

FROM THE ACTING HEADMASTER
Mr Chris Caldow

I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all of our students and their families. I hope that the holiday period was relaxing and that you were able to spend some quality time together as a family. In particular, I would like to welcome two new Year 10 boys and their families: Jack Hardie and Joseph Clarke. We hope that your time with us is both productive and rewarding.

Our Headmaster, Dr Peter Casey is on Enrichment Leave for the whole of Term 3 where he will be spending time looking at educational initiatives in Europe, visiting significant Edmund Rice sites in Ireland, and spending significant amounts of time admiring the stained glass windows in a range of churches and cathedrals throughout Europe.

While Peter is away I will be Acting Headmaster and Ms Elizabeth Till will take on my role as Deputy Headmaster: Student & Staff Wellbeing. Mr Stephen Hill returns as Deputy Headmaster: Teaching and Learning after a semester of long service leave. Welcome back also to Jamie Lynn from Long Service Leave. We also welcome on to staff for six weeks, Susan Gordon who is replacing Mrs Melissa Griffin in her Art classes whilst Mr Matt Taylor will be Acting Year 10 Coordinator. Mr Peter Ryan has taken long service leave for Term 3 and has been replaced with Mr Norm Christie.

I am looking forward to the opportunity to act in the role as Headmaster for the term. I thank both Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA) and the College Board for the opportunity and feel reassured by their confidence in me and others within our Leadership Team.

I have witnessed first hand, many different leadership styles in my 22 years in education- from the fantastic servant leadership demonstrated by Br Zoch here at St Patrick's College on a daily basis to more authoritarian leadership. I am a different person to Dr Peter Casey and, as a result, will lead in a different way in order to be true to myself. This is not to say in any way that my leadership style is better, but could better be described as different.

Term Three within secondary schools is an essential time of preparation. For Year 12 students, it is their last full school term in their lives - which can sometimes be a scary thought! It is undoubtedly a time for Year 12 students to consolidate their knowledge, continue to revise and prepare for the end of year exams. For all other students the focus of Term Three is upon subject selections for 2013 and, with this, a focus upon future career choices.

I recently attended a seminar run by Live Smart Australia where they discussed a paper called "Australian Jobs 2011". The Australian Government produced this comprehensive report on employment and future employment prospects within Australia for the next five years.

This is an excellent paper and should be compulsory reading for all parents and students.

<http://www.deewr.gov.au/Employment/ResearchStatistics/Documents/AustralianJobs.pdf>

In this paper, the Government paints a very clear picture of the current employment position in this country. I have listed below a summary of these statistics

	2011	2016
Unemployment	5%	5%
Low Paid Part time Jobs (<\$25,000 p.a.)	30%	35%
Low Paid Full time Jobs (\$35,000 - \$50,000)	32%	24%
Highly Paid Jobs (> \$50,000)	33%	36%

Currently 57 per cent of males aged between 30 and 39-years-old earn \$42,000 per year or less. However, Australian Jobs 2011 points out that the average starting salaries for new graduates (Bachelor or VET Qualification) aged less than \$25,000 was around \$1000 per week. In essence this is saying that the more highly qualified you become, the more you will be paid. Whilst there is much more to career fulfilment than the income you earn, this information highlights the importance of lifelong education and attaining qualifications.

Term 3 is traditionally a very busy time of year for students, staff and parents as planning for the next year begins in earnest. As a school we are attempting to provide as much information as we can to ensure that all of our boys are making informed choices with regards to their subject selections. I understand the anxieties experienced by both parents and students in trying to determine which subjects to do in the subsequent years. I am currently experiencing first hand, with my own teenagers, the joys of subject selection! At 14, 15 or 16 years of age it is difficult to determine a future career path or even direction. Many students are in exactly the same position of not knowing what it is that they may do in the future.

There are some broad principles in terms of subject selections that apply to all students:

Choose subjects that you enjoy.

This makes sense to me, as students will put more effort into subjects that they enjoy and where there is an increased chance of receiving good grades.

Choose subjects that are required for your future career path

Provided you know your future career path, you should choose any prerequisite subjects that may be required. Generally this means choosing the highest level of mathematics that you are capable of, continuing with a language if possible or investigating/researching the subjects that are required for tertiary study. Where a future career path is unknown, it is best to keep your options open by choosing a broad course or researching the consequences of not choosing a subject.

Choose subjects that you are good at.

Students may not necessarily like a particular subject but they are very talented in the area, or have always found the subject easier than most. I ask all families to allocate time to discuss subject selections over the next few weeks. Take advantage of the information sessions available here at the school, organise interviews with relevant staff members and complete your own research regarding what is best for your son. As long as the decisions that are made are informed decisions, then we are all doing the best that we possibly can!

Condolences

Please keep the family of Sgt Blaine Diddams (SPC 1989) in your prayers following his death in Afghanistan. Sergeant Diddams died when he was shot on a mission targeting an insurgent commander. His wife, Toni-Ann, released a statement on Monday, July 9, describing her late partner as the most loving of husbands and a proud father to their children, Elle-Lou and Henry. She said he was a man who stood by his mates no matter what and lived his life to the fullest.

Members of the SAS joined the family at the airforce base for a ceremony as his body was returned. Sergeant Diddams joined the Army in 1990 and joined the SAS in 1995. He had been on his seventh tour to Afghanistan and had also been deployed on four occasions to Somalia, East Timor and the Solomon Islands.

Our condolences also go to Mr Rick Blanchfield, President of the Old Collegians Association, and his family on the passing of his mother over the holiday period.

FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER

Teaching and Learning
Mr Stephen Hill

The 2013 subject selection process

In the coming weeks all current Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 students will receive information relating to 2013 subject selection. Subject selection can be an anxious time and the College has a variety of procedures to support both students and parents.

Firstly, parents and students should check the Term 3 calendar, included in the recent report mail-out. This calendar lists the date of each 2013 student information session, any 2013 parent information session and the due date for the return of *2013 Student Subject Selection Guide* for each year level.

Students will receive a paper copy of the *2013 Information Booklet* at each of the student information sessions and be emailed a PDF of the booklet. Parents and students will also be able to access a PDF of each 2013 Information booklets via the College's homepage.

An important aspect of the 2013 subject selection process is the *2013 Subject Selection Guide* each student is required to submit. This has been developed at the request of parents and students as a single subject selection document that, step-by-step, leads you through the various aspects of subject selection for each year level.

2013 Year 10

Current Year 9 boys attended the student information session for 2013 Year 10 this week. While at this session, each boy received a copy of the *2013 Year 10 Information Booklet* and the *2013 Year 10 Subject Selection Guide*. A copy of the PowerPoint presented to the students can be accessed by the College's homepage.

I encourage all Year 9 parents to attend the **2013 Year 10 Parent Information Evening on Thursday, July 26 at 7:30pm** in the **College Chapel**. This evening will provide you with an overview of the Senior School programme, the core and elective blocks which collectively form the Year 10 curriculum and the subject selection process. Parents are asked to please read the *2013 Year 10 Information Booklet* before attending the parent information evening.

If you have any questions or concerns about the 2013 subject selection process you can contact your son's Pastoral Care Group tutor, relevant subject teachers, Faculty Head, Head of School or myself.

FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY HEAD

Student and Staff Wellbeing
Ms Elizabeth Till

Term Three Welcome

The term has begun and both the boys and staff appear to have settled back into the routine of school life. This is an important term for students in terms of consolidating the work of the first semester. This is particularly pertinent for students undertaking Unit 4 subjects as the end of year exams will come around quickly.

In preparation for these exams the College conducts trial exams during the second week of the Term Three holiday period. These exams are considered compulsory as they provide the best possible preparation prior to the VCAA exams in late October and November.

2013 Subject Selection

Subject selections for 2013 begin this term starting with Year 9 students who undertook the process on Wednesday of this week. On Thursday, July 26 at 7.30 pm in the Chapel, the 2013 Parent Information Evening will be held.

Student Leaders

Later in the term we will go through the process of electing student leaders for the 2013 school year, another important aspect of third term. Mr Chris Caldwell, Acting Headmaster will speak to the boys about the opportunities to become involved as student leaders at the College to commence this process.

Work Experience

Thanks to Mr Anthony Meehan for his tireless work in assisting more than 190 Year 10 students with work placements in the week of June 25 – June 29. Thanks also to staff who took the time to visit a number of students within their work placements during this time.

Many favourable comments have been received from employers and the wider community regarding the positive impact that many of our boys had within their work placement. As a school community, it is great to receive these comments. Often we only hear negative comments regarding the youth of today, but it is great that the community gets to see in action the wonderful young men that we deal with daily.

Parent Access Module (PAM)

Currently our College operates a system known as SIMON which is used by the College in the management of students and their education. In the end of Semester mailout parents were provided with access to a secured site, where you will be able to access information regarding your son.

Through this site, parents have the ability to view their son's

- timetable;
- attendance records;
- daily messages; and
- school calendar

In due course, we will endeavour to expand on the data which can be viewed by parents. In the future, we hope to expand the functionality of this site so that you can communicate more directly with your son's classroom teachers, have access to reports and provide access to homework tasks and assessment tasks. We hope that this site will assist you and your son through his journey at St Patrick's College.

Year 9 parents will receive their login details in this week's mailout.

Careers and Transition Mr Anthony Meehan

Year 10 Work Experience Week

Congratulations to the 192 students who did work placement during the three week holiday break from June 25 - July 13.

A very high standard of participation was exhibited by our students. The objective of work placement is to provide an experience about work not available in the classroom. Strong indications were that a successful week was had by all.

Employer reaction was typified by this comment: "...was a very enthusiastic, polite young man, willing to try anything. He was always punctual and well presented, has a great attitude and personality and was a pleasure to have working with our team for the week."

And thank you to the many parents who also returned evaluation surveys. Overall comments were very positive too!

"He was given a great overview of the day-to-day activities and the different roles within the (office)."

"Great experience providing opportunity to identify potential career options, which may not have been considered prior to placement."

"It was a fantastic experience for him before he finishes school."

For those boys still considering their placement options, the available times are over the next break from September 24 to October 5 or perhaps some may consider the three weeks pre-Christmas period, December 3 - 21. Please contact Mr Anthony Meehan to confirm your details.



Year 10 Work Experience



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DIRECTOR OF MISSION Mr Geoff Brodie

Welcome to Term Three. I hope families were able to spend that little bit of extra time together during the break.

Before staff broke for the holiday we gathered for two days of reflection and companionship. We were led by Fr Dave Callaghan to consider the nature of a Catholic worldview and how this might impact on the various roles undertaken by staff. The lively discussion on the nature of a holistic education is an important ingredient in the formation of staff in a Catholic School. In this we continued a long tradition in Australian education. The Australian bishops at the Provincial Council of 1862 declared:

"Catholics do not believe that the education of a child is like a thing of mechanism that can be put together bit by bit. Now a morsel of instruction on religion, and then of instruction in secular learning – separate parcels... We hold, that subjects taught, the teacher and his (sic) faith, the rule and practices of the school day, all combine to produce the result which we Catholics consider to be education..." (quoted by D'Orsa and D'Orsa).

The results that we seek are based in fostering active and living friendships: between students, staff, families, friends, and most importantly, with Jesus. May this term be one of great joy for our community.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION Mr Joe Carmody

Welcome back to all families for Term 3. I especially hope all Year 12 students had a restful break as they will complete most of their Unit 4 curriculum this term with their final exams scheduled for early in Term 4.

Semester Reports

Semester One Reports were included in last term's mail out for Years 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12. If you have not received this mail out please contact Student Services at the College. Year 9 reports will be mailed home on Friday.

2013 Planning

In Term 3 planning for 2013 commences. During this term all students and families in Years 7-11 will be asked to confirm their enrolment for 2013 and make various subject selections. The first group to make selections will be our current Year 9 students. Years 10 and 11 students will follow immediately after. All Year levels will take part in a Subject Information session in the coming weeks.

Year 10 families will be taken through a series of steps designed to ensure that each boy is allocated their best VCE course for 2013/2014. This process begins with an invite to all Year 10 students and families to our **2013 Year 11 Information/Careers Evening** on Thursday, August 2 at 7.30 pm

DIRECTOR OF PERFORMING ARTS

Mrs Kathleen Plastow

FAME

Next week Loreto College will be hosting the combined College Production of 'Fame' at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts. Our boys have been working extremely hard on their characters as well as their performances and, now that the rehearsals have almost finished, they are starting to become very eager to get out onto the stage and perform!

Dates

Friday, July 27 at 7:30 pm

Saturday, July 28 at 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm.

Tickets

Adults \$20.00

Concession \$15.00

Family Tickets are also available by contacting Loreto College

Tickets are available from Loreto College on 5329 6100 or WCPA 5338 0980.

Queensland Music Tour

The Queensland Music Tour is looming large on the horizon for 76 of our very talented young men. The tour leaves on August 15 and returns on August 19. The experience, while a lot of fun, is also very hard work with numerous competitions and rehearsals over a very short period of time.

Concert Band 1, Concert Band 2, Guitar Ensemble, Percussion Ensembles 1 and 2 as well as Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone and Brass ensembles will all represent not only St Patrick's College but the State of Victoria at the upcoming Catholic Colleges Music Festival and at the Allan's Billy Hyde's Urbane Upbeat Festival.

Of the five days that the tour will be in Queensland, three will be spent in competition. Many of the boys will have to compete multiple times and at different venues across Brisbane on the same day.

Rehearsals have been very intense and will only intensify over the next few weeks. I would like to thank all the parents and carers that have been getting boys to and from both very early and late rehearsals.

Throughout the year, a large number of students attend theory of Music lessons in preparation for sitting AMEB (Australian Music Examinations Board) Examinations. Our students continue to achieve extremely pleasing results.

Recently, students sat for Theory of Music Exams. The AMEB has been promoting the development of musicians since 1887. The AMEB is highly regarded around the world as respected qualifications and are the benchmark for entry into tertiary institutions.

Continued AMEB Success: Our congratulations go to the following boys:

Grade 1 Theory of Music

Liam Cappello	awarded a Pass with High Distinction
Louis Edwards	awarded a Pass with High Distinction
Thomas Hallett	awarded a Pass with High Distinction
Daniel Hillman	awarded a Pass with High Distinction
Liam O'Shea	awarded a Pass with High Distinction
Joshua Taylor	awarded a Pass with High Distinction
Patrick Willis	awarded a Pass with High Distinction

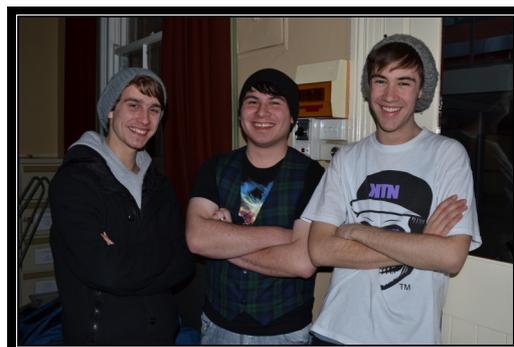
Grade 2 Theory of Music

David Adams - awarded a Pass with High Distinction

Building Connections

The Music Department continues to offer a lifetime of friendships and connections through building relationships within the school community and also the wider Ballarat and district community.

Old Boys regularly come back to catch up with teachers and students and to assist with rehearsals. This year we have had the privilege of having Ben O'Shea, Simon Gradkowski, Aaron Lewicki, Killian Plastow, Lachlan Mulquiny and Connor Bourke attend Concert Band rehearsals. Recently, while on break from university, Simon, Killian and Aaron assisted the Concert band by giving valuable feedback on pieces being prepared for the Queensland Tour.



Community Connections

On Saturday, June 23, the St Patrick's College Music Department hosted Melbourne Youth Music. Thirty Brass teachers and students from around the district attended. The afternoon consisted of practice techniques, sound production strategies and performance techniques for all brass instruments.

We were extremely lucky to have one of Australia's leading brass players, Charles MacInnes, trombonist and composer. Charles studied in Australia and Germany and has worked for more than two decades in musical situations spanning the North German Radio (NDR) Big Band, Australian Opera and Ballet Orchestra, Hamburg State Opera, Australian Art Orchestra, and Australian Chamber Orchestra. He has recorded extensively for film, and has performed in many new music ensembles including oh ton, Australia Ensemble, Das Neue Werk, Libra Ensemble, ARKO Symphonic Project, Astra, and the Elliott Carter Brass Quintet.

The afternoon was a great success and allowed our boys to establish good musical habits and skills and provided a social aspect that allowed like-minded students from a vast array of schools to learn together.



Charles MacInnes
Facilitator

Tour Concert

Family, friends and guests are invited to a performance by

St Patrick's College Concert Band 1 and 2 including Ensembles

St Patrick's College Guitar Ensemble

Ballarat Schools' Symphony Orchestra

The performance will commence at 7.00pm on Monday, August 6, 2012 at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts
1220 Howitt Street, Wendouree

RSVP

Andrea McDonald before Friday July 27, 2012
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HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL
Mrs Elizabeth Ryan

Term 2 concluded with two very different but successful social events in the senior school. The first was the Year 10 fundraiser between Loreto College and St Patricks College which raised more than \$1500 to support refugee children from disadvantaged areas.

Mrs Sofia Thapa together with support from Steve Rajki, Juri Kaczkowski, Andrew Chamings, Shane Murphy, Kristine Smardon, Melissa Griffin, Howard Clark and numerous Loreto College staff, did a fantastic job in making this idea a reality and an outstanding success. The second event was the Year 12 social held at the Mercure Hotel. This evening provided a great forum for the boys to let their hair down and enjoy each other's company prior to focusing on their studies in Term 3.

This term we have certainly hit the ground running and it was with a high level of anticipation that I caught up with many of the boys in the senior school yesterday morning.

The Year Ten students are to be congratulated on the smooth transition they made adjusting to their new second semester timetable. On Wednesday, July 25 Year Ten students will be participating in a Information session aimed at giving them the information and guidance to initiate 2013 VCE subject selection. On August 2, 2012 a Parent Information Night and Careers Expo will be held. All Year 10 parents are invited and strongly encouraged to attend this session so that they can support and guide their son through this process.

On Friday, July 20 the Year 11 cohort will participate in a retreat conducted by Jonathon Doyle. As I mentioned last term, this retreat will address Manhood and Values Based Sexuality. This retreat will explore masculine identity and aims to help young men avoid proving manhood in toxic ways – sexual conquest, pornography, alcohol abuse and violence.

On Wednesday, August 1, 2012 all Year 11 students will be participating in an Information session aimed at giving them the information and guidance to initiate 2013 VCE Subject selection.

The Year 12 cohort has commenced a vey important and focussed term which is really the business end of proceedings. All boys should have a clearly defined study programme and will need to be supported and encouraged to adhere to it. This is usually a challenging time for both the student and their families, and I take this opportunity to remind all families of the counselling and support services offered by the College. Contact reception for a confidential appointment if required.

Last term, I revisited the College's uniform policy and sought parental support in ensuring it is adhered to. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their indirect support which facilitated the boys presenting themselves in such splendid style at the beginning of this term.

HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL
Mr Neil Arthurson

The beginning of Semester Two is an excellent time to remind and encourage the boys to either continue with, or begin good study habits. Included in this week's edition of The Crest are some simple guidelines the boys can use to assist with their study. Important skills the boys need to master include time management and being organised.

Encouragement from both home and school assisting the boys acquire these skills will help as they transition from Middle School into Senior School.

Tips and ideas to help you with your study in Term 3.

General Guidelines

- The best time to review something is just after you finish studying it at school. This means you should be going over notes from class each night and highlighting important material.

- Your best source of material is the notes you have taken in class – you need to get these organised and also use them to create summary notes of key ideas and major and minor points.
- Your summary notes should be written on your A4 summary sheets, and then transferred to your study cards. These study cards should be read every night.
- Remember, a small amount of study on a regular basis, is much better than trying to ‘cram’ at the end of the term.

Ideas for Revision

- Highlighters are great for picking out key words, key ideas and important points. You should use a highlighter and actively read and identify key ideas and major and minor points. There is little point highlighting a whole paragraph – select the most important ideas. Think about colour coding as you go – green for key ideas, blue for interesting ideas, pink for concepts, yellow for minor points, orange for major points.

Study Cards

- Information that sits in your folder or in your locker is no good to you. You need a set of study cards that you can take home with you or use on the bus, in a study period etc.
- You can make these yourself or buy them from the newsagency or places like the Reject shop.
- You can set your study cards out in a number of ways.
 - a) Concept cards – on one side of the card write the concept, on the other write dot points and examples
 - b) Glossary cards – write a glossary word on one side, and on the other give the definition, and example if appropriate

Ask for Help

Don't be afraid to ask for help – that's what we are here for.

HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Mr John Richards

Year 8 Camps

Year 8 camps are not too far away. This year the camp will be held at Amberley on the banks of the Yarra River in Lower Plenty. More details will follow shortly.

Please note the camp dates below:

8B and 8E

Monday, July 30 – Wednesday, August 1

8F and 8G

Wednesday, August 1 – Friday, August 3

8A and 8D

Monday, August 13 – Wednesday, August 15

8C and 8J

Monday, August 20 – Wednesday, August 22

8H and 8I

Wednesday, August 22 – Friday, August 24

Year 8 Maths Tutoring

Year 8 Maths Tutoring will take place each Wednesday afternoon from 3:40 pm - 4:30 pm in O'Malley Wing 102 for all Year 8 boys wanting to attend.

The tutoring sessions are a great opportunity for boys to improve their general maths skills or to address specific mathematics questions. Please contact your son's mathematics teacher for any queries.

DIRECTOR OF SPORT

Mr Chris Gleeson

Sports available for Term 3 are indicated below. Further information will be included on the Daily Notices.

TERM 3	DAY	STAFF
Intermediate Hockey	Monday	Mr Nathan Geaghan
Intermediate Basketball	Wednesday	Miss Tamara Westwood
Junior Basketball (Year 8)	Tuesday - 4pm	Miss Tamara Westwood
Junior Basketball (Year 7)	Tuesday - 5pm	Miss Tamara Westwood
		Mr Michael Brady / Mrs Marianne Kambouridis
Table Tennis	Tuesday	Mr Chris Neilsen
Squash/Racquetball	Thursday	Mr Stephen McMahon / Mr Shane Hayes
BAS Cross Country	Varies	Mr Brendon Gilbert
Swimming Squad	Varies	Mr Don Pennell
Gymnastics Squad	Varies	Mr Matt Taylor / Mr Gerard Knoble
Shooting	Varies	

Soccer

First XI Soccer

Mr Tony Beggs and Mr Barry Schuurs

Round 5 Wednesday June 20

SPC Blue 5 Def SPC Green 1

The SPC Blue team were expected to win this easily but the Seconds team put up a tremendous effort to thwart a blow-out score. They showed enough to enter the second half of the season after the term break with renewed confidence.

It was a tremendously windy and cold afternoon, but all present were entertained with the tightness of the contest and the close on-goal shots by both teams that just missed or were turned away. The Green team began with gusto and perhaps had the better of the first 15 minutes. Luke Moodley, shifted into a central striker role, managed to get the first two goals in similar fashion, both off long throws from Jacob McDowell that reached the middle of the park.

Play remained tight with Eddie Pou, Jai Shah and Rhyle Panozza repelling many attacks from the Blues. However, near the close of the half Green's own Thomas Azarnikow received a back pass into the defence and he unleashed a towering 51 metre kick over the head of Blue's keeper Jarrah Staley and high into the net. A stunning goal and well celebrated by the Second team.

The wind got stronger and the second half became a frustration as Blues attacked relentlessly but were not sure-footed in front of goals. Many chances were squandered but many more were defended desperately to the delight of coach Barry Schuur.

Finally, it took captain McDowell to right the ship somewhat with a beautiful back pass to the running Sam Wines to score a third. Then there was some brilliant reading of a long ball from keeper Kyle Stewart before running around the keeper and firing in from an oblique angle for his first of a double.

The final goal came via a long shot from McDowell as he picked up an errant defensive clearance and he fired surely.

The BAS competition pauses until next term with SPC Blue still in the race but needing perhaps five wins to make the Grand Final.

SPC Blue 5 defeated SPC Green 1

Goals: Jacob McDowell 2, Luke Moodley 2, Sam Wines 1

Best: Jacob McDowell, Luke Moodley, Cameron Ferguson, Billy Gianacopoulos, Harry Martin, Nick McKee, Sam Wines, Jarrah Staley.

Goal SPC Green: Thomas Azarnikow

Best SPC Green: Rhyle Panozza, Lachlan Kemp, Eddie Pou, Anthony Schuur, Jai Shah, Thomas Azarnikow, Ben Ashmore.

Round 6

July 18

St Patrick's College v Damascus College

The new term saw a quick jump back into heated competition in the Senior Soccer BAS competition. The improvement heralded in 2011 by the Damascus team had been realised in round 1 when the SPC Blue side went down 5-1 with a number of problems unable to be rectified during the game. Hence, this match was a 'must win' situation where our season was on the line.

The call-to-arms was answered by players and we fielded one of our best squads for the season. Immediately, we attacked strongly and were putting passes together all over the ground with Patrick Karras playing balls sideways through their lines and doubling up with the dangerous Jacob McDowell on the front line. Our first goal came via a transfer from Billy Gianacopoulos who held the ball up in the centre before finding Jacob on the right. His cross went over players, including their keeper, and Michael Cocomazzo raced in from the wing to smash the first goal from close in.

Luke Moodley played back to Brodie Duggan and he one-twoed with Pat Karras which left space for Brodie to face up to the goals. He hit the ball strongly and the deflection of the keeper's dive merely put the ball in the far corner for our second goal. Against play on the restart, Damascus had a long shot from 30 metres which could not be tipped over by keeper Jack Knight.

At half time we reflected on our dominance but recognised that work still had to be done. It did not take long as again we exposed their defence using the wide ball and Luke Moodley, Jacob McDowell and Pat Karras all went close with legitimate shots. The third goal was the result of a great run by Luke Moodley who accepted the ball near the half way line and set off forward as his opposing defender slipped over trying to cover him. He then ran deep in past a desperate defence and hit the ball in with no stopping.

An equally brilliant goal finished the contest when Jacob McDowell received a pass from centreman Jarrah Staley and went past their defence with pace. Running in deep into the 18 yards he sized up and beat the keeper with a sure finish.

Cameron Ferguson was soaking up a lot of their attacks as he took the back right. However Damascus clawed back a goal when a ball deflected off a defender, landing at the feet of one of their forwards who was able to deftly clear the keeper for their second goal.

The match finished when we arrested back the flow and both Kane Hart and Pat Karras put enormous pressure on their defence with well set up shots on goal.

This was the cleanest exhibition of soccer produced by the Senior team this year. It needed to be as Damascus had a number of classy players. Next week we take on High School, which did not have its best team in when we last met. With retreats and activities happening with regularity this term, all boys who are available need to ensure that they are ready and kitted for each of the four games left. If we are able to win the next four matches we definitely play off in the BAS Final this year – any loss could cost us dearly.

St Patrick's College Blue 4 defeated Damascus College 2

Goals: Michael Cocomazzo, Brodie Duggan, Luke Moodley, Jacob McDowell

Best: Jacob McDowell, Patrick Karras, Sam Wines, Jarrah Staley.

BAS Basketball

Miss Tamara Westwood

The first round of the basketball season is as follows;

Senior

Thursday, July 19

4pm SPC v SPC Blue
4pm SPC Green v BG

Intermediate

Wednesday, July 25

4pm SPC Blue v BCC Black
4pm SPC Green v SPC White

Junior

Year 8

Tuesday, July 24

4pm SPC Blue v DC
4pm SPC Green v BHS
SPC White BYE

Junior

Year 7

Tuesday, July 24

4:50pm SPC Blue v DC
4:50pm SPC Green v BG Gold
SPC White BYE

All matches are played at the WT O'Malley Sports Centre at St Patrick's College.

BAS Table Tennis

Mr Michael Brady and Mrs Marianne Kambouridis

The BAS Table Tennis season will start with a grading night on **Tuesday, July 24**. Please see Mr Michael Brady for any further information.

BAS Squash and Racquetball

Mr Chris Neilson

The BAS Squash and Racquetball season will start with a grading night on **Thursday, July 26**. Please see Mr Neilson for any further information.

Rugby

Mr Leigh McKee

The annual Rugby Gala day will be held on Saturday, July 28 and will showcase all the talent from the St Patrick's College Rugby teams. It promises to be a fantastic day of Rugby with full canteen facilities operating.

Below are the kick-off times for all of the matches.

9:00am U/13 St Patrick's College v Xavier College

9:45am U/14 St Patrick's College v Brighton Grammar

11:00am *Presentations and speeches for U/13 and U/14*

10:45am U/16 St Patrick's College v Haileybury

12:00pm 1st XV (div 2) St Patrick's College v Haileybury

1:30pm *Presentation and speeches for U/16 and 1st XV*

1st XV

June 16

St Patrick's College - 36 defeated Melbourne High School - 26

Third Placed SPC took on fifth place Melbourne High School looking to secure a spot in the top four. SPC had been below its best in recent weeks and, with a week off, looked rejuvenated and eager to put in an improved performance. SPC won the toss and strategically chose to spend the first half running with a strong breeze. SPC started well and played possession and phase-style rugby resulting in a try to captain Scott Azarnikow.

High School lifted its intensity following the try and breaking the line became decidedly harder for the home team. Mitch Cattell used his boot, and the wind, to great effect clearing the Melbourne full back on several occasions and keeping the play inside the MHS half. The pressure mounted on the visitors' defence and SPC ran in further tries to Josh Pylanda, Gene Bergman and two tries to Alex Thompson, who was at his menacing best. Cattell didn't read the wind well early on and missed gettable conversion opportunities before slotting his last two chances. At half time SPC - 29 led MHS - 0.

Melbourne had obviously watched the SPC side's tactics in the first half and were kicking the ball behind the SPC line and running on the ball well. Melbourne scored a converted try early in the second half, followed by another after busting through some soft SPC tackles. SPC looked a little shocked and seemed to be slightly panicked before some off the wiser heads in Debono, Azarnikow, Thompson and Cattell called for calm at the huddle behind the post. Running into the breeze SPC would have to play a different style of game.

The home team started to run the ball and carry it into contests which led to an unexpected try by Alex Thompson, his third for the game. That try gave SPC a little more breathing space but High School still had time and SPC knew they would have to dig deep and defend.

The SPC boys were outstanding in their own half, particularly on their own line, winning penalties through discipline, courage and hard work. Melbourne got another converted try about five minutes from time to only trail by 10 points. The High school team kept coming and SPC continued to fight. A scrum was awarded after a MHS forward pass as the ref called "last play".

All SPC had to do was win the scrum and kick the ball in to touch. That wasn't what happened though. The ball wasn't hooked, it rolled out of the tunnel and the visitors pounced. They charged toward the in goal before a big hit knocked the ball free of the ball carrier and in to touch.

U/16

June 2

SPC - 5 were defeated by Ivanhoe Grammar - 15

The game was a bruising encounter, with both teams determined to win. Both teams started well, with strong defence and forward hit ups dominating the game. Ivanhoe scored two tries to SPC one. The result came down to the wire with Ivanhoe scoring the last try minutes before the end of the game. The final score was 15 - 5 to Ivanhoe. This had to be one of the best U16's game of rugby I have seen. There were standout players, but for me the contributions of Paddy Taylor-Potter and Kobe Travers were keys to the physical encounter.

June 16

St Patrick's College - 62 defeated Melbourne High School - 0

The game began in a flurry with SPC posting two tries in the first 10 minutes. The game was contested well by both teams, though Melbourne struggled to maintain possession of the ball. By half time the score was four tries to nil. The same theme continued in the second half, with the team posting another six tries to nil. The Final score was 62 points to nil, SPC over Melbourne High. The standout players were Daniel Briggs, with a personal tally of 27 points (3 tries, 6 conversions), Paddy Taylor-Potter, and Alex Kerr (the Bulldozer) who continued to throw and run over opponents.

U/14

SPC v Xavier College

The Under 14 team had worked hard on its line defence and tackling in preparation for the clash with Xavier. Coach, Mr McKee, commented on the need for these two elements to be spot on if we were going to compete with Xavier.

The team had a few players missing but managed to scrounge together the bare 15 needed, although several players were playing out of position. In the warm up the players looked tired and disinterested and that is how they started. Xavier was all over the SPC defence and scored six unanswered tries in the first half.

After the break the defensive line was massively improved and took Xavier by surprise. The visitors attacking line was too flat and Liam McIntosh intercepted a floating pass and ran 60m for the try. Another great run and support play by the SPC backs led to a try by Billy Sullivan and all of a sudden SPC were back with a sniff.

The next 10 minutes was a real arm wrestle and Xavier were keen to reassert their dominance. SPC looked much better but lack of numbers started to have an effect. Tackles were missed and backs were coming from out wide to support in defence.

This gave the Xavier backline room to move and they threw the ball out wide to take advantage of superior numbers. Xavier ran in the last four tries of the game to run out easy winners.

U/13

SPC – 35 defeated Xavier College - 0

Last start winners, the under 13 boys, were looking to capitalise on their good form against Xavier. An 11am kick-off was much appreciated and the boys arrived fresh at the ground instead of half asleep.

Several players were unavailable due to illness so the game was reduced to 13-a-side. SPC were the better team right from the outset, with the back line drawing their man and passing to mobile runners while the forwards ensured they were first to the breakdown giving the visitors first use of the ball.

Brendan Bell was playing a great game at 10 and was creating space for his back with his aggressive running and scored the first try for SPC after about six minutes. The star of the day, however, was Harrison Bogers who scored four tries. Lachlan Bobrowski was also on fire kicking five from five and in two games has not missed a shot. Extraordinary.

BAS Hockey

Senior

Mr John Sullivan

The BAS Senior Hockey competition will start on Thursday, July 26 with SPC taking on Ballarat Clarendon College at 4pm at the Prince of Wales Park.

Intermediate

Mr Nathan Geaghan

The BAS Intermediate Hockey competition will start on Monday, July 30 with SPC taking on Ballarat Grammar at 4pm at the Prince of Wales Park.

Football

Director of Football

Mr Howard Clark

SPC Football Website

Please refer to: www.spcfootball.weebly.com All matters pertaining to each of the Junior, Intermediate and Senior programmes will be updated on a weekly basis.

Congratulations to Jake Neade who was selected as the Player of the Division 2, U/18 National Carnival while playing for the Northern Territory. Jake's performances over the eight-week carnival led to him being named in the U/18 All Australian Team. This selection completes a remarkable footballing CV for Jake, having previously won All Australian selection at U/15 level and having represented the Northern Territory at U/15, 16 and U/18 levels. In 2011, Jake was awarded an Australian Institute of Sport Scholarship and represented Australia in New Zealand.



Jake Neade, Year 12

2nd XVIII

Grand Final

SPC Blue v Ballarat Clarendon College

Venue: Eureka Stadium at 4pm

Date: Wednesday July 25

1st XVIII

St Patrick's College 14– 10 – 94 Defeated Ballarat Grammar 4 - 0- 24.

Goal Kickers: Jack Romeril 4, Jake Neade 2, Nick Rippon 2, Tom Smith 1, Dom Barry 1, Jaydon Stiles 1, Angus Kirby 1, Brenton Payne 1, Daniel Butler 1.

Best Players: Nick Rippon, Ashley Simpson, Matt Crouch Tanner Smith, Jake Neade, Matt Short, Jack Romeril.

St Patrick's College defeated Ballarat Grammar in extremely difficult conditions on the small, picturesque Ballarat Grammar ground. Played in damp, heavy conditions, St Patrick's started the game very well, kicking five goals within the first 12 minutes of the game, opening up a decisive 29-point lead at the first term break.

With an even spread of five different goal kickers it was pleasing that there were so many avenues to goal. At times though, players became too unselfish and tried to share the ball around to team-mates in often inferior positions. It is important that if a player is within range, they must take up the responsibility and have a shot on goal, especially in conditions that aren't conducive to clean, precise football.

The second term was extremely encouraging with St Patrick's College kicking five unanswered goals. Jack Romeril kicked two goals for the term, in his best game for the 1st XVIII programme. It was due reward for his hard work and commitment to the programme and his infectious, positive attitude is important to the playing group.

Unfortunately, at times in the first half, our zone was ineffectual and this is an area we need to improve, as we enter a very important phase within the next few weeks. To work effectively each player needs to know their role and set up accordingly.

At times, players flew for marks from the third line of defence instead of playing team-orientated football and punching from behind, leading to Ballarat Grammar maintaining possession on five out of eight kick in's for the half.

The last half was extremely difficult with conditions deteriorating to the point that the last quarter was shortened by ten minutes. Nick Rippon continued his rich vein of form. Ashley Simpson was extremely clean by both foot and hand. Matt Crouch was pivotal in bringing others into the game. Tanner Smith played extremely well across half back and Matt Short was composed and assured on the last line of defence.

Jake Neade continued on from his All Australian selection and played beautifully both up forward and in his role as the target in the midfield. It has been wonderful to see Jake's development as a young man since he arrived at St Patrick's College at the commencement of the 2010 academic year from the remote indigenous community of Elliot and his impact, similar to that of Dom Barry on the College community, has been significant and reinforces the real benefits of our links with our Indigenous communities of the Northern Territory.

Our focus next week turns to the BAS Grand Final where we are scheduled to play traditional rivals, Ballarat Clarendon College. The school is striving to win the BAS premiership at Eureka Stadium commencing at 6.30pm for a sixth consecutive year and I am sure the game will showcase everything positive about school boy football.

THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Mr Paul Nolan

2012 Flanagan Art Exhibition

August 31 – September 9
Old Collegians Pavilion

Gala Launch
Friday August 31, 7 pm to 10 pm

Tickets for the Gala Launch are sure to sell quickly and can be purchased from the College Shop for \$25. The ticket price includes exhibition viewing, sumptuous finger food and regional wines. Tickets are strictly limited so please get in early to avoid disappointment.

The Exhibition will feature 83 pieces of work for display from over 150 entries, with the quality of work in 2012 being extremely high.

The Gala Launch will also feature the announcement of the winners of the Flanagan Art Prize, University of Ballarat Emerging Artist Prize and the Lifestyle Travel St Patrick's College Affordable Art Prize

Prizes are proudly sponsored by:

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Please get a group of friends together and enjoy a wonderful night of entertainment.

For all ticket enquiries please contact Mrs Caitlin Bennett on 53 311 688 or cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au

Volunteers Wanted

The Committee led by Mrs Leonie Spencer have been working since last October to make this an even more successful event than the stunning 2011 Exhibition. While all administrative details are in place the Committee would still love to hear from volunteers who can give up four hours during the week of the Exhibition.

Jobs required to be filled include food and drink service, reception, event set-up and art sales. No knowledge of art is necessary just a willingness to get involved and assist the boys of the College.

If you can assist as an event volunteer please contact Karolyn Malone on 0400 873 943 or Caitlin Bennett at the College on 5331 1688.

The College is indebted to event sponsors Viatek, the University of Ballarat and Lifestyle Travel for their generous support of this significant community initiative.

THE COLLEGE SHOP

Ms Michelle Lloyd

College Shop Hours

The College Shop will be closed on Tuesday June 26 and Wednesday June 27 for Staff Professional Development.

The College Shop is open from Monday to Friday each week from 8.45 am to 3.30 pm. All other times by appointment.

Coles Sports for Schools Programme

The Coles Sports for Schools programme is back!

Vouchers are available at all Coles stores from June 13 to August 14 and we ask that you get involved to help collect vouchers for the College.

Collecting vouchers is easy! By simply shopping at Coles, Coles Online, BI-LO or Pick 'n' Pay stores, every \$10 spent will earn 1 voucher.

A collection box is located in The College Shop. Please collect as many vouchers as you can. In the past two years an enormous amount of sporting equipment has been acquired through the programme.

Please contact the College Shop Manager Ms Michelle Lloyd on 5322 4313 or email at mlloyd@stpats.vic.edu.au for all enquiries.

EVENTS AROUND THE COLLEGE

Canteen

Canteen Roster Monday July 23 to Friday July 27. Please, if unable to attend phone Veronica 5335 6244, Cheryl 5339 3655 or the College Canteen on 5322 4481.

Monday July 23

*Debbie Coutts,*Adrienne Cove, Julie Spittle, *Joanne Forbes,
*Bernadette Martin, *Melanie Humphries
*Anne Murphy.

Tuesday July 24

Karen McMaster, Narelle Howes, Simone Meagher Therese Leighton,
Glenda Clydesdale.

Wednesday July 25

Kathy Walters, Robyn Lavery, *Simone Adamczyk, Daydie Burgess,
Janine Smith, *Melinda Nicholls *Jacinta Waller.

Thursday July 26

*Sue McDougall, *Lisa Schreenan, *Angela Smith, *Jane Clark

Friday July 27

*Bronwyn Stewart, *Helen Spratling, Jane McDonough, *Belinda
Joyce, *Veronica Kiley, *Ange Stuhldreier, *Tracey Stalker, *Jacinta
O'Brien, *Tanya Cullen, *Lisa Garner.

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

TERM DATES

TERM 3

Monday July 16

Staff Commence

Tuesday July 17

Students Commence

Friday September 21

End of Term 3

TERM 4

Monday October 8

Students Commence

Tuesday, November 27

Year 11 Students Finish

Thursday November 29

Year 10 Students Finish

Friday December 7

Year 7 – 9 Students Finish

Friday December 14

Last Day Teaching Staff

Friday December 21

College Office Closes

COMING EVENTS

Monday July 23

Year 9 reports mailed home
Loreto/SPC Production Week
Saxophone Ensemble rehearsal (8:00 am-8:30 am)

Tuesday July 24

Loreto/SPC Production Week
Senior School Assembly (10:15 am-10:55 am)
Year 9 and 10 Football v SJC (2:00pm game) (11:00 am-4:00 pm)
Year 11 Justice Retreat
Flute Ensemble rehearsal (3:45 pm-4:30 pm)
Year 7/8 Basketball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
Friends of SPC Meeting (7:30 pm-9:00 pm)

Wednesday July 25

Loreto/SPC Production Week
Year 11 Justice Retreat
Identity Leaders' Conference
Unit 4 Outdoor & Environmental Studies Ski Camp to Mount Stirling (Class A)
2013 Year 11 Student Information (1:55 pm-3:25 pm)
1st XI Soccer (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
Intermediate Basketball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
2nd XVIII Grand Final (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
BAS First XVIII Grand Final Eureka Stadium (6:30 pm-8:00 pm)

Thursday July 26

Loreto/SPC Production Week
Year 11 Justice Retreat (12:00 am-5:30 pm)
Unit 4 Outdoor & Environmental Studies Ski Camp to Mount Stirling (Class A)
Concert Band 1 rehearsal (7:30 am-8:30 am)
1st V Basketball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
BAS Squash and Racquetball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
Year 9 Dancing Classes (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
1st XI Hockey (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
2013 Year 10 Parent Information Night (7:30 pm-9:00 pm)

Friday July 27

Unit 4 Outdoor & Environmental Studies Ski Camp to Mount Stirling (Class A)
Opening Night Fame
Clarinet Ensemble rehearsal (3:45 pm-5:00 pm)

Saturday July 28

Fame Matinee and Evening

Sunday July 29

Loreto/SPC Production Week

Monday July 30

Year 8 Camp/Retreat
Saxophone Ensemble rehearsal (8:00 am-8:30 am)
BAS Intermediate Hockey (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
Intermediate Hockey (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)

Tuesday July 31

Year 8 Camp/Retreat
College Assembly (10:15 am-10:55 am)
Year 11 Justice Retreat (3:30 pm-11:59 pm)
Flute Ensemble rehearsal (3:45 pm-4:30 pm)
BAS Table Tennis (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
Year 7/8 Basketball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)

Wednesday August 1

Year 8 Camp/Retreat
Year 11 Justice Retreat
2013 Year 12 Student Information (Sessions 8 & 9) (2:00 pm-3:30pm)
Colleague Mentor Programme (3:45 pm-5:00 pm)
1st XI Soccer (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
BAS Intermediate Basketball (4:00 pm -5:00 pm)

Thursday August 2

Year 8 Camp/Retreat
Year 11 Justice Retreat (12:00 am-5:30 pm)
Concert Band 1 rehearsal (7:30 am-8:30 am)
Year 7 Football v Xavier College (1:30pm game) (10:30 am-4:00 pm)
1st V Basketball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
BAS Squash and Racquetball (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
Year 9 Dancing Classes (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
1st XI Hockey (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
2013 Year 11 Parent Information Night and Senior School Careers Expo (7:30 pm-9:00 pm)

Friday August 3

Year 8 Camp/Retreat
Clarinet Ensemble rehearsal (3:45 pm-5:00 pm)

Saturday August 4

OCA Reunion Program - 50 Years (6:00 pm-10:00 pm)

Monday August 6

Saxophone Ensemble rehearsal (8:00 am-8:30 am)
BAS Intermediate Hockey (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)
QLD Music Tour ~ Pre Tour Concert (7:00 pm-9:00 pm)

