



6 February 2004

Calendar Term 1

Week 2

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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Monday 9 February

House Assemblies

Tuesday 10 February

Year 11 & 12 TEE Drawing Excursion

Year 12 Benildus Dinner

Wednesday 11 February

Year 12 Mass - College Chapel
Period 3 - 11.25 - 12.30

House Swim Trials 12 - 3 pm

Year 12 Mutien Dinner

Thursday 12 February

Years 8 & 12 MacKillop BBQ Breakfast

Commissioning Liturgy
Year 12

Friday 13 February

Year 8 La Salle BBQ Breakfast

Elective changes for Years 9 & 10 to be completed by today.

From the Principal

Dear Members of the La Salle Community,

It is my pleasure to welcome you all to the new school year and in doing so trust that you all had a very rewarding and enjoyable vacation.

We welcome to our College 205 Year 8 students, together with another 10 students at various other levels. At the same time the following new staff have joined the College:

Ms Kristy Bianchini Physical Education

Mr Brent Butcher Physical Education

Ms Lisa Causton Science

Mr David White Science

Ms Megan Lennon Home Economics

Ms Maria Locantro Music Assistant

Ms Susi Prendergast
English and Religious Education

Ms Nicole Wooldridge
Special Education Assistant

Ms Leisa Zilko Principal's Secretary

We also welcome back the following staff who have been on leave for part or all of 2003:

Ms Maria Biscotto
Ms Heather Gooden
Ms Cassandra King
Mr Paul McAuley
Mr Michael Pepper

The following staff will be in new promotional positions and we wish them every success.

Ms Amy Jones
Acting Sports Coordinator

Mr Ben Dyer
Acting Year 9 Coordinator

Mr Brent Butcher
Acting Physical Education and Health Coordinator

Ms Nicole Loke
Drama Coordinator

Communication with the College

I wish to assure parents that if there are any concerns about your child's progress please do not hesitate to contact the College. If your child says he/she is having trouble in a particular class then please contact that teacher by telephone or diary.

If you require feedback of a more general nature then the Pastoral Care Advisor is the person to communicate with. The Year Level Coordinator will be the person to contact on the more serious issues which sometimes may be of a confidential nature. The Year Level Coordinators assume responsibility for discipline matters for their year level group but this is not done in isolation. Sanctions will be consistent and the College Executive will be overseeing all major discipline matters.

House Swimming Trials

The House Swimming Trials will be held next week Wednesday 11 February from 12.00 - 3.00 pm. All students from Years 8 to 12 are required to attend. Even if students do not compete in the pool they have a responsibility to support their House and help contribute to the life and spirit of the College.

I would particularly ask parents to support us in this activity by ensuring that their child does attend the day.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year Level Assemblies

I will be speaking to each year level next week and stressing to the students the importance of consistent effort as the major ingredient to success. I trust that all of our students are ready to face the new school year with enthusiasm and expectation.

Year 12 Parent Information Evening

An Information Evening for parents of Year 12 students will take place on Monday 16 February starting at 7.00 pm in the Auditorium. It is strongly recommended that all parents of Year 12 students attend this evening as very important information regarding your son's/daughter's studies, school, course requirements and future directions will be discussed.

Finally

2004 will be an exciting time for the College in this our 50th year. I look forward to working closely with the La Sallian community as we engage in this exciting and rewarding task of education.

"To be successful, the first thing to do is fall in love with your work". Sister Mary Lauretta

Kind regards



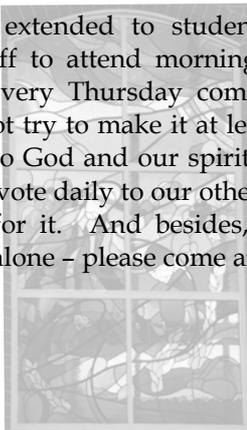
Michael Kenny
Principal



THURSDAY MORNING MASS

An invitation is extended to students, parents, family members and staff to attend morning Mass held in the College Chapel every Thursday commencing 8.00 am - 8.30 am. Why not try to make it at least once a term and give a little time to God and our spiritual needs, amongst all the time we devote daily to our other needs. We will be much better off for it. And besides, I don't much like celebrating Mass alone - please come and join me.

Fr Ian Esmond
College Chaplain



YEAR LEVEL MASSES

All parents and friends are warmly invited to attend the year level Masses in the College Chapel, which will be held at the following times:

Week 2	Year 12		
Wednesday	11 February	Period 3	11.25 - 12.30
Week 3	Year 11		
Monday	16 February	Period 4	11.55 - 12.45
Week 3	Year 10		
Tuesday	17 February	Period 5	1.20 - 2.15
Week 3	Year 9		
Thursday	19 February	Period 5	1.20 - 2.15

<i>Mr B. Dyer</i>	<i>Mr E. Gardner</i>	<i>Ms F. Rogan</i>	<i>Ms N. Calleja</i>
Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12

Coordinators

NWAS RETURNS FOR 2004

Once again, NWAS is up and running for 2004. Please be aware that if your child signs up for a NWAS team, the first training session is in Week 2 on Tuesday for Year 8s and Wednesday for Year 9/10s. If your child is selected for the team, then the competition starts in Week 3. Students will be informed of further details. Any queries please contact Ms Jones.

Ms A. Jones
Acting Sports Coordinator

CAREERS OFFICE OPENING HOURS

There is a fully resourced Careers Office available for students to access at various times every week. Below is a timetable showing the opening times during Term 1. I will be on hand at all of these times to assist students with their queries including TAFE Courses, Tax File Numbers, Work Experience, University Preferences and much more.

<i>CAREERS OFFICE OPENING TIMES – TERM 1</i>		
MONDAY	Recess	Lunch
TUESDAY	Before School 8.00 – 8.15 am	Recess
WEDNESDAY	Before School 8.00 – 8.15 am	
THURSDAY	Recess	
FRIDAY	Recess	Lunch

*Appointments can be made at other times – just ask!

CAREERS

Year 11 and 12 Students

After receiving the end of year reports last year, some students may now wish to consider the ONSITE program for 2004. The program allows for students to attend a work place for one day each week to learn on-the-job skills and generic work competencies. It requires a high level of commitment as students will miss a day of school but for those students thinking of TAFE entry or apprenticeships in particular, ONSITE is an invaluable experience. I am currently taking applications from students who would still like to join the program this year but please note **applications close on Friday 13 February 2004**. Students currently in Year 12 do not have to have completed the ONSITE program last year to be eligible to participate in 2004. Application forms and further information are available from the Careers Office.

Work Studies Textbooks

Students who have studied Year 11 and/or Year 12 Work Studies in the past couple of years, are asked to hand in their textbooks to the College for a **cash refund**. I will be finalising cheques next week so please don't delay!

Work Experience

Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 are encouraged to complete Work Experience as part of their Career exploration. However, please note that it is College policy that wherever possible, students complete Work Experience during the school holidays rather than missing school. **No Work Experience should be arranged with employers until students have first seen me.** Once this has occurred, students will be given some assistance to finding employers but it is largely expected that students make the arrangements themselves; not parents or myself. This is a valuable skill for future job application and self confidence.

There are currently two opportunities for students in Years 11 or 12 to complete work experience in the following areas during 2004: **Nursing OR Journalism**. Places are **VERY** limited so interested students should contact me as soon as possible for further information and only **genuinely interested** students in either of these careers should apply.

Year 8, 9 and 10 Study Classes

Academic Task Force is conducting Saturday classes for students in Years 8, 9 and 10 who would like to keep up to date with their work and receive assistance with problems as they arise. Each study group has only between 4 and 6 students so allows for personal attention to their needs.

CAREERS

The Saturday classes are held at Rossmoyne Senior High School or Churchlands Senior High School. To date, classes are offered only in Mathematics, English and there is also a Mathematics Extension class designed to challenge the more able students. I have brochures available for further information or please feel free to contact Dr Pam Bagworth or Dr Robert Hallam on 9316 3599.

Ms N. Huggins
Careers Advisor

*****Further information on any of the articles can be obtained from Ms Huggins.***

CANTEEN ROSTER - WEEK 2

Monday: J. McDonnell, L. Hatton, N. Andrijich
Tuesday: W. Turner, K. Edwards, K. Valenti
Wednesday: N Holmes, S Della, V Hall
Thursday: S Ryan, T Macri
Friday: T Fyfe, C Amery

BENILDUS HOUSE NEWS

Dear Parents, students and staff of Benildus House, welcome to 2004! A special welcome to the Year 8s, new students and new parents. We trust your stay at La Salle College will be a rewarding experience. A barbecue Breakfast has been organised for Benildus House Year 8s and House Leaders on Tuesday 17 February. Details are in a letter which is in the process of being mailed to you. I hope to be able to meet all the new Year 8s then. Please return the Permission Slip by Thursday 12 February through your child's PCA. For catering purposes, please return the slip, even if your child will not be attending the Breakfast.

Parents of Year 12 students should have already received a letter regarding the Year 12 Benildus House Dinner at Jimmy Deans Diner in Midland on **Tuesday 10 February**. The permission slip was due yesterday. Once again, please return the slip, even if your child will not be attending the Dinner.



BENILDUS HOUSE NEWS

This year, we are making a concerted effort to consolidate on the extraordinary House spirit and participation which has been evident in the last few years amongst members of Benildus House and we are requesting your support.

This coming **Wednesday 11 February**, all Benildus students will be participating in the annual House Swimming Trials from 11.00am to 3.00pm at Bilgoman Pool. Could you please ensure that your child attends and swims in the Trials, as they will gain points both for their House and PCG. A letter from parents addressed to the House Coordinator must support genuine non-attendance or participation and must be handed in to the respective PCA by Monday 9 February. We urgently require parental help with time keeping and/or other duties at the House Trials. If you are able to assist, could you kindly complete the slip below and return through your child's PCA by Monday 9 February. I thank you for your anticipated help and support.

I look forward to meeting the new parents to the College this afternoon, the rest of the parents over the course of the year at our different functions and working with your children in my role as House Coordinator of Benildus House. Let's **DO IT WELL** together.

Ms M. De Filippi
Benildus House Coordinator

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BENILDUS HOUSE PARENTAL HELP FOR SWIM TRIALS 2004



Yes, I am able to assist on Wednesday 11 February, from 11.00 am - 2.30 pm at Bilgoman Pool with time-keeping or other duties.

Name: _____

Child's PCA: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

PLEASE RETURN TO MS DE FILIPPI in A4.

Chaplain's Chatter

Happiness consists in knowing what you want and knowing you have it or are on the way to getting it. Those who truly seek God, who want God and have the insight of faith and the gifts to perceive God's real presence in everyone and everything, always have what they want. - Fr Basil Pennington

IMPORTANT SWIMMING INFORMATION

The swim season is upon us again and there are a number of swimming related events on the calendar leading up to the ACC carnival in week seven.

1) House Swim Trials - Week 2, Wednesday 11 February
Houses travel to various venues for an afternoon of fun and the opportunity to select their teams for the upcoming Inter-House swimming carnival.

Venues:
Benildus Bilgoman Pool
La Salle College Pool
MacKillop College Pool
Mutien Wet n' Wild, Kalamunda
Solomon Guildford Grammar School

Students will require all materials for Periods 1 and 2 and should attend school in PE uniform (tracksuit not required) also required is a suitable hat. Students are permitted to wear their own bathers but these must be worn under their PE uniform or changed into at a later time. Anyone wishing to order lunch should do so from the College canteen no later than Tuesday and should not assume that they will have access to the canteen at external venues. Buses will return by 3.00 pm.

2) 38th Inter-House Twilight Carnival Week 4, Monday 23 February - Bilgoman Pool, 2.00 - 6.00 pm
Houses will compete for the Millar and MacKillop Shields and a great atmosphere is expected again at Bilgoman this year. Any parents willing to assist at this carnival are asked to contact Mr Dyer. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Swim Training

Training began yesterday and will be held at 7.00 am in the College pool on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Swimmers keen to train for upcoming carnivals or those just wanting to improve their fitness are more than welcome. Interested swimmers should collect a swim calendar outlining training dates.

Mr B. Dyer
Year 9 Coordinator