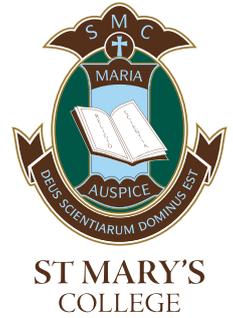


The Fountain



From the Principal

Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of the College,

Archbishop's Visit

Archbishop Julian Porteous has made it his business since his Installation last September to visit each of the 37 schools and colleges in the Archdiocese. By the end of 2013 he had visited primary schools and in 2014 is visiting the colleges. Last Thursday he spent some time at St Mary's College to have a look around, but especially to meet as many students and staff as possible in his short time with us. In the process of doing this he visited a number of classrooms and had a soup lunch with the staff. Although we welcomed His Grace on his first formal visit to the College, he had of course presided over the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony in 2013, and has previously had a photo session with a group of our students.

NAPLAN 2013

School rankings across Australia were published in The Australian last weekend. In the listing of the top 20 schools in Tasmania, it was pleasing to see seven schools from the Catholic sector receive a mention. Once again, St Mary's College was ranked at the top of the Catholic colleges. This is an excellent result, and I congratulate all concerned with its delivery.

Our College was part of a National Partnership into evidence-based decision-making and the Catholic Partnership schools in Tasmania elected to have NAPLAN data as the focus for making decisions to improve student learning outcomes. Consequently, while we do not teach to the test, we do look at the identified wider literacy and numeracy needs in order to make strategic teaching decisions.

Protected Industrial Action

On Tuesday 24 June, a number of staff who are members of the Independent Education Union handed out information sheets to parents visiting the College about the action and bargaining by the Union in relation to reaching a new Agreement. As a result of an earlier Protected Action ballot conducted by the Australian Electoral Commission the vote for Protected Action was resolved in the affirmative by Union members across Tasmania and notified by the Fair Work Commission. This means that Union members who wish to do so, have a legal entitlement which authorises a range of specific industrial actions that can be taken. As part of this entitlement, Catholic schools and colleges in the south of Tasmania have been formally advised of a work stoppage to take place next Wednesday morning 2

July. This may mean that a number of St Mary's staff who are members of the Union will elect to take part in the stoppage. Parents need to be aware that it will be a normal school day with the usual classes for all students, although of course, relief staff will need to be engaged to cover the classes of those wishing to take part in the stoppage. Teaching staff participating in the industrial action will ensure class work will be prepared and left for their classes.

Examinations

Years 10, 11 and 12 are currently sitting their Mid-Year Examinations. We wish them well. I thank staff for all the effort that has gone into the preparation of the papers and in anticipation for the work which will be required in marking and reporting the examinations.

With best wishes,

Tom Dorey
Principal

Faith & Mission News

Religion is the Key in Global Relations

I attended the Asia Education Foundation conference in Sydney last week where I presented a session on the great work that we as a College have been doing in the area of comparative religions. At the conference I read an article written by former British Prime Minister, Tony Blair in which he mentioned:

In China, there are more Muslims than in Europe and more practicing Catholics than in Italy, Tony Blair told a forum on faith and globalisation. 'A new type of debate is taking shape'. 'It can centre around immigration or protectionism but it is above all, about issues to do with culture and integration and it is altogether more vigorous and potentially more explosive.' Democracy and even economic change are not enough, Blair cautioned.

'There is a social challenge too. Do we want societies that are open to those who have different faiths and cultures to our own traditions; or do we want, in the face of insecurity and economic crisis, to close down, to look after what some would call 'our own' first and foremost? And if we want open ones, what are the conditions for such openness to prevail?' Blair asked. Religion is also key to understanding the Middle East, he emphasised.

'If democracy (in the Middle East) brings with it an open attitude not, just to the economy but to society and religion, it will be

hugely beneficial. If it doesn't, by contrast, it will further the sense of anxiety and alienation between East and West,' Blair warned. However, religion also plays a key role in other nations and regions.

'In China, where there are more Muslims than in Europe and more practicing Catholics than in Italy, and around 100 million Buddhists, Faith shapes many lives,' he noted. 'It is true of course of India. The same could be said in Latin America and even if the numbers of practicing worshippers in Europe is lower, the importance of Judeo-Christian culture is palpable.

'So my point is very simple. Wherever you look today, religion matters. Faith motivates. Understanding faith, its adherents, its trends, its structures, can be as important as understanding a nation's GDP, its business, its resources.

'Globalisation is accelerating all these trends. We adjust or we are swept away,' he concluded.

Year 8 Retreat - the Universe Story

Year 8 on their recent retreats learnt about how the universe began, ecology and how we have an obligation to creation. Our duties towards the environment are linked to our duties towards the human person. Past Pope, Benedict in 2009 said that 'it would be wrong to uphold one set of duties while trampling on the other.' Here lies a grave contradiction in our mentality and practice today: one, which



demeans the person, disrupts the environment, and damages society.

Catholic teaching has long been that care for the earth is both a duty that we owe to God and a reflection of our respect for each other. So, the Church isn't some Johnny-come-lately to protecting the planet.

I finish with this reflection from the late Jesuit Priest – Thomas Berry:

'Without the soaring birds, without the great forests, the free-flowing streams, the sight of the clouds by day, and the stars by night, we become impoverished in all that makes us human.'

Matthew Williams

Head of Faith & Mission

Junior School News

Mid-Year Reports

Dear Parents,

This Friday all Junior School students will be taking home their mid-year report. This report represents assessments and evaluations of student academic, physical and social development during the first half of the school year.

St Mary's College Junior School Reports have undergone significant changes in the past six months. The revised format is modelled on the design used by Catholic Schools across Tasmania, as mandated by the Catholic Education Office.

The aim of the changed reporting format is to allow for transparent and consistent reporting to parents across Catholic Education in Tasmania, as well as to provide comprehensive information about student progress.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Next week parents are invited to meet with their child's teacher to discuss progress and to set new goals and targets for continued learning during the remainder of the year. These meetings form a very important part of the home/school communication cycle and are crucial in ensuring the best outcomes for all our students.

To make an appointment to see your child's teacher on the afternoon/evening of Tuesday 1 or Wednesday 2 July parents will need to go to the website: <http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/home.view> and insert the School Event Code: R92SB in the green parents section and press the 'GO' button. If you are unable to access online booking please contact your child's teacher to make an appointment.



Parents of students in Years 5 and 6 are reminded that their child is to accompany them to these meetings.

Hot Chocolate Service

To help students keep warm this winter the very popular hot chocolate service will continue next term right up until Friday 29 August. Hot chocolate is available for sale from the Junior School canteen from 8.20am – 8.40am. The cost is \$1 per drink and all proceeds will be donated to those charities selected by Junior School parliament.

Winter Uniform

Winter uniform is not compulsory in Term 3, students are instead invited to wear what is appropriate for the day's weather for the remainder of the school year. PE uniform is able to be worn for Physical Education lessons and a maximum of one other day for representative sports training or games.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a warm, happy and safe holiday.

Brigid Knight

Head of Junior School

Junior School Important Dates

June

Wednesday 25

Symmons Plains Cross Country & Kinder Koalas to the Dogs Home

Thursday 26

Prep & Year 1 excursion to Richmond & Kinder Koalas to the Dogs Home

Friday 27

P-6 reports home

July

Tuesday 1

Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 2

Parent Teacher Interviews

Friday 4

Term 2 concludes

From the Counsellors

Encouragement & Rewards

In implementing the School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program teachers across the school have been more aware than ever of the power of praise. In fact, the aim is to use at least six positive comments to a negative one. No matter how old your children are, your praise and encouragement will help them feel good about themselves and in doing this, your relationship with them will strengthen. Rewards can also be a very useful motivator in bringing about a change to good behaviour.

Describing the behaviour which is pleasing, is best for boosting self esteem and encouraging more good behaviour. Rather than a 'well done', a child will get more out of a description such as, 'I loved the way you left the park the first time you were asked' or for an older child, 'You made a concerted effort and got home before the time we agreed, well done.'

Describing what you like is much more genuine and convincing than vague praise such as, 'good girl.' Recognising and praising effort acknowledges how hard a child has tried and we can't ask them to put in more than maximum effort even if in the end the achievement falls below their goal. Catching kids being good and making comments encourages them to keep up the good work. A very powerful technique to encourage good behaviour is to talk to others about your child within earshot of the child! At the beginning praise the behaviour you are looking for every time you witness it and as it becomes routine, praise it less. See

if you can give your child some words of encouragement every day remembering it takes a lot of praise to outweigh a criticism. Look for positive changes in confidence and self esteem.

Rewards can make your praise and encouragement more effective when you focus on a particular behaviour you would like to modify and change. Most behaviour is influenced by the consequences that follow it. Parenting positively relies on encouragement and reward rather than focussing heavily on punitive consequences. Bad behaviour is often more obvious and easier to notice than good behaviour, and there is a tendency to immediately move to a punishment (giving a negative consequence), so rather than punishing the poor behaviour, make it clear to your child what you expect and negotiate a mutually acceptable reward. When you reward behaviour which is difficult for a child to achieve and he/she understands what they need to do to achieve the change, few would disagree that the effort required deserves a reward. Once this new positive behaviour becomes routine a new behaviour can be focussed on for a reward. Surprising your child with a reward for general good behaviour is extremely encouraging as well. For example, 'thanks for helping to prepare the dinner; you can choose what we have for dessert.'

A reward chart is a visual reminder of how well your child is going with their goals to improve behaviour. For them to be successful, parents need to be mindful of the age appropriateness



of the number and types of tasks on the chart. Rewards should be frequent to begin with too. The likelihood of keeping a seven year old motivated if there are many many tasks each day and the reward is a long way off is quite low. It may be pertinent to reward daily (and more often for under school age children) to begin with.

We believe the single best reward you can offer your child is one to one time with you! The rewards your child might like to work towards include a slightly later bedtime, a play date, a milkshake after school, screen time (kids should earn screen time rather than be given free reign up to a maximum of two hours per day according to the American Academy of Pediatrics), special activities such as park time, special craft, board game, an extra story at bedtime, choose a special meal and for teens earning phone credit, lifts, a shopping trip, a get out of a day of chores pass, movie pass or other outing, extra pocket money are a few ideas. Reward charts motivate children when they are clear on exactly what they need to do to succeed. Ask your child to explain what they need to do in order to achieve the reward.

Andrea Maver & Gai Bath

School Counsellors

Student Achievements

Congratulations to the following students who have brought credit to themselves and the College:

Olivia Eade (Year 8) recently achieved outstanding results in the Hobart City Eisteddfod taking out the Pianoforte Recital – for 14 Years and under. She also won an award certificate in the Pianoforte Solo for 14 years and under and a certificate of merit in the Pianoforte Solo equivalent to AMEB Grade 6 sections.

Lauren Gilmour, Jamie Symons and Emma Wing (all Year 9) are playing in the Waverley International Schools Netball Tournament in Victoria from June 30 - July 4.

Ella Berresford competed in Rip Curl East Coast Junior Challenge in June, winning the Girls Under 14 Division.

The following girls have been selected in the Under 13 Hockey team to represent Tasmania in a national tournament in October: Ella Berresford, Chloe Cooper, Keeley Hine-Hancock, Julia Gunn & Livina Sproule.

The following girls will represent Tasmania in the Under 14 girls' team at the National Club Basketball Championships in Brisbane: Adelle Salter (Year 7), Elizabeth Mc Gann (Year 7) and Pia Rhodes (Year 6), with Zoe Burke (Year 7) in the reserves side.

Events to Note this Fortnight

JUNE

Thursday 26

Year 8B Retreat, Year 11/12 exams, Year 10 exams & Year 9 Drama excursion

Friday 27

Year 11/12 exams, Year 10 exams & Junior School reports distributed

JULY

Tuesday 1

Secondary All Schools Cross Country & Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 2

Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews

Thursday 3

Legal Studies Excursion

Friday 4

Term 2 concludes & Year 7-9 reports distributed

Monday 7 - Friday 18

Business Office open 9.00am - 3.00pm

Monday 21

Student Free Day (Staff Spirituality Day) - office closed

Tuesday 22

Term 3 commences, Year 7 Immunisations & Year 10 & 11 Information Evening

Careers Information

Defence Force Academy Roadshow

The Commandant of ADFA, Air Commodore Alan Clements, and the Deputy Rector of the University of New South Wales, Professor John Arnold, will be visiting Hobart to conduct a presentation to students in Years 10-12 who are considering a career as an officer in the Australian Defence force.

When: Tuesday 22 July 2014

Time: 12.30pm (for approximately one hour)

Location: Defence Force Recruiting Building, at Anglesea Barracks, Davey St, Hobart.

Mainland Universities

REMINDER - Tertiary Information Seminar - Mainland universities: July 2 from 6.00pm - 7.00pm at GYC Hobart.

Presentations are also being held at other colleges during day/evening over July 2-3 - please contact jgartrell@smc.tas.edu.au for more information.

Medicine - UMAT

Students interested in pursuing medicine and other health courses need to sit the UMAT on July 30, 2014. MedEntry is a government accredited Registered Training Organisation specialising in UMAT preparation. MedEntry will be hosting a two day workshop at the University of Tasmania on Monday 7 July 2014 and Tuesday 8 July 2014. Topics covered include a breakdown of the UMAT question types and a Mock UMAT Trial Exam under UMAT conditions. MedEntry offers discounts of 30% for groups, and numerous scholarships. For more information, please visit www.MedEntry.edu.au.

IT's Your Career - Futures in the ICT Industry

Students in Years 10-12 interested in a future in the ICT industry are invited to attend the upcoming Tasmanian ICT Conference hosted by TASICT, the peak industry body.

Students are being offered free attendance at a special session where they will meet professionals from across the industry.

When: Thursday 14 August
9.45am to 12.00pm

Where: Hotel Grand Chancellor

Registration: To register students visit <http://www.tasictconference.com/>, click on 'Buy tickets' then on 'Students'

Tasmanian ICT leaders' presentations: Between 10.00am - 11.00am, students will hear from IT professionals and entrepreneurs who studied and made a career in ICT, as well as people using exciting new technology in their business. This will include presentations to students from ICT professionals about their journey through the industry, including Q&A and career advice.



GET THE KIDS INTO HOCKEY THESE HOLIDAYS!



HOCKEY TASMANIA WINTER HOLIDAY HIT OUT

Friday 11th July 9am – 3pm

Practice your skills, play games and make new friends!

Tasmanian Hockey Centre

Cost: \$30

Suitable for all children 5 – 12 years of age

Hockey Tasmania approved coaches. Fully supervised.

Sticks and shin guards are available and don't forget your mouthguard!

To register, please email will@hockeytas.com.au

or phone 0418 911 362



FULL DETAILS WWW.HOCKEYTASMANIA.COM.AU

Sport Reports

Netball

Year 3/4 Blue

Result: On June 16, the team played SMC Brown, winning 11-4.

Summary: It was a good team effort by both teams. Holly and Carla played well in the centre court with good passing to the goalies. Great shooting by Brooke, Lily, Amity, Carla and Vara.

Result: On June 23, the team played Fahan Orange, winning 10-6.

Summary: Great defending in the goals by Georgia and Carla with good team work to come from behind. Great shooting by Lily, Holly, Vara and Amity.

Year 5/6 Green

Result: On June 4 the team played Dominic Black, winning 19-7.

Summary: Thanks to Alice who scored and supported the team even though she was injured. A great improvement from the first game.

Year 5/6 Brown

Result: On June 4, SMC Year 5/6 Brown played Dominic Maroon.

Summary: The SMC Brown netballers were eager to hit the court for the fourth game of the roster having missed out the week before due to a weather cancellation. Only seven girls were available for the match against Dominic Maroon but they did a splendid job. Aditi and Holly debuted in goals and shared the ball well, resulting in plenty of goals. Claire again played well at both ends of the court whilst Gabriella had a stand out game in the centre court, intercepting any pass that came near her. Hayley had a strong game in wing attack and combined well with Gabriella, whilst Sammy and Jemma kept their attackers quiet in defence, with Jemma rebounding well. SMC Brown's teamwork was a highlight.

Year 8 Division 1

Result: On June 2 the Year 8 Div 1 team played St Michael's Collegiate, winning 43-4.

Summary: Another great game by the girls with a strong win. Very strong in defence from Claire and Madi with many intercepts. Mid court attacked well in front with great passing. Great goal shooting by Maddison and Lucy with even a few goals in the last half by those who normally played in defence. Eve, Madi and Claire all scored on the board.

Year 9/10

Result: On June 10 the team played MacKillop Blue, going down 23-29.

Summary: The team played a fantastic game against a quality team. Ella and Holly shot well to give SMC every chance. Isabella provided great support in centre whilst Cathryn and Laura played a solid defensive game against very good shooting opposition.

Hockey

Year 8

SMC 8 have had an interesting season, with two wins, two losses, a bye and a forfeit so far. Our new hockey players have been very impressive, becoming involved in the game from the first whistle, encouraged by our experienced girls. The girls are playing well as a team, and have improved significantly since our first game. I hope to see the girls back for hockey again next year.

Coach - Fiona Attrill (Year 12 student)

Year 7

The Year 7 team have been playing very well! We've had around five wins, and one draw so all of the girls are playing exceptionally well. The girls that have just started this year are giving it a good go and Lucy and I couldn't be more pleased. The girls who are familiar with the game are playing some fantastic hockey.

Coaches - Lucy Gunn & Isabelle Podwinski (Year 10 students)

JSSATIS Cross Country

- 3G OLIVER CLAIRE
- 3B ROBINSON ELLA
- 3B KELLY HARRIET
- 3G SMITH LAURA
- 3B SICE BROOKE
- 3G BERRY SOPHIE
- 3G CALABRESE RAFFAELA
- 3B RANSLEY LILY
- 4B HUTCHINSON CECILIA
- 4M MCCONNON ELLA
- 4M HARBACK JESSICA
- 4M BANKS ZOE
- 4B LANE MILLIE
- 4M WINK AMELIA
- 4B HAWKINS CAIT
- 4B LONDON ISABELLA
- 5S ROBINSON SOPHIE
- 5W TEALE PHOEBE
- 5W CHAMBERS GEORGIA
- 5W GREEN ISABELLE
- 5S CHAMBERS
CHARLOTTE
- 5S GEEVES JORJA
- 5W HEATHORN CLAIRE
- 5S HOGGETT BIANCA
- 6B EDWARDS KATE
- 6B EADE LUCY
- 6B OLIVER KATE
- 6B MOLNAR GRACE
- 6B TEMPLE CHARLOTTE
- 6W ROBINSON SOPHIE
- 6B O'CONNELL HANNAH
- 6B COLAVECCHIO
GABRIELLA

Congratulations to the following students who represented St Mary's and participated in the JSSATIS Cross Country last Thursday 19 June. The first five names listed in each year group will be travelling to Symmons Plains Raceway on Wednesday 25 June to compete in the IGA Tasmanian All Schools Cross Country Championships.



SSATIS Cross Country

The Senior Cross Country was held on June 3 at Tolosa Park Glenorchy.

In order to encourage a larger participation from our Year 10 – 12 girls we introduced a fund raising 'walk only' option as opposed to asking all to run. This seemed very popular and I would like to congratulate the following girls for their effort in raising \$264.00: Ebony Taylor, Madison Carr, Lucy Bauermeister, Joely Dalton, Maddie Haigh, Mia Ling, Olivia Knott, Ellen Peroni and Brianna Healy, Sian Prior and Rebekah Payne.

The Year 10 – 12 girls were able to purchase egg and bacon rolls and Milo with all proceeds combined with the fundraising proceeds being distributed between two selected charities.

Congratulations to all of the girls that participated in this school event. Participation across all year levels was very good.

SSATIS Pontville Cross Country June 10, 2014

Congratulations to the following girls on representing SMC at the SSATIS Cross Country. All girls ran really well and represented their school with pride. A special mention to Zoe Burke (Year 7) who achieved 3rd overall in her age group. A great effort Zoe!!

Congratulations to Maddison Curtis on being named Captain of the Senior Cross Country Team and Madison Becker on being named Vice Captain. These College girls have represented SMC all through high school and are great role models for the younger girls.

Good luck to the girls that have been selected to represent the school at the All Schools Competition at Symmons Plains on July 1.



YEAR 7

BURKE ZOE

RYAN LUCY

SICE JORDAN

HAYDON BRIDGET

CARELESS LILLY

CUMMING YASMIN

STALKER GEORGIA

BELLETTA ALANA

YEAR 8

HINKS SAASHA

RANDALL ALICE

MEYER JASMINE

COOPER-SMITH SAFFRON

HOLMES ANNA

BOWERMAN MADDISON

ATTRILL LYDIA

BROWNING MOLLIE

YEAR 9

SYMONS JAMIE

MOLE TAYLOR

SCUTT ANNABELLE

ROSINSKI ZARA

HAPKA KALILA

GILMOUR LAUREN

MACGUIRE COURTNEY

ROWLANDSON DEMI

MOLNAR EMILY

ELLIE HILLS

YEAR 10

PETRIE KAITLIN

KEMP TAYLOR

MULU SERKALEM

GRAVES ELISA

AITON DOMINIQUE

HALL BROOKE

OPEN

CURTIS MADDISON (C)

GLENN HARLEY

WHITE MADELINE

BECKER MADISON (VC)

HILL SARAH

WRIGHT ISABEL

PARADISIS ERIN

ROBERTS CLAIRE

Community News

St Mary's College is a Catholic K-12 girls' school founded by the Presentation Sisters in 1868.

Applications are invited for the following:

UNIFORM SHOP MANAGER

0.4 FTE

(Tuesdays and Thursdays during term time)

Applicants must be able to fully support the Catholic ethos of St Mary's College. Position Descriptions and Selection Criteria are available on the College website.

Enquiries and applications, including the names of three referees, should be directed to the Business Manager, Mr Stuart Calvert: businessmanager@smc.tas.edu.au

Applications close 4.00pm on Thursday 3 July, 2014

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One Face Beyond...

St Mary's College Past Scholars' Association
warmly invite you to

High Tea

We are hoping that many past scholars, past and present parents, students, staff and friends of the College will come along and experience a wonderful afternoon together with delicious food, fruit platters, tea and coffee.

WHEN: Sunday 24 August, from 2.00pm – 4.00pm

WHERE: The Hobart Function Centre, Elizabeth St Pier

COST: \$30 per person

RSVP: To Kylie (details below) with payment by Friday 15 August

PAYMENT: Payment can be made by direct credit to account name SMCOSA, BSB: 067000, Account no: 905514. Please enter your name as the description. Payments can also be made by post to St Mary's College, addressed to the Past Scholars' Association. Please include your contact details.

Once payment has been made, please contact Kylie to book in your spot and let her know which table you want to sit on and if you have any special dietary requirements: (E) kyliekmb123@hotmail.com (T) 0467 054 264



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