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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Mr Wayne Bull



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COLLEGE AGM- TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 7:00 pm

All parents and community members are invited to the College AGM to be held on the above date in the Staff Room. The format of the evening is as follows:

Board Chairperson's Report
Principal's Report
College Treasurer's Report including fees and charges for 2010
Election of College Board members for 2010

There are currently three vacancies for the Board for next year. Parents wishing to nominate for a position on the Board should contact Rachael Langdon for a nomination form. Nominations are due by 4:00 pm on Friday 27 November.

I look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at this event. The AGM will probably last about 30 minutes and will be followed by an opportunity for attendees to enjoy some wine and cheese. To assist with catering, please phone Rachael Langdon at the College to confirm your attendance.

PRESENTATION EVENING

Preparations for the College's Presentation Evening continue. The event is now **SOLD OUT** with a waiting list. All parents have received information regarding rehearsals and expectations for this event. A reminder that scheduled classes will not run on Friday 27 November. Students involved with the programme will be involved with rehearsals at the College on this day. Parents of non-prize winners and non-performers may choose to send their child to school on that day to be supervised, or they may opt to keep their child at home to undertake personal study in preparation for final exams the following week. Please contact the College Office by Wednesday 25 November if you wish for your child to be supervised on Friday 27 November so that staff supervision can be arranged.

FINAL EXAMINATIONS

Our 11 students have nearly completed their final examinations, with students in Years 8 to 10 gearing up for their exams in Week 7 & 8 (Monday 23 November). I wish all of our students the very best for these important assessments. Remember to continue your revision programme during this examination period and be on time for your exams!

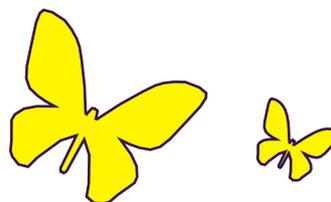
YEAR 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMP AND REFLECTION DAYS

I would like to thank the staff involved in the annual Year 9 Outdoor Education Camp. This is a culmination of the students' efforts in Outdoor Education during the year. Other Year 9 students not involved in the Camp have been involved in Reflection Days.

SECOND-HAND BOOK SALES

A reminder that our second-hand book sales will be held on Wednesday 16 December commencing at 8:30 am. While this is the official last day of school for students in Years 8 to 10, and supervised classes will be available, parents may choose to come along with their children for the sale. If parents wish to take their children home after the sale then they are welcome to do so.

Mr Wayne Bull
Principal



**"In a world filled with hate, we must still dare to hope.
In a world filled with anger, we must still dare to
comfort. In a world filled with despair, we must still
dare to dream. And in a world filled with distrust, we
must still dare to believe."**

Michael Jackson

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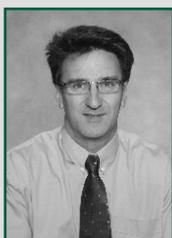
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FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

LOWER SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

Examinations began in Week 6 for elective subjects. Core subject examinations will continue into Weeks 7 and 8 as per the table below.

Week 7	Year 8	Period	Yr 9	Period	Yr 10	Period
Monday 23/11	PE/HE	2	Indonesian	5/6	Dance (Prac) Italian (Writing)	1 1
Tuesday 24/11	Eng	5	RE	1	Drama English	2 3/4
Wednesday 25/11			Dance (Theory)	3		
Thursday 26/11	SE Maths	2 4	Science Dance (Prac)	2 4	RE PE/HE	3 5
Week 8	Yr 8	Period	Yr 9	Period	Yr 10	Period
Tuesday 1/12	RE Science	2 4	S&E Maths	1 4	Maths Drama (Theory)	1 & 2 6
Wednesday 2/12			English	1	Science S&E	1 & 2 3 & 4

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Assistant Principal

SPECIAL PRESENTATION EVENING MASS - 5:00 PM, PERTH CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

On Sunday 29 November, a Mass will be held in the Media Suite (entry via level 2, Media Suite is on level 1) at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre commencing at 5:00 pm. A map of the location of the media suite is attached to this Delagram. I would encourage any students and parents who may have difficulty attending Mass on Sunday due to Presentation Evening to join us in this special celebration of the Eucharist prior to Presentation Evening.

PRESENTATION EVENING - 7:00 pm, SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER, PERTH CONVENTION EXHIBITION CENTRE

Presentation Evening is now just over one week away. The evening will be an opportunity to celebrate the 2009 school year, to farewell our Year 12s and acknowledge the award winners. It is also an opportunity for our talented performers to entertain the College community. As mentioned in previous Delagrams this is a **compulsory event for all students** at the College. By now, all students should have placed their ticket orders.

PRESENTATION EVENING REHEARSALS

A reminder that on Friday 27 November, all Year 8 students, Year 11 award winners 2010 SRC and performers for Presentation Evening will need to be in attendance for their nominated rehearsals 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 27 November are asked to phone the College Office by Wednesday 25 November.

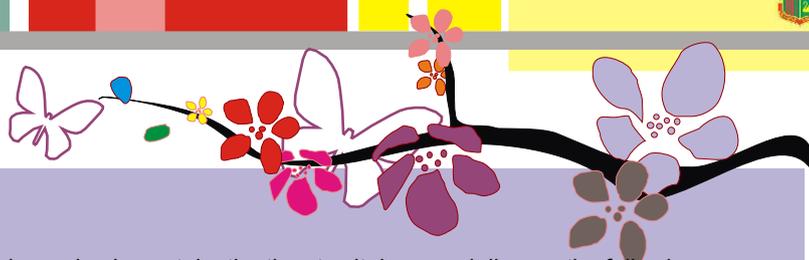
On Sunday 29 November, all students involved in our Presentation Evening including Year 12s will be required at a full rehearsal at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre during the day. A bus service to and from these rehearsals for Years 8 - 11 students is available to students and they are asked to please make sure that they have booked their seat through Student Reception. By now, all students involved in rehearsals will have received a letter detailing rehearsal times. A full schedule of rehearsals is also attached to this Delagram. Finally, a reminder that all Year 12 students are expected to arrive for the final rehearsal at the Perth Convention Centre at 1:15 pm on Sunday 29 November.

Mr Michael Pepper
Assistant Principal





ACADEMIC Excellence



Ms Taryn Mohen
Academic Excellence
Coordinator

YEAR 8 - 10 EXAMINATIONS

With Year 8 - 10 exams starting this week, please take the time to sit down and discuss the following exam tips with your child. Please also make sure that they know when and where their exams are and have effectively revised over their work.

MATHS/SCIENCE CALCULATIONS

Tips for Maths and Science Exams:

- Marks are commonly lost due to the failure of addressing key instructions eg Not expressing your answer to the correct number of decimal places. Underline key words and instructions as they appear. This will help you to identify the requirements of the question.
- If you cannot come up with an answer for any section and you need to have this answer to complete the rest of the question, then make up an answer. Include a note saying that you couldn't get the answer, but if this was the correct answer, then this is how you would proceed with the remaining questions.
- Always sketch diagrams or pictures to help visualise what is going on. A picture does tell a thousand words! You will find that in many questions, once you transfer all the given data into a diagram, the question becomes simplified and easier to tackle.

SOCIETY & ENVIRONMENT & ENGLISH WRITING

Tips for Society and Environment and English Exams:

- If you have to answer a question in an essay form, you may benefit from preparing a skeleton plan before constructing the essay. If you are unable to finish the essay, the examiner will at least know what points you were going to cover in the essay and you may score some additional marks.
- Keep your work neat as good presentation earns good marks. Correct spelling, punctuation, neat handwriting, accurate and clear working, starting each question on a new page (if it is realistic to do so), clearly indicating the question number on top of each page will impress and earn marks.

GENERAL TIPS

- Take your watch off and place it in front of you so that you can monitor the time easily.
- Read through the entire paper at the beginning. Mark or identify those questions that are difficult, frightening or time consuming. Leave these questions until last.
- Make sure you understand what questions you are required to answer i.e. determine whether there are a choice of questions to answer or do you need to answer all of them?
- Allocate the appropriate time to each question, in accordance to the number of marks each question carries. For example, if there are four sections with equal weighting on marks, divide your time equally between each section.
- Try to factor in 5 minutes at the end of the exam to check questions and to guess answers to those questions that you could not address.
- Start the paper with the easiest question. This will ease you into the exam. Do your next best question next as you should be in the swing of things now. Do the remaining questions in order of preference, leaving your least favourite question to last.
- If you suffer from a mental block then skip the question. Look at the techniques used in other questions or the attached formula sheets to give you possible ideas.
- If you are not sure as how to answer a particular question - mark it and move onto an easier question (this will boost your confidence and reduce the panic attack that has probably started). Once you have completed the remainder of the paper - go back and make another attempt. If you still cannot answer the question then prepare a flow diagram/list of steps that outlines how you would have tackled the question if you could do it or if you had time.
- If in doubt about an answer - first thoughts are usually correct. Trust them.



"Nothing can stop the man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goals; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude." Thomas Jefferson



Year 12s

GRADUATION BALL TICKETS

The Year 12 Graduation Ball will be held on Monday 14 December at the Burswood Grand Ballroom commencing at 7:00 pm (pre-dinner drinks from 6:15 pm). Tickets are currently on sale and will be available until the end of November. Unfortunately there will be no tickets available after Monday 30 November. Tickets are \$110 and can be purchased from the College Office. It would be appreciated if students and parents who wish to be seated with particular friends on the evening please discuss with the said people (to eliminate the risk of tables greater than 10) and inform the office staff when purchasing tickets. If you have any queries please email psa@lasalle.wa.edu.au

Mr Peter Sackett
Year 12 Coordinator



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Ms Lindy Reger
ICT Coordinator



Ms Jaimee Dawson
Learning Area Coordinator-
Physical Education & Health



~ **Vatican informed on digital communication** ~ a four-day symposium has just been hosted by the European bishops to review how the internet is currently being used for communication purposes in our global society. The Church is considering what strategies can be used to communicate the Church's message to the 'global village' in a digital age. Speakers addressed the audience on the social networking phenomenon Facebook, hacking and cyber crime as well as internet copyright issues.

~ **Vatican YouTube Channel** ~ check out the Vatican's YouTube channel at <http://www.youtube.com/user/vatican>.

~ **Vatican YouTube Channel** ~ Check out Archbishop Hickey's vodcasts (video recordings with audio) at <http://www.perthcatholic.org.au/about-us/index.cfm?loadref=49>.

~ **Daily Prayer** ~ check out the following daily prayer sites for use in the classroom, PCG, home or in your Church group.

De La Salle Brothers, United Kingdom
<http://www.prayingeachday.org/reflect.html>

Australian Catholics Magazine
<http://churchresources.info/pray/classroom.php>

Ms Lindy Reger
ICT Coordinator

SPORT

YEAR 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMP

Last week we took 90 students on the annual Year 9 Outdoor Education Camp to Ern Holiday Recreation Camp in Sorrento. The camp offers a range of outdoor and recreational activities to allow students an opportunity to experience something different and to appreciate the environment around them. The camp started on Thursday with each class rotating through rock climbing in Northbridge, kayaking at Pelican Point, sailing at South Perth and rogaining at Jo Jo's Park in Nedlands. Students then practised their camp craft skills learnt in class by putting up their own tents and cooking their meals - sausages were a sure favourite. Friday saw an early start to the day as we had to be at Hillarys by 7:30 am to catch the ferry over to Rottnest. We had a few green faces trying to get prime position at the back of the boat for fresh air. We had a beautiful day of cycling around the island and snorkelling at some amazing locations and there was even time at the end of the day to wander the settlement before we headed back. Friday night activities were also a highlight, especially when Ms Anderson did the big swing to the delight of all the Year 9s. Saturday saw another early morning of cleaning and packing up tents before we departed for our morning surf at Trigg Beach. Conditions were challenging but everyone gave it a go and most students and staff managed to catch a few waves. Overall, it was an excellent camp and a special thank you needs to go to all the staff that attended the camp and to the Year 9s for their excellent behaviour.

Ms Jaimee Dawson
Learning Area Coordinator -
Physical Education & Health





ALL

PARENTS & STUDENTS



Mr Alfiero Cardona
Liturgy Coordinator



Ms Sabrina Lynsdale
Executive Assistant
(Marketing & Public Relations)

ALL SOULS' DAY

One morning, when I was still at University, I received the sad news that a friend of mine, who was 21 had a car accident and passed away. I was engulfed in sadness and found it hard to accept that someone who was so young had to die. "Where's God in all this?" I wondered. In the torment and struggle to find some answers, I went up to a priest who was a close friend of mine. He listened to me attentively and I shared with him my pain. When all the weeping was over, he said: "We're going home Alf...we're going home to the Father!"

So All Souls' Day is not a day of sadness; it's not a day of distress; it's a day of hope and a day of reflection. We are called to thank God for all the souls who touched our lives and pray that they may enter in God's presence where our souls will rest.

As a College we celebrated this day with two Masses; one with Years 8 and 9 and another with Years 10 and 11. Both Masses were held at St Brigid's Parish Church. I would like to thank Fr Dariusz, Mr Adrian Martino, Ms Simone Skala and all students who helped in the organisation of these Masses.

Mr Alfiero Cardona
Liturgy Coordinator



ALUMNI

An Alumni Breakfast and Presentation will be held on Friday 4 December for the Class of 2008 and past years' Alumni members. If you have not joined our Alumni and wish to be part of this presentation, please phone me at the College or email sly@lasalle.wa.edu.au for an Alumni Membership Application Form.

BUSINESS ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

In an endeavour to provide our College community with a Calendar of Events for 2010, a new format has been designed to allow you the opportunity to advertise your business in a beautifully presented A4 calendar. As it is a 12 month calendar, only 12 businesses have the opportunity to advertise throughout the year to our Lasallian community. Should you wish to advertise or obtain more details, please phone me at the College or email sly@lasalle.wa.edu.au

Ms Sabrina Lynsdale
Executive Assistant
(Marketing & Public Relations)

Parent Helpers Sundowner Invitation

Each year La Salle College acknowledges the dedication, time and expertise of parents and friends who have placed their name on the Friends of La Salle College Parent Volunteer form.

In appreciation, those who assisted our students and staff through spiritual, educational, sporting, community, catering, fundraising or House activities during the year are cordially invited to attend a Sundowner.

When: Friday 11 December 2009
Where: La Salle College
Senior Learning Centre
Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm
RSVP: 4 December 2009
Sabrina Lynsdale
Tel: 9274 6266
Email: sly@lasalle.wa.edu.au



**ST BRIGID'S CHURCH MIDLAND****Fr Joseph Angelo***Corner Great Eastern Highway and Morrison Road*

Saturday Vigil	6:30 pm
Sunday	9:30 am and 6:00 pm
Children's Mass	9:30 am (Every second Sunday of the month)
Thursday Italian Mass	9:30 am
Reconciliation Saturday	11:00 am to 12 noon & 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH HERNE HILL**Fr Joseph Angelo***Great Northern Highway, Herne Hill*

Sunday	8:00 am
Children's Mass	8:00 am (Every second Sunday of the month)

ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH - GREENMOUNT**Fr Karol Kulczycki***96 Innamincka Road*

Saturday	6:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am, 9:00 am, 6:00 pm
Polish Mass Sunday	10:30 am
Youth Mass	6:00 pm (First Sunday of the month)
Reconciliation Saturday	10:00 am to 10:30 pm & 5:15 pm to 5:45 pm & any time on request

GIDGEGANNUP COMMUNITY CHURCH GIDGEGANNUP**Fr Joseph Angelo***Toodyay Road*

First Sunday of the month	9:30 am
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GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH - LOCKRIDGE**Fr Francis Ly***Corner Morley Drive and Altone Road*

Saturday Vigil	6:30 pm
Sunday	8:00 am & 9:30 am
Reconciliation Saturday	8:30 to 9:00 am & 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

SACRED HEART CHURCH - MUNDARING**Fr Elver Delicano***18 Coolgardie Street*

Saturday (Reconciliation)	9:00 am
Saturday	8:30 am
Saturday (Vigil)	6:00 pm
Sunday	9:15 am

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CHIDLOW*Wilcox Street & Northam Road*

Sunday (Rosary)	7:00 am
Sunday (Mass)	7:30 am
Reconciliation	7:00 am
(3 rd Sunday of each month)	

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH - BASSENDEAN**Fr Jim Sheldon***19 Hamilton Street*

Saturday Vigil	6:30 pm
Sunday	7:00 am & 9:00 am

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH MAIDVALE**Fr Stephen Durkin***Corner of Hawtin & Lilian Roads*

Saturday Vigil	6:30 pm
Sunday	8:00 am, 9:30 am & 6:00 pm

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH KALAMUNDA**Fr Paul Raj***2 Burt Street*

Saturday Vigil	6:30 pm
Sunday	7:30 am & 9:00 am (Children's Mass)
Reconciliation Saturday	5:45 to 6:15 pm
Italian Mass	11:00 am (Last Sunday of the month)

LOCAL PARISH INFORMATION



CALENDAR & CANTEEN ROSTER

WEEK 7 & 8

* Canteen Volunteers
In italics & underlined

Canteen volunteers are asked to please wear enclosed shoes for occupational health & safety reasons.

Thank you.

Sun 22 Nov	Mon 23 Nov	Tues 24 Nov	Wed 25 Nov	Thurs 26 Nov	Fri 27 Nov	Sat 28 Nov
WEEK 7	YEAR 8 2010 ORIENTATION DAY TAFE INFORMATION EVENING 7PM <i>L Flahavin</i> <i>A Veljacich</i>		COLLEGE ASSEMBLY NIGHT WITH NOBLES YEARS 8-10 TAGS 7PM	YEAR 9 ITALIAN EXCURSION	PRESENTATION NIGHT REHEARSALS NO SCHEDULED CLASSES SUPERVISION AVAILABLE	
YEAR 8-10 EXAMS						
Sun 29 Nov	Mon 30 Nov	Tues 1 Dec	Wed 2 Dec	Thurs 3 Dec	Fri 4 Dec	Sat 5 Dec
WEEK 8 PRESENTATION NIGHT 7PM	 <i>K Edwards</i>	YEAR 7 2010 ORIENTATION DAY				
YEAR 8-10 EXAMS			LIBRARY STOCKTAKE			

MARY MacKILLOP CATHOLIC COMMUNITY PS - 20 YEARS OLD!

Past students, parents and staff are invited to join the school community for a special weekend in 2010. Friday 19/2, Anniversary Dinner Dance at the WA Italian Club, Sunday 21/2 Sunday morning Mass at 9:30 am at Mary MacKillop Church and following Mass all are welcome at the school's Showcase. For further information contact the school on 9241 7500.

LEARNING PERFORMANCE SEMINARS - STUDY SKILLS

Programmes in January 2010 at Mt Lawley ECU and Murdoch Uni for students going into Years 10 to 12. Phone 9246 2733 for information or visit www.learnperform.com

ONLINE FORUM - NATIONAL SELF-DETECTION FOR SCOLIOSIS

Girls and their parents can obtain general advice from certified specialists who manage patients with spinal curvature. In the fashion forum, girls can ask the fashion consultant for helpful advice and tips on how to best dress a spinal curve. www.scoliosis-australia.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

SWAN PARK LEISURE CENTRE SWIMMING CLINIC

Saturday 21 November, 2:00 - 5:00 pm run by Head Swim Coach. Mixture of sport specific land training activities and a pool session which will include stroke technique, dives, turns & some fun races. Sausage sizzle to finish. Places are limited, contact Chris Twomey on 9250 2120 or email chris.twomey@swan.wa.gov.au

PERTH HILLS UNITED SOCCER CLUB

Dynamic young club looking for girls from Year 7 to Year 11, boys and players for mixed teams. Girls trial on Sunday 22/11 at 11:00 am at the Harry Riseborough Oval, Hartung Street, Mundaring. Previous experience is not essential. Coaches are also needed, in particular former female players, if you are interested please email Steve Ireland on vk6vz@arach.net.au. Registration days are Tuesday 24/11 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm and Friday 27/11 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at Harry Riseborough Oval. For further information, contact the club on 0411 299 589 or email at registrar@phufc.com.au