

**FROM THE HEADMASTER**  
**Dr Peter Casey**

**Bugsy Malone**

Heartfelt congratulations to the students and staff who collaborated with Loreto College to present a marvellous rendition of Bugsy Malone. Luke Wilson was outstanding in the lead role, carrying it off with consummate grace and poise. He was ably supported by many fine performances, great costuming, innovative set design, fluid musical backing and very smooth transition from scene to scene in a fast moving cavalcade. My thanks to Mrs Kathleen Plastow in particular for her support for this venture as we start plotting next year's return under SPC direction.

**Rugby**

A great finish to a great season for our Rugby players. Our Under 16s had a great win over Ivanhoe Grammar who also provided the opposition in the Grand Final for our First XV. Having the greater part of the play for the day still left us with level scores as the whistle blew for full-time while we were setting up for a kick on goal. Ethan Clarken withstood the pressure to goal and the Ivanhoe was history. I offer our thanks to Mr Graham Swinton and his supporters for a memorable opportunity for our three teams who front up each Saturday in full uniform, often leaving very early to set off for far flung destinations around greater Melbourne and Geelong but offering a sport to a wide variety of body types amongst our boys. Well done!

**Immersion week**

The reports from students and staff have been most positive so thank you to Mr Terry Blizzard, Mr Damian McKee and the Middle School Team for their increasingly effective offerings for this week. The projects are interesting and challenging for the boys but also very demanding on staff. Once again, I offer our thanks for these continued coordinated curriculum initiatives.

**Staff retreat**

The staff retreat on Monday and Tuesday was a marvellous experience for us all. We were entertained and instructed by Dr Daire Keogh, an Irish historian from St Patrick's College Drumcondra within the Dublin City University. Daire is an expert in the life and times of Blessed Edmund Rice and gave us much to ponder about the historicity of Edmund and his motivation for establishing schools for boys. I took from Daire that Edmund was a good man who was working for the best outcome for each of the boys and he did this with a clear intention to infuse them with a Catholic faith. The question for us now is to apply our learnings to our times at St Patrick's College: good people working for the best outcomes for each of our boys, with an explicit religious formation.

I thank Mr Stephen Hill, Ms Elizabeth Till, Mr Joe Doolan, Mr Steven O'Connor and all those who have contributed to the retreat, including the other Mission Team members: Miss Bernadette Hogan, Mrs Maree Moore, Mr Danny Moore, and Mrs Melissa Griffin. I also thank Fr Greg Tait for being with us and leading us in Eucharist.

**Prayers**

Please keep the sick of our community in your prayers, including Mr Gary Werndly and Mr Norm Christie who have both had unexpected bouts of serious ill-health.

Regards

PeterC



1<sup>st</sup> XV – Premiers for 2008

**FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER**  
**Mr Steven O'Connor**

**City of Ballarat 'School Immunisation Programme'**

On the morning of Monday August 25 staff from the City of Ballarat's Schools Immunisation programme will return to the College for the second round of Hepatitis B injections for boys in Year 7 and to catch up with a small number of boys in Years 7 and 10 who missed the first set of immunisations earlier in the year. The immunisations will be administered in the Board Room via qualified staff and under the supervision of College staff. No additional consent or medical forms are required for this second set of injections.

If any boy who is due to receive his second injection on this date is unable to attend, the City Council advises that these can be taken at clinics being run at Eastwood Leisure Centre on September 3 and 17 from 4:00 – 5:00pm. The Council is also able to conduct immunisations at The Phoenix Building (25 Armstrong Street South) by appointment only.

**'Striving to Achieve His Best'**

Although somewhat clichéd, the old adage of 'doing one's best' is worth contemplating as we work with our boys at St Patrick's. Across all endeavours: academic, cultural, sporting and in service, we simply ask that our boys give of their very best in everything they do. Recently I have enjoyed conversations with boys who are clearly attempting to do just that – to achieve outcomes which result from their best effort in all areas. Term Three is busy with a lot of important teaching and

learning occurring, the recent musical collaboration with Loreto in 'Bugsy', numerous sporting grand finals and on-going social service activities and endeavours.

I encourage every boy at St Patrick's to reflect on his efforts across the board and to ask himself whether or not he feels he is giving of his best. The staff at the College will be there every step of the way to assist and support each boy in his endeavours and to acknowledge and celebrate these efforts!

## **DIRECTOR OF MISSION**

**Mr Joe Doolan**

### **'A Fountain of Living Water in the Midst of a Thirsty World'. World Youth Day Message**

The best homily I have ever heard?

When a person responds to the Word of God at a public gathering the impact can be momentous, life changing, grace engaging and faith strengthening. Years later some people assert that the sermon at the funeral, celebration or event was truly remarkable.

My brother-in-law stated that at the funeral of his teenage son the homilist reminded the mourners that the Our Father has a key component in the line: *thy will be done*.

Strangely in God's unpredictable way this sombre statement offered a sense of assurance to the family. Not dampening their struggling spirits this reminder became a Word of God that engendered peace and acceptance. The impact of the homily at that time continues to reverberate in the lives of the family today as they ponder the mystery of a son's battle with leukaemia and as they move forward in life.

The recent trip to Sydney for World Youth Day offered the pilgrims the opportunity to hear live the sermon of our Pope at a grand event. I am not sure which homilies are in my top five but this one has to be amongst the best.

What impressed me was his breadth of knowledge and the ease with which he can glide through the scriptures, Fathers of the Church and recent conciliar and papal pronouncements. The Pontiff is not looking for new angles for he knows that the novel is short-lived and generally erroneous. At this Mass he offered an inspiring sermon that riveted me with its poetry, simplicity and optimistic ring.

The homily of Benedict XVI to the young people of the world focussed upon the power of the Holy Spirit. He reminded them that as confirmed Christians they have entered a "new upper room" wherein the Spirit has descended upon them offering transformation and making them new. This Holy Spirit has the power to raise Jesus from the dead. This divine energy binds us to one another and opens us to see God's amazing grace in the wonder of creation. This Person of God flows deep within us like an underground river. Echoing his encyclical on God's Love he urged the youth of the world to "be a fountain of living water in the midst of a thirsty world". The tone of the homily was encouraging and hopeful, expecting a positive response.

The Pope was also preaching to the world in this sermon. He reminded us that we have a gift of faith that missionaries and teachers, parents and grandparents treasure.

"What will you leave to the next generation?" he asked.

His request, which could have been a command, was to live life. Open up a space for the Holy Spirit in your life and use the gifts you have been given. If you do this you are releasing the power of this river and showing others the way ahead. The power of the Spirit enlightens us and conforms us, creating a new world and a new generation of Christians. The power of the Spirit relieves us of apathy and makes us

prophets of this new age enabling us to build a future of hope. For people who live lives that are empty cisterns searching for meaning we can offer living water, enabling them to find fulfilment in love. This Spirit will refresh them. In order to do this we must revive the grace of our own confirmation.

The homily was so optimistic, so confident, so encouraging. It was certainly one of the best I have heard and revitalised my commitment to the call. Living out the command to be living water within our community is the challenge.

## **Feast of the Assumption Mass**

On Friday August 15 we will be celebrating the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. The College patron Bishop Peter Connors will be celebrating a lunchtime Mass to be held in the College Chapel from 1.15 to 1.45 pm.

The day is also one of special significance for the Christian Brothers as it marks the 200th anniversary of the first vows taken by the Order and the 160th anniversary of the embarkation from Ireland of the first Brothers to Melbourne.

Please come and join us in remembering these grace filled events on this special day.

## **COLLEGE DEAN**

**Mr Stephen Hill**

### **Head of Languages**

**Ms Victoria Moore**

### **The Ballarat Region Debating Association of Victoria Competition**

Over the last few months, students and staff have been involved in the Ballarat Region Debating Association of Victoria Competition. St Patrick's College entered students into A Grade (Year 12), B Grade (Year 11) and C Grade (Year 10). Finlay Gustus, Richard Keys, Paul King and Andrew McNiece argued well in the A Grade Competition, gaining an overall placing of 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thomas McKinnon, Stephen Kirby and Liam O'Riley competed in B Grade resulting in equal 4<sup>th</sup>. At C Grade, Ben O'Shea, Connor Bourke and William Gallagher argued very strongly to be awarded with a ranking of 3<sup>rd</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup>. It must be noted that at the C Grade level, William Gallagher is currently in Year 8 and competed with confidence against peers two years his senior.

We would like to congratulate all students in their achievements in this competition. We would also like to congratulate Ben O'Shea who has been awarded the 'Swannie Award'. This is presented to students who have been recognised as the Best Speaker of the Region for their Grade. Ben, his family and Mrs Dunne are now off to Melbourne on September 16 where Ben will receive his award and the state recipient will be announced.

We thank all the boys for representing themselves and St Patrick's College so well. We would also like to thank Mr Joyce and Mrs Dunne for their work in helping students prepare and support the students by attending the competition. Thank you also to the parents of the boys for their generous support. I look forward to being involved in this competition next year.

If your son is interested in Debating or Public Speaking, please encourage him to speak to Ms Victoria Moore or to his English teacher.

## SPC Expedition to Papua New Guinea

Following the exciting and successful expeditions to PNG in 2005 and 2007, a third expedition will be conducted in 2009. Participants will visit many of the World War 2 battlefields and experience life in PNG villages while conducting a significant service project. Walking the Kokoda Track will also be another great experience.

The expedition will take place during the July term break in 2009. As in past expeditions members of the SPC community are welcome to participate. If you are interested in participating in the expedition there will be an Information Evening on Wednesday August 27 at 7.30pm in the College Board Room.

For all enquiries please contact Mr Michael Weadon on 53 311 688 or [mweadon@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:mweadon@stpats.vic.edu.au)

## DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION Ms Elizabeth Till

### Senior School Parent-Student –Teacher Evening

A reminder of the upcoming Senior School Parent and Student-Teacher Evening, which will take place on Wednesday September 10, from 4.00 pm to 9.00 pm. Booking forms will be mailed home with the Interim Reports on Monday September 1. Middle and Junior School Interviews will be held in Term 4 on Thursday October 9. Booking forms will also be mailed home with the Interim Reports at the end of the term.

### Year 7 Father and Son Evenings

A letter has been sent home to all Year 7 parents regarding this event. If you have not received the information please contact the College office.

**Monday September 1:** Galvin A, Galvin B, Keniry C & Keniry D  
**Tuesday September 2:** Nunan E, Nunan F, Ryan G, Ryan H, and 7VI

### Year 7 Immunisations

Year 7 boys will be receiving their second and final Immunisation for the year on Monday August 25. If your son is absent you will be able to arrange with the Council Health Services for the injection at a later date.

### 2009 Re-enrolment and Subject Selection Form Due Dates

#### Current Year 9 Students

- 2009 Year 10 applications to study a VET certificate offered by the Ballarat Cluster must be submitted to the ERC by 4.00 pm on Friday August 15.
- 2009 Year 10 Re-enrolment and Initial Subject Selection forms must be submitted to the ERC by 4.00 pm on Friday August 15.

#### Current Year 10 Students

- 2009 Year 11 applications to study a VET certificate offered by the Ballarat Cluster must be submitted to the ERC by 4.00 pm on Friday August 15.
- 2009 Year 11 Re-enrolment and Initial Subject Selection forms not submitted this week at the VCE interviews must be submitted to the ERC by no later than 4.00pm on Wednesday, August 20.

#### Current Year 11 Students

- 2009 Year 12 Re-enrolment and Subject Selection forms must be submitted to the ERC by no later than 4.00 pm on Wednesday, August 20.

## DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE Mr Kelvin Porter

### Parenting Tips

#### The Top 10 Ways to Raise Emotionally Intelligent Kids

Having a high level of emotional intelligence in your children is the best way to ensure that they live a happy, successful, and responsible life as an adult. Here are ten ways to help your kids attain a high degree of emotional intelligence:

##### 1. Model emotional intelligence yourself.

Yes, your kids are watching very closely. They see how you respond to frustration, they see how resilient you are, and they see whether you're aware of your own feelings and the feelings of others.

##### 2. Be willing to say "no" to your kids.

There's a lot of stuff out there for kids. And your kids will ask for a lot of it. Saying no will give your kids an opportunity to deal with disappointment and to learn impulse control. To a certain degree, your job as a parent is to allow your kids to be frustrated and to work through it. Kids who always get what they want typically aren't very happy.

##### 3. Be aware of your parental "hotspots."

Know what your issues are - what makes you come unglued and what's this really about? Is it not being in control? Not being respected? Underneath these issues lies a fear about something. Get to know what your fear is so you're less likely to come unglued when you're with your kids. This doesn't make fears go away, it just makes it easier to plan for and to deal with.

##### 4. Practice and hone your skills at being non-judgmental.

Start labelling feelings and avoid name-calling. Say, "he seems angry," rather than, "what a jerk." When your kids are whiny, saying things like, "you seem sad," is better than just asking them to stop. Depriving kids of the feelings they're experiencing will only drive them underground and make the feelings stronger.

##### 5. Start coaching your kids.

When kids are beyond the toddler years, you can start coaching them to help them to be more responsible. Instead of "get your hat and gloves," ask, "what do you need to be ready for school?" Constantly telling your kids what to do does not help them to develop confidence and responsibility.

##### 6. Always be willing to be part of the problem.

See yourself as having something to do with every problem that comes along. Most problems in families get bigger when parents respond to them in a way that exacerbates the problem. If your child makes a mistake, remember how crucial it is for you to have a calm, reasoned response.

##### 7. Get your kids involved in household duties at an early age.

Research suggests that kids who are involved in household chores from an early age tend to be happier and more successful. Why? From an early age, they're made to feel they are an important part of the family. Kids want to belong and to feel like they're valuable.

##### 8. Limit your kids' access to mass media mania.

Young kids need to play, not spend time in front of a screen. To develop creativity and problem-solving skills, allow your kids time to use free play. Much of the mass media market can teach your kids about consumerism, sarcasm, and violence. What your kids learn from you and from free play with others will provide the seeds for future emotional intelligence.

**9. Talk about feelings as a family.**

State your emotional goals as a family. These might be no yelling, no name-calling, be respectful at all times, etc. Families that talk about their goals are more likely to be aware of them and to achieve them. As the parent, you then have to "walk the talk."

**10. See your kids as wonderful and capable.**

There is no greater way to create emotional intelligence in your child than to see them as wonderful and capable. One law of the universe is, "what you think about expands." If you see your child as wonderful, you'll get a lot of "wonderful." If you think about your child as a problem, you'll get a lot of problems.

Source: [www.topten.org](http://www.topten.org)

**SENIOR SCHOOL**  
**Head of Senior School**  
**Mr Hamish McCrum**

Edmund Rice Awards are presented to students displaying positive behaviours in line with the charisma of Blessed Edmund Rice.



**KENIRY HOUSE: SAMUEL CUE**  
For enthusiastic and thoughtful participation in the College's Indigenous Art Project.



**GALVIN HOUSE: LIAM BROOKS**  
For enthusiastic and thoughtful participation in the College's Indigenous Art Project.



**NUNAN HOUSE: NICHOLAS O'KEEFE**  
For enthusiastic and thoughtful participation in the College's Indigenous Art Project.



**GALVIN HOUSE: DAVID HERBERT**  
For being most polite and helpful to his teachers.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**Head of Middle School**  
**Mr Terry Blizzard**

**From the Year 9 Coordinator**  
**Mr Damian McKee**

**Ballroom Dancing**

The Ballroom Dancing Social is to be held next Monday, August 18 for all boys who have been participating in the lessons after school. The social will commence at 7:30pm and will conclude at approximately 10pm, so please be prompt in dropping off and picking up your son at these times.

Boys are expected to dress appropriately for the occasion. Trousers with a collared shirt or a dress shirt and a tie should be worn. In the event of a cold night, a jacket or jumper would be appropriate. Footwear suitable for ballroom dancing is to be worn, no runners please. Supper will be provided for all dancers on the night.

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**YEAR 9: JOSHUA MAHER**  
For his enthusiasm and attitude to the Let's Rebel Unit in Immersion Week.

**JUNIOR SCHOOL**  
**Head of Junior School**  
**Mr John Richards**

**Year 7 Father and Son Evening**

Parenting has become a major focus of research over the past five years and the issue of Parent - Child relationships continues to interest those who work in education and the health and welfare industry.

St Patrick's College has decided that the best way that to support parents and families is to work collaboratively with them on this important issue. As part of our Junior School social skills and relationships programme, a Father/Significant Male - Son evening for all Year 7 boys is being planned.

The evenings will be arranged over two nights according to College Houses. Each evening will run for approximately two hours in length and will involve 50 to 60 boys and their fathers or a significant male role model.

Below are the listed evening groups and the format of the evening:

**7A/7B/7C/7D Galvin and Keniry Monday September 1**  
**7E/7F7G/7H/7I Nunan and Ryan Tuesday September 2**

If the nominated evening does not suit your family, please feel free to attend the alternate evening.

**Times**  
7:00pm-8: 15pm Dinner and guest speaker: College Pavilion  
8:15pm-9:00pm Blue Earth Activity Session College Gymnasium

Guest Speaker Michael Brandenburg is the Manager of Commonwealth and Family Violence funded services at "Child & Family Services Ballarat". He will facilitate a discussion on issues that are particular to the relationship that occurs between fathers and their sons and highlight strategies that can be used to support the strengthening of these relationships.

To help cover the costs, a Gold Coin donation would be appreciated. It would also be appreciated if each student could please supply a photo of themselves with their father or significant male role model. Please submit the photo to Pastoral Tutors by Monday July 28, which will be scanned and included in a reflection on the night.

We invite fathers and significant males to consider attending this important evening.

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**YEAR 8: NORTON DARRIGAN**  
For his diligent approach to his studies and his polite and friendly manner.



**YEAR 7: JACK FOWLER**  
For his ongoing support and care for his peers.

## SPORT

**Director of Sport  
Mr Chris Gleeson**

### Cricket

**From Director of Cricket  
Mr Damian McKee**

On Tuesday July 29 the first Information Evening of the 2009 Cricket Tour of the United Kingdom and Singapore was conducted. There has been keen interest in the tour which is open to students specifically from Year 8 to Year 11.

For those who were unable to attend the information evening on July 29, please find below a detailed summary of the information that was presented in order to aid families in the decision making process.

- The tour will be conducted during the three week term break between June 20 and July 11 2009.
- There will around 12 fixtures in Scotland, Yorkshire, Midlands, Surrey and one fixture on return to Australia via Singapore.
- It should be noted that 16 students is the optimum number for the trip to proceed. In line with the educational objectives of the tour should the number of applications exceed the number of places available on the tour the Tour Selection Committee (Damian McKee, Chris Gleeson and Mark Waddington) will decide on the members of the touring team.

- All students selected will have demonstrated a record of participation within the College's cricket programme from Year 7 to 11.
- The tour is a part of the 1st XI cricket programme. In line with this the Committee will select its best team to represent the College in the future, provided that players considered for selection are making sound academic progress and do not have a behavioural record that could suggest they may not represent the College in the manner expected of St Patrick's College students.
- It is estimated that the cost of the tour will be \$5,000. The final cost will be notified following the announcement of the squad.
- An 'expression of interest' payment of \$500 will be due on August 29. \$50 of this payment will be non-refundable on the selection of the touring team.
- The first official instalment of \$500 is to be paid on Friday November 28. Please refer to the instalment conditions. \$1,000 instalments will be due on January 30, February 27, April 24, and May 29.
- To assist families in the cost of the tour the College will compile a sponsorship package for families to present to a local business. The package will provide a scale of sponsorship and the benefits for the business.
- Please contact Mr McKee or Director of Sport Mr Chris Gleeson at the College if you have any questions regarding the outlined process.

### Rugby

**Mrs Tracey Boyce**

On Saturday August 19, Xavier College in Kew played host to the 2008 Grand Finals of the Victorian Schools Rugby Union competition. In a feast of School Rugby, nine grand finals were contested on the playing fields at Xavier College, in almost perfect conditions.

### Seniors

In a game that had everything, St Patrick's came home with the VSRU 1st XV Division II crown with a desperate 15-12 victory against arch rival Ivanhoe Grammar. With the home and away games resulting in a win each during the regular season, the stage was set for a fantastic contest and neither team let their supporters down.

From the kick-off it soon became clear that St Patrick's were well prepared to give the ball to their backline and let them run at the Ivanhoe defence. Fly half Ethan Clarken, returning from a four week injury layoff, was prominent early with punishing running and intelligent kicking. Damien Farrell was also damaging, repeatedly probing the Ivanhoe defence with hard running. With the ball moving quickly by hand, St Patrick's were rewarded for their efforts early when Richie Bauer crossed out wide for the first score of the game. With a taste for the contest, St Patrick's launched offensive attacks time after time to press home the advantage and were unlucky not to have scored on a couple of more occasions.

To Ivanhoe's credit their defence held firm and they used the size and strength of their forward pack to move the ball to their own advantage, crossing for a try themselves. St Patrick's were defending their line desperately and suffered a setback when Steve Yaakoob was yellow-carded. Soon after Ivanhoe earned a penalty and chose to kick for goal. In what would later prove decisive, the penalty conversion was unsuccessful and half time saw the score locked at 5 - 5.

The second half was played at the same frenetic pace as the first, with both teams seeking to break the contest open. Heavy work by both forward packs was mixed with exciting moves from the backs when the ball was thrown wide. Desperate defence from both teams saw attacking moves stopped close to the line before a break-out move by Ethan Clarken. With support out wide from Damien Farrell and Richie

Bauer, Ethan ran hard and straight, brushed off a couple of defenders and scored under the posts. He followed this with the conversion to put St Patrick's ahead by 7 points. Ivanhoe lifted as they pressed for the equaliser and were rewarded when they crossed for a try and successfully converted to tie the game up once again at 12 - 12.

With time fast running out the intensity and tension went to a new level as both teams sought the final advantage. The physical toll on both teams was starting to show with many players physically spent from their efforts, perhaps more so for the Ivanhoe forward pack. In what proved to be the final play of the day, St Patrick's were awarded a penalty within range of the goal. As Ethan Clarken stepped up to take the kick on goal a complete silence descended over the field as supporters of both teams held their breath. It had all come down to this final kick. As the ball sailed through for a successful conversion, and the referee signalled time, jubilation erupted in the ranks of the St Pat's team and their supporters.

In a fantastic team effort all players contributed to the victory. Ethan Clarken was a dominant player at fly half and Ben Jenkins once again marshalled his troops with great skill from scrum half. Damien Farrell never stopped running out wide, while the forward pack was well served by Bert Thompson, Digby Gram and Steve Yaakoob.

First XV coach Mr Graham Swinton was proud and relieved after the game, declaring that it was the St Patrick's heart that carried them to victory and that every player on the team could be proud of their contribution to the win.

The victory gave St Patrick's its first regular season rugby trophy since re-commencing the Rugby programme in 2004. For the Year 12 members of the team it was a fitting end to their rugby time at St Pat's. Many had played in the team which narrowly lost the corresponding match in 2007, so to be part of this historic victory is just reward for the effort of all those involved.

**Tries:** Richie Bauer, Ethan Clarken

**Conversions:** Ethan Clarken (1 try conversion, 1 penalty conversion)

#### **Under 16s**

In the Under 16 Division II, St Patrick's finished its season in fine style with a 34-21 win over Ivanhoe Grammar at Ivanhoe on Saturday. Played in fine but cool conditions, the game was a feast of running rugby with both teams prepared to throw the ball to their respective backlines in an attempt to open up the opposition lines.

St Patrick's were dominant in the first half, taking a 22-7 lead into half time. Tim Jenkins at scrum half was creative with his passing, while Max Hughes used kick and chase plays to great effect to create opportunities for the running backline. St Patrick's were tackling strongly forcing many turn-overs from the Ivanhoe team. Alex McPherson, Jake Hutchison, Jack Williams and Justin King all crossed for tries. St Patrick's bench depth was sorely tested with injuries to Regan Boyce (ankle) and Jake Hutchison (knee) seeing them both out of the game before half time.

The second half opened up completely with the ball moving rapidly from one end of the field to the other, and both teams being stopped just short of the try line on numerous occasions. Ivanhoe were relentless in their attack as they sought to expose St Pat's injury problems. Under 14 player Jack Jenkins, a spectator at the game, soon found himself on the field and throwing himself into the contest with an enthusiasm that belied his size. As the game moved into its final quarter, Ivanhoe scored under the post and converted to close within eight points before Matt Dewar restored St Patrick's position with strong play for a try. Ivanhoe crossed and converted again to get within a converted try before Jack Williams crossed for his second try of the match, and Max Hughes converted to put the match safely in St Patrick's hands.

The win took St Pat's to second place in the final standings for the season, only one point behind competition leaders Marcellin College. Coach Mike Govers congratulated the team on their great improvement over the course of the season, with a number of players ready to step up to the First XV in 2009.

**Tries:** Jack Williams (2), Alex McPherson, Jake Hutchison, Justin King, Matt Dewar

**Conversions:** Max Hughes (2)



#### **1<sup>st</sup> XVIII Football**

**Director of Football**

**Mr Howard Clark**

**SPC 19 – 15 – 129 Defeated Damascus College 5 – 3 – 33**

**Best Players:** David Lang, Sam Howard, Nathan Sobey, Marc James, Patrick Britt, Alec Wiltshire, Tom Frawley.

**Goal Kickers:** Patrick Britt, Alec Wiltshire 4, Shaun Lyle, Rex Hickman 3, David Lang 2, Jordan Alexander, Tom Frawley, Jared Hall 1.

In the final round of the 2008 BAS season, St Patrick's College defeated Damascus College at the picturesque Buninyong Football Ground. Played in wet and windy conditions St Patrick's College played team oriented football in the first quarter kicking nine goals to one in this period. With Alec Wiltshire and Rex Hickman providing strong mobile targets in the forward 50, the two forwards kicked five goals between them and finished off the excellent mid field work of David Lang, Daniel Nicholson and Marc James.

At the first quarter interval, the coaching panel made some structural changes in an attempt to provide all the players with an equal opportunity to impress leading into next week's Grand Final against Ballarat and Clarendon College. Although we were kicking against a three goal breeze, the squad adjusted extremely well and we outscored Damascus College by 12 points. Patrick Britt contested very strongly across the full-forward line and his body positioning and strong contested marking were the highlights of the quarter. Other pleasing aspects of the quarter were the strong leadership of Tom Frawley and the high work rate of Nathan Sobey on the wing. Nathan and Shaun Lyle are our two nominated wingers and with both players being highly skilled and tall they should both be our first option when switching play. It is extremely important that when we are deep in defence our first thought should be to lift our eyes and if possible switch the play.

The last half was positive and continued on the theme of "honouring your tem-mate" It is extremely important that when a player makes good position that his position is honoured. All players need to be aware that if they are facing away from our goals, they must feed back to a player who is able to run forward and create attacking options. This is a key rule within the 1<sup>st</sup> XVIII group and it is pleasing that the

players are adjusting to this style of play. The playing squad is certainly playing a better style of football since the Assumption College game and if we adhere to our key rules then we will be very hard to beat next week.

### **Team Meeting Friday 1:30pm WIL 002 (Announcement of Grand Final Squad of 28)**

**Training Friday 3:40pm – 4:30pm (Entire squad)**

**Tuesday Team Meeting 1:30pm WIL 002**

**Dinner La Porchetta 5:45pm – 8:00pm**

### **Wednesday August 20 Grand Final**

Strapping 1:25pm Gymnasium

1:50pm Change

2:00 Warm up in Gymnasium (Bring Runners)

3:00pm Game – Main Oval

### **Senior Soccer**

#### **Mr Tony Beggs**

With a bye in round 8, SPC students competed in the annual BAS v Geelong combined representative match. Below is an account of the match from Captain Austin Murphy.

On August 6, the Ballarat Associated Schools combined soccer team played against a team made up of players from schools in the Geelong region. SPC was the most represented school with eight players being a part of the team.

The game started off at a frenetic pace, with Geelong dominating early, whilst steady defending from David King and Angus Martin (SPC) kept Geelong temporarily at bay. However on eleven minutes, a long ball from a Geelong player caused confusion at the back and resulted in an opposing attacker lobbing the ball over Anthony Cocomazzo in the goals to make it 1-0.

The team looked to rebound quickly, but the confidence of the team was waning slightly. Two minutes later Geelong came up with an accidental goal, when one of their players attempted clearance that managed to trouble Cocomazzo and catch him off his line and fall into the net to push Geelong out to a 2-0. Of the BAS players, Kyran Taylor (SPC) and Jan Posch (BHS) were very good in the middle of the park. Marcus Lynch and Jacob Krusche (SPC) also played their position to an exceptional standard. BAS managed to regain momentum and create some chances up forward, whilst limiting damage in the back and play the better soccer of the half.

#### **Half time: BAS 0-2 Geelong**

The second half began with BAS dominating the opening moments, but being unable to find the quality finishing that was required to get back into the game on the scoreboard. On 46 minutes, BAS were back in the game when a brilliant run from Kyran Taylor saw him fouled in the penalty box and the referee rightly awarded a penalty. Kyran stepped up to take the spot kick and finished it with style into the top right hand corner of the net, ensuring a great finish was on the cards making the score 2-1.

However Geelong found some more breathing space on 52 minutes when, against the run of play, some poor tracking in defence saw a simple tap in for the Geelong striker who found himself in the right place at the right time to make it 3-1 and potentially put BAS out of the game. Interestingly, Geelong were not counting on the fighting spirit of the Ballarat side, who maintained momentum and constantly fired shots at goal. On 58 minutes, a fantastic run and pass by Marcus Lynch was brilliantly finished by Nick Hansen (BCC), who looked dangerous up front all day for BAS. The BAS team then had reason to celebrate just two minutes later when a great team goal was scored with Kyran brilliantly playing in Tim Beggs, who put in a good cross for Vinnie

Cotronea, who's header was saved brilliantly by the Geelong keeper, only for Jan Posch to head home the rebound and tie the game at 3-3. The game then went backwards and forwards, before Geelong had the chance to win the match, only for Cocomazzo to pull off a great save from a one on one situation. The game finished as an entertaining 3-3 draw, although the BAS team should feel they deserved to win, having had ten more shots and far more possession than their opponents.

#### **Full Time: BAS 3-3 Geelong**

**Scorers:** Kyran Taylor, Nick Hansen and Jan Posche.

**Best:** Kyran Taylor, Jan Posche, David King, Marcus Lynch, Jacob Krusche and Angus Martin.

### **First XI Hockey**

#### **Mr John Sullivan**

Last week saw the last of the regular season fixtures for the Senior Hockey team. Thank you to Mr John Sullivan who has maintained his enthusiasm and that of the boys whom despite a less than successful season on the scoreboard played with great spirit and enthusiasm.

### **Round 4 Basketball Results**

#### **Ms Tamara Westwood**

#### **Year 7**

**SPC Green 37 defeated SPC Gold 36**

#### *Top scorers for SPC Green*

Jacob Lourey 12pts

Tom Young 12pts

#### *Top scorers for SPC Gold*

Declan Leishman 24pts

Darcy Osborne 9pts

#### **Year 8**

#### **SPC Green - BYE**

**SPC White 76 defeated SPC Blue 43**

#### *Top scorers for SPC White*

Chris Jew 30pts

Darcy Anstis 20pts

Ash Quick 12pts

#### *Top Scorers for SPC Blue*

Callum Klien 13pts

Will Gallagher 8pts

Ryan Collier 8pts

Mitchell Coutts 8pts

#### **Intermediate - Year 9 and 10**

**SPC Green 59 defeated SPC Blue 41**

#### *Top scorers for SPC Green:*

Ash Constable 19pts

Alex Hobson 14pts

Tom Gall 12pts

#### *Top scorers for SPC Blue:*

Anthony Dooley 14pts

Zach Parker 7pts

## Student Achievements

Congratulations to Patrick Karras, Year 7 who has recently returned from the Friendship Games in Sydney representing Victoria Country in the Under 12s National Soccer Competition and Michael Trigger, Year 9 who has backed up last years State Selection and has been selected in the Victoria Country State Squad to compete in the U/14 Nationals in Coffs Harbour later this year. William Georgiou, Year 9 has been named as an Emergency in the U/15 Nationals later this year. Congratulations also to Kieran McDowell, Year 12 who played his first Senior Red Devils match in Victoria Soccer State league last weekend. Well done boys.

Congratulations to Shaun Grigg (SPC 2001-2006) who was nominated as a NAB AFL rising star. This is the second SPC nomination in the 2008 season.

If anyone is aware of any student achievements please email them to [cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au) so that they may be shared in The Crest.

## FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Development Manager  
Mr Mark Waddington

### 2008 St Patrick's College Art Exhibition

September 12 to 14, 2008

Old Collegians Pavilion

Gala Launch

Friday September 12, 7 pm to 11 pm

### Weekend Opening Times

Saturday 10 am – 5 pm

Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

In six weeks time the inaugural St Patrick's College Art Exhibition will be staged in the Pavilion. The Art Exhibition has been organised by a sub-committee of the Parents and Friends Association and will feature a range of outstanding works from artists from around the country.

A feature of the Exhibition will be the awarding of an acquisitive prize, 'The Flanagan', an open award for all artists and the University of Ballarat Emerging Artist prize for student, and recently graduated artists. Over 140 entries were received for the prizes, from which 74 exceptional pieces have been chosen for display.

The Exhibition will open with a Gala Launch featuring exquisite regional food and wine, fantastic musical entertainment from the College's Stage Band as well as the chance to view works and to be present when the inaugural winners of 'The Flanagan' and University of Ballarat Emerging Artist Prize are revealed by Ballarat Fine Art Gallery Director, Mr Gordon Morrison.

Tickets for the Gala Launch are \$40 per person and can be purchased from the Front Office at the College. Tickets are strictly limited so please get in early to avoid disappointment. Weekend viewing passes are just \$5 and can be purchased at the door. Entry for all students is free of charge.

Well done to the Committee led by Mrs Trudy O'Connor who have worked for over a year to bring this event together. Special thanks to Mrs Deb Hill who has worked tirelessly to rally and inspire the Ballarat arts community. The College is indebted to event sponsors Xerox Business Centre and the University of Ballarat for their generous support of this significant community initiative. All funds raised through the event will be used by the P&F to fund facilities and equipment that benefit all students at the College.

For all ticket enquiries please contact Ms Caitlin Bennett on 53 311 688 or [cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au)

## Parents and Friends Association

Mr Bernie Wilson

President

### Trots Night

In collaboration with the SPC Rowing Club and the SPC Football Club, we are holding the fourth annual Trots night on September 4, 2008 at Bray Raceway. The P&F are seeking support from the St Patrick's community in the form of race sponsorship, door prizes and raffle prizes and a commitment to attend the night, enjoy good company and along the way raise some funds that benefit all our boys. Details are contained at the back of this edition of The Crest.

We are always keen to see parents join these meetings, so please feel free to come along to the next meeting and see just what a small and dedicated group of parents can achieve.

Meetings are held in the College Boardroom on the fourth Tuesday of the month during the school terms.

## RIP

The College offers its sincere condolences to the following families and ask that you remember them in your thoughts and prayers:

Tom Wardell's, (Year 7) grandfather passed away recently.

Dale (Year 12) and Brad (Year 10) Missen's grandmother Betty Missen passed away on Monday August 4.

Marilyn, sister of Lorraine Robe (staff) and step sister of Glenis Kydd (staff) passed away this week.

## EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

### Canteen

Canteen Roster Monday August 18 to Friday August 22. Please, if unable to attend phone Veronica 5335 6244, Cheryl 5339 3655 or the College Canteen on 5322 4481, preferably the evening before your rostered day.

### Monday August 18

Elaine Collier, Liz O'Loughlin, Tracey Stalker, Janet Santilli, Colleen Stephen, Jenny Gilbert, Betty Armstrong, \*Jill Watkins, \*Louise Miles.

### Tuesday August 19

Vicki Burton, Wendy Johnson, Cathy Keem, Rhonda Robson, Loretta Toohey, \*Wendy Dumaresq, \*Kerry Fiegert.

### Wednesday August 20

Kim Tibbles, Helen Cotter, Helen O'Brien, Monica Kirby, Cheree Cosgriff, \*Silvana Peters, \*Leonie Spencer, Gayle Peoples.

### Thursday August 21

Sandra Jobling, Trisha Hughes, \*Jo Rix, \*Marie Loader, Carolyn Tuppen, Sharyn Eva, Robyn Pavilach, \*Cathy Simpson, Kerry Guest.

### Friday August 22

\*Orla Connaughton, \*Sharren Mullane, \*Annemaree Wilson, \*Sheryn Bucknall, Anita Houlihan, \*Debbie Jew, \*Barb Peters, \*Melissa Harris, \*Judi James \*Sarah Howard.

**\*Not in attendance for the entire canteen duty.**

### Dobson's Uniform Shop

Please contact Annette on 5333 7486 for personal fitting appointments.

### Uniform Shop Hours - Term 3

Tuesday 12 - 4.00 pm

Thursday 12- 4.00 pm



## EVENTS OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE

### **Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts Parent Information Evening Monday August 18, 2008 5.30 – 6pm**

Are you a parent of a student in Year 11 or 12? If so, we invite you to come and find out how you can support your son or daughter as they consider their future study options.

The Parent Information Evening will provide an excellent opportunity for parents to take a closer look at the range of courses, scholarships and student support services available at Monash University and how to manage the transition from school to university. There will be a range of speakers including current students and academics.

Bookings are advisable and can be completed on line at [www.monash.edu.au/parents](http://www.monash.edu.au/parents)

For more information and bookings visit:  
[www.monash.edu.au/parents](http://www.monash.edu.au/parents)  
Telephone 9903 4758  
Email [valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au](mailto:valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au)

### **Ballarat Christian College Youth Rally – Mission Week**

Ballarat Christian College is presenting a Youth Rally as part of its 2008 Mission Week. The rally will be held at the Wendouree Performing Arts Centre on Friday August 22 at 7:30pm. The College band and nationally well known band, 'Compliments of Gus', will be performing.



Entry is by gold coin donation.

### **Archie Fusillo Free event at the Ballarat Library**

#### **A must for any parent!**

#### **'Boys and Reading'**

Come and hear young adult/children's author Archie Fusillo speak about boys and reading and how parents and adults can encourage boys to read more.

**Date: Saturday August 16  
Time: 11.30-12.30**

Archie's books will be available for sale on the day

Bookings required, please ask staff for more details, or ring 53311211 for more information.

## COMING EVENTS

**Monday 18 August**  
Book Week  
Year 7 & 8 Basketball

**Tuesday 19 August**  
College Assembly  
Year 7 & 8 Basketball

**Wednesday 20 August**  
Year 12 Retreat  
Inter B Basketball  
1<sup>st</sup> XVIII Grand Final v BCC, 3pm at SPC

**Thursday 21 August**  
Year 12 Retreat  
Parent and Adolescent Evening – 7.30 pm

**Sunday 24 August**  
VCE Outdoor Education Cross Country Ski Trip to Mount Stirling – Mr Lynn & Mr Bottrall - Depart 4.00 pm

**Monday 25 August**  
John James Medal Presentation Night 7.30pm  
Year 7 Immunisations  
VCE Outdoor Education Cross Country Ski Trip to Mount Stirling – Mr Lynn & Mr Bottrall

**Tuesday 26 August**  
Year 7 & 8 B Basketball  
VCE Outdoor Education Cross Country Ski Trip to Mount Stirling – Mr Lynn & Mr Bottrall  
Year 11 Legal Studies Excursion: 11.15 am – 1.20 pm – Ms Ryan

**Wednesday 27 August**  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Soccer (Final)  
Inter B Basketball  
VCE Outdoor Education Cross Country Ski Trip to Mount Stirling – Return 10.00 pm  
Year 12 Retreat – Mr Doolan  
Regional School Clay Target Championships – Depart 7.00 am MT

**Thursday 28 August**  
Year 12 Retreat – Mr Doolan

**Friday 29 August**  
Year 10 Maths Competition – Deakin University – Mr O'Loughlan

**Monday 1 September**  
Year 9 Challenge Week  
Year 7 Father and Son Evening - Galvin A, Galvin B, Keniry C & Keniry D

**Tuesday 2 September**  
Year 7 Father and Son Evening - Nunan E, Nunan F, Ryan G, Ryan H, and 7VI  
College Assembly  
Year 7 & 8 Basketball

**Wednesday 3 September**  
Year 9 Challenge Week  
Purton Oratory

**Thursday 4 September**  
Year 9 Challenge Week

## Parents & Friends Association “A Night at the Trots!”



The Parents and Friends Association in partnership with the SPC Rowing Club and SPC Football Club have arranged a family fundraising event at the Bray Raceway.

Please mark **Thursday September 4** in your calendar and join us at this fun filled St Patrick's College event which continues to grow in popularity!

\$30.00 provides you entry to the races, 3-course dinner in the Terrace Restaurant, with full waiter service, a race book to study the horses between each sumptuous course and drinks are available at bar prices. The more tickets sold the more funds generated that can be used for projects that benefit all students.

If that is not enough, you could also win the opportunity to ride in the Starter's Car to set a race underway!

If you are interested in promoting your business, you might like to sponsor a race on the night. Race names are broadcast around the country making this an great value for money investment – it might be your only winner on the night!

Alternatively, you may be able to donate a small spot prize to be raffled on the night. If you are able to help, please phone Bernard Wilson to find out more on 5341 2662 or 0419 330 708.

What we are looking for is your contribution to this event. How can you help all students at SPC you may ask? It is easy! Come along to the night and bring you friends. Get a group together and share in the fun and enjoyment whilst helping St Patrick's.

Tickets are available from the Front office of the College which is open between 8.30am -4.45 pm each day.

**Mr Bernard Wilson**  
**President P&F**

# 2008 ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE BALLARAT



# ART EXHIBITION

**St Patrick's College  
Old Collegians Pavilion  
September 13 and 14, 2008**

**Featuring the winners of the  
Flanagan Prize and the University of  
Ballarat Emerging Artist Prize**

## **Exhibition Opening Times**

**Saturday September 13      10 – 5 pm  
Sunday September 14      10 – 4 pm**

**Tickets available at the door  
Saturday and Sunday  
Weekend Viewing Pass \$5**

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## **Victorian State Government Petition for Fairer Funding For Catholic Schools.**

Today you are being asked to lend your support to improve the educational opportunities for children who attend Catholic schools.

This is not about less for government schools and more for Catholic schools; this is about a fairer allocation of funding for our Catholic schools and families who choose a Catholic education for their children.

### **The Issues:**

- ✚ The Victorian Government has the dubious honour of providing the lowest level of funding per student attending Catholic schools of all Australian States. Currently funding is 15.1% of the total cost of educating a child in a Catholic school.
- ✚ Students with disabilities attending Victorian Catholic schools are currently discriminated against receiving only 1/3 of the funding that is allocated to similar students attending government schools.

### **The Solutions:**

- ✚ Increase funding to 25% of the cost of providing education and index this to keep pace with the real cost increases.
- ✚ Remove the discrimination and provide equal funding for children with disabilities in Catholic schools and government schools.

By signing a petition and by asking friends or family who support improved funding for Catholic schools to also sign, you will be helping to send a clear message to the State Government of Victoria that our children deserve a fairer deal.

To obtain a copy of the Petition please visit - [www.vacpsp.org.au](http://www.vacpsp.org.au)

**Petitions are to be returned by Wednesday September 4 to the address below.**

For submission of petitions and for further information, please contact Carmel Longshaw, Victorian Association Catholic Primary School Principals:  
[www.vacpsp.org.au](http://www.vacpsp.org.au)

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