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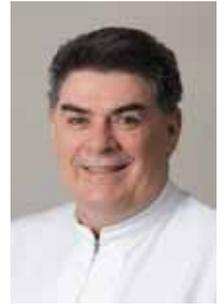
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Reconciliation: it's everyone's business.

We call upon the Church - her people, her leaders and her children, to listen with new ears, to see with new eyes, what always was and what always will be - to be awakened to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders lifeways, cultures and spiritualities.

What is National Reconciliation Week?

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is celebrated across Australia each year between 27 May and 3 June. The dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey - the anniversaries of the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision.

May 27, 1967 - The 1967 referendum saw over 90 per cent of Australians vote to give the Commonwealth the power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and recognise them in the national census. 2012 marks the 45th anniversary of the '67 referendum.

3 June, 1992 - the High Court of Australia delivered its landmark Mabo decision which legally recognised that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have a special relationship to the land - that existed prior to colonisation and still exists today. This recognition paved the way for land rights called Native Title. This year is the 20th anniversary of the Mabo decision.

The week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort.

Reconciliation is about unity and respect between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous Australians. It is about respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage and valuing justice and equity for all Australians. If we are reconciled one with another, then God too is present.



1967 marked the first time that Aboriginal peoples were given recognition as people in this country. The Mabo decision of 1992 then declared that terra nullius was invalid and the recognition that followed for our aboriginal peoples allowed them to then claim land under Native Title.

We recognise that there are many problems that still exist for our Aboriginal brothers and sisters. They have struggled as they have attempted to live in the white man's world. Alcohol was not of their making; it was ours! Today it is wreaking havoc on many small aboriginal communities in this country. We thought we were doing the right thing when we put their children in orphanages and schools and helped them to acquire some of our cultural practices. But their culture was centuries old and we thought we knew better. What deprivation and isolation and pain and hurt it has caused over the generation.

Every national government has struggled with the challenge and thought that they had a recipe for success, and they failed. Today the federal government is legislating for income management but it is accepted by some and deplored by many Aboriginal people. It all starts from our taking an interest in their well-being.

We recognise that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the original inhabitants of this land. Let us identify with them as legal custodians, with all Australians, of the land on which we live. Let us unite in our diversity and accept all peoples who come to our land as one with us in building our nation. Let us be reconciled!

Br. Paul Rogers fsc
Principal



PRAYERS PLEASE

Your prayers are requested for Brother Brian Cunningham fsc, Boystown Qld., who was seriously injured on the weekend when a tree he was “pruning” hit him in the chest and gave him collapsed lungs, broken ribs, two fractures to the vertebrae, and a fracture in the region of his hip replacement. He was on a roof at the time. Brother Brian served as the Head of the Junior Campus at De La Salle in the middle to late 1970s. We assure him of our prayers.

REST IN PEACE

After a long battle with cancer, **Ron Wilson** passed away quietly on Friday 18 May. His sons (Anthony 1970, John 1975) and grandsons (Michael 1997, Robert 1999) attended De La Salle and Ron was associated with the De La Salle Old Collegians Football Club for more than 40 years. He was buried from St Mary's Church, East Malvern, on Tuesday 29 May. May he rest in peace.

Stephen Goulding (1977) Stephen attended St James, East Bentleigh, for his early secondary and then came on to finish his senior years at De La Salle. Stephen died last Friday 25 May and leaves behind his wife, Michelle and 4 grown up children. May he rest in peace.

College community notes the death of **the father of Russell Bryant** (left DLS in August 2011 to teach overseas) who passed away on Tuesday 22 May and was buried from Stella Maris Church, Beaumaris, on Monday 28 May. May he rest in peace.

IN APPRECIATION

To all the Mums, and former Mothers, who helped Trish Woodman with the supper for our Old Collegians Mass on Friday 18 August, we extend our special thanks. Our Mass was celebrated by Bishop Ron Mulkearns, Mons Bill Mullins, Mons Stuart Hall and 12 priests. At supper which followed in our first school (the current St Joseph's parish hall), Brother Kevin Moloney fsc, former Provincial, launched the book specially prepared for our Centenary year – a pictorial history of De La Salle's 100 years: ***With Faith and Zeal Resplendent***.

Special thanks also goes to David Happ, Mary Finn, Joan Ferguson, Graeme Pender, Cindy Frost and music students, all of whom assisted in some way with the Mass and hall preparations.

WITH FAITH AND ZEAL RESPLENDENT

Our history contains the names of every student and staff member present in the College on our 100th Birthday - 6 February, 2012.

It reflects the history of which all who belong to the De La Salle Community in 2012 are a part. It is wonderful, as photos always are, and a great keepsake.

Do consider getting a copy for the family.

With Faith and Zeal Resplendent

A pictorial history to mark the Centenary of De La Salle College, Malvern



Be one of the first to order this limited release pictorial history of De La Salle College, Malvern. This beautifully illustrated book showcases the many people, places and events that have made their mark throughout the one hundred year journey of the College, from the time the first three pioneering Brothers opened the School in 1912, to the present day. This family memento will be enjoyed by many generations of Old Collegians now and in the years to come. The book will be available following the launch on 18 May.

BOOK SPECIFICATIONS

120 pages of full colour produced in hardback coffee table style publication (A4 landscape). Features photographs, documents and objects from the College Archives and lists of all College, Vice, House, Football and Cricket Captains and Dux, and full staff and student lists for 2012.

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WHAT IS HAPPENING (SOME REMINDERS)

JUNE

Sunday 3 June	Trinity Sunday
Monday 4 June	Unit 3 SAC Free period (until 8 June) Semester 1 Music Soiree Parent Network Meeting - Tiverton Staffroom, 7:30pm
Tuesday 5 June	Year 10 ACC Sport Finals
Wednesday 6 June	Year 7 - 11 Exams commence (until 14 June) Exam Timetable is available on our website
Thursday 7 June	PACTS Group Workshop 1 - Kinnoull Library, 7:00pm
Friday 8 June	End of VCE Semester 1
Monday 11 June	Queen's Birthday-Public Holiday
Tuesday 12 June	VCE (Year 12) - Unit 3 Exams (until 14 June)
Wednesday 13 June	Semester 1 Year 7 Band Concert
Thursday 14 June	VCE GAT Exam- Gymnasium Year 7/8 ACC Sport Finals PACTS Group 2 Workshop 2 - Kinnoull Library, 7:00pm
Friday 15 June	Correction Day - No Classes
Monday 18 June	Start of VCE Semester 2 Year 10 Work Experience (until 22 June)
Tuesday 19 June	Primary Music Morning
Friday 22 June	Newsprint No. 7



HE'S LEARNING TO LIVE AND LEAD

APPROACHING CENTENARY EVENTS IN 2012

DE LA SALLE CENTENARY DINNER

Palladium at Crown, 18 August

Learn more about the [Centenary Dinner](#)

Tickets are available on the DLS website.

NEWS FROM THE PARENTS' NETWORK

Thanks to the parents who helped with the delicious supper which followed the Founder's Day Mass at St Joseph's on 18 May. We always welcome new volunteers and it is a great way to meet other parents.

OVER JACKETS

De La Over Jackets are still selling for the bargain price of \$40. Some sizes are sold out (S & M.) Please use the form accompanying this newsprint for purchase. It shows the sizes still available.

*Allana Robertson
Parents' Network*

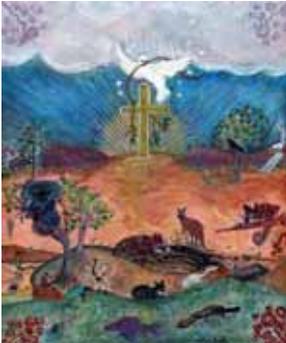
BLAZER FOUND

In February this year a blazer (size 20) was found outside a shop in Glenferrie Road. This was advertised earlier this year however still has not been claimed.

If you think it might be yours please come and see Mrs Sandy Wreford, Principal's Assistant.



CHAPLAIN'S NOTES



This week staff and students have taken time to reflect on the relationship we all have to our land and in particular, a respectful acknowledgement of the traditional custodians, the Wurundgeri people, who first inhabited the place on which our College now resides. Our College community has marked Reconciliation Week with prayer for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and an awareness of the long and rich history that predated white settlement.

Following our post Year 9 Retreat reflections, the students are preparing Homeroom Masses for the last week of Term. We are fortunate to have the support of Father Hien Vu, PP of St Michael's, Ashburton who will celebrate the Eucharist with each Year 9 Homeroom Group in the Chapel.



Parents and students gathered this past week for an evening of reflection and information in preparation for Confirmation on Sunday, 29 July. The key focus was on sharing faith as a family and through mutual support, enabling each other to serve those in need.

A reminder of some important dates:

Wednesday, 20 June	Confirmation Retreat Day - depart 9.00am – return 3.20pm. Students will be dismissed from the College. Students are to bring their lunch/snack and a drink. Please note there will be no opportunity to buy food.
Thursday, 19 July	Students meet with the Bishop 10.30am - Practice in the Church
Monday, 23 July	Mass for all families – presentation of Confirmation Medals and Practice – 7.00pm St Anthony's.

I pass on to you one parent's prayer for their son, shared at the Information Evening, and reflective of what we would wish for all our boys.....

“As parents we pray that our son grow and prosper in the eyes of the Lord as a thoughtful, caring man, sharing his kindness with others.”

Every blessing,

Joan Ferguson
College Chaplain.



WELLBEING NEWS

PARENT EDUCATION EVENING

Thanks to the 80 parents and to the staff who attended the evening on “Resilience” on May 16... an important topic in growing strong boys and men. Thanks also to the two boys who spoke so realistically and eloquently: Nick Byrden (Year 7) and Will Mackie (Year 9). Thanks for the many engaging questions from those present. The next parent education evening is on Wednesday 24 October. Yes, a long way off I know, but advance notice to put this in your diaries so as not to miss out on a good, educational, practical night!

WELLBEING ONLINE

There is an increasing amount of online assistance in the area of wellbeing available to young people and parents. The two websites listed below are well worth a look. The one recommended for parents is an informative one which carries information that helps set IT in an educative and social context that promotes wellness. See what you think!

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The “Embrace the Future” website (www.embracethefuture.org.au) is aimed at young people and developed in conjunction with the “School Focused Youth Service, Headspace and the Cities of Stonnington, Glen Eira and Port Phillip. Links on the site include: mental health, thinking positively, resilience, emotions, youth issues, stories and getting help.

FOR PARENTS

The “Young and Well Cooperative Research Centre” (www.yawcrc.org.au) unites young people with researchers, practitioners, innovators and policy-makers from over 70 partner organisations across the non-profit, academic, government and corporate sectors. It is aimed at parents and wellbeing professionals and provides informative reading on a range of issues impacting upon the wellbeing of youth. Under the “knowledge hub” and “publications” links, you can find papers on “Attitudes informing the use of technologies by the youth health workforce to improve young people’s wellbeing: Understanding the nature of the “digital disconnect”; “The Benefits of Social Networking Services”; “Intergenerational Attitudes towards Social Networking and Cybersafety: A Living Lab”.

Pascal Rohan
(Director of Student Wellbeing)

LIBRARY NEWS

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now in full swing, and a number of Years 4 - 10 students have already taken up the challenge. It's not too late to join in - students have until the end of Term 3 to read 15 titles. The Library has very many of the listed titles, and they are clearly marked with stickers to indicate the appropriate year level.

So come to the Library, find yourself a good read, and support the National Year of Reading 2012!

Susan Jost
College Librarian



CAREER NEWS

The weekly Career News Bulletin is now available on the website as well as MOODLE. For all the latest information go to the following link - [Careers News Archive](#) on our website.

THE MORRISBY REPORT

Testing for this Careers report will take place for Year 10 boys who have signed up and paid on June 13 as part of the exam timetable. If any other parents would like to sign up their son please contact Carmel Smart on Tel: 95082142 or email csmart@delasalle.vic.edu.au as soon as possible.

DEAKIN UNIVERSITY - YEAR 10 INFORMATION NIGHT

This event will help your students plan for their VCE, university and career and will help parents become more informed about the options available and how the processes work. The event will cover a range of important information relating to:

- VCE subject selection
- Post-secondary study options
- Pathways
- Graduate outcomes

Students will have to opportunity to hear from current Deakin students, people who are currently living their career dreams, and Deakin and MIBT staff.

MELBOURNE BURWOOD CAMPUS

Tuesday 5 June, 6.30pm - 8.00pm

221 Burwood Hwy, Burwood VIC 3125

Registrations for the event can be made at: <http://www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/year10-11/your-future-eventinfo.php>

*Carmel Smart
Careers Coordinator*

NEWS FROM THE MATHS DEPARTMENT

With the Semester One Examinations looming, it is an opportune time to bring to your attention the www.mathsonline.com.au website.

The school has purchased a site license and enrolled all students from Year 7 to 12. It is expected that students complete the online tutorials and tests relevant to their Semester One studies as a part of a thorough revision strategy. It is also expected that your son completes the revision exercises as listed on Moodle.

In other mathematical news, this year will see De La Salle's first **Family Maths Night** on Thursday, 2 August. One hundred years in the making, this night will offer all families an insight into all things mathematical using games and challenges - If you have ever said, "I have never been any good at Maths", you must attend! The night also comes with a 100% money-back guarantee if you do not have fun.

The night is free and places are limited so e-mail your intention to attend (with numbers) to lmartin@delasalle.vic.edu.au to secure your seats.

*Luke Martin
Mathematics Coordinator*



TRY A TRADE

The year 11 VCAL class visited the Try a Trade Day at Cranbourne Racecourse recently. The event, the first of its kind to be organised by the Southern LLEN, brought together representatives from more than 30 different industry groups and VET providers. Students from across the Southern metropolitan region were guests of the event giving them a hands-on taste of various industries, including engineering, horticulture, building, automotive, health and agriculture. De La Salle VCAL students are enrolled in a range of VET studies including Building and Construction, Electrical Engineering, Horticulture, Hospitality and Retail.

Pictured below: Hamish Curtis and Darcy Craig participating in one of the hands-on activities on the day.



Kerry Martin
VCAL Coordinator



MUSIC TOUR - BEECHWORTH

Music Tour is fast approaching and the Concert Band, Stage Band, Guitar Ensemble, and Choir are working hard to learn the repertoire for the concerts. It is expected that members of these ensembles attend every rehearsal from now until the tour.

Letters have been mailed home and payments are due by the end of term.

Coming Events

4 June	Semester 1 Studio Concert	6.00-7.00pm and 7.30-8.30pm	PAC
13 June	Year 7 Band Night (7B,D,J,H)	7.00pm for a 7.30pm start	PAC
19 June	Primary Music Morning	11.05am start	PAC
26 July	Salesian College Band visit		
5-8 August	Music Tour to Beechworth		

Percussion excursion

On Monday 28 May the percussion students from the Year 7 Band Program went to the Victorian College of the Arts to watch the VCA Percussion Ensemble perform. Part of the performance included the world premier of a work with the composer sitting in the audience. The boys were fascinated by instruments they had never seen before and many unusual sounds. They were also able to see the potential of their beginning skills.



Cindy Frost
Director of Music



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT: SEMESTER 1, 2012

Term 1	7	Bullying	Bully Busters – Class Act Theatre http://www.classact.com.au/bully2.html
Term 2	7	Cyber Safety	Susan McLean http://www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au/
Term 1	8	Reach – ‘A Hero’s Journey’ Rock and Water (alternate Sem 1 and 2)	Reach Foundation ‘Self Esteem, Confidence and Positive Peer Dynamic’ www.reach.org.au
Term 2	8	Reach - ‘A Hero’s Journey’ Rock and Water (alternate Sem 1 and 2)	Rock and Water Graduation – Battistello Karate Centre www.battistello.com.au/
Term 1	9	SenseAbility www.beyondblue.org.au/senseability/	Paul Meehan – motivational speaker goal setting and resilience
Term 2	9	SenseAbility/Leadership	Year 12 Leaders ‘What it means to be a Leader’ in Year 9 R.E lessons
Term 1	10	Study Skills/Cyber Safety	
Term 2	10	Road Safety	Reach Foundation ‘Finding your Voice’ www.reach.org.au ‘Keys Please’ Vic Roads http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au
Term 1	11	Study Skills/Cyber safety	
Term 2	11	Drug Awareness	Damian Marrett www.damianmarrett.com/
Term 1	12	Study Skills	LeanThinking Session www.thinkingleanco.com.au
Term 2	12	Safe Partying/Sexuality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STI and Relationships Sessions • Victoria Police – Safe Partying Session

Note to Parents: Your children have never known a world without the internet. Knowing about the risks is important - but so is knowing what to do to help your kids stay safe. The following presentation gives you the facts, figures, and helpful advice - [Cybersmart Presentation](#)

Kate McIlroy
Personal Development Coordinator



ACC SPORTING FIXTURES/RESULTS

ACC Sporting Fixtures and Results are updated weekly on the College website. To view, please click the following link:- [ACC Sport Results](#)

BLOOD BANK NEWS

Below is a message sent by the Australian Red Cross Blood Service, thanking us for our participation with giving blood this year.

Kevin Hunter

The Blood Service's visit to De La Salle on May 24th was another successful visit as we managed to collect 47 units of whole blood and had 53 volunteers pass through the unit on the days (6 members were either ineligible or unsuccessful in donating).

For this visit we had a target to collect 35+ units of blood, so your result is a fantastic one and all donors should be thanked & congratulated for their efforts. With every donation having the potential to save 3 lives, these 47 units donated have the potential to save up to 141 lives so on behalf of all potential recipients of this blood I say 'thank you'.

Our next visit to De La Salle is currently scheduled for 6th September and as usual I'll be in touch with you as this date approaches.

Kindest Regards

Doug Allen

Community Relations Officer

Australian Red Cross Blood Service

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

We all do things to enhance our lives; Fitness programs and diets to improve our health; Professional Development programs to improve our job skills. We offer you an opportunity for married couples to give a wonderful gift to your children by enhancing your marriage through a Marriage Encounter weekend. We invite you to invest in your most precious asset, your marriage. Please join us in 2012. Take a look at our website on www.wwme.org.au

Our weekends in 2012 are: 15-17 June (Anglesea), 10-12 August and 12-14 October (Melbourne). For further information and bookings contact Marianne & Marcel Van den Bronk (03)9733 0997 or Email vicbookings@wwme.org.au

De La Salle Centenary Memorabilia

Gift Boxed Glasses \$25
Old Collegians' Tie \$25
Umbrellas \$25
Centenary Pen \$5
Apron \$20



There are a limited number of memorabilia items for sale. These items are available for collection only from the Tiverton Office.

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