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Term 3 Calendar

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Monday 1 August

Maths Week
Year 12 Biology Excursion

Tuesday 2 August

2006 Year 11 Information
Evening 7:00pm
Maths Week

Wednesday 3 August

La Salle House Day
MacKillop House Mass
Entertainment Bands Section of
CSPAF (Auditorium)
Maths Week

Thursday 4 August

Australian Maths Competition
Entertainment Bands Section of
CSPAF

Friday 1 July

Entertainment Bands Section of
CSPAF
Maths Week

CANTEEN ROSTER

Week 3

Monday - A. Smith, B.
Burton, Robert Clauson and
David Clauson

Tuesday - C. Rae, W. Turner,
Sarah Colja and Josette Rollnik

Wednesday - T. Field, B.
Burghall, Rebecca Nicholas
and Chloe Morley

Thursday - K. Linthorne, A.
Devenish, Luke Spencer and
Tim Barretto

Friday - R. Velletri, P. Han,
Sarah Caminiti and Tom
Crehan,



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Delagram



The weekly newsletter of La Salle College

From the Principal,

Dear Members of the La Salle Community,

Today, Stefanie Critchell and Scott Pileggi from the Year 11 Student Leadership Team accompanied me to the Catholic Performing Arts Mass at the Catholic Education Office. This event signified the start of the Catholic Performing Arts Festival. A number of our music, dance and drama students will be performing in the festival over the next five weeks. We wish all of the students involved every success.

PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT INTERVIEWS

I thank parents for making the time to attend the Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews on Wednesday. Your presence is a very strong indication of the support you are giving to your son/daughter. I hope that all of our students now have a clear understanding of the commitment and effort needed to ensure success in the Semester II report. I trust that you found the changed format for the interviews more suitable.

YEAR 11 DRAMA PRODUCTION

Last Monday evening the Year 11 Drama students performed their version of the Shakespeare classic 'The Merchant of Venice'. The cast members, under the direction of our Arts Coordinator, Ms Nicole Loke, are to be congratulated on the success of their production. The students involved worked exceptionally hard in the lead up and it is this level of commitment we are seeking from all of our students at La Salle College.

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

It is pleasing to see that a number of our students will be sitting the Australian Mathematics Competition next Thursday 4 August. I congratulate the students on their willingness to be challenged by this national competition and we look forward to the results being published later in the term.

YEAR 11 SUBJECT SELECTIONS 2006

A reminder to our parents of current Year 10 students that we will be holding a Parent Information Session next Tuesday commencing at 7:00pm in the Laurence Murphy Hall. Each student has been allocated a Course Advisor and parents will have the opportunity on the night to meet the staff member who will be assisting them in the course selection process.

I urge parents to attend this most important meeting as it has been my experience that the best decisions made are the ones that have been researched thoroughly. I look forward to catching up on Tuesday night.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 10 AUGUST

Our Inter-House Athletics Carnival will take place on Wednesday week (10 August) at Perry Lakes Stadium commencing at 10:00am. The Houses are busily preparing for this day and it promises to be a very competitive carnival.

The Athletics Carnival is an important day in the College calendar and as such it is considered a compulsory student event.



If our school community is to be successful and vibrant it is reliant upon all members participating fully all the time.

Our Physical Education Co-ordinator, Mr Silvio Lombardi, will find a job at the carnival for any student who is unable to compete on the day. We welcome parents attendance at the carnival.

ABSENTEES

The flu season is upon us which has resulted in a number of students being absent from school this week. I ask that parents please contact the College before 9:00am to let us know that your son/daughter will not be attending school. The Administration Office staff would be most appreciative of the phone call.

Kind regards

Michael Kenny
Principal

STUDENT CONGRATULATIONS

The College congratulates Stephanie Spencer (Year 9) who was part of the successful Dressage team who competed in the PCAWA 'Nationals Go West' competition. Stephanie was part of a six member team who took out the title in the Under 17 age category. The titles were held at the State Equestrian Centre in Brigadoon and riders competed against teams from all over Australia.

Well done Stephanie!

PAST STUDENT CONGRATULATIONS

The College congratulates the following past students for their outstanding achievements.

Rebecca Robinson, Class of 2004, was also successful in being part of the Dressage team who competed in the PCAWA 'Nationals Go West' competition in the category of riders aged 17-25. Well done Rebecca!

Amber Keating (Dux of College 1996) and Richard Johnson (Head Boy 1996) have both been made Associates at Minter Ellison Law Firm. Well done Amber and Richard!

JEANS FOR GENES DAY

On Friday 5 August, La Salle College will be participating in Jeans for Genes Day. Students will be permitted to wear blue jeans with the remainder of the College uniform. No other uniform variations are permitted as this is not a free dress day. Students who choose to wear blue jeans will be required to make a gold coin donation with all proceeds going to the Children's Medical Research Institute. The Institute conducts research into genetic diseases in an effort to find cures.

Mr P. Murphy

Student Council Coordinator

MACKILLOP HOUSE MASS INVITATION

An invitation is extended to parents of MacKillop students who would like to attend the MacKillop House Mass on Wednesday 3 August (Week 3) in the St John Baptist De La Salle Chapel at 12:00 noon.

We look forward to seeing you.

Mr D. White

MacKillop House Coordinator

SERVICE-LEARNING NEWS

SVDP Winter Appeal

Thank you to everyone who contributed food to the Saint Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal. The items were presented to Rebecca Callaghan, the SVDP Youth Development Officer at last week's assembly. Rebecca told the assembly that the Midland SVDP Conference is one of the busiest in the metropolitan area. The Conference assists approximately 70 families each month and the generous donation from La Salle students will help support their efforts.

Year 9 Touching Hearts Programme

I will be visiting all Year 9 classes, beginning Week 6, to conclude the Touching Hearts Programme. The students have been working over the past four months to touch the hearts of members of their community by giving their time to assist others. For those who have not completed their 20 hours, or would like to continue giving there are several opportunities coming up over the next few weeks.



Those who would like to experience what it is like to go without something they take for granted while raising money for farming projects and emergency food supplies in Mozambique and Tanzania may like to try the *40 hour famine*. Participants are asked to choose a challenge such as going without food, technology or even using furniture for 40 hours. Although the official 'famine' weekend is 12 -14 August, participants can complete their 'famine' anytime prior to 14 August. This year participants should collect donations rather than seek sponsorship. Interested students can collect a 'Famine Book' from Mrs Aldous.

Pocket Hearts Project

This Friday, Year 7 students from St Brigid's Primary School will join La Salle students to make Pocket Hearts for children in hospital and the children of adults in hospital. Parents are asked to pick their children up by 4.15pm.

Swan Friendship Club

The Swan Friendship Club is looking for student volunteers to assist with the running of sport, music and drama programmes for young people with disabilities. The Club has centres at Midland and Beechboro and runs sessions each Saturday and the evening of the last Friday of each month. Further information is available from Mrs Aldous.

Creative Opportunities in the Art Department

The Art Department is looking for creative student volunteers to help with little jobs that will ensure the smooth running of the Visual Arts area at La Salle. Further details are available from Ms Stewart or Ms McClymont.

Mrs C. Aldous

Service-Learning Coordinator

THE BUZZ

Last Thursday afternoon Year 12 students were treated to an entertaining but very poignant play by The Barking Gecko Theatre Company about the very real and seductive **dangers of youth and speeding**. An interactive, sometime humorous, contemporary and very relevant presentation, "*The Buzz*" (in reference to the high or 'buzz' attained from driving at very high speeds) had a very loud and age specific lesson. This is a timely message for our Year 12s, many of whom are already driving or will be in the near future.

Ms N. Calleja

Year 12 Coordinator

At the urging of those present at my consultation with youth, I will appear on a regular spot on Channel 9 during the first commercial break in the 6pm evening news each Sunday in August, beginning 7 August.

The spot will be repeated on the following Tuesday and Thursday each week between 6:30am and 7:00am.

It will also be available on the website www.perthcatholic.org.au with a link that will enable visitors to view the one-minute film, download the transcript or make a comment about the topic for the day or about my communicating in this way.

My appearances on Channel 9 are part of my continuing efforts to communicate with all Catholics and the general community.

There is no doubt that television has the greatest capacity to reach people with messages that are important not only for the Church but also for the wellbeing of our society.

The idea of using commercial television was enthusiastically endorsed at the two consultation sessions Bishop Sproxton and I held with young people during May. They felt that we should proceed as soon as possible.

The program during the four weeks of August will be a trial with a view to presenting a regular weekly or fortnightly message throughout the year.

There have already been offers of financial support for the venture and I hope that others will make a commitment when they see what is planned.

We don't expect one-minute messages to have a dramatic impact immediately, but they have the potential to make a difference over time. We need to be out there in the market place which is too often dominated by transient appeals to emotional excitement.



ARTS ACTION

Term 3, Week 2 2005



The Merchant

The La Salle College Arts Department played host to the production, *The Merchant* on Monday 25 July. The drama students performed a matinee for the Year 11 group and also an evening performance at 7:30pm. Family and friends packed the Nicolas Barre Auditorium and were thoroughly entertained by this version of Shakespeare's classic play.

The talented Year 11 cast were led by Kathleen Ross as Portia, Alexander Mugford as Bassanio, Jaime Parora as Nerissa and Shaun Jeffrey as Gratiano. Congratulations must also be extended to Year 12 student Joshua Van Ross who produced a very convincing portrayal of Shylock. Other notable performances included Rebecca Satie as Gobbo and Thomas Crehan as Antonio who, through either comedy or tension, had the audience on the edge of their seats.

The Technical backstage and production work by the Year 12 Drama students was very professional and impressive. Overall Directors Ms Nicole Loke and Mr Steven Nicholas (ex-student), as well as Assistant Director Ms Shellie Franklin deserve to be congratulated for the wonderful portrayal of *The Merchant*.

Megan Campbell
Year 12 Leader
- The Arts



La Salle students exhibit at the WA Craft, Quilt and Stitch Show

Our upper school students have been working in textiles and are fortunate to have the fruits of their labour exhibited at the forth-coming WA Craft, Quilt and Stitch Show. This will be held on August 5, 6, & 7 at the Claremont Showgrounds and includes an exhibition of student work from around the state "Innovative textiles-the next generation". Our Year 11s and 12s are well represented with work inspired from their field trip to New Norcia and they have employed a variety of techniques, including felting, machine stitching, dyeing and fabric scorching. The craft show will also have many artists and craftspeople on show, trade exhibitors and master-classes in various techniques. We would encourage anyone interested in textiles to pop along and be treated to a visual feast of exciting ideas.

Ms E. Stewart & Ms R. McClymont
Visual Art Teachers

PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Next week from 7:00 until 9:00pm in the evening on Wednesday 3, Thursday 4 and Friday 5, La Salle College will host the Entertainment Bands section of the Performing Arts Festival for Catholic Schools. The Nicolas Barre Auditorium will see many talented students from many schools in the state perform a wide selection of entertaining material. On Thursday night our very own La Salle students will open the evening. Our college Jazz Ensemble will be playing, along with students from Trinity, Aquinas, Lumen Christi and Aranmore Colleges.

Our college is not the only busy one at the moment; right throughout the month of August students from throughout the state will be practising madly to perform their best in a wide range of instrumental and vocal solo and ensemble events. For more information contact the Arts Department here at the College or the Festival office itself on 9272 7655. Tickets start at \$6 per performance or season passes at \$12. We look forward to seeing you next week.

Ms N. Loke
Learning Area Coordinator - The Arts

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