



The Lantern

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Last Sunday we observed the solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity.

For Christian people the Trinity is a central mystery of our faith. And it is for this reason that we should have some understanding of the Trinity. The understanding of the Trinity stresses that The Creator or Father has come near to us in human form in Jesus and lives in us in the Holy Spirit.

God is not removed from the pain and suffering of our world and has shown profound love and compassion for us in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus and in the continuing indwelling of the Holy Spirit with its gifts for sustaining us. St Paul tells us that, "Long ago in many ways at many times, God's prophets spoke His message to our ancestors. But now at last God sent His Son to bring His message to us." Hebrews 1:1. So, what was His message?

In the "civilizations" of Greece and Rome, no one would have dreamed that leaders should in any way be servants. Indeed, Aristotle argued that the poor and the underprivileged should be kept well and truly in slavery, so that "superior men" would have leisure to think and participate in the governance of the community. Aristotle cherished the "great-souled man" who was proud, honourable, aristocratic and rich. The job of the leader was to stay above the common people and lead.

But Jesus invented the notion that the way to lead is by serving the needs of others, especially those who are the most needy:
"Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant ...for even the Son of man did not come to be served but to serve."
Mark 10 : 43. Jesus was born in a stable and lived most of His life as a carpenter's apprentice. Usually, He travelled by foot, His first disciples were fishermen and craftsmen and He lived and moved among the common people.

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The message through Jesus is that, in God's eyes, all people are of equal importance and we are to love others, and ourselves as God loves us. We are to do this because, "God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit whom He has given us." Rom. 5 : 5. And, of course, the Spirit produces, "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control." Gal. 5 : 22,23. These are additional gifts to assist us to carry on the message as Christians. St Paul had a great insight into the Trinity, when he gave this blessing to the people of Corinth; "May the grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." **And may Paul's blessing be with us all, each and every day.**

Staffing

I am taking leave from Week One to Week Four next term. In my absence, Mr Michael Hall will be the Acting Principal, Ms Ellen Lonergan will be the Acting Assistant Principal and Miss Lauren Simpson will be the Acting REC. I thank them for their generosity in taking on these positions in my absence.

We welcome Mr Christian Iligan who is replacing Ms Emma Gaudry, who is taking six months leave. Ms Natalie Bonaventura will take on the Sports' Co-ordinator role in Emma's absence.

I wish everyone a great break: I look forward to seeing you next term.

Appointment Announced

I am delighted to announce that Mr Michael Hall has been appointed to Nagle College as Assistant Principal.

Michael joined us at the beginning of the term in an acting capacity.

He is committed to serving the Nagle community.

We congratulate him wholeheartedly on this appointment.

**God Bless,
Delma Horan**



The busyness of schools

We are fast approaching the end of Term 2 and thus the end of Semester 1. All around the college there is evidence of teachers and students working diligently to complete their current units of work and make further progress on major projects.

Year 12 Visual Arts took part in a 'Works in Progress' workshop on Tuesday evening. Johnny Romeo, an internationally known artist, who currently works for the diocese in our schools supporting the creative and performing arts, facilitated the workshop. Johnny had visited Nagle on two previous occasions including a full day incursion so he was able to observe the progress of the students with their HSC Bodies of Work. Three Visual Arts teachers from Delany College and St Paul's Greystanes were also present and they, along with Johnny, critiqued the girls' work and provided valuable feedback. It was also good to see the Year 11 Visual Arts students who came along to get some ideas for their HSC Bodies of Work.

Reports for Years 7 to 11 are being finalised and will be distributed before the end of the term. It is extremely worthwhile for parents and carers to discuss the report with their daughters. Affirmation needs to be given for achievements but also encouragement to act on the advice given for future learning. The girls can then re-evaluate their learning goals and return in Term 3 with renewed focus.

Earlier this term I spoke at assembly about the fact that all year groups have a learning focus. Obviously Year 12 students have the HSC Trial exams fast approaching. Year 11 needs to be sure they satisfy all requirements for the awarding of the Preliminary HSC Certificate. Year 11 students will not be able to commence their HSC studies in any course if they have not met all course requirements. Year 10 students must be focusing on gaining their first external credential, the Record of School Achievement (ROSA). Grades need to be sent in to the Board of Studies before the end of November so students need to be working with sustained effort right up to this date. Year 9 students are now part of ROSA as they have commenced their Stage 5 study of Australian Geography.

Years 7 and 8 must ensure they satisfy all requirements in their mandatory subjects. The ROSA will only be awarded to those who satisfy all course requirements in Stage 4. Stage 4 students must also be aware that in Year 9 they will be differentiated into three Mathematics courses. This decision will be based on the girls' performance at the end of Year 8. This is very important when it comes to Stage 6 Mathematics. Obviously to do the higher courses students will need to have studied and succeeded in the highest Stage 5 course known as 5.3 Mathematics.

As you can see there is a clear focus for each year group and individual. All girls who have worked diligently and with sustained effort will no doubt be recognised in their report and at the Awards ceremony in the final week of term.

Mr Michael Hall

Assistant Principal

Years 7 – 10 Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

These interviews will take place during the first week of next term.

This year the interviews will be organised differently. On Tuesday 15th July there will be interviews for students whose family name begins with the letters A to K; those whose family name begins with the letters L to Z will take place on Thursday 17th July. Interviews will begin at 3.30 p.m. and finish at 8.15 p.m. Each interview will be of five minutes' duration. If you are speaking to a teacher about more than one daughter, you should make a five minute appointment for each child.

We are using an online booking system to assist you in arranging your preferred interview times. The booking system will only be accessible from **6 a.m. on Monday 23rd June** through to **12 p.m. on Tuesday 15th July** (for Tuesday interviews) and **12 p.m. on Thursday 17th July** (for Thursday interviews). No interview requests will be accepted outside of these times.

You should type the school website www.nagleblacktown.catholic.edu.au into your web browser and when this appears click the link for 'Parent-Student-Teacher-Interviews' (on the home page). If you do not have access to the internet or require other assistance in making your appointment, please contact the college office as soon as possible so that alternative arrangements may be made for interview bookings.

Study Skills Handbook

Each year Nagle College takes out a subscription to the online Study Skills Handbook. The handbook offers students tips on improving their learning performance at school and at home. In addition, there are strategies for further developing skills in reading, writing, mathematics, research and presentation. It is a very useful website, but unfortunately it is underutilised.

Students in Years 7 to 11 recently enjoyed presentations by Prue Salter from Enhanced Learning Educational Services. Prue spoke to the girls about a range of topics, from the importance of effective study habits in Year 7 to strategies for achieving set goals in Year 11. She reminded the girls about the Study Skills Handbook website and the many resources that it offers.

If your daughter has not used the website at home since these presentations, encourage her to do so. Sometimes the girls dismiss what they read as being too basic or too general. They shrug it off as being 'stuff' they already know, not considering the value of refreshing their memory or taking a new approach to the familiar. However, there would certainly be a benefit to the girls visiting the website to reinforce the information that they heard recently.

The website also provides information for parents, with articles related to how parents can support their adolescent children in their studies. This might form the basis for future conversations with your daughter about her learning.

I would like to encourage you to go into the Study Skills Handbook, whether it's for the first time or after a significant break. Flick through some of the pages and see if there is something that could help your daughter, whether now or in the future. If the website does nothing else, it might just provide food for thought.

Our school's access details for the Study Skill Handbook are:

Username: fornaglecollegeonly

Password: 54results

Ms Dympna Reavey

Leader of Teacher and Learning

ST MICHAELS BLESSING



Three weeks ago Jessica Graham, Katherine Tanks and myself were asked to perform a dance routine with some St. Michael's children at the Blessing and opening of their new building on Wednesday, June 11. We spent some time teaching the children from St Michael's a dance that would be performed at the ceremony. The time flew by and it was the day before we were to perform the routine and walk in the procession for St. Michael's. Before the ceremony started we waited in the St. Michael's library. There we met some of the Presentation Sisters. We talked to them about Nano Nagle and her home in the city where troubled women who struggled to find a home can go. Nano helped them through providing shelter and education. After talking to the Presentation Sisters, who were lovely and having a great conversation with them, it was time for the Ceremony to start. We led the procession at the start of the Ceremony and whilst the building

was being blessed, we performed the dance we had been working on with the St. Michael's children. It was a great opportunity to work with the students from St. Michael's and talk to the Presentation Sisters, it is an experience we will all remember.

Taylah Bindley



ENHANCED LEARNING

On Tuesday the 10th of June all students from Year 7 through to Year 11 participated in a workshop by Enhanced Learning. The purpose of the workshop was to assist students in their learning, giving them the skills to become effective learners. Some of the areas which were looked at included:

- Improving personal organisation skills
- Challenge the way that students think
- Goal setting
- How to study effectively
- Effective note taking
- Self-evaluation
- Managing workloads
- The role of technology in learning

To assist your daughter in becoming an independent and effective learner she will be partaking in activities during LGL to further develop the skills that were delivered in the workshop.

As a parent you may be asking what role you can play in assisting your daughter achieve her learning goals. The following checklist may assist in providing the appropriate home support.

1. Ensuring that your daughter has a place to work at home which is clear of mess and distractions
2. Keep the lines of communication open – ask her what she has been learning about in the classroom and to show you what she has been doing.
3. Ensure that your daughter is using her diary on a daily basis. You can do this by checking her diary weekly and signing it. Remember to also use the diary as a form of communication to her classroom teachers.

For other strategies on how to assist your daughter with her learning please visit

www.enhanced-learning.net The username is fornaglecollegeonly and the password is 54 results

With the close of term upon us we would like to congratulate the girls on the amazing results they achieved this semester and for the work they have completed. With reports being issued shortly it is important that each student reflects not only on her grade but also on the comment that has been made by her class teacher.

We hope that all students have a safe and restful holiday and come back to school refreshed and ready to face new learning challenges.

As always if you have any concerns regarding your daughter please do not hesitate to contact the College.

Mrs D. Shean, Mr A Houseman, Mr A Wilson, Mrs M Concato and Mrs G Mendez

Years 7-11 Co-Ordinators

YEAR 12 NEWS

As we approach the end of the term I would like to emphasise a few things that your daughter needs to bear in mind upon her return next term: attendance every day at school is crucial so that your daughter doesn't miss out on important learning, uniform regulations as per the College diary, letters of unexplained absences are to be returned and as your daughter is approaching an examination period, she needs to ensure that she conducts productive work during her study periods.

The HSC Trials Exams will begin in Week 3 of Term 3. I would like to take the opportunity to remind you and your daughter about the following:

- Students need to familiarize themselves with the start and finishing times of each of their exams.
- Students need to arrive at the College **at least half an hour** before the commencement of their exams.
- Students need to be in front of the Hall or any other room where their exam is scheduled before the scheduled time of the commencement of the exam..
- If your daughter is sick on the day of the exam, please make sure that you **ring the College in the morning of that day**. Your daughter must go to the doctor and get a doctor's certificate on the same day. When she returns to school, **she needs to get an illness/misadventure for and follow the usual procedures**.
- All equipment needs to be brought for the exam: pens, pencils, ruler, eraser, calculator and a stapler with staples. These should be in a clear plastic sleeve.
- There is no room in the hall to leave valuables. Bags, books, etc are to be placed in lockers.
- All that is brought into the exam room needs to be shown to the supervisors.
- If your daughter has a mobile phone, it needs to be turned off and given to the supervisor prior to each exam (Make sure it is easily identified).
- There should be no talking once the student has entered the examination room.
- All instructions given by the supervisors should be followed.
- Pens should be put down when the instruction is given.
- No student will be allowed to leave the exam room early. Students need to make good use of the time. If your daughter finishes early, she needs to spend the time checking her responses carefully.

It is highly recommended that you and your daughter refer to the Board of Studies website and read the section of the HSC rules and procedures 2014 as it includes some very important information.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or your daughter's Homeroom teacher at the College via phone or email if you have any concerns about your daughter prior to or during the HSC Trials period and if there is any way we can support your daughter.

We endeavour to make this examination period as smooth as possible for your daughter and we wish her all the best.

msmith6@parra.catholic.edu.au

Regards
Ms Christine Smith
Year 12 Co-ordinator

CSDA Debating Elimination Round

On Friday 13 June, the Elimination round of the CSDA Debating Competition took place at Wollemi College. The Years 7, 8 and 9 teams competed for a place in the Quarterfinal against McCarthy Catholic College, Gilroy College and the host school.

The Year 9 team were successful in winning their debate on health and appearances. With this win, they will now progress to the Quarterfinals.

The Years 7 and 8 teams presented debates on extracurricular sports and were unfortunately unsuccessful in progressing to the next round. They are to be commended for the enthusiasm and productive teamwork they have displayed every week.

The competition will continue on Friday 20 June, Week 8 Term 2 at Santa Sabina College.

We wish our Year 9 team the best of luck as they progress to the next stage of the competition.

Amy Rowan

Year 11 English Excursion to the Belvoir Theatre – *Brother's Wreck*

On the 4th of June, Year 11 students went to the Belvoir Theatre to watch *Brother's Wreck* as part of their studies in English.

This touching play was about life as a journey that brings forward many hurdles along the way. It began with death on a hot morning under a house in Darwin and the effect that this death had on the lives of family and friends. This play followed the protagonist, Ruben through his anger and frustration in dealing with the pains that shadowed his life. The play recounts the story of how Ruben's



family gradually brings him back from the pit of darkness, through complete support, hope and faith. Leah Purcell, the director, was able to create this very engaging, very human play about how many other people it takes for each of us to live.

This moving play was one that was able to reach the core of our emotions. Based on the true story of award-winning author, Jada Alberts, the play projects the emerging voices of a new generation. Through creating this 'prevention play', the author is able to speak to adolescents who are susceptible to facing hardships in life.

We would like to sincerely thank our English teachers for allowing us to experience this enlightening performance.

By Maninder Kaur and Jessica Devanand

SPORTNEWS

Term 2 has come to an end, and a busy term it has been with school and PDSSSC cross country, School athletics carnival, Thursday sport, PDSSSC Netball and Football and the PDSSSC U/15 Football gala day. I will also finish up as Sport Co-ordinator for 2014 as I will be taking extended leave until 2015. I would like to congratulate Miss Natalie Bonaventura who has been appointed Acting Sport Co-ordinator for the remainder of the year.

PDSSSC NETBALL

The Junior Netball Team this year (Sonia Balrum, Katie Garland, Gemma Maitland, Emilee Bugg, Seemab Baig, Folasade Penn Gray, Jolie Ward, Katie Knight, Jessica Kailash) have represented Nagle in the Thursday afternoon PDSSSC competition. They have proven to be a very talented team who quickly developed the cohesiveness needed to win games despite taking a while to do this in their first game. The defensive team has been a force to be reckoned with and our shooters have effectively consolidated on their opportunities. The centre court players have transitioned well up the court ensuring the ball got to our shooters. So far we have won all but one game and stand an even chance of making the finals. Well done girls. Our Intermediate team is just as fierce having also only lost one game to rivals Bede Polding. As we enter in our final weeks we are currently sitting in a great position to make the grand final game, which will be played next Thursday 26th June. Go Nagle

NSWCCC CROSS COUNTRY

Olivia Sargent was our only competitor in the NSWCCC Cross Country competition on the 3rd June at Eastern Creek. Olivia finished in 7th place. With the top ten runners progressing, she will now compete at the NSW ALL SCHOOLS cross country (state) next month. Congratulations Olivia and we wish you the best of luck in your preparation for the event.



NSW ALL SCHOOLS TOUCH FOOTBALL



On the 3rd of June we had two of our students Tahlia Young and Annabelle Regan, compete for Parramatta in the NSWCCC touch football competition. The team won their age group on the day. From this carnival, Annabelle Regan was selected to represent NSW in the All Schools touch football carnival on the 26th and 27th July. We wish her and the team all the best at the competition and look forward to hearing the result.



PDSSSC ATHLETICS

The PDSSSC athletics team has been announced and I want to congratulate the team for progressing through the next event. The carnival will be held on Wednesday 20th August at Blacktown Olympic Sports Park, Eastern Rd Rooty Hill. Parents and friends are welcome to come and support the girls on the day. Permission notes can

be collected from the student foyer and must be returned by August 8, 2014.

Akela Pitcaithly	Hayley Armitage	Kiralee Hurst	Holla David
Isabella Said	Bronte Ward	Olivia Sargent	Annabelle Regan
Jasmeet Kaur	Genita Angolo	Adut Lual	Remas Elkander
Amy Mandato	Alang Majok	Hannah Purvis	Ading Majok
Moya Inyasio	Jenelle Lim	Marianna Tinkas	Kylie Baxter
Rachel Lipscombe	Hannah Bopf	Florence Loau	Ahok Lual
Ashley Umadhay	Belinda Loau	Victoria Jada	Jade Marsh
Ryleigh Geddes	Jessica Figueroa	Edinelle Rabi	Gurjot Singh
Kevin Opia			

PDSSSC U/15 FOOTBALL GALA DAY

On Monday 23rd June, 17 students from 7-10 will compete in the PDSSSC U/15 gala day at Jamison Park Penrith. Mr Mykel Koller has volunteered his time, expertise and keen coaching skills to take the girls for the day. Thank you also to the injured Jade Dudgeon who has volunteered as assistant coach this year as she is unable to play herself. Jade is one of the Year 10 students who has taken on a leadership role with the football teams this year. Every week she attends the games, mentoring the girls. Her expertise in the game is very much appreciated. Chloe Smith from Year 9 will be our team referee for the day. The team consists of:

Amy Mandato	Shanara Berriman	Hayley Armitage	Georgia Royds
Kylie Baxter	Tiahna Armstrong	Kevin Opia	Ryleigh Geddes
Monique Layoun	Alyse Desira	Belinda Walsh	Katherine McLennan
Ashleigh Vella	Akela Pitcaithley	Isabella Said	

PDSSSC DANCE

Mrs Concato, Miss Attwood and two Year 12 students, Zoe Apap and Stephanie Endycott have been preparing our teams for the PDSSSC Dance competition, which will be held at the Joan Sutherland centre in Penrith on the 15th August. Our dedicated teachers and students have given up lunchtimes every Wednesday and Thursday for rehearsals. Good luck to the girls and I can't wait to hear how they go!



TERM 3

Term 3 will start with Year 7 participating in recreation sport while Year 8 will start preparing for the social later in the term learning new social dances. Year 9 will kick off with house sport and Year 10 are involved in recreation sports. PDSSSC representative teams for Term 3 will be Futsal (Jnr/Int), Frisbee (open) and Oz Tag (Jnr/Int). The trial for these teams will occur on Thursday during sport time in Week One. Students need to register their names on the sport notice board before Wednesday afternoon week one. I would like to thank, Mr David Reilly (futsal), Miss Ellen Attwood (frisbee) for volunteering to coach these teams in term 3. It is also a busy term for representative gala days and carnivals. See below for dates.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM 3

Date	Sport	Location
18 th July	NSW All School Cross Country	Eastern Creek
22 nd July	PDSSSC Netball Gala Day	Penrith Netball Complex
11 th August	PDSSSC U/14 AFL Gala Day	Whalan Reserve
15 th August	PDSSSC Dance Competition	Joan Sutherland Centre
18 th August	Futsal Gala Day	TBA
20 th August	PDSSSC Athletics Carnival	Blacktown Olympic Sports Park
1 st September	PDSSSC Oz tag Gala Day	Whalan Reserve

So you've got exams coming up?

Many students in the senior years have a block of exams looming after the next school holidays.

What should you be doing now (and in the holidays) to be prepared for your examinations?

Between now and the end of term you need to focus on the following:

1. **CLASSTIME:** Use every moment of every lesson to the full. Every moment you waste in class is time you will have to make up later. (Plus it is not fair to others in the class.)
2. **STUDY NOTES:** Work on (and finish) study notes. The more you can complete before the end of term the better, it will give you more time to learn the notes and do lots of practice for the exams.
3. **ASK FOR HELP:** Ask your teachers about difficult areas (reviewing the things you find hardest) and starting topic by topic revision. Do this now while you have good access to your teachers and can ask lots of questions.
4. **MAJOR WORKS:** Work on major works or projects or large assessments.
5. **PLAN FOR HOLIDAYS:** Put together a plan for the holidays. Get hold of past examination papers, study guides, essay questions, revision sheets. Ensure you have everything you need before the holidays start and you are clear on what you will be doing for your study.

The best way to make this happen is every Sunday night make a plan in your diary for what work you want to get done that week. If you make a plan it is much more likely to happen.

What do you do in the holidays to prepare for the exams?

1. **TIME:** How much time do you spend studying for the exams in the holidays? It will depend on many factors: how much work you did during the term, how confident you are with the work, how soon your exams are after the holidays, and what sort of marks you are aiming for. Most students in Year 12 would try and do a normal school day if it is a major block of exams, around 6 hours of study a day.
2. **STRUCTURE:** How should you structure your study during the holidays? Don't start too late in the day; try and keep your sleep patterns fairly similar to how they will be in the exam time. The best way to structure your day is first do an hour reviewing your study from the previous day. That will help to cement the information in your memory. Then have a break. Then do 2-3 hours on one subject. Have a break. Then 2-3 hours on another subject. Then you can have the rest of the night off! It is better for retention of information to spread your study for each subject out rather than just spend a whole day on one subject.

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OnTrack

On Friday the 13th I was privileged to work with the OnTrack students at the Aengus Kavanagh Education and Equity Centre. The girls attended the course for the week learning skills in resume writing, etiquette and professional dress, applying for jobs and on the final day engaging in a mock interview. The feedback on the day from the presenters was exceptional and each student was given individual feedback about their performance and professionalism. I would like to thank Ms Lonergan for joining us for the presentation and awarding our students with their certificates. The OnTrack course was such a rewarding experience for our girls and gave them skills they will utilise now and in the future. I would like to congratulate the following students who successfully completed the OnTrack training course. Adriana De Almeida, Briana Humfrey, Rachel Lipscombe, Jessica De Michiel and Amy Rodriguez.



Transition News

University of New South Wales Scholarship Information Evening

The Scholarships Information Evening provides depth and detail on the range of scholarships at UNSW, with a focus on the application process and answering specific questions. The evening is aimed at year 11 and 12 students and their parents.

The evening will consist of:

- General introduction to UNSW scholarships and application process
- Co-op Program opportunities and how to apply
- An opportunity for one-on-one discussions about specific scholarships

Students interested in studying Business: Actuarial, Finance & Banking, Information Systems & Technology, Marketing or Engineering can also register to attend the [Co-op Spotlight on Careers](#) which will be held on the same night, 5:00-6:30pm in the Central Lecture Block, UNSW Kensington.

The Scholarships Information Evening is a very popular event, so please ensure students register as soon as possible to secure seats.

TIME & DATE: 6:30pm – 8:30pm; Tuesday 24 June

LOCATIONS: Sir John Clancy Auditorium (C24), UNSW Kensington Campus

OPEN TO: Year 11 and 12 students and parents

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: www.whatson.unsw.edu.au

CONTACT: 9385 1078 or scholarships@unsw.edu.au for more information.

For further information about the UNSW Co-op Program, please contact Co-op Program Administration

(02) 9385 5116 or via email at cooprog@unsw.edu.au.

The University of Notre Dame Parent Information Evening

6:00pm, Tuesday 24 June 2014

Broadway Campus

Building NDS2, St Benedict's Hall

140 Broadway, Broadway NSW 2007

The evening is a great opportunity to learn about university life, talk to current students and meet academic staff. Register now and discover more about the transition from school to university.

Register online at: <http://prm.ag/3fb10jZggZ>. **For more information, contact the Prospective Students Office on 02 8204 4404 or sydney@nd.edu.au**

Laing and Simmons Real Estate

Are you looking for a career in Real Estate? Laing and Simmons real estate agents are running their scholarship program for year 12 individuals wishing to enter the real estate industry.

Three scholarships will be offered in 2015. The scholarships will comprise of:

1. Enrolment in the Real Estate Certificate of Registration Course with course fees paid for by Laing and Simmons.
2. Continued mentoring by a senior Laing and Simmons representative
3. One of the scholarship winners will be guaranteed a full time position within the Laing and Simmons group.

Applicants for the scholarships are requested to write in 100 words why they would like to pursue a career in the real estate industry. Thirty six applicants are then selected to participate in one week's work experience in their local Laing and Simmons office. Fifteen applicants will be short listed and interviews, with three successful candidates being selected for the scholarships.

For more information see Mrs Farrugia or Mrs Powell.

Australian Catholic University Free HSC Workshops

Years 11 and 12 students are invited to attend the HSC Enrichment Days being offered by ACU. Students will have the opportunity to listen to lectures from University academics who have set and marked the HSC. Subjects include Business, Economic, English and Law. Students must register online to participate in the events. To register go to www.acu.edu.au/hsc.

Strathfield Campus Tuesday 8th July

Economics: Lectures on the state of the Australian Economy, Q&A revision sessions of the HSC Economics Syllabus.

English: How to read and write about poetry and Shakespeare, how to answer HSC exam questions: a marker's perspective.

North Sydney Campus Thursday 10th July

Business Studies: think outside the box: review the business studies curriculum and learn how to think outside the box when answering HSC questions.

Legal Studies: The Core: Crime and Human rights; Family Law and World Order

Australian Catholic University Experience

This is a hands-on free event, where students will be able to participate in a range of activities related to the course of their choice. Students will meet with ACU staff, current students and get a good feel for the Strathfield and North Sydney Campuses. The following workshops will take place on the days:

Wednesday July 9:	Psychology Exercise Science Theology
Friday July 11	Business Law Education Nursing Occupational Therapy and Speech therapy Physiotherapy Allied Public Health

Please note that numbers are limited, so register today to reserve your spot and avoid disappointment. To register for these events, please go to [http:// www.acu.edu.au/143713](http://www.acu.edu.au/143713)

Notre Dame Young Achievers Early Offer Program

The Program gives students the opportunity to join the Notre Dame community before they even sit their Year 12 examinations. Students can apply under one of the following four categories:

- Commitment to community and/or Church;
- Commitment and excellence in cultural pursuits;
- Commitment and excellence in sporting achievements; or
- Academic excellence.

Application forms and Program details are available via our website: www.nd.edu.au/nav-future-students/young-achievers-early-offer-program

Applications for the program are due on Monday 1 September.

Those who are not successful in securing an offer through the program do not need to reapply for the main round of offers; their application will automatically be rolled over.

If you have any queries regarding the Program, please contact 02 8204 4404 or sydney@nd.edu.au.

Catholic Education Office

Terra Sancta College renamed to honour St John Paul II

To commemorate the Canonisation of Pope John Paul II and his connection to the Diocese of Parramatta, Bishop Anthony Fisher OP has announced that Terra Sancta College will be renamed **St John Paul II Catholic College, Nirimba and Schofields** from the commencement of Term 3 this year.

The existing John Paul II campus at St Andrew's College, Marayong, will be renamed St Andrew's College **Senior** Campus in order to avoid any confusion between the schools.

The Diocese of Parramatta has a strong connection to St John Paul II. He founded our diocese, when in 1986 he determined to excise it from the Archdiocese of Sydney and make it a new diocese in its own right. A few months later he visited the brand new Diocese of Parramatta as part of his papal tour of Australia. Some of you will remember his visit to the Transfield factory.

St John Paul II made a very significant contribution to Catholic education. A sign of the priority he gave it was that one of his first publications as pope was Catechesi Tradendae (1979), his apostolic exhortation on catechesis in our time. He will also be long remembered as a great friend of young people and the father of World Youth Day.

The charism of St John Paul II is already present in the College's history and charism. The name 'Terra Sancta' means 'holy ground' and the school's motto "The Way passes through this land" comes from John Paul's own words during his visit to Australia in 1986: "Look, dear people of Australia, and behold this vast continent of yours! It is you home! The place of your joys and pains, your endeavours and your hopes! And for all of you, Australians, the way to the Father's house passes through this land. Jesus Christ is this Way!"

This is a great opportunity to strengthen the Catholic identity of the College and align the mission and charism of the College to the life and work of this great Pope and Saint.

Extract from Bishop Anthony Fisher's OP announcement letter

Catholic Education Office

CAPTIVATE Showcase

Don't miss out of purchasing your tickets to the CAPTIVATE Showcase Season, tickets are selling fast. Make your booking online now at www.trybooking.com/ETIN

The Showcase is the culmination of the work of various combined music, dance and drama ensembles, feature primary and secondary school students in the Diocese of Parramatta.

DANCE SHOWCASE - Thursday 12 June

DRAMA SHOWCASE - Friday 13, Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 June

STRINGS SHOWCASE - Friday 13 June

PRIMARY MUSIC SHOWCASE - Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 June

CONCERT BAND SHOWCASE - Thursday 19 June

SECONDARY MUSIC SHOWCASE - Friday 20 June

For more information www.captivate.catholic.edu.au/events/events.aspx/2014-captivate-showcase-season.aspx

Bishops Office

Collected Social Justice Statements a vital resource

The Australian Catholic Social Justice Council has released *Building Bridges: Social Justice Statements from Australia's Catholic Bishops 1988 to 2013*. This resource is for anyone who wants to learn more about the Church's social doctrine and will be especially valuable for parishes, schools, ministries and agencies. The volume is fully indexed, making it an ideal resource for students and social justice groups. Price: \$35 (incl. GST). Orders: www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

10 ways to strengthen your marriage: 21 June

Presented by Ann O'Brien, Director – Marriage Support and Specialist Services with CatholicCare Social Services, Diocese of Parramatta. This is a seminar for married and engaged couples and those interested in making marriages strong and resilient. Ten important principles will be presented with examples and strategies to build on healthy and loving relationships. There will be opportunities for discussion, questions and interaction. From 1pm-4.30pm at St John XXIII Parish School, 160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens. No cost: sponsored and organised by Youth for Christ Australia, a family ministry of Couples for Christ Australia, with the support of the St John XXIII Parish Faith Formation Committee. Details: (02) 9831 4044.

Sacraments – Eucharist and Confession: 21 June

This afternoon workshop to help youth and young adults to grow in love and passion for the sacraments will be presented by Anthony Ndaira –youth ministry coordinator for the Diocese of St Maroun. From 1pm-5pm in St John XXIII Parish School, 160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens. No cost: sponsored and organised by Youth for Christ Australia, a family ministry of Couples for Christ Australia, with the support of the St John XXIII Parish Faith Formation Committee. Details: (02) 9831 4044.

Holy Hour for Vocations: 19 June

Everyone is welcome to join the Holy Hour for Vocations from 7-8pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month for an hour of adoration, prayer, music and quiet time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta contact Fr Warren Edwards – Vocations Director: tel 0409 172 700, vocations@parra.catholic.org.au

Vocation Discernment Afternoon: 22 June

All young men who feel God might be calling them to the priesthood are invited to the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta's Vocation Discernment Afternoon. The afternoon starts at 2pm and concludes with pizza at 6pm. Holy Spirit Seminary, 31-33 Allen Street, Harris Park. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta contact Fr Warren Edwards – Vocations Director tel 0409 172 700 or email: vocations@parra.catholic.org.au Visit: www.parra.catholic.org.au/vocations and www.parra.catholic.org.au/holyspiritseminary

Time, Hospitality and Belonging – Towards a Practical Theology of Disability: 24 June

The Broken Bay Institute is excited to be hosting Prof John Swinton for this much anticipated public lecture. In this FREE lecture Prof Swinton will challenge churches to re -think their understandings of disability and to begin to think differently about where their journey into disability should begin. Time: 6pm for 6.30pm start, 8pm finish. One-hour lecture, followed by half an hour for questions. Supper will be served after the lecture. The Broken Bay Institute, Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Rd (enter via City View Rd), Pennant Hills. **Booking deadline Friday 20 June:** Nina Elliott, tel (02) 9847 0030, bbi@bbi.catholic.edu.au

Sydney Guild of St Stephen Winter Holidays Camp: 6-9 July

This Regional Guild Conference for young altar servers will be held at the new Benedict XVI Retreat Centre at Grose Vale. The theme is, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening" (1 Sam 3:10). The Guild of St Stephen is a form of club for those who serve at the altar. Among its activities is a winter camp for boys in Years 5 to 12 who are serving or are willing to serve. Conference activities include talks, workshops and games for the boys to learn more about altar serving. Places are limited –early bird registration by 15 June is \$200. For further information contact the Guild's National Secretary, Karen Man, tel 0433 765 400 or Parramatta's diocesan contact person, Paul Griffin: pgriffin@parra.catholic.org.au

MGL Spiritual Association (Sydney): 12 July

Mass at 1.30pm with Fr Ken Barker MGL and the MGL sisters, Rosie and Kate. From 1.30pm -4.30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 7 Grantham Ave, Seven Hills. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayer Ministry, Rosary. Fellowship afterwards – please bring a plate to share. Hear the latest news of the MGLs and learn more about the MGL Spiritual Association. RSVP: Jenny jennytscott25372@gmail.com or Facebook: Missionaries of God's Love Spiritual Association events page

Reunion of Catherine McAuley High School Westmead Class of 1972: 9 August

Seeking ex-students and teachers who were at McAuley from 1969 to 1972 for a reunion. Don't be shy! We have located about 50 of our classmates and would love to find 100% of the girls in our year. Please pass on this message to your daughter, other family members or friends if they attended the school. Email Trish Lohan tlohan@yahoo.com or find us on Facebook: **Catherine McAuley Westmead Alumni Association**

Guided Tour of North Head: 5 August

Join the Social Group from Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish at Greystanes for a walk through North Head's peaceful and pristine heathland where it can be easy to forget that you're only 11km from the CBD. Take a guided tour through WWII tunnels, gun emplacements and more at North Fort. Hear how North Fort contributed to the defence of Sydney and enjoy magnificent views of the harbour. Cost: \$30 includes coach, morning tea and entry; lunch at Harbord Diggers (own expense). Bus departs 8.45am at 20 Virgil St and 8.50am at the bus stop opposite OLQP Church, 198 Old Prospect Rd, Greystanes. **Book now, places filling fast.** Payment in full required at time of booking: Marie (02) 9896 7046, 0414 782 358 or Frances (02) 9636 5548, 0421 027 119.



Bulletin Board

SCHOOL FEES

School fee accounts are now **overdue** and must be **finalised** by the end of **Term 2**.

If you have not finalised your account, please contact Mary Fairhurst on 88874501 to discuss this matter.

All school fee discussions are strictly confidential.



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