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Monday, 16 October

Staff PD
Year 12 Final Examinations

Tuesday, 17 October

Term 4 begins for students
Year 12 Final Examinations

Wednesday, 18 October

Year 10 Outdoor Education
Camp
Year 12 Final Examinations

Thursday, 19 October

Year 10 Outdoor Education
Year 12 Final Examinations

Friday, 20 October

Year 10 Reflections &
Activity Days

**22ND ANNUAL ART
EXHIBITION & SALE**

Tickets are still available for purchase for the Official Opening on Friday, 6 October from 7pm - 10pm. \$20, includes wine from the Swan Valley and supper. Tickets can be purchased at the College during College Office hours. Free entry on Saturday, 7 and Sunday, 8 October from 10am to 4pm.

Ms J. Watson

Art Exhibition Coordinator

**COLLEGE OFFICE
HOURS**

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The College Office will be open during the holidays from 8:30am - 4:00pm.

Ms R. Langdon

Office Manager

**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

The Uniform Shop will be closed on Monday, 2 October, but will re-open on the Wednesday, of the first week and Monday and Wednesday on the second week from 7.30am to 1.30pm.

Ms C. Jurjevic

Uniform Shop Manager

From the Senior Leadership Team

CONGRATULATIONS

The College congratulates Mr Peter Sackett on his wedding on Saturday, 7 October and wish him and his wife, Julie, God's blessings for a wonderful married life together.

FAREWELL TO EXCHANGE STUDENTS

We wish our two current exchange students, Melanie Brenninkrueger, Year 11, from Switzerland and Emmanuela Martini, Year 12, from Italy, a very safe journey home.

It has been a pleasure having two students of their calibre at La Salle for the past term. I am sure that they have both enjoyed the experience and thank them for enriching the student life and experience of our students. Both Melanie and Emmanuela have been excellent ambassadors for their country.

SUMMER UNIFORM

Students and parents are reminded of the summer uniform requirements as shown below. The Uniform Shop will be open Monday, 9 October, and Wednesday, 4 and 11 October, over the holidays from 7.30am to 1.30pm.

Girls are asked to ensure that their dresses are an appropriate length and that they have the correct College socks. College sport socks are for sport only.

Summer Uniform - Boys

SHOES: Black leather lace-ups. (Black leather sneakers are not permitted)

SOCKS: Grey with College stripes.

SHIRT: White with crest.

JUMPER: Red College with crest.

SHORTS: Grey self-belted.

OR
TROUSERS: Grey school trousers

Summer Uniform - Girls

DRESS: College green with trim and crest (knee length).

SHOES: Black leather lace-ups. (Maximum heel height 3cm) No sandals permitted.

SOCKS: White with turnover and College stripes.

JUMPER: Red with College crest.

Mr Michael Pepper

Assistant Principal

INTER-HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION

La Salle College's Inaugural Inter-House Dance Competition took place on Sunday, 24 September. It was an event that gave students the opportunity to express their creativity by telling a story through dance and music. Our comperes for the evening, Damon Pavlinovich and Stefanie Critchell, did a fantastic job of introducing and explaining the performances for the audience. The performances were completely student run productions. They choreographed, rehearsed, created and purchased costumes and props to bring their performances to life on stage. The process began in early Term Two. Within each House a dance team was formed and they worked together to decide upon a theme that was important to them. The teams then selected appropriate music, which was edited to create a seven minute piece for their production. The choreographers became team leaders who met on a regular basis to create the dances to be taught at rehearsal. Once the dances were underway, more group effort was required with the design, fabrication and purchasing of costumes and props. Finally, each House was involved in many rehearsals to consolidate their respective productions.

The Houses demonstrated values encouraged by our Catholic ethos such as cooperation, teamwork, perseverance and a commitment to excellence, all to achieve a common goal. Each student gave up their time for two, sometimes three, after or before school rehearsals each week and



even practices on weekends. Not only were the students committed to the success of this evening but so also were many of our dedicated House staff, who supervised and supported the students when in need. A special thanks must go to our six House Coordinators - Alessandra Hardwick, Chelsey Harding, Kristy Panetta, Shellie Franklin, Tanya Manning and Joe Sorgiovanni, who worked tirelessly to ensure the smooth running of rehearsals and the performance itself, as well as the extra running around in search of just the right costume. We must also thank our three judges - Belinda Lush, Shana Clark and Miriam Schimmel - who adjudicated the performances based on three areas - entertainment, choreography and technicality.

All six Houses are to be commended on their effort and our congratulations must go to Mutien House for winning the event. Mrs Tanya Manning and her three student choreographers - Tara Franzinelli, Gemma Lockyer and Candace Higgins, spent countless hours planning and teaching the many steps to the team of dancers. We look forward to the 2007 Inter-House Dance Competition!

Ms F. Flower

Assistant Principal

NOTRE DAME STUDENT TEACHER

Jayde Douglas, a final year Education student, will be leaving La Salle College after teaching for ten weeks in the learning areas of Society and Environment and Religious Education. Her hard work and commitment to the College has been much appreciated by her students and tutor teacher, Mrs Keenan. We wish her all the best for the future.

Ms R. Keenan

EXCELLENCE IN FILM PRODUCTION

The 2006 MOSO Film Festival Awards Ceremony, held 27 August, 2006, saw Year 11 Digital Media students, Kane Earle, Simon Naylor and Dane Perkins win the Year 11 Category for *Excellence in Film Production* from a field of five entries. The Award was a fitting accolade for the many hours invested by the students in designing and creating an animation addressing the theme, *Keeping it all in balance*. Students from both Digital Media and Interactive Media prepared entries for the opportunity to represent the College at this annual event, which was televised by Access TV 31. Simon Naylor proudly accepted, on behalf of his team and La Salle College, a certificate and cheque to the College for \$3,000. Courtney Burch, Emma Schultink and Erin Smith represented the College in the Year 12 Category with their film entry, *You gotta keep it all in balance*. Kane Earle and Simon Naylor were also recipients of the NOVA Award for Outstanding Artistic Contribution. Congratulations to the Year 11 winners, the only animated film entry in the 2006 competition. To all students who participated in the selection process, sincere thanks for their 'Commitment to Excellence'.

Ms L. Reger

Information Technology Teacher

JAN JOLLEY LIBRARY UPDATE

It has been a busy end to the term with Book Week and the Year 12s trying to hand in all of their work before the end of term.

Reader of the Month: Mr John Velardo has volunteered to be our first reader of the month. Mr Velardo is currently reading 'The Dreamland' series by Dale Brown. This is a great series of books, written by an ex-fighter pilot in the US Air defence force. The series is based on a secret development arm of the air force. Their job is to develop new weapons using cutting edge technology to keep ahead of the enemy. They also get to use these experimental weapons in battle. He enjoys this series because of the authentic detail, humorous characters, links to major current events and the fact that lots of things get blown up too. Come and see our display in the Library and borrow one of this great series or one of his other suggestions!

PCGs with the least Overdues for 2007: Well done to all of the PCGs who won a free pizza lunch this week. Your efforts are appreciated!!

Year 12 students: Tips for survival over the next few weeks - Taking Exams

Before Check the time, date, and place of the exam. Check any materials including pens, pencils, watch, calculator, ID card Go for a gentle walk. Get a good night's sleep at least two nights.. Don't stay up late into the night 'cramming'. Use the time for a general overview of the course, don't try absorbing new material. An hour or two before have a good meal with low fat protein e.g. eggs, cottage cheese, yoghurt. Arrive at the venue in adequate time but don't discuss the exam.

Strategy Start with an overview of the paper. Read the instructions **very carefully** and analyse all of the questions quickly. Stick to those topics revised: don't try something new. First do two easy questions to build confidence and then do a more difficult question with more marks. Allocate time to spend on each item according to marks. Stick to this!!

Essay Re-read, underline important words and **clarify what is actually being asked**. Make brief notes and a rough plan of main points. Leave room for making changes. Answer the question directly in the first paragraph saying what points the essay will contain. Then write one paragraph for each main point. Summarize the answer by restating major points in the last paragraph. Finish the question in note form if running short of time.

Multiple Choice Try to answer the question **BEFORE** you look at the available answer options. All answers may be correct, or all may be incorrect. Read every option before giving an answer. Choose the best answer, not necessarily the correct one. First eliminate those answers that are wrong, or don't seem to fit. When forced to guess, always make a knowledge based guess. Do not change answers: the first thought is usually correct.

Short-Answer Questions Over learn the details of the material. Use of study cards is essential. First answer the probables quickly. Next answer the possible, and forget about the long shots.

Review: Review to make sure that all questions are answered; the answer sheet is not mis-marked or no other simple mistake has been made. Proofread writing for spelling, grammar, punctuation, decimal points, etc. Change answers to questions that were originally misread or if information elsewhere in the test indicates the first choice is incorrect.

When anxiety strikes, Stop, sit back, and try to relax. Breathe slowly and deeply to improve the flow of oxygen to the brain. Remain calm, relaxed, and positive. Check your neck and shoulder muscles and loosen any tight areas. Ignore what others are doing. Expect some anxiety. It's a reminder to do well and provides energy. Check the time schedule and exam strategy. If you go blank, skip the question and go on. Pause: think about the next step and keep on task, step by step. Recall visions of success.

All Students... While on holidays improve your chances of doing well! Burst out of your bubble and start the journey to lifelong learning!

You're going to say "I'm not going to study in the holidays! That's a time for relaxation and not thinking about school at all!" You're right ...but successful learners never stop learning. There are some strategies to give you the edge in your study next year...and the rest of your life, but don't interfere with having fun.

Read. **Read everything and anything.** Spread your wings in different directions from the usual. Read stories, true accounts, comics, graphic novels, newspapers, magazines, games, blogs, and internet websites of all flavours.

Be entertained, but **choose variety.** Don't just stick to the predictable kinds you already know. Watch TV, films, play games, listen to the radio, play sports that are not your customary choices.

Ask questions about what you see, hear and read.

Does it make sense?

What's the "spin"? What is the creator trying to tell you or convince you about?

How does it fit in with what I already know?

Do I understand what it's "on about"? If not, **how can I find out?**

Go somewhere else for a day or the month, **be engaged.** Map your journey. How far are you travelling? Work out how much money is spent and on what. Find out the stories of the places where you are going from people and print. Would I like to live there? Really? Why? Why not?

Spend time with and talk to people: not just friends but also parents, relatives, anyone you meet. Find out about them. **Listen! Be interested!** Their cultures (family and ethnic). Their stories. Their likes and dislikes. Their

viewpoints.

See where you can help. Show care and concern for the world around you; your environment and your fellows on the planet.

Find out about yourself! Your likes, dislikes. **Your passions.** **What engrosses you and sets you on fire?** Set yourself some goals: long, medium and short term.

Keep a journal. Record what you are doing, thinking, feeling, imagining

Ms S. Purcell

Library Coordinator

PARA CARNIVALS

Students from the Education Support Unit have been involved in two para carnivals in the last weeks of this term. On the 15 September, they competed in an indoor soccer carnival at Lords Indoor Sports Centre where we played against students from other Catholic secondary schools.

On 26 September, we competed in the para athletics carnival at Perry Lakes. The competition was good and our students tried very hard. Jez Pagotta again dominated the shot-put, winning the event for the fourth year in a row. Later we travelled to Kings Park before returning home. Congratulations to all students for their efforts on the day

Ms C. Williams

Education Support Coordinator.

CURRENT YEAR 10 STUDENTS UWA ENGINEERING

CAMP. 11 - 13 December, 2006 & 13-15 December, 2006

If you believe that Engineering might be a career choice for you, then perhaps this camp may be very beneficial. Students will be accommodated in one of the university's residential colleges. There is no charge to the students, as the cost is covered by UWA and its sponsors. Numbers are limited to 100 students, so please see Ms Bryant if you are interested.

Ms R. Bryant

Careers Adviser

ACC ATHLETICS

On Wednesday, 27 September, eighty five students from La Salle College competed at the "C" Division, ACC Athletics Carnival. The aim for the team was to improve on last year's result and finish in the top three. The team finished a very credible 4th, only eight points behind 3rd place, and considering we were depleted by a number of injuries both leading into the carnival and on the day, this is a result of which the students and coaches should be very proud. I wish to extend thanks to all students who committed and trained hard throughout the term. A number of personal bests were achieved throughout the day. Thanks also to the coaches who have worked tirelessly throughout the term; Mr Ben Dyer, Mr Silvio Lombardi, Ms Chelsey Harding, Mr Devin Martin, Miss Belinda Sewell, Mr Craig Jordan, Mr Fred Turco, and also Mr Michael O'Donohoe, Mrs Leanne Ruthven, Miss Monique DeJonghe and Mr Jarrad Sewell for officiating on the day. The results of the carnival can be accessed via the ACC website www.accsport.asn.au

Mr P. Sackett

Sports Coordinator



ARTS ACTION

Term 3, Week 10 2006

Last night La Salle College held the Opening Night for the annual Student Visual Arts Exhibition in the new Br Eric Pigott Performing Arts Centre. The Art, Graphic Design, TEE Art and Art & Design classes from Years 8 to 12 displayed their striking art works for the members of the community to enjoy. All who attended were impressed, not only by these, but also the wonderful canapés prepared and served by the Catering students.

Following this official opening was the Arts Awards night in the Nicolas Barre Auditorium. There were a range of performances by some of the school's talented students including Salieri, Song Force, Jazz and Concert bands, Special Dance, Chamber Ensemble and also a solo Drama performance by Year 12 TEE student, Michael Hawks. Congratulations must go, not only to the students who were awarded prizes last night, but to all Arts students for their outstanding talent and creative achievements.

Emily Clarke and Amberley Moffat

YEAR II CATERING DINNERS

On 8 September, one of five catering classes held a three course dinner for our parents and special guest, Mr and Mrs Bull. It was a well presented evening with lots of preparation leading up to the event. The table was decorated with handmade menus, name tags and napkins. Our guests had lovely meals by candle light, and the flowers that were present were stunning.

The menu for the night was -

Entrées:

Thai style pumpkin soup with coriander pesto.

Spiced lamb and chick pea salad.

Mains:

Crispy fish with potato mash and green vegetables.

Fillet steak with potato and bean salad.

Desserts:

Apple and passionfruit salad.

Coffee tortoni with almond praline.

Our feedback from the dinner guests was all positive and with many compliments. On behalf of all the Year 11 Catering students, we would like to say a big 'Thank you' to Ms O'Hart, Ms Lennon, Mr Velardo, the Home Economic Assistants, and Mrs Susan Di Paolo for the lovely flower arrangements used for the nights.

*Amara Letica, Bethany Olsen, Chloe Gallacher,
Elena Vallelonga, Elisa Scannella, Rebecca Archibald.*

YEAR 9 AND 10 COTTAGE INDUSTRIES EXHIBITION

On Tuesday, 26 September, a very successful exhibition of student work was held in the Library from 3.15pm–4.30pm. Family and friends of the students came along to enjoy a delicious afternoon tea and view the wonderful cushions produced by Year 9 students and quilts produced by Year 10 students. Visitors were asked to vote on their favourite cushion and quilt in a "Viewers Choice" competition. The following students polled the most votes and were each rewarded with a \$10 Spotlight Voucher:

Allison Semeniuk- Year 9 - Cushion
Melissa Modica - Year 10- Quilt

A group of Year 10 Cottage students, along with Mrs Gooden had also made a quilt for a raffle to be drawn at the event.

First Prize Quilt- Ashley Lucey Ticket No. 65
Second prize quilt- Mrs V. Lee Ticket No. 91
Third Prize Xmas Cross stitch Eileen Gaffey Ticket No. 16

Funds raised from the raffle and afternoon tea/exhibition will be used to fund five student tickets to the Grand Final of the Apex Teenage Fashion Awards to be held this Sunday at the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt Hotel. The students and staff involved would like to thank all those who supported the event.

Ms H. Gooden

YOUNG VINNIES

Last Tuesday, the Year 12 Young Vinnies attended their last official activity with the La Salle Conference. Assisted by three Year 9 students, they visited the residents of Greenmount Gardens Aged Hostel. During the afternoon they played games and talked with the residents. The afternoon activities concluded with a meal at Hungry Jacks and the presentation of certificates.

I would like to thank this outstanding group of Year 12s who have committed to Young Vinnies over the past two years. They have been involved in advocacy, fundraising and service to the community. The chairperson, Chloe Morley, has been a wonderful role model through her leadership and commitment to social justice. She has been supported by the following Year 12 students.

Kaitlyn Battistessa Sarah Baron
Rachel Lohmeyer Rebecca Poli
Verity Waller Tamara Vajas
Alexis Walker Jasmine Waller
Trisha Howes Chloe Balcome

Samuel Calabrese
Ms C. Aldous
Service-Learning Coordinator

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 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.

St John Baptist De La Salle...Pray for us.

Live Jesus in our hearts...Forever.

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