Dear Parents/Caregivers

EASTER

Today the whole school gathered to celebrate an Easter Liturgy. Central to this were re-enactments of the feet washing and first Eucharist from the Last Supper.

Congratulations to our Year 11 students who enacted this with the support of Mr Christoforidis and Mr Balboa. The efforts of students to contribute to the Caritas appeal have been most generous. I wish all our families a happy and Holy Easter.

COMMUNICATION

Parents with any serious or urgent matters to raise are asked to do so by telephone, this will enable the quickest possible response by the College.

Less serious or less urgent matters are easily communicated via the diary. While email communication is growing more popular, in the school setting it should be reserved for matters not requiring a prompt response.

The nature of teacher's work means addressing work emails is a much lower priority activity than actual teaching or supervision and accordingly will involve some level of delay.

St John Baptist de La Salle,
Pray for us
Live Jesus in our Hearts,
Forever

Michael Egan
Principal

The Lord Is Risen!
Happy Easter!
FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Ms Leonie Dowd

OPEN AFTERNOON

Last Tuesday 15th March, the whole community was very proud to open LaSalle Catholic College to many potential students and their parents and families. The afternoon offered the prospective students and their families a chance to be shown the College facilities with the aide of our volunteer student led tours.

We were very lucky that so many practical mini lessons were on display and many of the students and parents were delighted to see the Science, Hospitality, TAS, Art and Music KLASs as well as our Solomon Opportunity class in action.

The KLASs displays were very exciting and so many parents commented on the dedication of the students who acted as tour guides, the obvious professionalism of the teachers, as well as the educational facilities that LaSalle has to offer both boys and girls. Certainly in my conversations with many of the families there is a real sense of excitement as we continue co-education in 2017.

We are very pleased to report that over 400 people attended the evening, with 158 families taking home an enrolment package with them. Many students have already returned their enrolment forms for 2017 and 2018.

We will be offering an open invitation for parents, who missed out on our Open Day, to visit the school and ‘Meet the Principal’. Last year many families took this opportunity and were very happy to be shown around the College facilities and to then have the time over morning tea to have any questions or concerns answered by Mr Michael Egan.

We are now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2017 and all prospective parents/caregivers are urged to submit their application to the College as soon as possible.

We look forward to meeting many of these students later in the year as they take up the offer of commencing their learning journey in this co-educational setting in 2017.
HAPPY HOLY WEEK

I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a lovely and holy Easter. I know that I am certainly in need of a short break and I am sure the staff and students are as well.

I hope that this break offers a time to reflect on the true meaning of our Catholic faith - that Jesus’ death and resurrection are at the very centre of our beliefs and this can be reflected through participation in the Easter liturgies this weekend.

May God bless you all

Leonie Dowd

FROM OUR LEADER OF LEARNING:

2016 Interim Reports and Parent/Teacher/Student Interview Night

A reminder to all parents that students in Years 7-11 will receive their 2016 Interim Report at the end of Week 10 this term. These reports are intended to give students and their parents a snapshot of how they are performing at this early point in the school year, by addressing a number of areas regarding each student’s level of application towards their studies.

These reports will also contain a request from particular teachers who would like to meet with parents at the upcoming Parent/Teacher/Student Interview Night, which will be held in Week 11 on Wednesday 6th April between 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

Parents are also invited to make interview appointments with their child’s teachers via the Sentral Online booking system, details of which will be circulated in the coming week.

Year 12 Half Yearly Examinations

Following the Easter break, our Year 12 students will be returning to complete their HSC Half Yearly Examinations during the final two weeks of term.

This period of assessment carries significant weighting towards each students HSC school assessment, and is also the final examination period before they sit their Trail HSC later in the year.

While students are only required at school during times when they have an examination from Thursday 31st March, they should be committing themselves outside these times, to preparing for upcoming exams.

All of our Year 12 students can be assured of the full support of their teachers and school community as they reach the half-way point in their HSC year.

David Cloran