



PRINCIPAL'S PROFESSIONAL RENEWAL LEAVE ARRANGEMENTS

For the final two weeks of Term 2, I will be attending the Lasallian Buttimer Institute Program.

This is an intensive Lasallian education and formation program that studies the life, work and spirituality of Saint John Baptist de La Salle and the origins of the Lasallian educational mission.

Through an examination of the writings of De La Salle and an analysis of some modern educators, participants develop a deeper understanding of the Lasallian heritage and its influence on contemporary education and spirituality.

In my absence Ms Dowd will be Acting Principal and Ms Akkari, Acting Assistant Principal.

PARENT GROUP MEETING REPORT

Thanks to the parents and staff who braved the weather to attend last nights' Parent Forum. Interested parents who were unable to attend can collect handouts from the College office.

'I found it very interesting and some information provided was new and revealing. We were provided with information to help us, as parents, deal with issues of cyberbullying. We were also advised that the College will support and help us if needed.' Denice Severi



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



Michael Egan
Principal

2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE

- 25 SCC Dance Competition
- 26 Yr 12 Physics Kickstart Excur.
Year 11/12 Mass @ St Felix
- 29 Yr 12 Chemistry Kickstart Excur.
CourageUs Youth Gathering

JULY

- 4 Canteen Closed
- 5 Last Day of Term 2
- 6 Staff Development Day

23 Term 3 - Students Return

- 24 Yr 7-11 Parent/Teacher/Student (P/T/S) Interviews
3.20pm to 7.30pm
- 25 Yr 7-11 P/T/S Interviews
9.00am to 7.30pm
- 26 Yr 7-11 P/T/S Interviews
9.00am to 12.30pm
SCC Sport is on
- 27 Students Return prepared for Day 10 as per timetable

AUGUST

- 6 Trial HSC begins



FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: MS LEONIE DOWD

END OF SEMESTER 1

June is always a very busy time in schools with Assessment periods, marking, feedback to students and then reports. It is also a time when the whole school community can acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of our students. I would like to thank all parents for the support they offer their children with their learning. I hope that your children will feel very proud of their achievements and understand which areas they need to develop over the course of Semester 2.

I would also like to thank the caring and committed staff here at LaSalle. They have worked untiringly throughout Term 1 and 2. I believe that each teacher has placed a countless amount of time and thought into their lesson preparation to ensure that the grade each student receives, is aligned with individual potential. They have used their assessments and work evidence to inform their decisions about what each student knows to this point. I appreciate and value the professionalism and contributions that the staff make to the community of LaSalle. Just like you, the staff wants the best for all the students in our care. I certainly feel blessed to be part of such a wonderful school.

At LaSalle Catholic College we aspire to: **commit** to a deep love of learning, engender **confidence** in one's ability and to celebrate the **success** of all the all members of our community.



CANTEEN: Friday 6th July is a Staff Development Day and therefore students are to remain home on that day.

The canteen will not be opened on Thursday 5th July.

Please ensure your son or daughter remembers to bring Recess, Lunch and drink on that day.

UNIFORM: The College continues to impress upon the students the significance of wearing the College uniform and PDHPE uniform neatly and with pride, and the staff work continuously to ensure the students are well attired during the day.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and students who support the College in this manner. I ask parents and students to check the Uniform Guidelines that are published in the College Student Diary. It is the College's expectation that all students wear their uniform in a neat and tidy manner and that the full correct College uniform be worn at all times. As we all know, when one is dressed properly one feels much better about themselves and this optimises the learning environment of the College. We will continue to apply high standards of uniform at the College in the belief that it instils self-discipline in our students.

As we start Term 3 on Monday 23rd July I would like to remind all students that the correct full winter uniform is still to be worn to and from school. This includes wearing the blazer until the completion of Homeroom and then putting the blazer back on to travel home.

GIRLS: College kilt length just below the knee, white College shirt, College blazer, optional College bottle green jumper, black leather low heeled, lace-up shoes and College stockings 70 denier opaque black tights.

The same rules for make-up, nail polish, hair grooming and jewellery applies all year round.

BOYS: Long grey trousers, white College shirt, College blazer, optional College bottle green jumper, College tie appropriate to Year group, black leather lace-up shoes, short grey socks, black, plain belt with simple buckle.

T-Shirts, polo shirts and spencers are not to be visible.

As many items often get left in the office Lost and Found, a reminder to have all items of clothing clearly labelled with your first and second name.



God bless,
Leonie Dowd



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FROM OUR LEADER OF LEARNING: MS JIZELLA AKKARI

HALF-YEARLY REPORTS YEAR 7 – 11

Congratulations to students in Year 7 – 10 who have completed their half yearly exams this term. All students need to make up their exams if missed and must provide the KLA Coordinator with a note (Year 7 – 9) and a Doctor's Certificate (Year 10) for the missed exams or penalties will apply.

Half Yearly reports with additional information from the school, such as, the letter with the family code to log in to make appointments and with details about Parent/Teacher times for next term will be sent home with students on Wednesday 4th July 2018.

Please look at these reports and the additional information in these envelopes. Parent/Teacher meetings' days and nights will be first week back next term. See details below.

Students in full College uniform are expected to attend Parent/Teacher meeting with their parents.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS FOR YEAR 7 – 11

The first week back for Term 3, 2018 will run as follows:

Day and Date	Activities
Monday 23rd July	Students return to school for normal classes. This includes all VET classes.
Tuesday 24th July (during the day)	Students have a normal school day with a slightly early finish at 2.45pm . VET classes will NOT be cancelled. All VET classes before and after school will run to their normal time.
Tuesday 24th July (afternoon/evening) From 3.20pm - 7.30pm	Parent/Teacher night in the College GYM. 3.20pm—7.30pm No bookings can be made between 5.45pm and 6.30pm, this will be the teacher's dinner break.
Wednesday 25th July <i>(Student free day except for VET Classes)</i>	Parent Teacher Interviews from 9.00am – 7.30pm . Several times during the day will be not available for bookings, to accommodate staff breaks. ALL VET CLASSES WILL RUN AS NORMAL ON THIS DAY. ATTENDANCE TO THESE CLASSES ARE COMPULSORY. Students need to be at school by 1.15pm. No other classes will run this day. It is a student free day for all other students.
Thursday 26th July <i>(Student free day except for VET Classes)</i>	Parent Teacher Interviews from 9.00am – 12.30pm ONLY . ALL VET CLASSES WILL RUN AS NORMAL ON THIS DAY. ATTENDANCE TO THESE CLASSES ARE COMPULSORY. No other classes will run this day. It is a student free day for all other students. MCC REPRESENTATIVE SPORT. Students who will be required to attend MCC representative sport in the afternoon will be notified by their coaches.
Friday 27th July	Students Return to a normal school day.



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YEAR 12 TRIALS TERM 3 WEEK 3.

The next significant exam period for Year 12 will also be the last formal school assessment (Trial HSC) for your sons, prior to the HSC exams commencing Term 4. The Trial HSC exams begin in Term 3 Week 3 from Monday 6th August to Monday 20th August. Students will receive exam timetables shortly. Use of the holiday time for study is highly recommended.

FINAL YEAR 10 FORECASTING FOR SUBJECT SELECTION FOR YEAR 11 & 12

A reminder to Year 10 parents that their son's grades from these half yearly exams will determine which Year 11 and 12 subjects they may be able to choose. They will receive this final forecasting sheet with their Semester 1 report.

Subject Selections

Year 10 students over the last 12 months have received two forecasting sheets indicating at two points of time, from their grades what courses they may be allowed to choose in Year 11 & 12. They had been informed that they could improve their grades after the previous two forecasts were given to them. Please speak to your son about these forecasting sheets.

Next term on **Tuesday 31st July the Subject Information night for Year 11 2019 will be held.**

Parents will have an opportunity to speak with KLAs from 5pm – 6pm to get clarification of subjects and what they entail. At 6 pm there will be a brief presentation and then parents and students will meet with individual teachers to sign off on subject choices.

Leading up to this evening Year 10 students and parents have received the forecasting sheets indicating what subjects their child may choose. This past week Year 10 students have spent two periods where KLA Coordinators have spoken to them about which subjects might be of interest to them and what is expected.

Mrs Davidson, the Head of the Trade Training Centre, has spoken to them about VET and IBL courses. Mrs Davidson has also had students attend a 'Try a Trade' day this week to further help students make decisions about courses.

In the first week back students will be given the Subject Information package and forms to fill in prior to this evening. Please take some time to go through these with your son.

FROM OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR: MS KATHRYN WHITE

ARCHBISHOP LUNCHEON

On Wednesday 13th June, Nathan and I attended the St Mary's Cathedral Luncheon hosted by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP.

We sat at catered tables and were given a buffet to eat from. We discussed within our tables about issues that are relevant in contemporary society and got a chance to express these issues to the Archbishop as he went around table to table.

A topic that received most of the spotlight was the relevance of young people and the youth in the church.

We were given in return a promising reply from the Archbishop who will plan to speak about the youth at an Archbishop meeting later this year.

Nathan Galvin-Valencia and Jonathan Cakovski

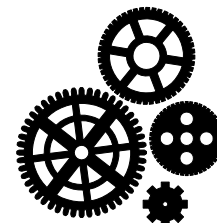




NEWS FROM OUR SAINT YON TRADE TRAINING CENTRE: MRS DAVIDSON

YEAR 10 STUDENTS 'TRY- A-TRADE' DAY SHOWCASE

Our Year 10 students were treated to a great 'Try-a-Trade' Day Showcase this week. The purpose of the day is to provide interactive workshops, and 'hands-on' trades and skills focused activities to help guide your child's subject choices for Year 11 and 12.



The VET Skills 'Try-a-Trade' Day showcase is a once a year event that allows students to test drive skills in Hospitality, Plumbing, Electrotechnology, Construction and Automotive VET courses through interactive workshops.

For Year 10 Parents

To book a Parent Private Tour for students interested in VET courses, or, School Based Apprenticeships please email Nicola Pegum, *VET Pathway Planner*,
Email: nicola.pegum@syd.catholic.edu.au

We would like to thank the VET Trainers and Teachers and VET student helpers who helped to make the day such a success.



YEAR 12 MODERN HISTORY EXCURSION

On Friday, 15th June, the Year 12 Modern History class travelled to the University of Sydney to attend lectures based on World War I, Nazi Germany, and Conflict in Indochina.

This was a great experience for us, as we gained a better understanding of our topics and experienced life as a university student.

Despite the cold windy weather and walking from building to building, attending the lectures was highly beneficial, as the lecturers provided further insight into the topics and also some exam tips. The day allowed us to be better equipped for both the Trials next term and the HSC in October.

Simon Aiello and Gian-Mario Serratore

YEAR 9 & 10 COMMERCE EXCURSION

On Friday 8th June, Year 9 and 10 Commerce students embarked on a journey to Luna Park Sydney.

Students had already spent some class learning about the ins and outs of Luna Park Sydney Pty Ltd and how it ran as a business.

Students spent the morning learning even more about the business undertakings of the amusement park from the divisions of profits, the role of shareholders and ongoing legal battles between local residents and Luna Park management.

Students even had spare time to fit in a few rides.

It was a wonderful day enjoyed by both students and teachers alike.

Who knew Commerce could be so fun!

Ms Julia Saad



YEAR 10 PASS : WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

On Friday 15th June, Year 10 PASS students were privileged to experience wheelchair basketball.

Earlier this year the class had studied how sport can be adapted to cater for specific groups in society.

All students were engaged and adapted their basketball skills accordingly.

It was a fun and wonderful learning experience for all.

Ms Natalie Meli - PDHPE Teacher





NSW ALL SCHOOLS MOUNTAIN BIKE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Congratulations to **Jonathon Och**, Year 10 student, who contested the NSW All Schools Mountain Bike Championships held at Yellowmunde Regional Park and won the gold medal with his other 2 team mates.

The Race was a 4 hour race. competing against schools such as Knox, Riverview, Barker, Newington, Cheveliar etc.

Well Done Jonathon!



I am excited to let you know that **APPLICATIONS** are now open for the **2019 Lasallian Volunteers Program!**

Here's everything you need to know...

General Information

<https://www.delasalle.org.au/lasallian-volunteers/general-information-for-lasallian-volunteers-2018.html>

<https://www.delasalle.org.au/about-us/lasallian-volunteers.html>

Placement Profiles

<https://www.delasalle.org.au/lasallian-volunteers/general-information-for-lasallian-volunteers-2018.html>

Application Form, fill it out online or download the form, scan and send!

<https://www.delasalle.org.au/lasallian-volunteers-long-term-program.html>



Important Dates



Please submit applications by the **CLOSING DATE, July 27** to be considered!

Shortlisted applicants will be interviewed throughout August 13 - 24

Successful applicants will be notified August 29



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Mental Health First Aid 2018



Sydney Catholic Schools
INSPIRING SPIRITS AND MINDS

A comprehensive course which helps parents to know how to support the mental health of a young person and respond if they are experiencing a mental health issue.

FREE
3 Day Course
9.00 am - 2:30 pm

Part 1: Wednesday 5 September 2018
Part 2: Wednesday 12 September 2018
Part 3: Wednesday 26 September 2018

Morning tea and lunch provided



Venue:
Sydney Catholic Schools
Southern Region Office
300 The River Road,

Registration: Enrol before
24th August 2018 by contacting
9772 7000 or emailing
sr.reception@syd.catholic.edu.au

Enquiries: Contact
Rebecca Dennis
Wellbeing Officer
9772-7000

Youth Mental Health First Aid focuses on how to assist adolescents in a mental health crisis or who are developing a mental health problem. It covers adolescent development, the signs and symptoms of the common and disabling mental health problems in young people, where and how to get help when a young person is developing a mental illness, what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective, and how to provide first aid in a crisis situation.

It was a great course that I believe every parent, carer and person who works with adolescents should complete.

SCS Parent of a 13 year old and 16 year old
October 2017



We are selling Chocolates and Raffle Tickets, to help us on our journey to **World Youth Day Panama 2019!!**

Prices:
\$1 for Chocolates
\$2 for a Raffle ticket



Thank you for helping us on our journey to World Youth Day, Matthew, Jayden, Jake, Lazareth and James.



Ex-Students & Staff Annual Reunion Dinner



Friday, 24th August, 2018

Mass at St Vincent's Church - 6.00 pm

Dinner - 7.00 pm

Cost - \$75.00 (Dinner and Drinks)

For further information contact your years
'Key Contact Person'
Or call the College on 9797 3200