

FROM THE HEADMASTER
Dr Peter Casey

Dear Friends

Some weeks in our cycle of the school year give us even more joy than others. The last few days have brought us a cornucopia of happy memories - our joy is full and runneth over! I write at length this week but encourage you to persevere!

2008 Speech Night

The night was its usual celebration of the achievements of our students, staff and parent community. We sometimes take these achievements for granted so it was good to have a few newcomers express their appreciation of the happy nature of our boys and the quality of the presentations. Some people say the night now runs itself, given the parameters laid down, but as is commonly said, 'The harder I work, the luckier I get'. The night works so well because of the consistent efforts of our staff. They have my heartfelt gratitude. Similarly I thank the staff of the beautiful and historic Her Majesty's Theatre for their professional support of our celebration. It is a magnificent setting for gathering!

The Valedictory Dinner at Doherty's Ballarat Lodge was its usual nostalgic celebration with parents, students and staff in almost private circumstances, just the inner sanctum of the total enterprise of Year 12 2008 at SPC! I thank Mr Hamish McCrum and the Heads of House particularly for another great occasion which appropriately recognised our boys and their families.

Our last College Assembly for the year was a complex compilation of extraordinary significance. We celebrated White Ribbon Day with Michael Brandenburg; Anne Dark from St Vincent de Paul Ballarat accepted the Christmas hamper from each homeroom; and nine Timber Creek elders and our nine Timber Creek boys entertained us with dancing and the presentation of gifts leading to the handover of the Yimullanburdoo Indigenous space. Our students were respectful and appreciative of the occasion - as we have come to expect.

Yimullanburdoo

Our Indigenous Space, was ceremonially handed over to our College community by Jerry Jones Snr as the chief elder of the Ngaliwuru people of Timber Creek. I have enjoyed the process of the creation of this space, the work of the Student Council, Mrs Shannan Sosinski with Andrew McNiece particularly, the working bee, the painting sessions, the excitement of our Timber Creek boys to be creative in the design under the leadership of Year 11 student Dwayne Hector. I acknowledge the financial support of School Focussed Youth Services represented by Jenny Jones, Rotary Club of South Ballarat through Paul Murnane and Allan McKinnon and the City of Ballarat represented by Elizabeth Wood.

We have been seeking ways to increase the enrolment of indigenous boys since 2002, and I thank Jeanette Morriss of the Ballarat Catholic Education Office and the members of the Ballarat Co-Op for their support in the last seven years. I believe that it has been our involvement in the Indigenous Youth Leadership Programme since

2006 that has acted as the catalyst for recent developments. I wish to pay tribute to the work of Mr Mark Waddington as Director of Boarding and Development Manager for his leadership and hard work; to Lorraine Jones as our conduit into the Timber Creek community; to our staff and students for their efforts to make these boys welcome.

In particular I thank our staff for their efforts to cope with the boys in areas where they struggle academically.

I was extremely grateful for the gifts from the Timber Creek people presented by Jerry Jones Snr, Lorraine Jones and Calvin Anzac. I look forward to our boys seeing and feeling the armoury and artwork currently in my office:

- A didja, a fighting spear which is now used for hunting. It is barbed so that it cannot be pulled out.
- Three shovel-nosed spears which can be good for digging but principally are used for hunting kangaroo. They look like real spears!
- A milinj, a bamboo spear unsharpened to show us the raw material which is used by the community to make their hunting tools.
- Three woomeas, also known as julgidd. They are spear holders or throwing sticks. These are used to launch their spears- hence the name of the South Australian missile base, Woomera.
- Two sets of gunbidge or clapsticks which are often known to us as rhythm sticks.
- Two marluk or didgeridoo, musical instruments which are used in ceremonies to accompany the dances, songs and story-telling.
- A painting of the life of Yimullanburdoo, the Rock Python, a most significant totem for the Ngaliwuru people of Timber Creek - The painting portrays two mature rock python (mum grey and dad brown I think), their hibernation (left circles of dots), nestling the eggs (centre) until the baby snakes hatch (top), and the young snakes coiled and resting in the sun (top right). The blue and green spots are from the dancers' face-painting: the markings used by the dancers- you can make out the finger-prints on the painting.

We are honoured by these gifts all made by the local community as well as the three totem poles, mural and pathway in the Yimullanburdoo space near the Pavilion.

To formalise and expand the programme in 2009 we have appointed an Indigenous Programmes Manager, Mr Chris Gleeson, and an Indigenous Education Manager, Mr Brett Goodes. We are trying to find a way to contribute to reconciliation not just because we are sorry but because it is the right thing to do.

I hope that you can share my joy in these recent developments!

Ballarat Parishes

The Bishop encourages parishioners of the six parishes of Ballarat to become involved in the next round of discussions concerning the future provision of ministry to the local Church communities. It has been decided that Wendouree and Ballarat North parishes will operate under one parish priest, Ballarat East will continue to minister to Buninyong, and the Cathedral parish will minister to Ballarat, Redan, Sebastopol and Beaufort parishes.

The dates for consultation are:

December 1	St Columba's School Hall at 7pm
December 2	St Aloysius' Parish, Ryan Hall, Redan, 10am
December 2	St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 7pm
December 3	St James, Sebastopol, 8pm
December 4	St Alipius Hall, 10am
December 4	OLHC, Wendouree, 7pm

I also encourage regular attendees to have a say in this consultation. As Fr Bill van de Camp used say: Those who wear out the tiles in the Church are counted as members of the parish!

Fond regards in a stellar week.

Peter C

FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER Mr Steven O'Connor

A week of celebrations!

This week the College community has enjoyed some significant celebrations and it has been a pleasure to be witness to and involved in these. Last Friday night's Speech Night was a great success and the College was able to showcase a selection of our talented boys and acknowledge the successes of students across the year levels in the areas of academics, culture, sport and community service. Amongst the highlights were Michael Keem's delivery of his winning Purton Oratory Speech and 2003 College Captain Lachlan Keen speech on the way St Patrick's has influenced his career and outlook on life.

Again, I wish to congratulate all boys who were presented with prizes and awards at Speech Night as well as all of those involved in presenting items of entertainment on the night. Well done to all!

On the Saturday night the College staff gathered with the young men of Year 12 and their parents at the Valedictory Dinner. This is one of the great nights of the year and this was no exception. It is very rewarding to see the pride and the joy amongst the boys and the excitement about having finished this part of their educational journey. Congratulations to all members of the class of 2008, their parents, teachers and all other staff who helped to get the boys to this point.

At this week's Assembly – the final Assembly for the year – we acknowledged our commitment and support to the White Ribbon Day cause, by presenting many hampers to the St Vincent de Paul Society. In a powerful presentation, we welcomed many elders and members of the Timber Creek community as they helped us to open the College's Indigenous Space.

On Tuesday night a good number of people gathered to give thanks to God in our annual Community Mass and supper. The Mass was celebrated by Fr Justin Driscoll and the supper organised by the ladies of the College Canteen. Again, this was a great occasion and I thank all involved in preparing it.

The Junior School end of year celebration will take place on Thursday of this week and promises to be another great occasion at which we can acknowledge the great efforts of the boys in the Junior School

across the board. The Senior School and Middle School will conduct their celebrations during the course of the next week.

All in all, there has been a lot of celebrating lately! It is good for us to do this as a community and gives us all great heart that as a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition, we are making great progress with our boys as they make their way towards being young men.

DIRECTOR OF MISSION Mr Joe Doolan

For Christmas
A New Carol- An Old Poem

Such a small King
A Christmas Carol by C Harry Causey

Such a small King, isn't he?
Such a small King.
How can he bring deliverance to me?
Can he be the one who'll set us free?
Such a small king,
Such a small boy.

What can I bring to worship him?
What can I bring?
Angels sing and wise men bring him gold.
Shepherds kneel to shield him from the cold.
Such a small King,
Such a small boy.

I can bring him a candle and lamp to light his way,
I can bring him a lamb's warm wool to place on the hay.
Bring him a song of love for the shepherds to play
Tis a saviour that's born today

Such a small King isn't he such a small King?
Yet he will bring deliverance to me,
Prophets foretold his place in history.
Such a small King,
Such a small King,
Such a small boy.

Only His name will reign eternally.
Such a small King,
Such a small King,
Such a small boy.

<http://www.nationalchristianchoir.org/recordings-pages/recordings.html>

Though I first heard this Christmas carol Such a Small King in 1986, I am surprised that it is not better known. Each year the new and old artists advertise their album of songs that we must procure for the festive season but the music of C. Harry Causey never makes the list. The version of Such a Small King by the National Christian Choir is a carol you can't beat should you wish to add a new carol to the regular tunes and lyrics that you play in the Advent and Christmas seasons.

The text explores the essence of the in-carnational event. How can one person bring deliverance to the whole of humanity? To be fully human one would have to experience the gamut of life including the fragility of infancy.

The question Causey poses is apposite: what can we bring to worship the Christ Child? A rug to offer protection from the cold. The carol reminds us that the presents we could prepare to offer might be simple ones: songs, simple meals or genuine gestures. This Christmas, and next year, the economic outlook is bleak for many of our family

members and friends. We cannot open presents, sing tunes or feast with our loved ones unless we also, as exhorted by Isaiah and Christ, clothe the naked and shelter the homeless poor. In two weeks the College filled thirty hampers for the St Vinnie's collection; good modelling of the focus we need this season. If we fail to care for the marginalized then we disprove the lyric and the Christian maxim: *yet he will bring deliverance to me.*

The poem by Chesterton reminds us of the identity of this Child: the incarnate Word, the agent of creation. All the flowers looked up to him and all the stars looked down. Christ created the cosmos and everything that is in it. The mystery of God's love for us is found in the Bethlehem stable and in the person of a small king who lies on a lap, stands up, dies and is raised from the dead. Christmas is, after all, an Easter feast. The small king is finally enthroned. The Christ child brings salvation to the world.

The Christ-child lay on Mary's lap
By G.K.Chesterton

The Christ-child lay on Mary's lap,
 His hair was like a light.
 (O weary, weary were the world,
 But here is all aright.)
 The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast,
 His hair was like a star.
 (O stern and cunning are the kings,
 But here the true hearts are.)
 The Christ-child lay on Mary's heart,
 His hair was like a fire.
 (O weary, weary is the world,
 But here the world's desire.)
 The Christ-child stood at Mary's knee,
 His hair was like a crown.
 And all the flowers looked up at Him,
 And all the stars looked down.

COLLEGE DEAN
Mr Stephen Hill

VCE English Studies Novels 2009

The VCE English Studies Novels for those boys who have ordered them early for 2009 are now available for collection at the College Student Services.

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION
Ms Elizabeth Hill

Middle School Exams and Finish

Middle School exams will be conducted from Wednesday December 3 to Friday December 5. A copy of the timetable is attached to this week's Crest.

The Middle School Graduation Ceremony will take place on Friday December 5 commencing at 1.15 pm in the College Chapel. Boys will have final dismissal at 2.30 pm.

2009 Year 7 Orientation Day

The 2009 Year 7 Orientation day takes place on Tuesday December 2. As all incoming 2009 Year 7 boys will be present, no current Year 7 classes will operate on this day.

SENIOR SCHOOL
Head of Senior School
Mr Hamish McCrum

Last Friday evening the College celebrated many of the student excellent achievements at Speech Night. I was particularly impressed by Michael Keem's speech and did feel some sympathy for Mr Terry Blizzard who was unfortunate enough to be scheduled to speak immediately afterwards. Congratulations to all who received awards, be they academic, sporting, cultural or service awards and to all who performed; you did yourselves and the College proud.

On Saturday evening we celebrated the completion of school life with the Class of 2008 at the Valedictory Dinner. Again this was a most enjoyable evening with some very entertaining anecdotes. I would like to thank those who made speeches on the evening and the Heads of House and administrative staff for their work behind the scenes, which enabled a very positive conclusion for the Year Twelves. We wish these Old Boys well with their endeavours.

On Friday we celebrated the excellent achievements of many of the boys at the Senior School Awards ceremony. I congratulate these students on their fine achievements. These are small moments to savour and reflect on – may they encourage you and those around you.

This week the Year 11 students commenced their Unit 3 Studies for 2009. While it is important they have a break from study over the summer break, it is also vital to complete the work that has been set. Having read the English novels before returning is of particular importance. Students have also been alerted to commercial Unit One to Unit Four summer school programmes. Past students who have enrolled have found the units to be most valuable. Further information may be obtained from the Kelty Resource Centre.

On Wednesday December 10, the Year 10 boys will embark on the University Experience. This experience promises to be an enjoyable and horizon widening activity.

Senior School Awards

Year 11

Year Level	Award Description	Award Recipient (s)
11	Accounting (Prowse Perrin & Twomey award)	James Edmends
11	Architectural Studies	Aaron Polson
11	Art	Patrick Styles
11	Biology	Adam Govers
11	Chemistry	Benjamin McOwan
11	Design and Technology	Dylan Rodger
11	Economics	Thomas Blood
11	English	James Edmends
11	Food Technology	Samuel Howard
11	LOTE - French	Benjamin McOwan
11	General Mathematics	Blake Davis
11	Health & Human Development	Thomas Blood
11	History – 20 th Century	Dylan Gloury
11	Information Technology	Aaron Polson
11	LOTE- Japanese	Timothy Corbett
11	Legal Studies	Darcy Laffan
11	Literature	Daniel Ferguson
11	Mathematical Methods	Ashley Jan

11	Media Studies	Liam Young
11	Music Performance	Patrick Adeney
11	Outdoor & Environmental Education	Daniel Considine
11	Physical Education	Blake Davis
11	Physics	Daniel Sharp
11	Religious Education	11A Andrew Wallis 11B Daniel Ferguson 11C Stephen Kirby 11D Daniel Sharp 11E Oliver Whiteley 11F Matthew Hampson 11G Jarryd Allan
11	Systems Engineering	Callum Boyce
11	Visual Communication	Patrick Gregurke

Year 10

Year Level	Award Description	Award Recipient (s)
10	Architectural Design	Patrick Hoy
10	Art	Daniel Groch
10	Art 3D	Patrick Hoy
10	Biology	Lachlan McLean
10	Business Management Unit 1/2	Benjamin O'Shea
10	English	Benjamin O'Shea
10	Food Technology	Thomas Smardon
10	General Maths - Specialist	Lachlan McLean
10	General Science	Bryce Andrews
10	Health	Sean Keem
10	Australian History	Matthew Cullinan
10	Information Technology	Sean Keem
10	IT - Hardware	Joseph McKee
10	IT - Programming	Sean Monagle
10	IT - Web	Benjamin O'Shea
10	Japanese	Lachlan McLean
10	Legal Studies Unit 1	Darcy Laffan
10	Mathematics	Lachlan McLean
10	Media Studies	Justin King
10	Music	Barton Hill Declan Conroy
10	Physical Education	Nicholas Johnston
10	Physics	Lachlan McLean
10	Religious Education	10A Bradley Brennan 10B Alex Fraser 10C Luke Torpy 10D Thomas Smardon 10E Matthew Hogbin 10F Daniel McDonald 10G Benjamin Watson 10H Lachlan McLean 10I Michael Xuereb
10	Technology - Metal	Daniel Mahar
10	Technology - Systems	Samuel Wilson
10	Technology - Wood	Samuel Morrissey
10	Visual Communication & Design	Mitchell Keighrey

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KENIRY HOUSE: CLINTON LEWIS

For leadership in boarding and outstanding effort in music.



GALVIN HOUSE: GERARD KIRBY

For leadership in boarding and commitment to studies.



RYAN HOUSE: DANIEL COBDEN

For leadership within the boarding community.

MIDDLE SCHOOL Head of Middle School Mr Terry Blizzard

Middle School Awards

The following boys have won awards in one or more of the following categories:

Middle School House High Achiever

Individual Subject Award

Sporting Award

Pastoral Homeroom Award

These significant awards will be presented at the Middle School Graduation Ceremony to be held on Friday December 5 commencing at 1.15 pm in the College Chapel. Parents are most welcome to attend the Graduation.

Award Recipients

Adam Anticaglia	Charles King
Nathan Aldenhoven	James Liston
Kayne Allen	Chris Lodge
Harrison Bardwell	Sean McDonald
Daniel Baxter	Tim McOwan
Mathew Begbie	Alex McPherson
Toby Biggs	Thomas Nankivell
James Blackburn	Matt Norman
Tyler Brandenburg	Lachlan O'Connell
Matthew Callahan	Jacob Perkins
Jack Callil	Jaz Plinius-Wiese
Ashley Constable	Patrick Ross-Taylor

Liam Davey	Joseph Ruffo
Dean Dotzauer	Jayden Sammut
James Elford	Adam Spencer
Scott Erkamps	Deklen Stoffels
Tomas Gall	Jeremy White
Rohan Giblett	Jonathan Willey
Thomas Gillett	Teague Wilson
Jack Gudgeon	Anthony Zreikat
Jack Jenkins	

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YEAR 9: REGAN BOYCE

For his hardworking assistance with the College Speech Night



YEAR 9: JACK CALLIL

For his hardworking assistance with the College Speech Night



YEAR 9: ANTHONY D'ARCY

For his hardworking assistance with the College Speech Night

JUNIOR SCHOOL
Head of Junior School
Mr John Richards

Year 7 2009 Orientation Day

To assist in the transition process, an Orientation Day for Year 7 boys commencing in 2009 will be held at the College on Tuesday December 2, 2008. Orientation Day will be from 9am until 2pm. This is an opportunity to meet teachers and classmates for next year and to experience some of the learning and facilities that the College will provide next year and beyond.

We would ask that all boys be at the College by 8:50am on Orientation Day and assemble in the foyer of the O'Malley Wing. Boys should wear casual clothes and bring a pen and writing paper. Lunch will be provided for the boys, but I would suggest that your son brings a snack and drink for the morning break.

Parents are asked to assemble in the College gymnasium at 1:00 pm for addresses by Headmaster Dr Peter Casey, 2009 Year 7

Coordinator Mr Gavin Webb and Head of Junior School Mr John Richards. At this time, there will also be a musical performance from members of the Junior and Senior College Bands. The College Director of Music, Mrs Kathleen Plastow, will present an overview of the Instrumental Music programme for 2009. At the conclusion of this presentation, each boy will be required to select the instrument he would like to play in 2009. If it is possible, it is advised that at least one parent be present to help guide your son in making the correct instrument choice. Please bring a pen to this presentation.

Following these brief presentations, parents are invited to join staff for afternoon tea in the College Dining Room, at 2pm.

2008 Year 7 boys will not be required for classes on this day. It is suggested that they utilise this day to study for the upcoming exams at home.

Junior School Exams

Junior School Exams will be held in the final week of the school year from Wednesday December 3 to Friday December 5. Exams will be held in Mathematics, English, Science and assessments in SOSE and LOTE will also be held during this week.

It is important to remember that exams are an important component of the teaching and learning process. The St Patrick's College exam programme is focussed towards the relevant assessment of content taught as well as developing revision skills, examination skills and developing an awareness of examination conditions and expectations.

Exam Timetable

	Wednesday, December 3	Thursday, December 4	Friday, December 5
10:55am- 12:25pm	Year 7 and 8 English	Year 7 and 8 Mathematics	Year 7 and 8 Science
	SOSE and LOTE assessments		

Over the coming week the boys should be:

- Setting aside a time each night to revise material covered over the second semester of the year.
- Study should take place in an area away from distraction such as television and computers. MP3 players and stereos can be counterproductive to effective study.
- Boys need to be utilising their study diaries to plan an effective revision program over the coming weeks.
- It would be wise for boys to compile a list of questions of areas or concepts with which they are finding difficulty. This can then be utilised in class revision time to ask teachers relevant questions.
- Make use of the Wednesday night Year 8 mathematics tutoring sessions to clarify areas of concern or misunderstanding.

Over the next week staff will be working with the boys to develop the necessary skills and knowledge to deal with the examination programme. It is each boy's own responsibility to make the most of the opportunities provided to him to do his very best in the examination process.

SPORT
Director of Sport
Mr Chris Gleeson

Sports Prize Winners 2008

SPC 2008 Sport Prize Winners		
Year	Sport	Student Name
Junior Presentation Night - Thursday November 27, 7.30pm		
7	Year 7 Athletics	Thomas Vadala
7	Junior Cross Country	Laiton Sullivan
7	Junior Soccer Blue	Brody Duggan
7	Junior Soccer White	Harry Seery
7	Year 7 Tennis	David Widdison
7	D Grade Badminton	Thomas Thorpe
7	Year 7 Basketball SPC Green	Mitchell O'Keefe
7	Year 7 Basketball SPC Gold	Declan Leishman
7	Year 7 Basketball SPC Green	Jacob Lourey
7	Year 7 Cricket SPC Green	Matthew Cashin
7	Junior Golf	Kelly Lyle
7	U13 Swimming	Jack Gunn
7	U12 Swimming	Harry Murphy
8	Intermediate Hockey	Zakariya McMurray-McKay
8	Year 8 Athletics	Jack Murch
8	Junior Soccer Green	Harry Martin
8	Year 8 Tennis	Glen Coleman
8	Year 8 Basketball SPC Blue	Ryan Collier
8	Year 8 Basketball SPC White	Zachary White
8	Year 7 Cricket SPC Blue	Patrick Tansey
8	Year 8 Cricket	Jayden Hayes
8	Year 8 Cricket SPC Blue	Matthew Lewis
8	Junior Football White	Richard Zelencich
8	Junior Football Blue	Charles Cook
8	Junior Football Green	Zeb Morcombe
8	Junior Football Gold	Lachlan Phyland
8	U14 Rugby	Alex Thompson
8	U14 Players Player - Rugby	Mitchell Cattell
8	Junior Volleyball	Mitchell Robertson
8	Junior Racquetball	Anthony Jreige
8	Junior Hockey	Luke Polmear
8	Junior Gymnastics	Benjamin Rodger
8	U14 Swimming	Marcus Simpson
Middle Presentation - Friday December 5, 1.15pm		
9	Year 9 Athletics	Thomas Nankivell
9	Year 9 Basketball	Ashley Constable
9	Year 9 Tennis	Tyler Brandenburg
9	Junior Touch Rugby	Jack Gudgeon
9	Intermediate Volleyball Green	Matthew Callahan
9	Intermediate Volleyball White	Tomas Gall
9	Junior House Tennis	Scott Erkamps
9	Year 9 Cricket	Jack Gudgeon

9	Year 9 Football	Mathew Begbie
9	Junior Rowing	Deklen Stoffels
9	U15 Swimming	James Elford
Senior Presentation - Friday November 28, 11am		
10	Year 10 Athletics	Justin Stevens
10	Year 10 Tennis	Bryce Andrews
10	Year 10 Basketball	Nicholas Brown
10	Intermediate Rowing Award	Regan Forbes
10	Intermediate Soccer	Michael Ferguson
10	U16 Rugby	Maxwell Hughes
10	U16 Player's Player - Rugby	Jack Williams
10	U16 Swimming	Jake Clark
10	25/25 Cricket	Dylan Prozzo
10	Year 10 Football	Jesse Dundon
10	2nd XVIII Football Blue	Hayden Walters
10	Intermediate Volleyball Blue	Lachlan Clydesdale
10	Year 10 Cricket	Clay Jenkins
11	Year 11 Athletics	Patrick Dwyer
11	2nd V Basketball Green	Joshua King
11	Intermediate Cross Country	Thomas Blood
11	Outstanding Contribution to Shed	Edward Long
11	U17 Swimming	Julian Atwood
11	Senior Gymnastics	Julian Atwood
11	Senior Touch Rugby	Blake Davis
11	Senior Golf	Ashley Haase
11	Croquet	Leigh Reddrop
11	B Grade Badminton	Benjamin Couch
11	C Grade Badminton	Thomas Young
11	Lawn Bowls	Patrick Styles
12	Year 12 Athletics	Daniel Ross Smith
12	2nd IV Tennis	Cody Stewart
12	U18 Player's Player - Rugby	Stephen Yaakoob
12	Open Swimming	Nathan Sobey
12	North Ballarat Rebels MVP	Nicholas Suban
12	2nd XVIII Football Green	Daniel James
12	Senior Cross Country	Christopher Munn
12	Captain's Cup	Timothy Rodger
12	Vice Captain's Cup	Rhys Allan
12	Vice Captain's Cup	Michael Keem

Director of Cricket
Mr Damian McKee
1st XVIII

First XI BAS Round 4
St Patrick's 0/24 drew with Ballarat College.

Round four was washed out with only 10 overs bowled on the Friday evening. Mathew Begbie and Matthew Crouch negotiated a difficult period to be in a comfortable position when the heavens opened up.

Second XI
Mr Jeremy House
Round 3 results

St Patrick's College 9/82 defeated by Ballarat Clarendon College 7/84

After losing the toss and being sent in to bat it was not looking good at 4/28 after 10 overs. A composed innings from Will Pickford and some good hitting by Dom Godfrey were perhaps the only saving graces, all out for 82. With a defendable target the boys hit the ground running after the break dismissing five batsmen for 18 runs. Unfortunately this was not to be sustained and in the space of one or two loose overs College had clawed their way back on top, going on to make the required runs comfortably in the 17th over. This leaves the SPC team with a significant amount of work to do in order to reach the top of the ladder, a task I am positive the SPC boys are up to.

Better Players: Leishman 4/4/3/15, Lennecke 4/0/2/8, Pickford 17 (no), Godfrey 22.

Intermediate Cricket
BAS Round 7

SPC Green 8/137 defeated Damascus College 10/110.

Reece Ibister 27, Mick Nolan 27, Clay Jenkins 15 & 6/2/1/20, Cameron Dunne 3.1/0/4/10, Joseph McKee 4/3/1/1, Sam Higgins 4/0/2/15, Jacob Perkins 2/1/1/1, Ben Watson 6/1/1/16.

SPC Blue: Bye

Junior Golf
Mr Scott Kruger
Round 4 Results

Congratulations to Mr Scott Kruger and his wife on the birth of their daughter Ruby Grace.

The final week of the Junior Golf saw SPC 1 take out the Premiership. Thank you to all the coaches and players for a great season.

SPC1 defeated BHS 1 (3 and 2)
DC 1 defeated SPC 2 (1 up)
BGS drew with BHS 2 (Square)
BCC defeated DC 2 (Forfeit)

Ladder	Pts	Games +
1. SPC 1	16	15 Premiers 2008
2. BHS 1	12	4
3. DC 1	8	5
4. BCC	8	4
5. SPC 2	8	4
6. BGS	6	-1
7. BHS 2	2	-10
8. DC 2	0	-12

Bacchus Marsh Late Bus

All students and parents are reminded that the Bacchus Marsh Late Bus will not run in the last week of term as is the usual practice. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Laurie McInnerney for driving the bus each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings in order for this service to be provided.

Junior Hockey
Mr Art Nicholls

Round 6 Results
St Patrick's College 4 defeated Ballarat High School 0

Luke Polmear, Isaac Harbour, Mark McOwan and Pat Lannen all scored goals in this comfortable victory for St Patrick's. Well done to all boys. Special thanks to Mrs Polmear for her continued assistance to the hockey programme.

Junior Volleyball
Mr Juri Kaczkowski

Round 5 Results
SPC defeated BGS 3 Sets to 0 (75 Points to 33)

SPC defeated Grammar easily in this week's match. There were some excellent passages of play with the students improving in both skill and concentration levels each week.

Round 6 Results
SPC defeated BHS 2 Sets to 1 (55 Points to 59)

This match would decide top position on the ladder and the premiership and was a very evenly contested affair. SPC managed to win the important points and completed the first two sets 25 to 18 and 25 to 22. A large drop in concentration then saw BHS complete the third set 15 points 9 but this was not enough to take the match from SPC. Well done to all boys.

Intermediate Volleyball
Mrs Fiona Carroll

Round 5 Results
SPC Blue defeated SPC Green 2 sets to 1 (62 points to 58)
SPC White defeated BCC

A very entertaining match saw the two SPC teams battle out Round 5. SPC Blue was represented by Nick Johnston, Sam Morrissey, Tom O'Loughlin, Liam Hunter, and Lachlan Clydesdale with SPC Green represented by Matt Callahan, Kayne Allen, Michael Jew, Jack Wilson, James McErvale and Tony Armstrong.

This is the future of SPC Volleyball and a very close game was assured with the boys living up to all expectations with each the first two sets going 25 points to 22. Well done to all the boys who have represented SPC this season.

Intermediate Volleyball
Mrs Fiona Carroll

Round 6 Results
SPC Blue Defeated BCC 2 sets to 1 (64 points to 54)

SPC Blue continued their winning ways with another close victory this time against BCC. A commanding first set saw the scores 25 points to 17 which set up the victory. Well done to the boys who represented SPC blue this week.

Student Achievements

News from Nick O'Brien

Nick is currently playing for the Australian U/15 Cricket team in the West Indies. According to mum, Helen, news from Tim (Nick's father) and Nick has been very sparse: 'Yesterday I was able to reach Tim on the phone. The first match was called off due to rain which was a good thing as they had a 12 hour delay in their flight due to an engine failure. The first game was played and they won. Nick took 1

for 26 off four overs. Tim said he struggled to get his line right to begin with but ended up bowling well. Nick has also been picked as one of four rotating Captains which is a huge honour. Nick is playing with a good group of young men and is enjoying the experience although it is very intense'.

Noosa Triathlon

Recently two students, Marc James (Year 11) and Max Seery (Year 8) participated in the Noosa Triathlon. The triathlon involved covering the Olympic Distance of a 1.5 km swim, a 40km bike ride, followed by a 10 km run. Congratulations Marc and Max!

1917	MARC JAMES	SWIM	RIDE	RUN	EVENT	PLACE	MALE
		00:30:47	01:30:08	00:52:38	FINISH	1,670	
					TIME		
					02:53:34		

1918	MAX SEERY	SWIM	RIDE	RUN	EVENT	PLACE	MALE
		00:28:26	01:23:46	00:56:56	FINISH	1,505	
					TIME		
					02:49:10		

Harry Seery (Year 7) competed in the Junior Triathlon (11-13 Years) which was held the day before. The event details were a 200m Swim, a 5km Cycle followed by a 1km Run Harry finished in 5th place. Congratulations Harry!

If anyone is aware of any other student achievements please forward via email to cgleeson@stpats.vic.edu.au

Appreciation

As another busy year is drawing to a close I would like to thank all the parents and volunteers that have assisted with the various College sports programmes for 2008. More detail will be available in the end of year reports however it is fantastic to have the support that the sports programme enjoys. Thank you to all.

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Mr Mark Waddington

2009 Art Exhibition

The Art Exhibition Committee held its first meeting for 2009 on Monday night. The meeting recognised the efforts of Trudy O'Connor in leading the first Exhibition and wished her and husband Steven well for their move to Albury in 2009. The meeting also fully reviewed the 2008 Exhibition and commenced the planning process for 2009. Election of a new committee was conducted – congratulations to the following who have accepted positions of leadership:

Chair:	Mrs Tracey Wilson
Secretary:	Mrs Deb Hill
Curator:	Mr Terry Blizzard
Logistics:	Mr Bernard Wilson
Catering	Mrs Sue Blizzard
Marketing:	College PR Committee
Finance:	Mark Waddington

If you would like to join the Art Exhibition Committee we will be meeting on the third Monday of the month during term time in 2009 at 7:30pm in the Board Room.

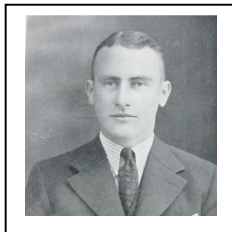
If you cannot attend scheduled meetings but would like to be involved please register your interest with Mark Waddington – mwaddington@stpats.vic.edu.au or 53 311688.

ARCHIVES

Br Brian Davis
Archivist

From the Archives

**Distinguished Old Collegian
Les Coleman (SPC 1931-1936).**



The College was saddened to learn this week of the passing of one of its most distinguished old boys, Les Coleman (SPC 1931-36). Our prayers and thoughts are extended to his family and friends.

Les Coleman was born in Kew, Melbourne and attended St Patrick's College as a boarder from Birchip, where his father was in charge of the hotel. He remembers as a Year Seven he was brought to Ballarat by Fr Tom Hussey on the midnight train. They arrived at the College about breakfast time to observe a miserable looking bunch, braving the cold as they emerged from the Chapel after morning Mass. He did not find it a good introduction to the College!

Six years later he could look back on a period of considerable achievement. He was a member of the athletic team for six years as a sprinter, won the 100 yards sprint in Melbourne in 1934 and was a member of the Melbourne Combined Athletics Champion Open Relay in 1936. In rowing he occupied the bow seat in the 1936 Head of the Lake crew which came second and was a member of the 1936 1st XVIII, where it was said that as a change rover his weight and pace got him out of difficulty time and time again.

Les finished in 1936 as Head Prefect of the College and a Prefect of Our Lady's Sodality. He first set eyes on his future wife as she visited St Patrick's one day as a Loreto student.

He studied medicine for two years at Melbourne University, while residing at Newman College before entering the Royal Military College at Duntroon. In 1939 he graduated as First Lieutenant in the Royal Australian Armoured Corps. With the outbreak of the Second World War he was posted to Perth as Adjutant of the 2/10 Armoured Regiment Western Australia.



Les is pictured here with Headmaster, Dr Peter Casey and 2005 College Captain, Michael Huckstepp on the occasion of the presentation to him of the Legion of Honour by the French Ambassador for his part in the liberation of France in the D-Day landings.

EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

Canteen

Canteen Roster Monday December 1 to Friday December 5. 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 December 1

Leisa Carey, Colleen Flynn, Miranda Fraser, Marlene Murphy, Fiona Thomas, Josie Donegan, Melinda Murphy.

Tuesday December 2

*Joanne Dickson, *Nicki Quinlan, *Susanne Boswerger, *Debbie Hill, Marty Forbes, Veronica Inglis, *Bernadette Scott, Sharon Sewell, *Sandra Nibloe, Angela Langdon.

Wednesday December 3

Laureen Duffin, Lyn Weightman, Michelle Drummond, Andrea Perkins, Raelene Hart, *Sam Fraser, *Annette Barresi, Gary Lenneke & Mark Allan.

Thursday December 4

*Angela Cushing, Gayle Edmonds, *Maree Torpy, Anna McIntyre, Francis Powlett, *Jacqui McMaster, Maree Dodd, Carla Taylor, *Liz Quick.

Friday December 5

*Francis McDaid, Karolyn Malone, *Julie Delahay, *Jenine Leonard, *Robyn Clarke, Anne Jreige, *Janne Ferguson, Doris Razbocan, *Marika Rawlings, *Andrea Tully, *Mandy Simpson.

*Not in attendance for the entire canteen duty.

Dobson's Uniform Shop

Extended Trading Hours

December 2008 - February 2009

Trading Hours December 2008

Tuesday December 2: Orientation Day	9am-12 noon & 1.30 pm-4.30pm.
Wednesday December 3 - Friday December 5	12 noon - 4pm
Tuesday December 9	12 noon - 4 pm
Thursday December 11	12 noon - 4 pm

Trading Hours January 2009

Thursday January 21	2.00pm -5.00pm
Friday January 23	2.00pm -5.00pm
Monday December 26	Closed - Australia Day.
Tuesday January 27	1.00pm – 5.00pm
Wednesday January 28	1.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday January 29	8.30-10.30am & 1pm-5pm. School resumes.
Friday January 30	1.00pm -4.00pm.

Second Hand Book-Sales

The format of the Second-hand Book Sales will be similar to 2007. In an effort to provide a fair system, the College will once again price and sell all books available for purchase. Students can continue to sell their books privately should they wish. To avoid congestion, each year level has been allocated a date to buy and sell their books. Please find listed below the allocated venue and time for the Book Sales for each of the Year levels. The sale of the books will be held in the Senior School Wilding Wing in WIL 001.

Every book submitted for sale will need to have a pink slip inserted in the front cover outlining **Name, Year Level** and **Homeroom Number**. The slips can be collected from the Student Services Centre.

The Year Seven students who are submitting their books for sale will need to have the Books handed in on Monday December 1 at 9:00am. All other Year levels need to submit their books for pricing by 8:45am of the nominated day.

Year Level Date and Time

Year Level	Date and Time
Year 10 - 2008 selling to Year 10- 2009	Friday November 28 3:45pm
Year 7 - 2008 selling to Year 7- 2009	Tuesday December 2 (Orientation Day) 2:00pm
Year 9 - 2008 selling to Year 9- 2009	Friday December 5 3:45 pm
Year 8 - 2008 selling to Year 8- 2009	Friday December 5 3:45pm

With the sale of any book, the funds will be credited to the student's school fees for 2009. With the sale of any Year 12 book, the funds can be either collected at the Front Reception or, if negotiated with the administration staff, sent by post. This system once again continues to provide individual families with the opportunity to purchase books at a reduced rate. It is anticipated that a book in excellent condition will be priced at two thirds of the recommended retail price, in good condition half price and in poor condition one third of the recommended price.

Students will need to check whether or not their books have been sold by going to WIL 001 on Friday December 12 between 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Books still remaining in the College after Friday the December 12 at 4:00 pm will be offered to charity.

EVENTS OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE

Relay For Life Fundraiser

Come along and support Cancer Research and see **'Australia' starring Nicole Kidman and Hugh Jackman.**

Where: Regent Cinemas

When: December 1 at 8.30 pm.

Tickets: \$13.50 each with \$5.00 from each ticket going to Cancer Research.

For tickets please contact John or Jan Cosgriff on 5341 7642 or 0408 526 052 ASAP.

The Eureka Festival

Thursday November 20 to Sunday December 7

Don't miss a day of free fun and music

Eureka Sunday Celebrations with free family fun and music festival

Come and enjoy a day of free music and fun at the Eureka Centre and Stockade Gardens. Spend the day at the historic gardens, join in activities, look at the display boards and explore the Eureka Centre. Food vendors will be supplying a range of tasty things to eat.

For full details please visit: www.ballarat.vic.gov.au or call 5333 1854.

Come to Life, it's Christmas!

Come and see the Christmas lights turned on – and have a Christmas party in the street with your family, friends and neighbours.

There'll be a juggling unicyclist, games for kids, Latin-American music, carols, a funky Father Christmas and his BMX trickster elves...and loads more!

Come along, eat, drink and be merry and enjoy the many ways that we can celebrate Christmas.....

Features include:

- Coward-Lemke Music School
- Meet our Olympians Jodie Willis-Roberts and Shayne Reese
- Multicultural Women's Choir
- Thursday Night Choir
- A Funky Father Christmas and Trickster Elves
- Dancing in the street with Los Locos
- Healthy food stalls
- Community displays

Join the party in the 400 block of Sturt St (near Myer) from 6.30pm on Friday December 5.

COMING EVENTS

Monday December 1

2009 Student Council Camp Apollo Bay
Year 10 Exams
2009 Boarding Orientation Night, 4pm

Tuesday December 2

Year 10 Exams finish
2009 Student Council Camp Apollo Bay
2009 Year 7 Orientation Day 9.00 am
2009 Year 8 -12 Orientation Day

Wednesday December 3

Year 10 Uni Experience
Year 7 -9 Exams

Thursday December 5

Year 10 Uni Experience
Year 7- 9 Exams

Friday December 6

Year 10 Call back day
Year 7-9 Exams
Year 7-9 Final Day

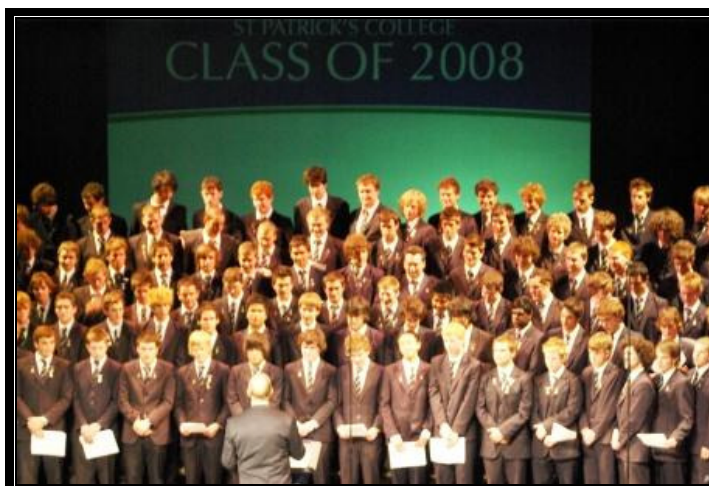
Friday December 19

College Office Closes



2008 College Captain Thomas Kavanagh with parents Clare (staff) and Chris Kavanagh at the Valedictory Dinner held on Saturday November 22.

**The Class of 2008 perform at
Speech Night on
Friday November 21**



ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE
Year 10 Exam Timetable November 2008

Time	Monday 1 December	Tuesday 2 December
9.00 am – 10.30 am (90 min)	IT – Web Technology Systems Legal Studies Unit 2	Maths General Maths Modified Maths
10.55 – 12.25 (90 min)	IT Programming Business Management Unit 2	Year 10 Assembly - Chapel
1.55 – 3.25 pm (90 min)	Outdoor Education Unit 2	



**Students and Elders from the
Timber Creek Community**



ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE
Year 9 Exam Timetable Semester 2, 2008

WEEK	EXAM	DAY / DATE	SESSIONS
8 NOV 24 – 28	Revision week – semester revision and practice questions. Elective classes continue as normal. NOTE: Immersion may use this week to finish off outstanding tasks.		
9 DEC 1– 5	JAPANESE	Tuesday December 1	Sess. 8&9
	FRENCH	Wednesday December 3	Sess. 2&3
	IMMERSION - Science	Wednesday December 3	Sess. 8&9
	ENGLISH	Thursday December 4	Sess. 2&3
	IMMERSION – Humanities	Thursday December 4	Sess. 7&8
	MATHEMATICS	Friday December 5	9.30am - 11.00am
			11.00am – 11.20am recess 11.20am – 12noon return to homeroom for clean-up.
MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADUATION		12noon - year level BBQ until 1pm 1pm - return to homeroom and check roles. Graduation ceremony at 1.15pm in College Chapel – <i>all students must attend.</i> Dismiss at conclusion – approx 2.30pm.	