The St Leo’s newsletter, “The Pride” is now posted on the College Website under St Leo’s News. This print only version will be archived on the College Website and as a hard copy available from the College reception.

Principal’s Message

In the second letter to the Ephesians, St Paul describes the love of Christ in awesome terms ‘may he give you the power through his Spirit for your hidden self to grow strong, so that Christ may live in your hearts through faith, and then planted in love and built on love, you will, with all the saints, have strength to grasp the breadth and the length, the height and the depth; until knowing the love of Christ, which is beyond all knowledge, you are filled with the utter fullness of God’ (Ephesians 3:16-19)

Dear Parents, Guardians, Care Givers, Grandparents, Students and Friends,

Today we celebrate the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus - the heart of Jesus is the emblem of Divine love. In his vision to St Margaret Mary, Jesus expressed his desire of being loved by us and if we love him he will bestow his immense treasures of love, mercy, grace and salvation on each one of us. The devotion to the Sacred Heart began at Calvary when the heart of Jesus was pierced on the cross. Here he showed how deeply he loves us. In return he wants nothing other than our total love without reserve.

Today, the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus reminds us that in the Sacred Heart is revealed the mystery of the Divine mind of Jesus as God. It affirms Jesus as God and man; Jesus being one of the three divine persons of the Holy Trinity.

For many families this devotion has a great source of consolation in times of difficulty. If we pray to the Sacred Heart he will protect us, care for us and give us the peace and tranquility we so desire in our busy lives.

I would ask that as a community that we keep all those who are going through difficult times in our prayers. I would especially like us to keep the Livermore family in our prayers as they grieve of their loss. We also have a number of members in our community dealing with ill health. Please keep in your prayers our two College leaders, Fr Robert, who is recovering from sickness and Tony Gleeson who has a long path of recovery after his accident. I have been in contact with both men and have passed on the well wishes from our community.

As I reflect on the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, our College motto ‘Lex dei in Corde’ - God’s Law in the Heart, strikes a chord. We are called to ‘love one another as I have loved you’. The Year of Grace we are currently in reminds us, to take every opportunity to see the face of Christ in all those that we come in contact with and that it is our duty to take the gifts God has given us and use them to their full for benefit of others.
We have a number of activities occurring at the end of this very busy term where our students and staff are well and truly using their gifts to bring joy in the lives of those around them. I would encourage everyone in the community to attend our ‘Showcase of Stars’ next Thursday and Friday. Come and see our students sing, dance and perform scenes from a number of well known musicals. Mrs Viski, Mrs McFarlane and Mrs Gauci have prepared and directed this event that will be most entertaining. Our Year 9 and Year 10 debating teams are through to the knockout stage and we wish them all the best for the rest of their season. I would like to thank all the students and staff that have debated and supported debating this year. It has been a very successful year. Congratulations to all.

The College aerobics team will be involved in the State Championships at Sutherland Entertainment Centre tomorrow, Saturday afternoon. We wish the girls all the very best at this elite level of competition.

After reading the Year 11 reports this week I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication so many of our Year 11 students have applied to their senior studies. There has been a noticeable improvement across the board in attitude and attendance. I would also like to acknowledge the support Year 11 parents are giving their children and the efforts of their teachers. In particular I would like to congratulate the following students on their outstanding reports:

Principal's Gold Award recipients were:
Charlotte Ball, Bridget Campbell, Sophie Carse, Lily Derrig, Hannah Derrig, Alexandra Drum, Johnathan Fornasier, Jarrod Haldenby, Bethany Halmy, Alicia Hickey, Nicholas Maddison, Phillip Porteous, Daniel Salvador, Tobruk Sloane and Madison Sloane.

Principal's Silver Award recipients were:

I would also like to acknowledge the 22 students in Year 11 that have had a perfect attendance record so far this year. It is great to see this level of commitment to their studies. Well done to, Bridget Campbell, Gemma Cassarchis, Justin Davison, Hannah Derrig, Lily Derrig, Ryan Drewett, Alexandra Drum, Alexander Fletcher, Nathan Fung, Daniel Hay, Kevin Jong, Luke Khoudair, William Lumley, Nicolette McArdle, Luke Mienie, Harrison Millard, Jasmeet Mudhar, Lauren Sequeira, Tobruk Sloane, Jack Sweeney, Chris Walford & Matthew Williams.

Finally, I would like to thank Paul Harmon, Alan Jones, Fahri Cantas and Michael Hill for their hard work and dedication to keeping our IT network up and running in an ever changing environment of up-grades both at a school level and a system level. Paul and Alan have done a huge amount of work on our new school website which looks fantastic and has a number of communication features that should help families. Unfortunately we are not able to email parent groups at the moment and ask that you access the website regularly for updates on College events.
Obviously, you have found the newsletter on the website but there are also a number of other features that can be found in the ‘St Leo’s News’ section of the website. The section is password protected, the password being ‘leoscommunity’.

Archive - PDF copies of past newsletters

Communication to Parents - This is a section where you can find copies of notes that should of made it home. We will endeavour to get all notes posted into this section.

Pastoral Concern - This is an electronic referral option for students to inform the Student Welfare Team of peer relationship issues that they need help with e.g. conflict, bullying and students disrupting their learning. This has been developed after feedback from students on the use of the written peer relationship survey that occurs in tutor time. This is another method of informing us on the difficulties students may be having so we are able to mediate and support before these issues have more serious effects on a student’s learning. Please discuss with your child the importance of informing their Year Coordinator of these types of issues.

Mr M Reicher
ACTING PRINCIPAL

Message from the Assistant Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS:
• Year 11 Brainstorm - 'wired'
• Back to Parish Mass
• College Performing Arts Showcase on Thursday and Friday nights. Please support this activity and purchase tickets from the College.
• Individual photos week 9
• Group photos week 10
• Year 10 Street Retreat
• Yrs 7 to 10 reports sent out by the end of the term.
• Notification of PTO details sent to parents
• End of Term Assembly

Back to Parish Mass
Next Tuesday 19th June is our Back to Parish. It is expected that all students will attend this parish-college event. The agreement that all parents sign when they enroll their child at St Leo’s Catholic College states that parents and their children are committed to the Catholic identity of our College and that this commitment will be demonstrated through their support of attendance of their children at Retreats, Liturgies and Masses. Next Tuesday is just such an occasion. We hope that respect for the importance of this event in establishing connections between your children and our local parishes will ensure your encouragement of their attendance. Non-attendance will be treated in an appropriate manner.

Uniforms
It is appreciated that we have just experienced a stint of wet weather. This can place a strain on the capacity to ensure dry school uniforms for your children. Unfortunately some children are taking advantage of this and are appearing at the College in either incomplete uniforms or have taken to wearing their sports uniforms. The college tracksuit can only be worn to and from school on the day allocated for their year’s sport afternoon. No child should be wearing a sport uniform to school on a Wednesday. If for any reason your son or daughter has to come to school in non-regulation clothing it is essential that they have a note of explanation signed by you. They must present this to their Year coordinator upon arrival.
Uniform checks will occur in the last two weeks of term. Parents will be notified if their child is in incorrect clothing and they will be asked to correct the situation as soon as possible. Please check your child’s diary for information regarding the College uniform to be worn during these winter months.

**Travelling home in a safe manner.**

Over the last few weeks there have been a small number of students who are not doing the “right thing” either near the crossing on the Pacific Highway or at Wiatara Station. Students are running across the crossing in an effort to get to a train, they are engaging in pushing sessions while waiting for the lights to change on the Highway and finally some of them have been engaging in rough house actions on the platforms while waiting for their train. These actions endanger themselves and other students near them. It is important that students also appreciate that the hands-off policy applies at all times when wearing their Leo’s uniform. If students are identified as engaging in these types of poor choices then alternative means of travelling home may need to be considered as we can not continue to have St Leo’s students endangered in such a manner.

Mrs Susan White, Acting Assistant Principal

**Pastoral News**

**Year 12 Fancy and Fast**

There was no shortage of school spirit amongst Yr 12 at the 2012 Athletics Carnival. Fellow spectators were entertained by an array of creative and somewhat daring costumes, all worn in the name of house patriotism. The fine weather made for a great day and a welcomed break for students who have been focusing on their studies and finalising term two assessments. A number of Yr 12 teachers got involved in the more jovial activities challenging Yr 12 students to a Caterpillar race and then a Tug of War. The whole day had a positive feel about it. Well done Yr 12 you certainly made your last carnival one to remember by all.

Year 12 Coordinator, Ms Roberts

**Year 10**

Mr Paul Nield, the education officer at Challenge Ranch Outdoor Education Centre came and spoke to all students in Year 10. In his presentation, outcomes of the camp program were outlined and based on the core elements of learning in the outdoors, students will be offered a choice of camp; namely **Self, Others and the Environment**. Students had the opportunity to complete an expression of interest survey to help the College and the Challenge Ranch Outdoor Education Centre in further planning.

In addition, all Year 10 students had the opportunity to work with selected Yr 11 students in preparation on the upcoming ‘Back to Parish’ day, This involved a Keynote slide presentation, familiarity with mass responses and general logistical questions.

Year 10 Coordinator, Angelo Solomonides

**Year 9**

On Friday 8th June Brainstorm Productions presented a play called “Cheap Thrills” to Year 9 Students.

“Cheap Thrills” is a one man show which highlights the difficulties adolescents encounter in the face of peer pressure to indulge in unsafe behavior. It dispels the myth that drugs, booze and fast cars are cheap thrills. Your children will see that substance abuse is expensive - your money, your health, your relationships and ultimately......
Students have also been doing some follow-up activities and discussions around the issues addressed in the production.

This week students were given an information pack regarding Camp next term. Please can students and parents complete all of the enclosed documents that need returning by the end of Week 9. This is so that these can be sent off to the company running the camp before the holidays.

**Year 9 Coordinator, Peter Trainer**

**Year 8**

It was with great pleasure yesterday that I was able to present Year 8 with a series of awards for Excellence and Achievement over Semester 1. With nearly 70 awards, it was a great reflection on how the Year group has risen to the challenge of doing their best in many areas of school life. It is hoped the same application and attention to studies will be evident when the next reporting period comes along.

There are 12 or more students who are participating in the Dram and Musical Showcase next week on Thursday and Friday in the new hall. It is hoped as many Year 8 students as possible can attend to support their cohort in what will surely be an excellent display of talent that this group of students possess. Tickets are only $5 for students and $10 for adults.

During Tutor time will be continuing with our Study Skills program - if students would like assistance in developing a study plan for home, please come and see me. Parents can email me if they have any concerns about how students should best make use of their time at home in order to achieve the very best academic outcomes.

Some housekeeping matters:

- with the wet weather, it is important that students do come to school in the correct uniform. Of late I have been seeing “hoodies” or sweat tops as jumpers etc. Students are not to wear their Sports Uniform except on a Thursday.
- a number of girls need constant reminding about keeping their hair tied back. Please ensure this is done at all times during the day.
- some boys especially have been noted playing quite roughly on the oval for certain ball games. Whilst it is great to see them running around, please respect your fellow team members and avoid un-necessary rough play.

**Andrew Betty**

**Yr 8 Co-ordinator**
Mission News

Come Join Us in Eucharist
Every Tuesday from 8 am
Every Friday from 1.05 pm
Mass in the College Chapel

Broken Bay Film Premiere - Life Above All
Presented by the African Orphans Appeal of the Hornsby Catholic Parish
Saturday 23rd June 2012 - 7pm

Join us in raising funds for the Yakhumdeni Project of the Diocese of Dundee, South Africa which is dealing with the fallout from AIDS. The film follows the journey of a twelve year old girl, Chanda, whose family is affected by the HIV virus. Excellently directed by Oliver Schmitz. Tickets $20, Students and Concessions $12, supper included. The film will be shown in the Cathedral Hall at the end of Yardley Avenue, Waitara. For more information contact Joan Pavitt 9482 2314.

News from around the College

Photo Days
Portrait photos will be taken Wednesday 20th June
Group photos will be taken Wednesday 27th June

All students have received a photo payment envelope outlining the various package deals available.

These must be returned on the portrait photo day (20th June) – even if only a group photo is being ordered.

All students will have a portrait photo for school records regardless of intent to buy. Sibling photo envelopes are available from the front office – these will be taken on portrait day.

Full school uniform must be worn on the 2 photo days – this includes blazers and ties. Hair should be neat and for girls tied back.

Mrs J Macri
Director of Administration

Library News
Pizza lunches celebrate reading

Two lunches have been held in the library to celebrate the reading achievements of students in Years 7, 8 and 9. There are so many students involved that the lunches have to be held on two Wednesdays because we can’t all fit in as one group. Over 75 students were invited from Year 7 and 80 students came from Years 8 and 9. The challenge was to have read at least 7 books so far.
Top borrowers

Top patron statistics provide an interesting glimpse into reading at St Leo’s. The Year 7 top three borrowers have taken out in total more than 200 books so far this year. The Year 8 top three have taken out 125 books. The Year 9 top borrower has enjoyed over 150 mainly manga books.

Ark of the covenant

The library is currently hosting a wonderful display of arks made by Year 7 RE. The arks have been sprayed with gold paint adding a gleaming lustre.

Neryle Sheldon
Teacher Librarian

Visual Arts

Performing Arts Showcase
GATEWAY
For 2 days Ms Down and 16 students from various Primary Schools in the Diocese created their own personal "Shrine". Each shrine contains compartments and tells a story about the student. The students thoroughly enjoyed their time at St Leo’s. A creative and exciting experience for all!

Ms Down
Visual Arts Teacher

Year 12 Visual Arts Excursion to Paddington
On Friday 28th May, Year 12 Visual Arts students were Art Critics for the day, visiting smaller Art Galleries around Paddington.

Mrs James and myself accompanied students to visit Roslyn Oxley9 Gallery, Australian Galleries, Harrison Galleries and Stills. Students experienced a variety of artworks, including Photography, Digital Media, Film, Painting and Sculpture. Students have been asked to critically respond to the gallery settings and to the artworks, mirroring what an actual art critic does, as part of an assessment task.

Students are to be congratulated for the way in which they conducted themselves on the day, they were a credit to themselves and the College.

Juliette Carson
Visual Arts Coordinator
Performing Arts Showcase

The College community are very excited about the upcoming Showcase of Stars, with many students performing on the night.

The Visual Arts staff (Miss Carson, Ms Down, Mrs Coleman, Mrs James, Miss Roberts) have been working on painting the backdrop, with the help of a small group of Year 10 Visual Arts students.

Thankyou to Erin Canny, Natasha George, Alice Grieve, Rosalie Hopkins, Kat Larsen, Brianna Minnett, Aimee O'keefe, Mary Stipo, Bec Waldron, Caitie Whittington, Madi Wiles.

Juliette Carson
Visual Arts Coordinator

Student Artworks

Visual Arts students across all year groups have been completing their Practical assessment tasks for Semester 1. This edition of The Pride highlights work from Stage 4.

Year 7 have been working on a series of different self portraits, working with digital photography, watercolours, oil and chalk pastels. Their works are titled, “What’s in a name?”, Poetry in Motion” and “Frida and Me” Some examples can be seen below.

Year 8 have been investigating Still Life in photography, painting and ceramics. Below are some examples of their food badges, “You are what you eat”

Juliette Carson
Visual Arts Coordinator

Careers News

Step up Into teaching (SUIT) is a program conducted by the Australian Catholic University and supported by the CSO, Diocese of Broken Bay. It provides an opportunity for HSC students (2013) who are interested in a career in teaching, to study 2 modules of an ACU undergraduate course as a HSC Board Endorsed Course. Students who successfully complete this course and enrol in a Bachelor of Teaching, Early Childhood or Education at ACU will receive credit for these modules. Students who achieve a credit average in their SUIT results will receive 5 ATAR bonus points when applying to the nominated teaching degrees.

The SUIT information sessions for 2012 are:
Wed 20 June – Mercy Catholic College Chatswood (7.00 – 8.00pm)
Wed 27 June – St Peter’s Catholic College Tuggerah (7.00 – 8.00pm)

Victoria Barracks Paddington will be open to students interested in the Defence Forces on 5 July 2012. An agreement form needs to be collected and returned to the Careers Office by Friday 15 June in order to participate. See Mrs Sykes for details.

HSC Preparatory Days will be running at the University of Western Sydney in the July school vacation period 2-6 July. The program will be delivered at Parramatta campus, to cover Chemistry, Biology, 4 levels of Maths, 3 levels of English, Business Studies, Earth & the Environment (last one is at Hawkesbury campus only). Each topic costs $50. Students will receive handouts reflective of their sessions. For more information and registration details go to website www.uwscollege.edu.au/hscprep.
Lattitude Australia is the original gap year organization. They offer placements in 15 different countries that have been vetted by experienced representatives for suitability and safety. The application deadline for placements in 2013 is **Friday 22 June**. Visit [www.lattitude.org.au](http://www.lattitude.org.au) for more information.

**UNSW Scholarships Information Evening**  
*Wednesday 20 June, 6pm @ UNSW, Sir John Clancy Auditorium*  
This event is open to all Yr11/12 students and their parents. Detailed information will be provided on the range of scholarships available at UNSW with a focus on the application process and answering specific questions. Register at: [www.whatson.unsw.edu.au](http://www.whatson.unsw.edu.au)

**Quick Guide**  
[www.co-op.unsw.edu.au/apponline/quickguide.pdf](http://www.co-op.unsw.edu.au/apponline/quickguide.pdf) *(797KB PDF)*  
This details key dates and application questions, and is also available for download.

**Experience UTS Day – Tues3 and Wed 4 July**  
UTS is offering this event for students in years 10-12. Students are able to sample courses and learn about career options by participating in mini lectures and hands on workshops. Full details of the program are available online at [www.undergraduate.uts.edu.au/events](http://www.undergraduate.uts.edu.au/events)

**UTS Engineering Information Evening Tuesday 20 June and Scholarship Info Evening Wednesday 27 June**  
Applications for scholarships will be available online soon at [www.eng.uts.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.eng.uts.edu.au/scholarships)

**Macquarie University Business and Economics Information Evening**  
*Wednesday 25 July, 6pm - 8pm*  
Find out how you can get more from Macquarie’s:  
- business and economics degrees  
- internships  
- accreditation of programs  
- graduate opportunities  
- exchange and community engagement opportunities


**Retail and Hospitality** are two of Australia’s leading industries. Career maps outlining the pathways and opportunities in these industries can be accessed at the following websites: [www.rwr.net.au](http://www.rwr.net.au) and [www.hospoworld.net.au](http://www.hospoworld.net.au)

**Free Apprenticeship and Traineeship Expo**

**When?**  
Wednesday 25th July, 4pm-7:30pm

**Where?**  
PCYC Performing Arts Centre  
Corner Edgeworth David Ave and Waitara Ave, Waitara

**For:**  
Young people and their parents

Come and discuss your career options with the experts!  
- Meet training organisations and employers  
- Pick up job application and interview tips  
- Find a career that suits your interests

Remember to bring several copies of your resume and a pen. Parents are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact **Rachelle Elphick on 0439 041 020**. Supported by Hornsby Shire Council, Mission Australia, Hills Schools Industry Partnership, Families NSW and Hornsby Ku-ring-gai PCYC.

Mrs Lindy Sykes
JUNE 2012 Writing and Poetry Competitions

Dear students and parents,
this month there are three great competitions for students in all year levels!

1. For students with global awareness

Amnesty International Youth Writing Competition (**Prose or Poetry**) closes 20 June, 2012
Prize pool includes: cash and prestigious awards ceremony

Entries are available from Ms. Filatov (**ksenia.filatov@dbb.org.au**)

Entries must be submitted to Ms. Filatov by the 20th June with a completed entry form and **signed by parents/guardians**.


2. For the playful and funny students (and for the poets, of course)

The Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards - closes 28 June, 2012
Prize pool includes: $500, iPad (yrs 10-12), iPod Touch (yrs 7-9)

Email your (edited) entries to Ms. Filatov (**ksenia.filatov@dbb.org.au**), with your name, gender and year level. The school will cover the cost of entries for students.

You must email your entry to Ms. Filatov **by 5pm on the 27 June**.

3. For aspiring journalists (and those with global awareness)

**Write About Now Young Journalist Award** - closes 15 June, 2012
Prize pool includes: cash, book pack, videos

(CREATIVE WRITING) **Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer Award** (yrs 10, 11 & 12)
Prize pool includes: a one week work experience placement at The Sydney Morning Herald, 5 hour mentorship and 2 short courses at the NSW Writers Centre, $200 book voucher and books from Dymocks.
Submit your entries online by **Monday 18 June 2012**

Good luck and have fun writing!

Ms. Filatov
(**ksenia.filatov@dbb.org.au**)
Sport News

THE PURPLE & GOLD WARRIORS

Courage and tenacity, persistence and pride. These four characteristics epitomised the St.Leo’s Rugby League teams in their quest for victory in the MCC Rugby League Competition. The U13’s finally received their victory they deserved against North Shore Marist and the U15’s almost received theirs firstly against the strong Lewisham team in almost the biggest upset for the season and then finally North Shore.

Unfortunately the season has come to an end for us this year in both age groups but we will be back in strength providing all the teams stick together. There is a lot of fresh talent coming through in the U13’s team, they will be a team to beat during their senior years. I will even go as far as to say that this team is very similar to the Grand Final winning team back in 2009. Look out MCC in 2016 and 2017.

The U15’s team have been very unlucky this season plagued with injury and quitters. However, it was the real men, the soldiers that shone and played out the season in style - backing up each week and playing most games with 11 or 12 players on the field. It was the boys that disappeared from the team, who gave up and forgot what commitment was all about. To the men it was not so much about winning the game but just playing footy. It was more about looking after their team mates on the field and proving to other teams that they can play footy no matter what challenges are thrown at them. They were in search of improvement. My hat goes off to all the players who began and finished the season together. I’ve never seen a team go through so many obstacles yet manage to keep a smile on their face and play out the season together. Well done boys!

Possibly the most memorable game of the season was against Lewisham in our first ‘Home’ game here at the College. The College had in excess of 700 screaming spectators. What an atmosphere and what a privilege it was to play under these conditions on home soil. Despite being up against an extremely well drilled and significantly bigger team of boys who would not have looked out of place in a Toyota Cup team, St Leo’s players in the U/13 and U/15 teams all gave the small crowd of dedicated fans a great lesson in good old fashioned courage. The scoreboard may have ticked over in favour of the visitors from Lewisham, but the real heros were our own purple and gold warriors who continued to put their bodies on the line in the face of punishing defense, non-stop aggression and relentless attacking raids. Both St Leo’s teams can be proud of the level of commitment they displayed under difficult circumstances, and every player can hold their head high in the knowledge that they did their best and upheld the pride of St Leo’s.

A big thank you must go to Asquith Magpies for sponsoring our Rugby League team with drink bottles and footballs.

We look forward to working in partnership with the club in the near future.

Well done to all the boys in both teams!!
A Grade Soccer

Round 5 (Rep Round): vs Kogarah (2-7)
Coming up against competition favourites Kogarah in our first game with an understrengthed team due to exams was never going to be an easy ask. We held our own for the majority of the match, with the scores being 2-2 with 15 minutes to play. A couple of refereeing decisions went against us which led to Kogarah capitalising on the resulting momentum. From here they buried a further 5 goals in the last few minutes. A few positives with Luke Tobin hitting a cracker from 30 yards and Brad with an impressive individual effort for our first. We showed promising signs as Kogarah have only conceded 4 goals so far this entire competition. Man of the Match to stand-in goalkeeper Julian Farcash who had a blinder in goals (despite conceding 7!).

Round 1: vs Ashfield (4-1)
Our second game was against a very physical, quick and fit Ashfield side. The boys relished in front of the home crowd putting on quite a performance in our first home game of the season. Ciaran and Luke ran in early goals to gain the advantage immediately. The rest of the game was a little sloppy, however our domination of possession led to two more goals, one more to Ciaran and one to James before Ashfield snuck a consolation goal in the last few minutes. Man of the Match to Malin Thiele for a gritty defensive effort and providing go-forward in attack.

Round 2: vs Pagewood (2-1)
Despite Supercoach's best advice, the boys showed up expecting another easy result against a Pagewood side they put 10 goals past last year. The Pagewood boys came out with all guns blazing against a slow-starting Leo's side. Some spectacular diving saves from a brave Briscoe in goals kept us in the game as we somehow went to the break at 0-0. The boys awoke from their slumber for a brief period in the second half, pinching two scrappy goals in quick succession. The boys switched off again as Pagewood clinched a late goal, but the boys held their nerve to come out with the three points. More positive signs as a good team will find a way to win with a lacklustre performance. Goals to Tom Creasey and Chris "Don" Bourke.

Round 3: vs Bankstown (7-0)
Historically, Bankstown have been one of the stronger football schools in the MCC. The boys really turned it on today, dominating possession and creating dynamic, innovative attack. Bankstown had no answers as we went into the sheds 3-0 up. We ran rampant in the second half running in another 4 goals. Clear man of the match Brad who finished with a tally of 4 goals. Other goals to Ciaran "Rango" Toner (2) and "DC" Tobin.

Round 4: vs Lewisham (1-1)
Coming up against competition heavyweight's Lewisham was always going to be a big test after a reasonably favourable draw so far this season. The boys were up for the big game as Creasey netted on the ten minute mark. The game was high quality with Lewisham controlling the possession, but Leo's creating the higher quality and quantity of chances. Lewisham scored with a long range strike with five minutes left in the first half. The second half was an end to end affair as the match increased in intensity and physicality. As the game opened up and both teams became more desperate for the winning goal, a number of ludicrous refereeing decisions cost us several opportunities to seal the match. We were definitely the better side this time around, and look forward to seeing them later in the year in the semi finals.

Round 5: Bye (Rep Round played earlier in year)
Round 6: vs North Shore (1-0)
Round 6 saw us come up against an in-form North Shore side who sat 3rd on the MCC table. The winner of this would almost seal second spot in the A Grade competition. The match proved to be another physical encounter, both on and off the pitch. North Shore dominated early proceedings as Leo's were so to warm into the match. We switched on for the last 15 minutes of the half as a Rango Toner shot was deflected into an open North Shore net. We had chances to put the game to bed in the second half as DC Tobz and Rango both missed one on one's. The boys gritted it out to record their second 1 goal win of the year.

Round 7: vs Randwick (washout)
At the completion of the round phase, we are second in the A Grade competition. A fantastic effort as we were expected to finish below the likes of Lewisham, Randwick, North Shore and Bankstown. Team morale is at an all-time high and the boys are still undefeated since that early defeat to Kogarah. We are also still alive in the CCC knockout competition. Hopefully there’s another chapter to write in what could turn out to be yet another historic Leo’s underdog story.

B Grade Soccer
It has been an up and down season for the B Grade boys who have shown promise at some stages throughout the year. We were unlucky in our first match against Pagewood where we were probably the better side. It was 1-1 before they ran in two late goals to steal the win. We produced a far more promising display in front of our home crowd against Bankstown, coming out victors with goals to Briscoe and Phil. We were outclassed by Lewisham 5-0 before an impressive first half performance against Kogarah. We were up 1-0 and went into the break 1-1 against a quality Kogarah outfit. The match proved football is a game of two halves as Kogarah ran seven goals past us in the second stanza. Our last game of the season was against 4th placed Marist North Shore where they pinched a winner late in the second half. A fun and enjoyable year for all the boys who improved substantially throughout the year.

Will Fiedler
A & B Grade Football Coach 2012.

U15’s Soccer
The U15’s started the season with 2 wins and a loss before I took charge of the team as their new coach.

Since coming on board as the 15’s coach the boys have really demonstrated to me the great talent they posses as a team. Given that they are very talented as a team I have expected big things from them as their coach and they have always took the challenge head on and delivered.

In their most resent games they versed arguably the strongest two teams of the competition, Lewisham and Kogarah. The boys suffered two narrow defeats and on a different day the results could have easily been reversed.

Over the past few Weeks the team has come together very well with a strong defensive back line consisting of Seb Madden, Grayson Keran, John Carmody and Jamie Nelson. They have really started to develop. In a competition where the majority of strikers they come up against are representative footballers, these boys showed that they were no push over.

The highlight of the season though was definitely the game against North Shore. Going into the game North Shore were top of the table, and undefeated. After a bit of drama before the match the boys were hungry to prove themselves and a first minute, 25m+ wonder strike by Luc Modde set the tone for what was to be a suspenseful afternoon.
Near the end of the first half the referee awarded a penalty to North Shore which was incredibly saved by a dominant Callum Southgate in goals.

Second half North Shore got a goal back from what looked like a cross which ended up in the top corner of the goal.

With the dying seconds of the game a corner was awarded to St Leo’s through some great play. The call to the team to swarm the box was given and up stepped Jamie Nelson who dominantly rose above the pack to head home a superbly placed corner by Matt Lundberg.

Due to the wet weather our final game was washed out, this meant that the boys unfortunately missed out on a finals spot.

The boys started to play some great football towards the end of the season, and if the game wasn’t called off I personally believe the boys would have dispatched Randwick with ease. Instead their season ended prematurely and left you wondering what could have been.

A special note must be given to the midfield pairing of Oliver Hing and Daniel Cronin who really started to dominate towards the end of the season as the two players began to show the skill and intelligence they have on the field.

And lastly Matt Machado's amazing engine upfront made a huge contribution to the rest of the team, week in week out.

Tom Saunders
U15’s Soccer Coach 2012

U13's and U15's Rugby League
Both teams struggled for numbers all year but surprisingly only managed to forfeit the one game. It was a hard year, not much to smile about for both the 13’s and 15’s. Against much bigger opponents the boys hung in there for some periods of the games but a few lapses of concentration and they let size get the better of them. U/13’s managed to have a win against Marist College North Shore defeating them 24-4 highlighted by Lachlan O’Connor’s 5 ties.

U/15’s stand out performance was against Lewisham where they held their own for most of the game keeping the score tight.

Both teams have definite potential if they stay together and work hard during the off season. For the 13’s it's always tough just coming into high school and playing with all new people and against much bigger kids.

Scott Hogarth
U13's U15's Rugby League Coach 2012
MCCS OPEN GIRLS HOCKEY (APOLOGIES FOR THE DELAY IN INCLUDING THIS REPORT)

On Thursday 3rd May the Opens Girls Hockey team achieved a resounding victory, bringing home 6 goals to nil against Catherine McCauley. The girls’ winning attitude was given impetus within two minutes of the game as Sanchia Bright caught the opposition’s goal keeper by surprise, sweeping a winning shot down the centre line. This early strike boosted the girls’ confidence, since a missing helmet meant that they were without a goal keeper. An able defence line, including Bree Bowden, Madison Sloane Kayley Fender, Anna Kazatchek and Steph Cole kept the opposition well at bay forcing the ball into the centre where fronts Hannah Derrig, Tobruk Sloane, Kaisha Necesario, Alyce Keating and Imogen Kemp ably pitched it through to Sanchia, Bethany Halmy and Jellica Dy who between them scored 9 goals. Congratulations on such a fine performance!

The game against Trinity on Thursday 10th May presented a couple of challenges in a that the team responded to with true sportsmanship. In the absence of an umpire Stephanie Cole volunteered to fulfil this role, thus forfeiting her strong presence on the field during the first half. Under the scorching sun of May’s hottest day, the girls worked tirelessly as a team to counter the opposition’s strong attacking game. Bethany Halmy, Sanchia Bright and Alex Drum brought to fruition the skilful stick skills of the defence and front players by claiming a goal each for St Leo’s. First-time players in the team Becky Bolan and Sabrina Nizeti injected fresh determinism into the team, ably supporting Jellica Dy, Alyce Keating, Imogen Kemp, Madison Sloane, Tobruk Sloane, and Bridget Campbell to maintain their focus on victory. Bree Bowden ably averted several of the opposition’s close-shots at goal, keeping their win to a narrow margin of 5 goals to 3.

Mrs B Timp

COMING SOON TO ST LEO’S…
BOYS TENNIS TRIALS           19 JUNE 2012
Girls Basketball & Soccer    20th June 2012
Boys Golf App. Closing Date   21st June 2012
Parent Network

What’s new?
Are you looking for a way to engage or connect with your child’s school?

This week we are highlighting the Year Group Leaders and Class Representatives

Who are we? You can volunteer yourself – mothers and fathers – to be a co-ordinator for your child’s year group or class.
The role is simple – amongst yourselves you seek to build community in your Year Group by:
- Simple social get togethers – coffee, dinner, picnic
- Welcome any new families to the Year – friendly call
- Pass on any invitations or requests for helpers for events via email list
- Amongst yourselves you get to know each other

How will I know what to do?
Your Year Group Leader will help to direct you and answer any queries. As a Year group you may meet or email each other at the start of Term to sort out any invites/get togethers.
You can then highlight them in the Pride as you will see Year 11 & 12 have done this week.

We are still looking for parents to join in each year group so do not feel like you have to wait until next year

How can I join my Year group and volunteer?
Simply contact your Year Group Leader below:

- Year 7          Ron James            ronjamesdesigns@yahoo.com.au
- Year 8          Anne-Lii Hardy       alhardy1@bigpond.com
- Year 9          Julie Gonzalez       jgonzal@optusnet.com.au
- Year 10        Vivienne Zaarour   vivienne.zaarour@gmail.com
- Year 11        Josephine Schultz    josephineschultz@bigpond.com
- Year 12        Anne Thiele          thieleanne@gmail.com

As a group you also have the support of the parent on the Board and a staff member.
Parent Network Representative for the Board: Marinela Mendes mendes@bigpond.net.au
Your staff contact within the school is: Director of Pastoral Care, Louise Fentoullis via email louise.fentoullis@dbb.org.au
The Parent Network Coordinators who look after the entire network meet with Louise each term and see if there is any school wide events that need parent help or volunteers. They can then pass this information onto your Year Group Leader.

**You can play a part no matter how occasionally!**

**If you are looking for a different involvement** - Then here are two other opportunities:

**Reading Support – volunteers, please**
If you can spare approximately an hour to assist with reading and spelling, then please contact Sarah Szacsvay, Literacy Program Parent Co-ordinator
Phone: 9875 2843, Mobile: 0413 601 496, Email: sbutfiield@hotmail.com

**St John's Wahroonga - Soup Van**

Join other volunteer families to prepare and serve hot meals to those without a home in the Hornsby area. For more information please contact Connie Klimko, St John’s Soup Van Co-ordinator on Mobile: 0407 603 877 or Email: leosparentnet@y7mail.com

**Upcoming events**

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<td>From 6.30pm at Blue Gum Hotel. Cnr Unwin Rd and Pacific Highway Waitara. RSVP Karen Walsh <a href="mailto:karenwalsh2083@bigpond.com">karenwalsh2083@bigpond.com</a></td>
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Community News

ST LEO’S COLLEGE PRESENTS
A Showcase of Stars

Staff & students are hard at work and opening night is shaping up to be a Musical Extravaganza! Taking the audience from the Austrian Alps to Rydell High in the 50’s and the sounds of early rock’n’roll this is your must see show for 2012!

Only 2 Performances Thursday 21 June and Friday 22 June
7pm in the Cathedral Hall
Tickets on sale in the library from week 7 or at the door
$5 children $10 adults

Featuring songs from your favourite musicals Fame, Phantom of the Opera, Guys & Dolls, Bye Bye Birdie, Chess, Sound of Music, Footloose, Hairspray, Phantom of the Opera, Annie, Les Miserable, South Pacific, Wicked, Grease

YOUR MUST SEE SHOW FOR 2012!

RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN

“The Gift of Grace” Retreat Information 2012
Dear Parents

The “Gift of Grace” retreat idea is an initiative of female students from the Diocese of Broken Bay discussed during the Post WYD Retreat in August 2011.

The organisation and planning of the retreat has been completed by a small group of women who also attended WYD with the Diocesan group and has the full support of the Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Broken Bay. It is a female only retreat targeted at Yr 11 and 12 students and will have female leaders throughout the retreat period.

We hope to provide each student with an opportunity to look at the beauty and gift of Grace in their lives and to look critically at the messages the world provides relating to young women. We want the young women who attend the look at their lives as a fulfilling and enjoyable experience which will contribute significantly to their personal and spiritual growth. We understand this is a busy period in these young women’s lives and hope to provide a refreshing break right before the Yr 12 Trial exams.

If you have any concerns or queries about the retreat, please do not hesitate to contact any of the organisers:

Miss Fiona Brown, Religious Education Coordinator,
St. Peters Catholic College Tuggerah
Work: 43512344

Mrs. Philipa Caulfield, Special Projects Officer – Youth,
Diocese of Broken Bay
Mobile: 0409 865 995

Miss. Carole Cogdon, Member of Diocesan Pastoral Council, Diocese of Broken Bay
Mobile: 0414 901 744
We have included below all the information you will need for the Retreat. We ask that you read this letter, complete the medical consent permission form below and return with payment in any of the following ways:

Cash directly to St. Peters Catholic College Administration Office
MasterCard/Visa over the phone, please call Rita Buchanan at St. Peters Catholic College directly on 43 529801
Cheque please make payable to St Peter’s Catholic College:
ATTN: Miss Fiona Brown, C/O St. Peters Catholic College, 84 Gavenlock Rd, Tuggerah  2259 OR
Postal Address: PO Box 450, Wyong, 2259
at the latest by Friday 15th June

Venue: Araluen House
329 Wattle Tree Rd, Matcham
Arrival: 5pm on Monday 2nd July 2012 at Araluen House
Pick Up: 4pm on Wednesday 4th July 2012 from Araluen House

Students will need to bring:
• Clothing for 2 days
• Swimmers (if you want to brave the cold water in the pool!)
• Sleeping bag
• Toiletries (including toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and any other requirements)
• Bible, Journal and pen
• Any necessary medication

The following items are NOT to be brought on the retreat:
• alcohol, drugs and cigarettes are not permitted
• Mobile phones, Ipods, and any other technological devices are discouraged and not in keeping with the reflective tone of the retreat.
• Any valuables you cannot afford to lose, especially jewellery, expensive cameras and large amounts of money

Please note: Once booking and payment has been made there will not be any refund for inability to attend as we need to ensure costs are covered. Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to seeing your daughter at the Retreat.

Sincerely,
Fiona, Carole and Philipa
ATTENTION: ALL YEARS 10,11,12 and 13 (Last year's graduates)
Do you want to experience a new look at your faith?

And celebrate The Year of Grace?

COME JOIN US FOR A
YOUTH CAMP

Run by young people from YFC Intl. (Youth for Christ)

When: Friday 29th June 7pm to Sunday 1st July at 3pm
Where: OOLOR Multi-purpose Hall Yardley Ave. Sleep over on the Friday and Saturday nights.
Cost: $45 for food

There will be good food, music, games, skits, video clips and inspirational talks.

Check the parish web site for information about the camp and registration form. Fill the registration form in with money and send it to the Hornsby Cathedral Office by 22rd of June or email Pat patricia.henwood@dbb.org.au
## Transitions, Body Image, Stress, Technology

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the 2012 series of information sessions.

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### Who?

**Greg Powell** has worked as both a clinically-trained psychologist and a primary school teacher. He is an experienced presenter and has given seminars for both adolescent and adult groups in Northern Sydney across a variety of topics relating to parenting, education and mental health.

**Angie Wilcock** is an Australian expert and speaker on transitions in education. A published author with a strong teaching background, Angie now works with teachers, parents and students in this specialised area. Her sessions are a mix of humour, information and real strategies to support families.

**Dove BodyThink for Parents** has been designed to inform and educate parents about self-esteem, body image, media literacy and the many factors that influence and impact children growing up in today’s world.

**Reach Foundation** was established in 1994 by Jim Stynes OAM (AFL Brownlow Medalist) and Paul Currie (Australian film director). Reach has been making a positive impact on the lives of young Australians for nearly 20 years, promoting mental health and well-being.

### Enquiries/Bookings

Please contact CAFS (Mission Australia) on (02) 9482 1366 during business hours. Bookings are essential.
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