Bocce – State Team)
Callum Johnston (Table Tennis)
Paul Ryan (Soccer)
Matthew Smith (Table-Tennis)

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Year 9 Nicole Bortignon (Swimming, Athletics, Football)

> Melissa Breit (Football, Athletics) Rita Chandra (Tennis, Soccer) Kaycee Ryan (Football) Celeste Cook (Football) Johanna Stephens (Tennis)

Nick Fogarty (Soccer)

Chelsea Gore (Football, Soccer)

Kelsey Phillips (Soccer)

Jared Risol (Basketball, Football)

Our Best Performed Sportsman is Michael Gelagotis (Tennis, Table-Tennis, Football, Soccer and Basketball).

It is terrific to see so many individuals coming along to endeavour to be selected in these talented teams and squads.

Well done to those that have made the final lists; and well done to each and everyone of you who had a go! Keep it up!

> Mr De Van Der Scheuren Sports Teacher

CANTEEN ROSTER:

	St Paul's	Kildare	
Mon.8 Aug	L Hare, R Freeman	C Dougan (help needed)	
Tue 9 Aug	V Winwood (help needed) H Van		
Wed 10 Aug	R Crowle (help needed)	M Tomkins, C Wilson	
Thu 11 Aug	M Johnston (help needed)	L Mills, S Brady	
Fri 12 Aug	K Roberts, C Bruzzese,	P Johnston, L Weckmann,	
	(help needed)	(help needed)	

Calendar Dates for Coming Week

Mon 8	Yr 10 SOSE Excursion - Robotic Dairy	
Wed 10 - Fri 12	St Paul's Yr 8.5 & 8.7 trip to Melbourne	
Wed 10	Yr 10 SOSE Excursion - Robotic Dairy	
Fri 12	Yrs 10 & 12 (2006) - enrolment deposits due	
	Yr 8 (2006) - re-enrolment forms due	
	Plain Clothes Day for Kildare Campus students	
	(Winter Appeal \$2)	

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