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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, 16 JANUARY
College Office

MONDAY, 21 JANUARY
Uniform Shop open
7:30am - 1:30pm

MONDAY, 4 FEBRUARY
Term 1 begins for Years
8 & 12

TUESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY
Term 1 begins for Years
9 - 11

THANK YOU

This is the final edition of the Delagram for 2007. It has been a very busy and productive year for La Salle. I would like to record my thanks to all staff members for the wonderful work that they have undertaken in ensuring that our College is a school centred in Christ. The staff so willingly give 110%, which makes a good school great!

To all of the students and families who are leaving the La Salle community at the end of this year, my sincere good wishes and blessings, and thank you for the contributions that you have made to our College.

The end of each year inevitably brings with it staff changes. La Salle has over 120 staff members and some staff turnover is healthy for the organisation. At the same time it is sad to farewell colleagues who have contributed to the Mission of the College. I would like to record my thanks to the following staff members who will not be returning to the College in 2008.

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| John Bouwer | John has completed his contract with the College and is looking at moving to the USA, his wife's home nation. |
| Julie Evans | Julie has completed her one-year contract as a Home Economics Assistant |
| Tammara Dawson | 2009 will see Tamara on the staff of St Monica's College in Melbourne. |
| Belinda Fabling | Being a mum, a full time teacher and travelling over 35 minutes each way to work has been a challenge for Belinda, who will take a break from full time teaching in 2008. |
| Chelsey Harding | La Salle House's Coordinator, is leaving teaching to pursue her passion for horse training. |
| Mayuka Juber | Mayuka has chosen to spend more time with her young daughter. |
| Megan Lennon | Our very talented Home Economics teacher is off to travel around Australia and return home to Tasmania. |
| Nicole Kennedy | Nicole leaves our Education Support Unit as a Teacher Assistant to undertake studies to become a teacher. |
| Shana O'Shea | One of our ex-students, Shana is going to leave teaching for a few years while her husband completes his contract in the mining industry. |
| Mark Pappas | After over 30 years of dedicated service to Catholic education, Mark is retiring to spend more time with his family. |
| Laura Sewell | Laura has completed her one-year appointment to the College as a Teacher Assistant. |
| Clelia Tedeschi | Clelia has completed her eight year contract with the College and is looking to move into other educational settings. |
| Kerri Tuckwell | Kerri has completed her contract as a Teacher Assistant in the St Joseph's Education Support Unit. |

Additionally, the following staff members, who were on extended leave in 2007, will not be returning to La Salle:

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| Lisa Causton | Will continue working as a consultant at the Catholic Education Office. |
| Nicole Loke | Has formed her own production and theatre company. |
| Sharon McCarthy | Has decided to become a full-time stay at home mum. |

Five staff will be on a year's leave in 2008:

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| Fiona Flower | On maternity leave. |
| Bryan Carson | Will be working in the Kimberleys. |
| Cassandra King | Is undertaking further study. |
| Frank Italiano and Christine Williams | Have been seconded to the Catholic Education Office. |

I wish all members of the College community a safe, happy and holy Christmas. As I noted above, La Salle strives to be a school centred in Christ. It is vitally important that we take time to reflect and celebrate the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. The Christmas break provides all of us with the opportunity to give thanks and rejoice that Christ continues to be the focus of all of our undertakings here at La Salle.

PRESENTATION EVENING

This was a wonderful showcase of the amazing gifts and talents of our students. To have a capacity audience of 2,500 people attend this highlight of the College's year, was very special. My congratulations to all award winners, performers, 2008 Student Representative Council, and our student leaders for next year, Arielle Cooper, Joshua Lankester, Amy Firms and Daniel Webb. To the many staff, expertly led by Michael Pepper, thank you for the many contributions that you made to ensure that the night was a great success. I would also like to acknowledge Benjamin Riches for many of the photographs which were used in the montages during the evening.

GRADUATION BALL

Nearly 600 students, parents and staff enjoyed a wonderful evening at the Grand Ballroom of the Burswood on Monday evening, as the Class of 2007 enjoyed their last official College function. This is a very important event for the College as we annually mark the graduation of our Year 12s. Thank you to Natalie Calleja, the Year 12 Coordinator, for her outstanding work in organising this event.

KEY DATES FOR THE START OF 2008

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| Wednesday, | 16 January, 2008 | College Office opens |
| Monday, | 21 January, 2008 | Uniform Shop opens each Monday and Wednesday from 7:30am to 1:30pm |
| Monday, | 4 February, 2008 | Term 1 begins for Years 8 & 12 and new students |
| Tuesday, | 5 February, 2008 | Term 1 begins for Years 9 to 11 |

PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS

Please keep in your prayers and thoughts Mr and Mrs Gallacher and our students, Jordan and Chloe-Allyn, for the loss of a family member, and to Mr and Mrs Carroll and our students Meagan, James and Mark, for the loss of their grandfather.

Mr Wayne Bull
Principal

FR ROMAN'S SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

REFLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS

"Could God go further in His stooping down, in His drawing near to man, thereby expanding the possibilities of our knowing Him? In truth, it seems that He has gone as far as possible. He could not go further. In a certain sense: GOD HAS GONE TOO FAR!" (John Paul II)

On Christmas we proclaim that God became human and it is so hard to get our heads around this! On that day, and throughout our entire Christian life, we proclaim that a myth became real/reality. To think that the God who created everything that exists – from quarks to galaxies – who has conferred on them the properties that order our universe – who continues to create all living things, from bacteria to our favourite pets – should enter into created reality, should take on our flawed humanity – it is simply too much to grasp. Not just "How could that be?", but, "Why would God do that"? The "why" of Christmas is, simply, love – not just attraction, not just affection, not just passion, but pure, unalloyed self-giving. Creation itself is a foretaste of that self-giving – sharing the existence that is eternal in God. But the incarnation takes God's self-giving to a totally new level. In Jesus we recognise that self-giving is the very nature of God. Jesus is "the very imprint of God's being." Jesus is God's self-revelation to the world. How am I to convince you that Christ is real, that his love is so wonderful and approachable? How am I to prove to you that He loves you with an everlasting love?

At the end of our school terms, we go "home" again – back to our "normal" lives, leaving behind those whom we have for a while helped unselfishly. The God man whose birth we celebrate did not do that. Instead he accepted our death, "even death on a cross" – His way home took him through Calvary. It has been truly said that the stable at Bethlehem stands in the shadow of the cross. It is, after all, the cross that makes concrete the love manifested in Bethlehem. That is something we desperately need to grasp – not as a "downer" at this joyful season, but so that we can understand that truly "normal", truly human, life consists of total self-giving. For Jesus is not just the "very imprint of God's being" but the norm – as in "normal" – the very model of what true humanity is. There are so many people around us, including our loved ones or even ourselves, who have not begun to live their life to its full yet. That fact hurts me so much. So many young people waste their lives and positive energy for something which cannot lead them to real happiness and spiritual joy and integration. Rejecting Jesus, we reject a possibility to live a fully human life. So please, dear parents and young people, draw near to Christ to give Him your fears and future. If you let Christ into your life, you lose nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing, of what makes life free, beautiful and great. Christmas tells us that our hearts indeed are restless until they rest in God; until they receive love and give love. One of the surprises of God's self-giving to us is that it seems to be so ordinary, and thus can easily be overlooked. The Word that is God's self-giving to us was to be found not in a royal palace, but in a manger as a helpless baby in need of a mother's love. At our Christ-Mass the Risen Lord gives Himself to us as bread and wine. What could be more ordinary, and at the same moment so extraordinary a gift of love? It is through the most simple, ordinary means, and in the most humble places, that the gift of love can be exchanged. Knowing and consequently loving Jesus Christ, I must imitate Him. I must be anxious to share His lot in all things....."I live now, no, not I, but Christ lives in me." – says St Paul, the Apostle.

Do you really want to allow Jesus to live and reign in you? Do you really want to live for Him?

Take Jesus with you when you leave your church this Christmas, don't leave Him alone there. Bring His love, truth and presence to your married and family life. Live with Jesus the fullness of life. Get to know the fatherly love of God towards you through getting to know Christ. Celebrate this Christmas with Him. Celebrate and live your life with Him – that's all you need. And finally make a gift of yourself to God and His children you meet every day.

I wish you all, dear parents and students, a holy and blessed Christmas, New Year and summer holidays.
St John Baptist de La Salle... Pray for us!
Live Jesus in our hearts... Forever!

Fr Roman

College Chaplain

FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

BISHOPS' RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT 2007: YEAR 9

All Year 9 students have received their assessment workbook and an individual report which provides a summary of their scores and how these scores compare with students within their year level. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the College or email ama@lasalle.wa.edu.au if you have any questions.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - STUDENT BOOKS FOR YEARS 9 & 10 STUDENTS IN 2008

The Student Books for Religious Education (one per term), are currently in the process of being updated for Years 9 and 10 students. As a result, no new stock is available from the publisher. Students in Years 9 and 10 in 2008 are to endeavour to purchase stock at the second-hand book sale - no new books will be available in 2008.

Mr Adrian Martino

Director of Christian Ministry

YEAR 7 IMMERSION CLASSES

Sixty two students from St Brigid's Catholic Primary School spent two full days at our College last week, further enhancing their knowledge and comfort factor in the transition to high school. Accompanied by their teachers, they were treated to some special lessons by a number of La Salle teachers. Special thanks to staff members John Velardo, Renee McClymont, David White and Christopher Dunne for their exceptional lessons!

Ms Natalie Calleja

Assistant Principal

ELLENBROOK BUS 2008 REGISTRATIONS

Letters and registration forms will be posted to parents of students currently using this service over the next week. Parents of students who do not use this service but are interested in utilising it should contact me via phone or email rla@lasalle.wa.edu.au However, preference will be given to current users and their siblings.

Ms Rachael Langdon

Principal's Personal Assistant

THANK YOU FROM THE CANCER COUNCIL

I would like to thank all staff, parents and students who supported Pink Ribbon Day earlier this term, by purchasing merchandise and/or donating to this worthy cause. The Cancer Council has sent La Salle College Certificates of Appreciation for our participation and contributions to Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, Daffodil Day and Pink Ribbon Day in 2007. On behalf of The Cancer Council, thank you for all your support this year. The funds raised will enable The Cancer Council to fund cancer research, implement education and prevention programs and run support services for cancer patients and their carers.

Wishing you all a Holy and safe Christmas and continued blessings in 2008.

Ms Margherita De Filippi

Coordinator of The Cancer Council's Events at La Salle College

YEAR 10 CHILD CARE PLAY GROUPS

Last week, on Monday, during Period 2 and Thursday, during Period 1, the two Year 10 Child Care classes each held a play group. This was the opportunity for students to put into practice all that they had learned about Child Development this year. Students were also able to road test toys they had made including felt cubes and toys made from recycled materials.

Many students turned up before school to set up for the play groups or stayed behind at recess to pack away. Their commitment to the task ensured it was a great success. About twelve children from infants to 4 year olds attended each play group and they, along with the students, all appeared to have a ball. Parents commented about the quality of play materials organized by the students and the way students interacted with their children. The play groups were definitely a highlight of the Year 10 Child Care course and I would like to extend my appreciation to the students involved and the parents who took the time to bring their children along.

Ms Heather Gooden





INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE VOLUNTEER

Mission Australia has just released the National Survey of Young Australians, 2007. This survey sampled the values and concerns of nearly 29,000 young people aged between 11 and 24. It is encouraging to see that the importance of volunteering is being recognised by our youth. In Western Australia, 20% of 11 -14 year olds surveyed are involved in volunteering. This increases to 44% for 20 - 24 year olds. On 5 December, we recognised all volunteers through the International Day of the Volunteer. Congratulations to all students and other members of the school community who have given their support to those in need during 2007.

HOLIDAY SERVICE POSITIONS

Year 10 students should be exploring the possibility of completing at least some of their hours towards the Senior Touching Hearts Project. Students must complete, and have approved, an Application to Participate in Service form prior to commencing any service activity. Students returning to an organisation for the Senior Project must complete a new form. The form is available from the Christian Ministry Office or can be downloaded from MyClasses. I have asked all Year 10 students to check that they have access to the Touching Hearts page on MyClasses before the end of the school year. I will be available at the College to process these forms until 14 December. Students may also submit a form by email to cal@lasalle.wa.edu.au

Mrs Christine Aldous

Christian Service-Learning Coordinator

YEAR 10 ITALIAN EXCURSION TO FREMANTLE

On Thursday, 29 November, the Year 10 Italian students, accompanied by our Italian teacher, Ms De Filippi, and bus driver, Mr Velardo, went on an excursion to Fremantle. We were able to experience the impact that the Italians have had on our Port City. Our first stop was La Maiolica Handcrafted Pottery, where we were taken on a guided tour of the studio and shown demonstrations of pottery being hand-thrown and hand-painted. The art painted on the vases, bowls and decorative wall plates was amazing!

Our next stop was the WA Maritime Museum to view the Welcome Walls, a tribute paid to migrants, most of them Italian, who have played a huge role in the State's social, economic and cultural development. Some of our ancestors were listed on the walls to our delight. Morning tea was at the E-Sheds Markets.

We then walked along Fremantle's Fisherman's Wharf and saw many tributes to Italian fishermen. For many Italian migrants, fishing became their livelihood when they first arrived in WA. Lunch was at Cicerello's, where many of us enjoyed calamari and chips. It was 'buonissimo'!

By the end of the day, we had a clearer understanding about the Italian influence in Fremantle. Our last stop was the Fremantle Chocolate Factory where we purchased supplies for our trip home. Overall, we had a great experience and continue to learn about the Italian culture.

Jordana Thornton

Year 10 Italian Student

YEAR 8 ITALIAN LUNCH AND SPORTS AFTERNOON

On Wednesday, 5 December, all Year 8 Italian students were able to immerse themselves in the Italian culture for the afternoon. In Period 5, students were given the opportunity to enjoy an Italian lunch of a variety of continental rolls, pizza, meatballs, 'arancini' (riceballs), cannoli and the Italian drink, chinotto. In Period 6, students enthusiastically joined in a Round-Robin Competition of Italian sports and games. These included Soccer, Bocce, Waiter/Waitress Race, Fountain of Trevi Coin Throwing Competition and the Venetian Gondola Race.

My thanks to all the Year 8 Italian students for embracing this culturally enhancing experience and to the staff who assisted with the lunch and activities. I take this opportunity to wish you all 'Buon Natale, Felice Anno Nuovo e Buone Vacanze'. You might need to ask your children for a translation!

Ms Margherita De Filippi

Teacher of Italian

THE ARTS - URGENT ASSISTANCE

The Arts Department are looking for parents to help clean and sort out the costume area under the auditorium stage on the following days: Tuesday, 15 and Wednesday, 16 January, 2008 from 10:00am - 3:00pm. If you are able to assist, please email me on tpi@lasalle.wa.edu.au

THE ARTS FARWELLS

Ms SHANA O'SHEA

It is with great sadness that we farewell a much loved member to the College, Ms Shana O'Shea. Although Shana has only been with the College this year, she has become deeply involved in all facets of the community as well as the Arts Department. Her passion for the arts and desire to help her students achieve their best is visible in all that she does. Shana has provided not only interesting and creative Drama works for her students within her normal teaching and learning environment, but also with the senior production of *Oh What a Lovely War* and Arts Nights throughout the year.

Together with her students, Shana has created many outstanding drama and dance works and has helped lift the standard of these areas at La Salle College. She will be deeply and sadly missed, not only by the students and staff, but also all of our community. We wish her every success in her future endeavours and no doubt we will continue to see her bubbly and smiling face around the College in the future.

MARIA LOCANTRO

It is with great sadness that I farewell a long serving and much loved member not only of the College but the Performing Arts staff, Mrs Maria Locantro. Maria has been the Arts Administrator for the past four years and has done a great deal for the department. Without her professionalism, support and friendship over the years, the Arts Department would not have run so smoothly. Maria has become deeply involved in all facets of not only the Arts Department but also the school community. Her work, friendly manner and professionalism will definitely be sadly and deeply missed by both staff and students of the Arts Learning Area within the College. We wish Maria every success in her future endeavours as she starts her new life at the Catholic Arts Office.

MAYUKA JUBER

Both the College and the Arts Department would like to take this opportunity to farewell a much loved member to the College, Ms Mayuka Juber. Although Mayuka has only been with the College for the past two years, she has become deeply involved in, not only the Music area, but she has also been an integral part of many other facets of the community, as well as the Arts Department. Her passion for music and the arts in general has shown her desire to help her students achieve their best in everything they are involved in from the Jazz Ensemble and Concert Band to her general classes and, of course, the Choirs. Mayuka has provided a range of opportunities and learning styles for her students, both within her normal teaching and learning environment, as well as ensembles and Arts Nights throughout the year.

Mayuka will be deeply and sadly missed by, not only the students and staff of the College, but also all of our community. We would like to wish her every success in her future endeavours and hopefully we will see her smiling face around the College in the future.

ARTS ACTION - THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the College community for their support and assistance this year during my role as Acting Learning Area Coordinator of the Arts. I look forward to working with the students and community again in the future. It has been a wonderful year and I thank everyone who has been involved with the Arts this year.

I would also like to thank my wonderful, dedicated and supportive staff for all of their amazing work this year in making the Arts such a success and enjoyable year for the students involved with our learning area.

To the wonderful Arts students, you guys are amazing and extremely talented. Keep your stars shining over the break and we look forward to 2008.

2008 is going to be another big year for the College in the Arts Learning Area and we look forward to bringing the community many enjoyable shows and performances.

From all of us here in the Arts Office, may I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and safe New Year. God Bless

Mr Terry Pirlo

Learning Area Coordinator - The Arts



THE GREAT AVOCADO COOK OFF

On Tuesday, 4 December, five pairs from individual Year 9 Food and Nutrition classes competed in La Salle College's inaugural Avocado Cook Off Competition. They were judged on knowledge of their recipe, presentation and the overall taste of their creation, needing to include the key ingredient - an avocado.

The five pairs were previously selected as the winners in their own Food and Nutrition class heats where they cooked their recipes for the first time.

The five pairs then competed in the final Avocado Cook off, held at lunchtime in the College's Nicolas Barre Auditorium. The competition was presented to the audience in a TV style cooking show, where the cook off was projected on a large screen and the student's cooking was commented on by Mr White (Senior). The pairs battled it out within a short time limit, whipping up everything from avocado ice-cream to swordfish, right before the judge's eyes.



In the end Mathew Johns and Brandon Erceg took out first place with their delicious Chicken, Avocado and Prosciutto Roll, Mr Bull's favourite. Sarah Harper, Emily Clarke and Stephanie Reyes finished a very close second with their Tuna Ceviche with Avocado Salad.

Congratulations to all of the participants in the cook off and a thankyou to the Year 9 Food and Nutrition teachers Ms Lennon, Ms Gooden and Ms Panetta, the judges - Mr Bull and Mr Verlado, Mr White for the awesome way he compered the event, and the audience for their individual contributions to make it such a memorable experience.

Madeleine Cuy and Stacey O'Brien

BIG PLAN LAUNCH, 6 DECEMBER, 2007

On Thursday, 6 December, students, their families and teachers gathered together with Local Area Coordinators from the Disability Services Commission to launch the Big Plan for 2008. Students and parents were welcomed by Mr Bull and the meeting was facilitated by Mike Tucker and Paula Elliott-White.

The Big Plan is based upon person centered planning and is designed to answer the following question; "What would it take for this young man or woman to have an interesting, fulfilling life where they can get to know people who would become their friends and are able to make their contribution to the local community?"

There will be a series of four workshops held at the College in 2008 and families and friends will gather to explore the students' aspirations and passions and plan how best these can be met by tapping into networks that will be able to support the student.

Ms Christine Williams

Senior Teacher, Education Support

STUDY, MORE THAN A WORD THAT TEACHERS YELL

On 8 November, we went to our tutorial class looking forward to a discussion on driver education. Instead we went in to hear an inspirational story from a former La Salle student, Mrs Julie Massara, one of the co-founders of Australian Mine Services, who was nervously waiting our arrival armed with free hats and lollies. We came in, sat down and she began to share her story, a story of how they started from humble beginnings to become a successful company. This achievement did not happen overnight; it required a great deal of research and sacrifice. She explained to us how her husband took the risk of leaving his then employer as a result of an opportunity. With this opportunity they faced the challenges of organising finances to fund the operation, which led them to meet the equipment requirements of Argyle Diamonds. In accepting this they were required to make a major family decision, such as selling their house and renting instead.

The risk they took slowly began to pay off as the number of staff to fulfil the workload gradually increased to where they now employ around 100 people.



The key message from her visit was that along a journey, many events can occur which will have an impact on what we do. For her it was her father being diagnosed with cancer and the battle to beat it. The impact on the company was non-existent because of the fantastic employer and employee relationship. The message was, treat your staff with respect and they will do the same in return.

Julie's message on Friday was that, in whatever we choose to do, it is extremely important that we do the research and take advantage of the opportunities provided for us by our parents as we head into our challenges of Year 11 and 12. In other words STUDY.

Mr Joe Sorgiovanni

YEAR 12 STUDENTS OF 2007

All West Cabinets is looking to hire an apprentice to undertake a cabinet making apprenticeship for 2008. The successful candidate will have a keen interest in working in the industry and will be eager, enthusiastic and show a high level of initiative. If you are interested, please call me at the College and I will pass on the company's details to you.

Ms Rebecca Bryant

WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY

Ms Fiona Waters, Owner and Manager of the fashion house, Windows Boutique, visited Year 10 Business Studies students last Friday to provide an insight into the management and business practices involved in running a small company. Ms Waters studied fashion at TAFE before embarking in her new business venture two years ago. She has learnt much from this experience. Students were interested in her reasons to re-locate the boutique, from the Perth CBD to Victoria Park a year ago. This was due to a change in the demographics within Carillion City, where the boutique had been located for over twenty years. Students were also interested in her advertising campaigns, designed to retain and build on her current clientele. Ms Waters also spoke with the 2007 Apex Teenage Fashion students, showcasing her own innovative fashion designs and creations. The students really enjoyed her visit and the Year 10 Technology and Fashion students are looking forward to visiting Windows Boutique early in 2008.



Ms Lisa Fiora and Ms Heather Gooden
Technology & Enterprise Teachers

KEYS TO LIFE PROGRAMME

For the last part of term, the Year 10 students have been undergoing preparation for their learners' permit with the guidance of Mr Joe Sorgiovanni. Over the past four weeks, students have received tutorials along with road rulebooks to help them understand and identify the different road rules. Last Friday, two police constables and a paramedic with over sixty years of experience between them, came to La Salle to help us better understand the horrid effects of dangerous driving. There were no Hollywood endings with the stories the year group was told. All the stories were both true and shocking. Through their use of life experiences and first hand accounts of actual crash scenes, they were able to really connect with the year group and drove their message home. Graphic terms were used, not to scare the prospective drivers, but to make them more aware of the incidents that can happen on our roads. We believe it's safe to say that all the Year 10s are now a lot more aware of what could happen, and the ripple effect that it has on our society. Our many thanks to Mr Sorgiovanni for organising this informative session.



Alicia Roberts and Jessica Russell

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to the following Year 8 students for an outstanding Visual Diary in Visual Art.

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| Cassidy Cooper | Jaz Cappeau | Mary-Louise Carbone | Samantha Gill |
| Angus Hogarth | Kirby Jobse | Sarah McNally | Krista Tanuwibawa |
| Rebecca Vanderlaan | Alice Vella | Evelyn Vivier | Chelsea Wicks |

Congratulations to **Jonathon Gibbs**, Year 8 for designing a creative computer game, using original artwork, and supporting his computer work with detailed written work. An excellent first task in Information Technology.



Congratulations to **Corey Kinninmont**, Year 8, for a beautifully presented and creatively written poetry booklet. Corey's booklet included ballads, cinquans, haikus and limericks with a strong sporting theme throughout. Corey consistently produces work of a high standard and displays an enthusiastic and inquisitive attitude to all class activities.

Congratulations to **Crystal Ranelli**, Year 8, for designing an innovative computer game based on ancient Egypt and supporting her computer work with detailed written work. An excellent first task in Information Technology.

Congratulations to **Alexander O'Neil**, Year 8, for designing an innovative computer game and supporting his computer work with detailed research and written work. An excellent first task in Information Technology.

Congratulations to the following Year 8 students for outstanding work on their Religious Education Task 7.

Stephen Brocklehurst **Ella Konrad-East** **Anthony Nolan** **Hayley Tunstead**

Congratulations to the following Year 8 students for outstanding achievement in their English Task 12.

Eleanor Bottomley **Stephanie Davis** **Kaila De Cinque** **Ashleigh Gooden**
Bridgett Hodgkin

Congratulations to the following Year 9 students for outstanding work on their Foods Health Promotion Task.

Emily Clarke **Sarah Harper** **Olivia Peel** **Stephanie Reyes**

Congratulations to the following Year 9 students for their outstanding Religious Education Assessment Task 6.

Philip Burke **Brandon Erceg** **Liam Hall** **Elizabeth Harries**
Chynee Haze **Brendan Martin** **Adam Radziejewski** **Jake Veljacich**

Congratulations to **Matthew Southern**, Year 9, for an excellent English Report. Matthew always goes beyond what is asked of him in an assignment.

Congratulations to **Nicholas Graham-Dawson**, Year 9, for being accepted into the Cycling WA Junior Talent Identification Squad. Nicholas was identified during the Year 9 Outdoor Education Cycling unit at the Velodrome as having potential in the sport of Track Cycling. He was then invited to train with the Talent Identification Squad for three months and has since been invited to join this squad permanently.

Congratulations to the following Year 9 students for their outstanding Studio Practice in Visual Art.

Claudia Gerencser **Tamara Hall** **Cameron James** **Madeleine Quy**
Catherine Rae **Jillian Sarmiento** **Jessica Slade** **Aisha Valenti**

Congratulations to the following Year 9 students for making it through to the Avocado Cook Off final.

Brandon Cox **Emily Clarke** **Cameron D'Lima** **Jack Driscoll**
Sarah Harper **Stephanie Reyes** **Alexander Wester**

Congratulations to **Liam Solig**, Year 9, for outstanding achievement in English Tasks 7 and 8.

Congratulations to the following Year 10 students for their outstanding Studio Practice in Visual Art.

Isabella Adamczyk **Emily Bomford** **Kara Cepo** **Jessica Del Borrello**
Natalie Hadland **Erin Kosovich** **Liana Mead** **Jade Mitchell**
Alicia Roberts **Lauren Schorer** **Whitney Slater**

Congratulations to the following Year 10 students for their exceptional process and performance in the Epic Theatre Task in Drama.

Clarise Brown **Teagan Kay** **Gemma Lockyer** **Jessica Russell**

Congratulations to **Mr Frank Italiano**, for his great dedication and effort shown towards his Year 11 Economics class. It has been fantastic! Good luck at the Catholic Education Office in 2008.

Congratulations to the **Maintenance Department** for the beautiful gardens throughout the College. A great deal of time, effort and dedication goes into keeping the gardens so beautiful for everyone to enjoy. Thank you.

Congratulations to **Mr Mark Pallot**, for his outstanding support to students whilst on the Year 10 Outdoor Education Camp. Mark was kind, caring, supporting and very encouraging and if it was not for his patience some students would not have made it up to Bluff Knoll.

Congratulations to **Robert Huntington** for being selected in the School Sport Australia Team to travel to the USA from 28 December 2007 to 17 January 2008.

Congratulations to past student, **Talya Valenti**, Class of 2006, who has been chosen to sail from Adelaide to Port Lincoln on the Young Endeavour. It is a ten day trip and only two West Australians were selected.

GOVERNMENT SECONDARY ALLOWANCE SCHEME, HEALTH CARE CARD DISCOUNT AND ELIGIBLE CARD HOLDERS

Available at the Administration Office are applications for:

GOVERNMENT SECONDARY ALLOWANCE SCHEME
(\$115 uniform allowance and \$235 towards fees)

HEALTH CARE CARD DISCOUNT

| ELIGIBLE CARD HOLDERS | |
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| State Government secondary allowance (students must be born in 1990 or later) Eligible cards must be current in term one 2008 | Health Care card discount Eligible cards must be current in term one 2008 |
| Centrelink Pensioner Concession card | Centrelink Pensioner Concession card (PPS and NS only) |
| Centrelink Family Health Care card | Centrelink Family Health Care card |
| Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession card | |

REGIONAL DISCOUNT

(\$30 discount from school fees per semester for families with one student at La Salle and sibling/s at another Catholic primary school in the region)

Mr Richard Truscott
Accounts Manager

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.

SALESIAN SUMMER CAMPS 6 - 10 JANUARY, 2008

The concurrent 19th annual Youth Camp for boys and girls aged 12 - 15 years will again be held at Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup on Sunday, 6 January to Thursday, 10 January, 2008. Application forms are available from the College Office or the Salesian Youth Office on 0412672256. Cost is \$180. Activities include canoeing, disco, outings, team games, confidence course, prayer, war games and bus transport. Add \$18 for optional archery. Run by young, trained Youth Leaders, with Salesian Religious as coordinators. Financial support is available through Erin. Forms and monies must be received by Friday, 31 December, 2008.

NEW YEARS EVE MIDNIGHT MASS - New Years Eve Midnight Mass at the Schoenstatt Shrine. Adoration from 9:00pm onwards. 11:00pm Rosary and End of Year prayers. 12 midnight fireworks, Holy Mass followed by fellowship. Please bring some goodies to share.

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).

CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY SUNSET - St Brigid's Primary School, Middle Swan on Sunday, 16 December. Gates open at 6:00pm, Carols 7:30pm. Fundraiser for World Youth Day with sausage sizzle, cool drinks and raffles. Music by St Brigid's Parish Youth.

LIFEWIZE SOLUTIONS AUSTRALIA AND THE COOL SCHOOL ACHIEVING SUCCESS IN YEARS 11/12 - Workshop choices - Monday, 14 January, Tuesday, 15 January, Wednesday, 16 January from 5:30pm to 10:00pm. Meerilinga Building, 15 Cambridge Street, West Leederville. Cost \$75 per student.



BOOKLAND BOOK SALES

Bookland will be open for the sale of books in the Laurence Murphy Hall at La Salle College on Tuesday, 18 December and Wednesday, 19 December from 8:00am to 4:00pm. Orders can also be placed on-line. Purchases can also be made at Bookland Head Office in East Perth.

SECOND HAND BOOK SALES

A second hand book sale will be available on Tuesday, 18 December 2007, from 8:00am in the College grounds.

COMMENCEMENT DATE 2008

Monday, 4 February for Year 8 & 12 students only at 8:15am.

Year 8 students are to gather outside the Laurence Murphy Hall, (Gymnasium) where Mr Peter Elloy, Year 8 Coordinator, will outline the program for the day.

Year 9, 10 & 11 students begin classes on Tuesday 5 February.

OFFICE HOURS

The Administration Office will be open from 8:00am to 4:30pm until Wednesday, 12 December, 2007, then 8:30am to 4:00pm until Friday, 21 December, 2007. The College Office will re-open on Wednesday, 16 January, 2008 from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Normal Administration hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm will commence from Monday, 4 February 2008.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop hours are Monday and Wednesday 7:30am to 1:30pm.

UNIFORM SHOP HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

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| Mondays and Wednesdays | 7:30am - 1:30pm until 12 December |
| Monday, 17 December | Closed |
| Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 December | 8:00am - 4:00pm to coincide with book sales |
| Christmas break between Monday, 21 and Wednesday, 23 January | 20 December - 20 January Closed |
| Monday, 28 January - Public holiday | Closed |
| Tuesday, 29 January (in lieu of public holiday) | 7:30am - 1:30pm |
| Wednesday, 30 January onwards | 7:30am - 1:30pm |



Treasured memories of the Graduation Ball, held at the Burswood Grand Ballroom on Monday, 10 December 2007.