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Term 2 Calendar

Monday 25 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY
(Anzac Day)

Tuesday 26 April

Term 2 begins for staff and students

Wednesday 27 April

College Assembly
'Into The Woods Junior' Dress Rehearsal for Year 7 Feeder schools at 9:30am

Thursday 28 April

"Into The Woods Junior" (Year 8 Preview 9:35am)
"Into The Woods Junior" 1st Performance 7:30pm

Friday 29 April

"Into The Woods Junior" VIP Performance 7:30pm

Saturday 30 April

"Into The Woods Junior" 3rd performance by popular demand.

OFFICE HOURS – SCHOOL HOLIDAYS We wish to advise that the College Administration Office will be open from 8:30am until 4:00pm over the holiday period. The Office will be **closed** from 1.00pm on Thursday 14 April. The Office and Uniform Shop will both be closed on Monday 25 April (Anzac Day). Normal office hours from 8:00am until 4:30pm will resume after the holidays.

From the Principal,

Dear Members of the La Salle Community,

While we are very saddened at the death of our leader of the Catholic Church Pope John Paul II, we rejoice in the gift of his life. Pope John Paul II will long be remembered as a man of faith, compassion, wisdom and courage. He was a model to us all of what it is to be "filled with the utter fullness of God" (Ephesians 4:196).

We come together now as the Lasallian community to give thanks to God for the gift of Pope John Paul II. May he rest in eternal peace.

Year 8 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

I was delighted with the number of parents who attended the Year 8 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews which were held last Monday afternoon. This confirms to me that our parents do see these interviews as a priority in their child's education at La Salle College. I trust that parents found the meeting to be informative and worthwhile.

A reminder that Interim Reports for our Year 9 - 12 students will be posted home today. Interviews with subject teachers on a booking system will take place in Week 2 of next term. (Monday 2 May 3:30 - 6:30pm for Years 11 and 12 and Tuesday 3 May 3:30 - 6:30pm for Years 9 and 10.

Senior Students

Our senior students (Years 11 and 12) now have the opportunity over the holidays to re-evaluate what has been achieved and put in place strategies to improve. Students who are prepared to do this are taking responsibility for their own learning and are exercising their obligation to be accountable for their actions.

Staffing

We farewell our Science Learning Area Coordinator Mr Paul McAuley who

will be leaving us today. Paul has accepted a teaching position at Prendiville Catholic College from the beginning of next term. On behalf of the La Salle Community, I thank Paul for his nine years of dedicated service to our College and wish him every success and happiness in the future.

Our Deputy Principal Mr Rino Randazzo and Mr Warwick Connor will both be taking a well earned long service break next term. We look forward to their return in Term 3.

We wish Ms Amy Jones every happiness on her wedding day this Sunday, 10 April and wish her and her husband Anthony a wonderful married life together.

Winter Uniform

Students are expected to be wearing the correct College winter uniform from the beginning of Term 2. Normal opening times continue through the holidays. Please note: Closed on Monday 25 April - due to Anzac Day Public Holiday.

Hair Colour

During the holidays there will be some students who may wish to experiment with hair colours and styles. I ask parents to please ensure that your child does not come to school next term knowing that they have coloured their hair in such a manner that their appearance is notably changed. If in doubt students should not colour their hair in any way because it may necessitate an expensive process to solve the problem.

End of Term

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the College community who have supported the College this term. I wish all staff and students a relaxing vacation and look forward to their return on **Tuesday 26 April**.

Kind regards

Michael Kenny



A SONG OF FAREWELL

Go forth, Pope John Paul II, upon your final journey.
Go from this world and rest in peace
in the presence of God the Father, who created you;
in the love of Jesus our Lord, who calls you His friend,
and in the warmth of the Holy Spirit, who has made His
home in you.

In death your life is now changed, not ended,
and we give you back to our faithful God
who first gave you to us.
On our common pilgrimage
We have accompanied you as far as we can go together.
Our ways part for now
but, beyond our horizon, you will be met by Jesus
who is Himself the Way.

May the angels lead you into paradise,
and the saints take you by the hand
and walk with you into the presence of God.

There, face-to-face, you will meet our loving Father.
His hands will be swift to welcome,
and He will hold you close:
His tender love is that of a mother for her child,
and He has written your name, Pope John Paul II,
on the palm of His hands.

You will find rest in Christ, the Good Shepherd,
who carries you and says: "Do not be afraid."
His peace will be yours
in a place where pain and sorrow will be no more.

There in god's kingdom of light, happiness and peace
the Holy Spirit will heal and renew
and strengthen you.

The end of your pilgrimage will be a new beginning in the
bright dawn of eternal day.

Go forth, Pope John Paul II, upon your final journey.
Go from this world, and be with God.

Brother Nicholas Hutchinson fsc



John Paul II



YEAR 9 - 12 TERM 1 ACADEMIC REPORTS

Year 9 - 12 Term 1 Academic Reports will be posted today. This year the College has altered the format used for the Parent/Teacher/Student interviews by using an appointment system. Enclosed with your child's Academic Report are instructions detailing the process.

I encourage all parents to seek an interview with their child's teacher.

Mr. R. Randazzo
Deputy Principal

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO TO HELP? Part 5

Be part of the community

Connecting with the community by, for instance, getting to know your neighbours, teaches your children important lessons about friendships, interdependence and social responsibility. It may also help to keep your children safe if friendly adults know who they are and look out for them.

Next term Part 6: Be involved with the school.

Mr P. Elloy
Year 8 Coordinator

SERVICE-LEARNING

Year 9 students have begun their Service-Learning programme, 'Touching Hearts'. The students will be offering twenty hours of their time to help in the not-for-profit areas of the community over the next five months. The emphasis is on their community of 'Family and Friends'.

The Year 8 Service-Learning programme concludes at the start of Term 2. Over the past three weeks I have met with each year 8 student to discuss their progress. Personally, it has been a very positive experience to speak to the students and hear about some of the generous activities they have done to help others. Congratulations to the Week 9 and 10 winners of the 'Volunteer of the Week Award':

Zoe Hogarth and Lauren Schorer

If you know of a Year 8 or 9 student who is worthy of the 'Volunteer of the Week Award' please telephone your nomination to my voice mail on 94490675 or email me at cal@lasalle.wa.edu.au.

Ms C. Aldous
Service-Learning Coordinator

CAREERS NEWS - POSITION VACANT

Pharmacy Assistant - FULL TIME NEEDED URGENTLY. Applicants must be fast, hard workers, well presented and eager to learn. Applications to the Manager, 280 Great Eastern Highway Midland or telephone 0438999969.



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NWAS GRAND FINALS

Year 8 Boys Basketball Grand Final

La Salle 28 defeated JSR 24. Congratulations to the boys who were undefeated all season. Ms. C. Harding, Coach.

YEAR 9/10 Boys Cricket

La Salle 6/94 (470) -v- JSR 5/89 (534). A Battle from our players who played the game out against some talented opposition. The boys are to be congratulated on their attitude this term. Best Players: Adam Faulkner 25 n.o., Daniel Susana 21, Jonathan Lendich 2 wickets.

Mr S. Lombardi & Mr Ben Dyer.

Year 10 Boys Basketball

La Salle 56 -v- St Andrews 11. Grand Final Most Valued Player - Paul Hadland. Top Scorer: Robert Huntington 23 points. Season Most Valued Player: Robert Huntington. Congratulations boys! *Mr P. Sackett*, Coach.



Congratulations to the Year 8 Boys Cricket, Year 8 Boys Basketball, Year 9 Mixed Volleyball, Year 10 Mixed Volleyball, Year 9/10 Boys Cricket and Year 10 Boys Basketball for making the grand finals. Thankyou to all students who participated with such enthusiasm in the NWAS competition. Their dedication to the team made the competition an enjoyable one for staff and students.

We have been very lucky this year with our year 11 and 12 coaches who have volunteered their time to a NWAS team. They have shown outstanding leaderships skills and have guided the students well in their chosen sport.

NWAS starts again Week 4 next term and I look forward to the same successful season.

HAWAII TOUR

Good luck to *Kate Daniel* and *Renae Heine* as they go to Hawaii these school holidays to compete in the School Girls Netball Tour. We hope that they have a wonderful experience.

Ms A. Jones

Sports Coordinator

HAVE SUM FUN

Last Friday night La Salle College entered the Lower Secondary Have Sum Fun mathematics competition, organised by the Mathematical Association of WA. This prestigious competition was held at St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls in Mosman Park.

The La Salle team consisted of Year 9 *Claire Coleman*, *Ben Warger*, *Jordan West*, *Danielle Hannigan*, Year 8 *Jacob Olsen* and *Jacob Muia*.

Forty two teams of six battled it out to see who was able to solve the most problems correctly. Our students really did "Have Sum Fun" and they appreciated being surrounded by some of the best student mathematical problem solvers in Western Australia. We ended up coming in front of a number of schools which was an excellent result considering our team comprised only Year 8 & 9 students. For most it was their first time at entering a competition of this nature and difficulty. This will hold them in good stead for the future. All students enjoyed the experience of competing on both the individual and team level and should be proud of their achievements.

Mr J. Angove

Learning Area Coordinator - Mathematics

ARTS ACTION
Term 1, Week 10 2005
Into The Woods

Don't forget tickets for Thursday 28 and Friday 29 April are already almost completely sold out. Due to popular demand we have extended the season for one extra performance on **Saturday 30 April at 7:30pm**. Make sure you book your tickets at the beginning of next term to avoid missing out. Adults are \$13, Concession \$10 and a Family pass (two Adults and two children) is \$40. These tickets are available through the Library.

Ms N. Lake

Learning Area Coordinator The Arts





ARTS ACTION

Term 1, Week 10 2005



Aerosoul Art

The Year 10 Fine Art students were recently lucky to work with graffiti artist Dan Duggan, learning all the tricks of the trade of Urban Art. This government-funded workshop was in conjunction with the Barking Gecko Theatre Company’s forthcoming production *Aerosoul*, which deals with the moral issues of illegal graffiti. La Salle College was one of only ten schools across the state that were lucky enough to have Dan demonstrate the skills and techniques using spray can paint. He explained the importance of safety and provided ventilation masks for the students to wear. They worked on large panels and created bright and colourful designs.

Dan invited the students to take part in “The Big Spray Out” at Fremantle Arts Centre in the school holidays. This event will see students from participating schools come together and create the set designs for *Aerosoul*. In term two this production will tour schools, including La Salle College, so students will see their work used in a professional theatre set. Our students had a fantastic time learning about an art form not readily available to them at school and certainly let their creativity shine.



New Norcia

All upper school Art students recently traveled to New Norcia for a day of inspiration. The field trip was designed at ideas generation for the forthcoming term’s work. The students started with a lively discussion with Dom Chris who went through a day in the life of a monk. They learned of the sacrifice and dedication of the monks in their spiritual journey and were able to contemplate the stark difference between their lives and our own.

A walk around New Norcia revealed layers of monastic history in this heritage town, which culminated with prayers at noon with the monks. This was a sung service with periods of silence for contemplative prayer. The students did La Salle College proud with their respectful behavior in the chapel. A great surprise was to see Father Ian who is well known to the La Salle community and is now based largely at New Norcia.

After lunch the students had the opportunity to experience a variety of artistic activities. They were treated to an Aboriginal workshop, which inspired an exploration into this style of artwork. Local artist Sheila taught the meaning behind various symbols incorporated into Aboriginal artworks. Whilst the students painted, Sheila reflected on her story and the hardship she encountered in the New Norcia Orphanage. She was a great role model to the students with her message of love and forgiveness.

New Norcia has a fascinating museum and art gallery which has a wonderful collection of 17th century and contemporary religious art. There was intriguing memorabilia from times past that provided a glimmer into the heritage of the monastery. Students completed the day with sketches and textural rubbings in the local cemetery. The field trip to New Norcia was a long day full of sights, sounds and silences. We certainly left New Norcia with a little more appreciation of the spirit of the land and look forward to the creative pursuits ahead. Our thanks go to Ms Calleja for all her help on the day.



Ms C. Stewart and Ms R. McClymont

Loving Father, as we come to the end of another term, we turn to you in confidence and place any difficult relationships into the healing hands of Jesus, your Son. Help us to appreciate more the need to keep a good balance in our lives. May the holiday be for us a time of rest and recreation to help restore us and re-create us in your image and likeness, as we enjoy more of the love and presence of our families, on whom we ask your blessing. Amen.

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