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TERM 4 CALENDAR

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

TUESDAY, 27
2008 Year 8 Orientation
Day

College Annual General
Meeting 7:00pm in the
Staffroom

WEDNESDAY, 28
NOVEMBER
College Assembly
Years 8 & 9 Night With
The Nobbles 7:00pm

THURSDAY, 29 NOVEMBER
Year 10 Italian Excursion to
Fremantle

Canteen Roster **Week 6**

Monday: R. Cobonov
Tuesday: W. Turner
Wednesday: Assistance
required please
Thursday: Assistance
required please
Friday: No help required
Presentation Evening
rehearsals

DATES TO REMEMBER

SUNDAY, 2 DECEMBER
Presentation Evening
7:00pm
Perth Convention
Exhibition Centre

PRESENTATION EVENING

Our Presentation Evening scheduled for 2 December, is effectively sold out. The Administration staff are trying to shuffle some seating around to accommodate late requests and those parents who have submitted their ticket order forms only recently will hopefully be seated.

If parents have not acquired tickets, there is still a clear expectation that their son/daughter attend. The evening will be a great show-case of our students' talents. The Convention Centre seats over 2,500 people and the fact that we have sold out is indicative of the talent of our students.

YEAR 7, 2010

Last Monday evening a group of approximately 120 parents from our feeder primary schools attended an Information Evening regarding the move of Year 7s to La Salle in 2010. The Director of Catholic Education, Ron Dullard, was in attendance along with the principals of our major Catholic primary schools. Parents were informed of the pastoral, physical and academic structures which will be put in place for the arrival of the Year 7s. Formal approval for this change of enrolment pattern will be put before the Catholic Education Commission in February 2008. To view the presentation, please visit the College website: www.lasalle.wa.edu.au under Parent Resources.

COLLEGE AGM

A final reminder regarding the College's Annual General Meeting, which will be held on Tuesday evening, 27 November, commencing at 7:00pm. Apart from reports from the Chairman of the Board and the College Treasurer, details of the 2008 fees schedule will be announced. I would encourage as many parents as possible to come along and find out more about the College's future directions.

STAFF FAREWELLS

This week we farewell Maria Locantro, our Arts Secretary, who has resigned from her position to take on some new challenges. Maria has been with us for the last four years and has been a tremendous support to the staff and students in the Arts Learning Area. We wish her every success in her new undertakings. We also say goodbye, albeit temporarily, to Fiona Flower who is commencing twelve months maternity leave. Fiona and Mark are expecting their first child on 4 January, and we wish them every happiness and blessings for the arrival of their baby. I would like to record my thanks to Fiona for the amazing work that she does at the College and for the personal support that she has given me as principal.

Natalie Calleja has been appointed to the position of Acting Assistant Principal during Fiona's leave.

Mr Wayne Bull
Principal

FR ROMAN'S SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

SUNDAY REFLECTION ON THE WORD OF GOD (Luke 23:35-43) THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

The Church year is over. Like the conclusion of a good book, the final chapter sums up the essence of the book. The Solemnity of Christ the King sums up the Church year by proclaiming: Jesus is the central mystery of our faith. He lived, He died, He rose, and He will come again. He went around the country side preaching about the Kingdom of God and encouraging us to change our lives so we can become members of this Kingdom. He told us to avoid the materialism of the world. He called us friends, and brothers and sisters. He called us His own. He told us to keep His presence alive in the world by bringing His compassion to others. He allowed us to be called Christians.

Let us reflect now on Christ's divine kingship. Jesus was crucified for His claim to be the Messianic King who would rule, not only over His people Israel, but ultimately over all the nations as well. What is the significance or meaning of Jesus' kingship for us? Kingship today seems antiquated, especially in democratic societies where everyone is treated as being equal and free. God at first did not want to give His people, Israel, a king. Why? Because God alone was their King and they needed no other. The Jews understood that the Messiah would come as king to establish God's reign for them. They wanted a king who would free them from tyranny and from foreign domination. Many had high hopes that Jesus would be the Messianic King. Little did they understand what kind of kingship Jesus claimed to have. Jesus came to conquer hearts and souls for an imperishable kingdom, rather than to conquer perishable lands and entitlements.

When Satan tempted Jesus during his forty day fast in the wilderness, he offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world. Jesus knew that the world was in Satan's power. And this was precisely why Jesus came – to overthrow Satan's power over the earth. Jesus knew that the way to victory was through submission to His Father's will and through the sacrificial offering of His life upon the cross for the sins of the world. As Jesus was dying on the cross, He was mocked for His claim to kingship. Nonetheless, He died, not only as King of the Jews, but as King of the nations as well. His victory over the power of sin, Satan, and the world, was accomplished through His death on the cross and His resurrection. Jesus exchanged a throne of glory for a cross of shame to restore us from slavery to sin to glory with God as His adopted sons and daughters. In the Book of Revelations, Jesus is called King of kings and Lord and lords (Rev. 19:16). Do you recognise Jesus Christ as your King and Lord?

The scriptures present us with the choice between two kingdoms – the kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness. The choice is ours. Which kingdom do you serve? God's kingdom remains forever because it is built on the foundation of God's eternal love, truth and justice. To accept Jesus as Lord and King is to enter a kingdom that will last forever, where righteousness, peace, truth, and love dwell. Is your life submitted to the Lordship of Jesus Christ?

Prayer:

“Lord Jesus Christ, you are my King and there is no other. Be the Lord and Master of my heart. May all that I do be pleasing to you and serve the best interests of my neighbour as well.”

Have a blessed and relaxing weekend.

Yours in Christ.

Fr Roman
College Chaplain

FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

PRESENTATION EVENING

Presentation Evening will be held at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre on Sunday, 2 December. The evening commences at 7:00pm sharp and will conclude by approximately 9:30pm. As mentioned in previous Delagrams, this is a compulsory event for all students at the College. The evening will feature academic and special award winners for 2007, along with an entertainment programme including the Year 8 Massed Choir, (involving ALL Year 8 students), the De La Dance Ensemble and the introduction of the 2008 Student Representative Council and Special Ministers. The winning Inter-House Dance item (Mutien House), College Choir, Year 10 Drama, Jazz Band and Concert Band will also be performing.

PRESENTATION NIGHT REHEARSALS

On Friday, 30 November, all Year 8 students, Award Winners, 2008 SRC, Special Ministers and performers will need to be in attendance for their nominated rehearsals here at the College. Other students in Years 9 to 11 do not need to attend formal classes on this day. However, the College is happy to provide supervision on this day, if required. Parents requiring the College to provide supervision on Friday, 30 November, are asked to phone the Administration Office by Wednesday, 28 November.

On Sunday, 2 December, all students involved in our Presentation Evening including Year 12s will be required at a full rehearsal at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre during the day, (Sunday, 2 December). A bus service to these rehearsals will be provided for students who need transport. Buses will leave the College at 7:45am on Sunday morning to transport students to the rehearsal. Buses will leave the Convention Centre at 11:30am and 2:15pm to return to the College. A full schedule of rehearsals is included in today's Delagram.

Mr Michael Pepper

Assistant Principal

NO PARKING ON VERGE / PAVEMENT OUTSIDE SCHOOL

A complaint has been received from a resident who has difficulty using her motorised wheelchair on the footpath due to vehicles being parked along the verge. The resident has also contacted the City of Swan and apparently the rangers will be monitoring the situation and there may well be infringement notices issued.

Mr Bob Allison

Business Manager

YEAR 10 SENIOR TOUCHING HEARTS PROJECT

Year 10 students should be giving consideration to service activities they can participate in over the Christmas holidays. All students MUST complete an Application To Participate In Service form and hand it in for approval prior to commencing an activity. This also applies to students who are continuing with an organisation in which they participated as part of the Year 10 programme.

I would like to draw parents' attention to the record page in the Touching Hearts diary. This page is a legal document that must be retained by the school. As with other legal documents, the following conventions apply:

- Only the required information should appear on the page. No drawings, graffiti, tags etc are acceptable.
- All entries should be made in pen.
- All entries should be made by a representative of the organisation where the student participated. Students should not be writing in their own time and parents should not be verifying their child's participation. This includes situations where the parent is the supervisor.
- The only alteration that is acceptable is a single line through the error with the supervisor's signature beside the alteration. Under no circumstances is correctional fluid to be used on the page.

Ms Christine Aldous

Christian Service Learning Coordinator

ADVERTISEMENTS FOR PLAYGROUPS NEXT WEEK

Ms Gooden's Year 10 Childcare classes are hosting playgroups to apply their skills and knowledge developed throughout the year. We will be hosting two playgroups at La Salle College.

- Monday, 26 November, 9:50am to 10:30am and
- Thursday, 29 November 8:55am to 9:35am.

Our playgroups are aimed for children between the ages of 12 months and 6 years. If you wish to attend with your child/children please RSVP to Ms Heather Gooden, (Childcare teacher running/supervising the playgroup) on hgo@lasalle.wa.edu.au by Friday, 23 November for the Monday playgroup, or by Monday, 26 November for the Thursday playgroup.

On behalf of the two Year 10 Childcare classes of 2007, we would like to thank you in advance for your attendance and support of these exciting events.

Jessica Hall and Madeleine Branson

Year 10 Childcare students

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION 2008

If your child is interested in learning an instrument, we are currently processing enrolments for 2008. Lessons are available for voice, violin, percussion (including drum kit), guitar (acoustic, bass and electric), piano/keyboard, saxophone, clarinet, trumpet and trombone. Students wishing to apply for music scholarships may also do so now. Scholarships are being awarded for students who have an excellence on a chosen band and orchestral instruments and commitment to the College Ensembles. The closing date for Scholarship Applications is 4 December, 2007.

Enrolment forms and Scholarship Application forms are available from the Arts Office or the Administration Office. Please contact me if you have any queries.

Mr Terry Pirla

Learning Area Coordinator - The Arts

PARA TEN PIN BOWLING CARNIVAL

On Wednesday, 21 November, fourteen students from Years 8 - 11 traveled to Morley to compete in a competition against Servite College, Ursula Frayne Catholic College and Corpus Christi College. The students played two games each and although one of our students, Stephanie Pearson, was runner up on the day, every student bowled well and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. As with all Para Carnivals, participation is more important than winning.

After the carnival we travelled to North Point Reserve in Bassendean and had lunch by the river with students from Servite College. After playing cricket and totem tennis, we had the presentation of certificates before returning to the College for a farewell to our Year 11 students and an exchange of Kris Kringle presents. We had a terrific day. Special thanks must go to our driver, Ms Weckmann, to the TAs and to the students for being such a delight to take out. They represented the College well and we were very proud of them.

Ms Christine Williams

Senior Teacher Education Support

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE

Hand made Christmas cards are now for sale from the Administration Office. Please come and support the students and give a gift with thought.

Ms Peta Robinson

Education Support Assistant



OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMPS

Term 4 has been an extremely exciting one for the Physical Education Department. It is traditionally the time of year that we hold our Outdoor Education Camps. In 2007, the Year 10s made their way down to Albany and the Stirling Ranges for their roping and abseiling adventures on Bluff Knoll and along the steep cliffs of West Cape Howe. These picturesque venues are rarely used by members of the public for such activities and we are extremely fortunate to access these areas for our activities. Our outside providers in Adventure Out were once again outstanding and provided such wonderful life experiences for our students.

The Year 9s experienced outdoor activities along the Swan River, before making their way to Rottnest Island for a day of snorkelling and Mountain Bike riding. Some of the activities engaged in by our students were Catamaran Sailing, Kayaking, Rogaining and Rock Climbing, before engaging in Camping activities, including Camp Cooking. It was a sight to behold - so many delicious meals being prepared over Trangia's and hot plates, including the meal of the night, Chef Frank Maiolo, with his home-made Italian sausage feast.

Many thanks to to all the staff who committed their precious time to assist on the camp, and in particular to the wonderful Outdoor Education teachers for preparing our students so professionally.

Mr Silvia Lombardi

Learning Area Coordinator - Physical and Health Education



COMMUNITY NEWS

While the College is happy to publish community news in the Delagram where space permits, the College is unable to provide endorsement to these events or any advertised material.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION OF WA - CONGRATULATIONS TO DANIEL VUJCICH - A letter has been received from Ms Mary Retel, Deputy Director from the CEO, acknowledging Daniel Vujcich, our former student and Head Boy 2000, who received the 2008 Rhodes Scholarship. Ms Retel passes on the CEO's congratulations to all members of the CECWA, to staff and the La Salle community, who have assisted Daniel along the way.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE YOUNG AND DEAF IN THE 21ST CENTURY - The Hills Auslan Circle (HAUC) is presenting a free public seminar on Thursday, 29 November, starting at 7:00pm. This month they will have a panel of young Deaf people discussing what it means to be young and deaf in the 21st century. There will be ample opportunity for questions and a light supper will be provided. It will be held at "The Hub", 8 Craig Street, Mundaring.

MUNDARING ARTS CENTRE - The Mundaring Arts Centre is proud to present a collection of paintings and drawings by Louise Lodge, and embroidered textiles by Bev Tarling in Cynosure, opening 23 November til 24 December. The boldness of line and colour tie in beautifully with the fabulous Christmas sale in our gift shop. Open seven days a week, the Mundaring Arts Centre is the perfect place to get something original and handcrafted by local artisans for special Christmas gifts. Win a family pass to the traditional Christmas ballet *The Nutcracker*.

PERTH DENTAL HOSPITAL & COMMUNITY DENTAL SERVICES - The Middle Swan Dental Therapy Centre will be closed on 21 December until 30 January, 2008. If your child requires emergency treatment during the closure period, please contact the emergency service on 9325 3452, Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm, your local private dental practitioner or Oral Health Centre of WA on 9346 4400, (eligibility criteria applies).