The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time –
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CONGRATULATIONS TO MR REICHER –PRINCIPAL OF MATER MARIA COLLEGE –
As you would all be aware Mr Reicher is seconded to Mater Maria as their Acting Assistant Principal for this year. It was announced this week that he was successful in his application for Principal of Mater Maria Catholic College, Warriewood. On behalf of the College community I would like to congratulate Marc and wish him all the best in his new role.

We will recognise Mr Reicher at a formal assembly later this year to acknowledge his loyal and dedicated service to St Leo’s.
The Catholic Schools Office will now commence the process for advertising and appointing the Assistant Principal’s position here at the College.

2013 School Aerobics NSW State Championships -

On behalf of our community I wish our girls all the best in this Finals competition this Saturday (15th June) at Sutherland Entertainment Centre. Once again they have been hard at work to make it to these finals – 7am trainings twice a week for the past 2 months! I am sure their hard work will pay off. The student body will witness the Senior Team perform their routine at Thursday’s Assembly.

Congratulations – Reaching for the stars once again!

Last week Lachie Hinds of Yr 12 competed in the Manhattan Island Marathon Swim in New York. Out of a field of 40 – only 10 completed the gruelling 46 km race – with Lachie coming second in a time of 7hrs 20 mins. He was the youngest person to finish the race. Well done to Lachie – we will hear more from him at our Assembly of Excellence next Thursday.

Academic Mentor for Stage 6 Students:
As many of you would know Mrs Louise Weihen is our Academic Mentor for our Stage 6 (Yrs 11 & 12) students. Mrs Weihen does not teach any classes – her time here at the College is purely to assist our students in attaining their best in the HSC. Mrs Weihen takes small groups of students for a common topic – for example essay writing skills, she also takes students one on one for more individualised skills in preparing themselves for the HSC.

Some of the comments from our students (past and present) about Mrs Weihen’s role – “Overall a fantastic program and I’m really glad to be part of it…everything was awesome, should get more people to do it as it relieved a lot of stress with help of material for study notes and help with assessment questions. Was useful for CAFS IRP and SOC PIP as miss was available for proofreading…helped me a lot in realising ways to effectively study and opened my mind to different resources that were suitable. Helped me with my study routine…”

If you would like to receive some assistance – please see your Year Coordinator.

Our Creative Arts In Action –
Visual Arts – Yr 11 Art Camp at Bundanoon:
Two weekends ago our Yr 11 Visual Arts students travelled to Bundanoon to be “Artists in Residence” for a 2 night – 3 days workshop. It was a great success and we will see the evidence of the great work done at the camp at our Assembly on Thursday. I would like to thank Ms Juliette Carsons and Mrs Vicki James for their willingness and enthusiasm to take their students that one step further in Visual Arts.

Music Camp and the Yamaha Music Festival:
Our music students and staff have been busily preparing for the Yamaha Music Festival. A focus of the recent Music Camp (Galston Gorge Conference Centre) was in preparation for the Yamaha Music Festival. This festival was held yesterday at Chatswood Concourse with over 25 other bands. Our conductor – Ms Lemin Luu conducted our Symphonic Band and the results should be known by next week. Thankyou to Mrs Gauci, Ms Luu, Mr Dickson
Music Tutor and Concert Band. Special thanks to Mrs Wessels and Mrs Todd who assisted with the supervision of these 60 students. Again our musicians will be highlighted at our Assembly on Thursday. Besides our Creative Arts camps developing the skills of our talented artists – the primary focus is to harness and develop the positive relationships between the artists themselves and the staff so that the quality of works (music and visual art) will be maximised over the coming years.

**Letter Emailed to Parents from KYCY:**
Last week we heard of the passing of Henry Kwan (Yr 12 at Killara High School). I sent a letter from Mr David Citer (Chair Northern Sydney Mental Health Working Party and Manager of Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Service). Please ensure you read this letter. FYDS and Ku-ring-gai Council will be hosting an urgent Community Drug Forum on Monday 24th June at Council Chambers. It will be held from 6.30pm – 8.30pm. Students and parents are welcome to attend.

I would ask you to keep the Kwan family and friends in your prayers.

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Mr AF Gleeson  
Principal

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Commissioning of our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:
Congratulations to Thomas Messina, Stephanie Harant, Conor Quinlan, Rosalie Hopkins, Nicholas Fransen, Sam Funk, Lizzie Maher, Dominic Cantrall, Ellen Moran and Lilly DeKantzow (Yr 11 students) who were commissioned at our lunchtime Mass this afternoon by Fr David. These students will be presented at our Assembly next week.

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In recent days the media has been full of examples of “people behaving badly”. One notable incident involved the Australian Defence Forces – ADF. The commander in his statement of disapproval of such conduct presented us with a most telling comment: “The standard you walk past is the standard you accept”.

The challenge that this comment presents is one that we all need to take onboard.

How often for the sake of peace are issues ignored, let go this time, the standard not maintained – all these things in the long run add up to grief. Hattie’s study and other studies into the psychology of adolescents indicated that if you fail to address the little things then the students/children perceive that you have little to no credibility in the large.

Please keep this in mind when your children leave for school failing to wear their uniform properly or obeying the grooming rules expected by the College. If you support your daughter wearing make-up to school or your son wearing his ‘hoodie’ just this one day then: “The standard you walk past is the standard you accept”. It becomes very difficult for the school to enforce the stated standard of dress code and behaviour if we are not support by our parents.

If we are all consistent with our expectations – and ours are clearly set out in the College Diary – then with the little things taken care of, the battles to be fought over the big ticket items (eg not achieving in school) can take both less time and energy.

Behaviour during Early Permitted Leave.
There are regular occasions when students are given early permitted leave – for example every second Wednesday. The expectation for these days are that our students are to travel home as soon as possible. It is not appropriate that our students “hang around” the
local shopping complex, delay their journey home with a stop at McDonalds or gather in large noisy groups on public transport.

This responsibility to travel home promptly and properly also covers the occasions when your son and daughter are crossing the roads out of the School Zone times. A number of complaints have been received where a distressed road user has commented on the fact that a “Leo’s student” had crossed the public roads in a very dangerous manner. Our students are of sufficient age to know how to cross a road properly. Please encourage your child, if you know that they could be in this group, to ‘do the right thing’ by themselves and the rest of the community.

LOOKING AHEAD

Parent Teacher Student Evenings
Year 7 to 10 will be having their Parent Teacher Student Evenings in the beginning of term 3. The dates for these activities are as follows:

Tuesday 16 July for those families whose surnames are within A to L.
Wednesday 24 July for those families whose surnames are within M to Z.

As you can appreciate this entails a large number of families and therefore to allow maximum opportunities for interviews, classes on these days will conclude at the end of period 4. As with any of these activities if there are difficulties for your students in travelling home in outside of normal hours then supervision will be provided in the College Library till the end of the normal school day.

The booking system for these evening is an online process run under the label of PTO. All parents will be allocated an individual login ID. This will be sent home in Week 9 with a letter of explanation for how to use the system. Reports will be issued at the Parent Teacher Student event.

Assembly of Excellence
At the end of each term we gather as a College community and celebrate the success achieved in the term. On Thursday 20 June this Assembly will be held from 8.50am to 10.30am in LOCC. All students from Years 7 to 12 are expected to attend this activity. We will be acknowledging those students who have performed with diligence in their studies in Semester 1, our Debating triumphs, our sporting activities, dance, art and music success. We welcome any members of our parent community who would like to join us for this occasion.

Outback Pilgrimage
Students in our senior years will be venturing to the outback of NSW in the last week of the term. This is an opportunity to experience life in these smaller rural communities. There will be a particular focus on Indigenous communities and the students will have the chance to hear their stories. We wish the students and the teachers accompanying them the best of travel conditions.

Photo Day
The next two Wednesdays 19 June and 26 June are Photo Day at the College. On the 19 June individual photos will be taken.

The perceived order is:
Year 9 in period 1, Year 8 in period 2, Year 12 in period 3, Year 11 in period 4 and Year 10 in period 5. Year 7 students will be organised across the whole day. Student Leaders will also have their photos taken this day.

On Wednesday 26 June group photos will be taken.

**Careers Expo**
Our Year 12 students will have the chance on Friday 21 June to attend an exposition of career opportunities available to them. It is expected that all Year 12 students will attend.

**End of Term and Start of Term Dates**
Term 2 finishes on Friday 28 June at 3.15pm
Term 3 starts for staff on Monday 15 July
Term 3 starts for students on Tuesday 16 July

**Mrs Susan White, Acting Assistant Principal**

PRINT THIS ARTICLE

On 9 August, 2012 Year 11 participated in an Adolescent Health Program called “GP's in Schools”. This program allowed students to speak with GP’s, Registrars and senior medical students about issues of health and wellbeing.
There were sixteen small discussion groups of the same gender led by one or at times two health professionals.
The college would like to extend its appreciation to Dr Carol Kefferd who head the program and to the doctors who presented at St Leo’s.

The students were provided with handouts of local contact numbers and useful websites to support them in their wellbeing. Please see Local Contact List at the end of pastoral section in the newsletter.

**Louise Fentoullis**
**Director of Pastoral Care**
On 20th May, Year 12 set off bound for Stanwell Tops Retreat Center, ready and keen to participate in what would be their last overnight excursion as a year group. The theme for retreat was ‘Staying Afloat’. The focus was on ‘who and what keeps us afloat and what do we need to do to keep our boats sailing to succeed in the HSC’.

Activities included mapping our journey and identifying possible obstacles along the way; who and what keeps each individual afloat was put onto the sail of a boat and set sail in the lake of the sacred space. There was a guided mediation and the staff read De Seuss ‘The Places We Will Go’ to the students in an animated fashion. Students also heard personal stories of journeys and how struggles in life were overcome by Miss Watts and Mr Tiglao. Mr Lamaca presented on staying motivated and keeping a positive mindset, and Mrs Newham spoke to them about stress management and coping strategies.

Upon reflection on retreat, some of the comments made by students were;

“I really enjoyed retreat. I liked the motivation, especially because I really needed motivation and inspiration.”

“The retreat was very well done. I thought that the messages conveyed were relevant and powerful.”

“I enjoyed year 12 retreat. I especially liked hearing the teacher’s stories and finding out another side to them. I believe that it was very motivational and encouraging.”

Well done to all of Year 12 for their involvement and engagement in all activities on retreat.

A big thank you needs to go to Mrs Sykes for all her hard work, time and effort ensuring a relevant and enjoyable program for the students. Also thank you to the staff that gave up their time to enjoy this experience with Year 12. Mrs Todd, Mrs Newham, Mrs McCann, Mr Lamaca, Mr Tiglao, Miss Beattie, Ms Sainty, Mrs Champ, Mrs Sykes, Miss Watts and Mrs White.

On a side note, on behalf of year 12, I would like to wish Mrs Todd a speedy recovery after ankle surgery.

Miss Watts
Acting Yr 12 Coordinator
Well done and congratulations to all the Year 11 competitors and the St. Leo’s Catholic College Track and Field Carnival.

During Tutor Lessons, all students in Year 11 reviewed their Semester One Report. This enabled each student to look at their strengths and weaknesses. It also provided the opportunity for each student to devise strategies for improvement and update/modify their targets or goals.

On the Monday 3rd June, all Year 11 students took part in an Adolescent Health Program titled “GP’s in Schools.” The Program allowed students to speak with GP’s and Registrars about issues relating to sexual health, general health and well-being. There was also small discussion groups of the same gender led by a medical professional, which enabled students to discuss matters in a safe and supportive environment.

On the Friday 7th June, all Year 11 students engaged in a “Brainstorm” drama production titled “Wired.” The production focussed on issues of stress and mental health. Students will also engage in follow-up activities during tutor lessons to further raise awareness of these issues.

The feedback from the Year 11 student body about the “GP’s in Schools” program and the “Wired” drama production was very positive.

Angelo Solomonides
Year 11 Coordinator

Over the next couple of months students will be working through the “Exploring your Career Options” program with their tutor teacher. Please see the table below for an overview of the programme.
* Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Athletics Carnival. It was great to see some fine individual performances on the day.

* During Tutor Time, students have been addressing a number of issues raised during the recent Brainstorm Production. These have involved making correct choices at parties where there may be alcohol or other drugs present, and the short and long term consequences of making a poor choice. We will continue with these themes as part of the theme for this term on Risk Taking and Resilience.

* This Friday, the students will bring home the information concerning the Curriculum Camp. There are two packages – one is an information package for parents and caregivers. This needs to be read carefully and in conjunction with the second package – the Medical and Consent forms.

> It is vital the medical forms are returned to the Home Room Tutor by Wednesday June 19th

Best of luck to the girls participating at the State Aerobic Titles to be held at Sutherland this weekend – go get them girls!

**Andrew Betty**
**Yr 9 Co-ordinator**

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Year 8 are off to Taronga Zoo today for their HSIE excursion. We wish them a great day!

**PASTORAL PROGRAMME**

In tutor time, we have been viewing the photos from the camp. Many thanks to the teachers, especially Mrs McCrea who took many, many beautiful photos of the Colo River site and our students taking part in each of the activities. In tutor time we have also taken a focussed look at the concept of equality: what Jesus had to say in the Bible, what our society expectations are, and what our school community expectations are. In this discussion, we have also looked at gender equality in our school.

**Reports**
Reports will be coming out at the end of term – and followed up with Parent/Teacher/Student interviews in the first few weeks of Term 3. Do watch out for the PIN number to make interview bookings.

Well done!
Finally, well done to Jacob O’Halloran (See MS Walk) who completed the MS Walk on the 2nd June.

Megan de Kantzow
Year 8 Co-ordinator

Cyber-Bulling.
A FACELESS THREAT…

Parents and carers, in our current climate of technology-based communication and social networking I feel it is timely that I point out a few very important facts pertaining to your child. One of the biggest issues facing our young people today is Cyber-Safety, in particular Cyber-Bullying. This form of harassment is dangerous, for the victim and the perpetrator.

Cyber Bullying is when someone uses SMS, e-mail, blogs, chat rooms, discussion boards, instant messages, or social networking sites (such as Facebook, Bebo or Instagram) to behave in a way that is cruel or hurtful. It includes everything from posting nasty comments, and photos to spreading rumours, harassing, name calling, teasing, insulting and making threats. It’s important to remember that words and actions meant as a joke can end up really hurting someone.

Cyber Bullying is very public, in most cases photos or comments are posted on sites that can be accessed by anyone. Even if photos or comments are only sent to one person or a small group of people, there is a chance that they'll get out to others. Once they are out, they are out forever. There is no way to control who sees them.

Cyber Bullying is a great threat to people of all ages, so much so that is has become a criminal offense. In NSW bullies may be charged and have to go to court depending on the seriousness of the bullying. It is illegal to use mobiles or the internet in a way that is menacing, harassing, offensive or threatening. The penalty for menacing, harassing, offensive or threatening Cyber Bullying is up to 3 years in gaol.

Another fact that you may not be aware of is the legal age for utilizing some of the popular sites. Were you arware that the legal age for Facebook, Bebo and Myspace 13? The legal age for Kik, Snapchat and Instagram is 17.

At St Leo’s we are very aware of the serious nature of this topic. Stephanie Murray, Police Youth Liaison officer for Hornsby Ku-ring-gai spoke to Yr7 in Term one about Cyber –
Safety. In this instance the presentation focused on ‘Keeping Safe’ and protecting oneself from predators. Further to this, on two separate occasions the IT department at St Leo’s have presented to students about the very real consequences of Cyber-Bullying. It has been made very clear to your child that Cyber-Bullying is a chargeable offense. Students have a clear understanding of what is and what is not acceptable. We have provided real examples ensuring that students understand the various types of Cyber Bullying. As a parent or career I ask you to remind your son and daughter about the dangers of this topic. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the College and ask for the Yr7 Coordinator.

Once again thank you for your support,

Ms Jane Roberts
Year 7 Coordinator

CURRICULUM AND LEARNING

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Once we arrived at the Arthur Boyd education centre, we dived into our artworks straight away. First up was our chance to paint the mesmerizing view, helped by a visiting artist, Randall. We were taught many different techniques using a variety of equipment, and learnt how to capture light on the water, and the varying colours in a hillside. Covered in
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The second morning was an early one, waking up at 5:30 am to watch the sun rise over the hill and onto the river. It was stunning, despite the cold. That day we travelled to Arthur Boyd’s studio, where we discovered more about his art making process, and figured out how to “channel Arthur Boyd” in our own works, of which there were two. We completed a chalk/charcoal drawing, and ink piece. Both of these were inspired by Arthur’s own art, and were of places or areas of the countryside that had appeared repetitively in his famous works. After talking to an artist in residence about her unique style of art, and how she came to be a practicing artist, we returned to the education centre. We then created an oil pastel version of the landscape that we had painted earlier, took photos of our completed sculptures in the landscape, and took photos in the dark, with light trails. Another sing along followed, and we all fell into bed early, exhausted but ready for another day.

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Artworks by Year 7  Pieces of Me
Artworks by Year 10  “Selfies”
Café de Leo

6:30 to 8:30
Tuesday 18th June.

+ Bring a Donation and/or clothes for Vinnies. We have food and great music. Come one, come all. Oh and drag your folks along as well.

Everyone WELCOME!
Visit the Board of Studies at the HSC expos in Sydney
Visit the Board of Studies at The Sydney Morning Herald HSC and Careers Expo and the Western Sydney Careers Expo.
The Expos will be held at Moore Park from 30 May – 2 June and Sydney Olympic Park from 20 – 23 June.
Year 10, 11 and 12 students, parents and teachers are encouraged to visit the Board’s stand where you can:
talk to a Board Liaison Officer and get all your questions answered
pick up brochures explaining the HSC process, HSC results, and HSC assessments and submitted works
purchase exam workbooks containing exam papers and study resources, including marking guidelines, marker feedback and top-scoring student answers from the 2012 exams.
Other exhibitors will include:
universities, TAFE colleges and training providers
career advisers
providers of work and study skills programs
organisations with apprenticeship information, and international exchange and gap year opportunities.
Please note that Year 12 students will have an excursion to the Expo on Friday 21st June.

Mrs Brenda Timp
Director of Learning

Career News

Universities:

University of Notre Dame Parent Information Session
Tue 18th June, 6pm
University of Notre Dame Australia, Pioneer House, 140 Broadway, Chippendale
RSVP online or to Sydney@nd.edu.au or (02) 8204 4404.
http://www.nd.edu.au/events/parent-information-sessions

UWSCollege HSC Preparation Days
Mon 1st to Thu 11th July,
UWS Parramatta & Bankstown Campuses.
The UWSCollege HSC Preparation days are led by highly qualified HSC teachers, exam markers and subject matter experts. They cover HSC courses in English, Business Studies, Legal Studies, Biology, Chemistry, Physics & Maths.
Contact: hscprep@uws.edu.au or (02) 9685 9713.
http://www.uwscollege.edu.au/course/local/Professional_development/hsc_preparation_days

Southern Cross University Engineering Photo Competition
Entries close 22nd July, 2013
Take a photo that creates intrigue about an aspect of engineering; invokes new perspectives about the built environment in regional Australia; reveals a unique or striking engineering observation; depicts the contrast between natural and built environments or how they can complement each other. Great prizes are on offer.
More information and online entry forms: http://www.scu.edu.au/schools/esm/index.php/95/
Private Colleges:

**Macleay College Industry Days**
28 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills
These days are run for senior high school students during the school holidays in July. The days will feature a range of simulated work exercises hosted by industry professionals.
- Sports Management – Mon 1st July, 2:30pm to 5:30pm
- Advertising – Wed 3rd July, 2:30pm to 5:30pm
- Event Management – Fri 5th July, 1:30pm to 4:30pm
- Travel & Tourism – Fri 5th July, 1:30pm to 4:30pm
- Journalism – Fri 5th July, 1:30pm to 4:30pm
- Marketing – Fri 5th July, 1:30pm to 4:30pm
Contact: (02) 9264 8252
http://www.macleay.edu.au/news/macleay-industry-days

**Metro Screen Open Night**
Thu 20th June, 6pm to 7pm
Paddington Town Hall, Corner of Oatley Road & Oxford Street, Sydney

**Scholarships/Cadetships:**

**Moore Stephens Accounting Cadetship Program**
Applications close Fri 21st June.
Cadets will work with a range of companies and individuals while receiving a salary, study support and mentoring.
Contact: Njohnson@moorestephens.com.au or pslattery@moorestephens.com.au

**BlueScope Steel Cadetships**
In 2014 BlueScope Steel are offering cadetships in Engineering, Chemistry, IT and more. These cadetships are based in the Illawarra region. Registrations of interest are now being accepted and applications will open on the 1st of July.
Contact: Andy Stirling on (02) 4275 3326.

**Creative Young Stars Program**
Applications close Fri 21st June, 5pm
The Creative Young Stars Program aims to encourage creative, cultural, academic and community achievements by offering financial assistance to people aged under 25 who wish to take part in relevant activities, events or training.
Contact: creativeyoungstars@deewr.gov.au or call 130 363 079.

**Working at the ABC**
A host of opportunities are available for students interested in gaining work experience within the media broadcasting sector through the ABC.
Cadetships, Scholarships and Work Experience places are on offer and all applications can be made online.
Here’s your chance to get a grounding in an exciting industry.
http://www.abc.net.au/careers/cadetshipsandworkexperience/
Open Days/Expos/Information Sessions:
Australian and New Zealand Forensic Science Society – Career Day
Sat 20th July, 9am to 3pm
UTS Building 4, Corner of Thomas & Harris Street, Ultimo
Hear from forensic scientists, investigators and lawyers about their career paths, and receive career guidance information.
Contact: nsw.anzfss@gmail.com
Australian Defence Force Women in the Army Information Session
Tue 18th June, 6pm
25Atchison Street, Wollongong
RSVP: Isla Boocok at iboocock@dfr.com.au or (02) 4220 3303.
http://www.defencejobs.gov.au
Live Chat: Women in the Army Q and A
A 15 – 20 minute Q and A session with two highly-successful women in the Army.
Thu 13 June, 6.30pm (AEST)
Student Programs/Workshops:
Art Gallery of NSW Watercolour Workshop
Sat 29th June & Sat 6th July, 10:30am to 4:30pm
Art Gallery Road, The Domain, Sydney
This two-day workshop will teach students about composition, paint pigments, watercolour techniques and more.
Contact: 02 9225 1878
19th International Symposium on Electronic Art
Fri 7th to Sun 16th June,
Various locations around Sydney.
The 19th International Symposium on Electronic Art includes a range of conferences, exhibitions, performances, public talks, workshops and more. Check out the website for a full listing of events.
Contact: Kristen@anat.org.au or (02) 9514 7958.
http://www.isea2013.org/
National Youth Week 2014 – Graphic Design Competition
Entries due by Tue 2nd July
This competition is open to all young Australians aged 12 to 25 who are not working professionally in the design industry. Entries must incorporate the 2014 theme, ‘Our Voice. Our Impact.’, and the winner will have their design used across Australia and will win an Apple iPad mini.

Careers Expo:
Year 12 will be attending a Careers Expo on Friday 21st June at the Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park. The day includes motivational speakers and information booths from all major Universities, Colleges of TAFE, Private Education Providers, the Defence Forces and Employment Information for Apprenticeships and Traineeships.
The information accessed on this day is extremely worthwhile as it allows students to assess various pathway options post 2013.
For the information of parents it is worth noting that the Board of Studies will also have a stand at both The Sydney Morning Herald HSC and Careers Expo and the Western Sydney Careers Expo.

The Expos will be held at Moore Park from 30 May – 2 June and Sydney Olympic Park from 20 – 23 June.

Year 10, 11 and 12 students and parents may wish to visit the Board’s stand where you can:
- talk to a Board Liaison Officer and get all your questions answered
- pick up brochures explaining the HSC process, HSC results, and HSC assessments and submitted works
- purchase exam workbooks containing exam papers and study resources, including marking guidelines, marker feedback and top-scoring student answers from the 2012 exams.

Mrs Lindy Sykes
Careers and VET Coordinator

DEBATING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to our Year 8 and Year 10 teams for going through to the Quarterfinals, to be held on Friday 21 June. The CSDA Debating Competition has a high standard and both teams won five of the six debates in the first round.

Neryle Sheldon
Debating & Public Speaking Coordinator

Sports News
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NSWCCC Cross Country Championships
Friday 14th June 2013

St Leo’s College have a number of athletes who have been selected into the Broken Bay Cross Country Team and will be representing us at the NSWCCC Championships on Friday.

We would like to wish the team the best of luck!
Congratulations to House Leaders

The house leaders performed admirably at the recent Athletics Carnival. Their efforts in organising the students in their respective colour houses, promoting team spirit and leading by example were admirable and very much appreciated by staff.

Thank you to: Aquinas Captains - Alex Shultz, Jordan Macri, Lachlan Hinds; Chanel Captains – Harrison Millard, Ryan Drewett, Alicia Hickey Loyola Captains – Sanchia Bright and Utkarsh Somaiya Xavier Captains – Nicolette McArdle, Adam Page and Tobruk Sloane

Announcements this week

Throughout the Daily Notices (broadcast daily through homeroom announcements, TV screens and our iPad app) there has been many opportunities for students to participate in Sport initiatives. Below are some, but not all of the announcements made over the past week.

Open Rugby Union 7’s
There will be a meeting and information given regarding the Rugby 7’s Gala Day immediately after assembly/tutor outside the ANZAC garden.

U13’s & U15’s Soccer Players
There will be training this Week on Thursday immediately after school. Should players not turn up to training they will NOT be playing at next Week’s Gala Day!!

Are you interested in Umpiring Netball for our Local Primary School?
For more information and to register your interest please see Mr Trotz in his office on Wednesday during tutor.

Girls, Are you interested in playing Netball for the College?
Sign-up on the sports notice board outside of C Block. Sign-up closes at the end of Week 7.

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Athletics Training:

for all those students who qualified in the athletics carnival and would like to secure their entry into the BBSSSA Athletics Carnival, training will be on Monday mornings at 7:15am – 8:15am. Any other student, who would like to participate in training for fitness, is welcome.
Thank you for participating…

Parent Network Forum on Exam preparation, taking and post exam evaluation and the Principal’s Update Wednesday 12th June 2013

Thanks to all who attended the Principal’s Update meeting and participated in the Exam conversation. You collected contribution resulted in a balanced and expansive discussion. A huge thanks to Chris de Graaf, Mike Reed and Connie Klimko who thoughtfully planned and facilitated the session.

If you were not present but would like to receive the Essay information sheets and e-mail-outs, please email the team on leosparent_rsvp@y7mail.com.au (i.e. leosparent(underscore)rsvp@y7mail.com). Also, please use the email above to suggest future topics of interest for you, your family and/or your children.

Continuing to grow a mustard seed idea …
e.g. an immersion experience and/or educational exchange for St Leo’s students in Timor … and much more

Thanks to those who attended the meeting on Wednesday 5th June 2013, our meeting was profoundly productive. Thank you for so generously sharing your creativity.

For those who could not join us, we missed you.

No doubt, your stay at home contributed support for NSW’s historic win at the State of Origin game on that night! 😊

If you want to be involved by joining the St Leo’s Timor working group or assist in implementing project steps towards the overall program to instil the Charism of Blessed Edmund Rice,

Or

If you are interested in the meeting notes, then please let us know by emailing, Marinela Mendes on mendes@bigpond.net.au or call 0418 22 40 31.

As always, your participation and time, as and when you can, is very much appreciated.

About the Literacy & Numeracy Support team

Who are they?
This is a wonderful group of men & women who volunteer to help the students of St Leo’s. This group is run and organised by a mother of past students who still dedicates her time and energies to develop children. The leader, Sarah Szacsvay, works very closely with the school’s Director of Learning and the Leadership Team.

Students of all ages requiring support or assistance in Literacy or Numeracy see their volunteer on a regular basis for guidance and practice of their skills.

What could I add?
One of the best outcomes of the support for the student is simply the encouragement and safe environment to give their work a go.

You do not need any finely developed skills!

How will I know what to do?
The group leader, Sarah, provides all the help you need and the other volunteers are a great support and a social group amongst themselves. Training is also provided by Tony Guilliford, the Literacy Coordinator at St Leo’s. You pick up some great tips for your own children as well!

How can I join or find out more?
If you can spare approximately an hour to assist with reading and spelling, then please contact Sarah Szacsavay, Literacy Program Parent Co-ordinator

Phone: 9875 2843, Mobile: 0413 601 496, Email: sbuttfield@hotmail.com
2013 MS Walk and Fun Run

In torrential rain and gale force winds, Jacob O'Halloran (Yr 8) along with his Mum Samantha and their Team 'MS Mafia' all walked 9km (16km walk was cancelled) to support Aaron O'Halloran, who is living with MS. Team MS Mafia has so far raised over $3600 and would like to thank everyone who has donated and helped us surpass our goal.

Also, at the same event, our maintenance man Laurie Till completed the MS Walk around Sydney Harbour on the same rainy and miserable day. His team was greatly supported and raised nearly $7000, everyone will agree an outstanding effort.

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CHRIS O'BRIEN'S LIFEHOUSE WEEKEND WALK FOR CANCER FUNDRAISING CUPCAKE STALL

On Wednesday 26th June at lunchtime in the MAIN Courtyard St Leos will be supporting a Cupcake Stall run by parents Debra Barnard, Helen Chacon and Lis Stofka to raise money for their 60km walk against cancer. All funds will be donated to Chris O’Brien’s Lifehouse. For any further online sponsorship please see link below and type in any of the names above. Thank you!

One Weekend Can Change the World
The Weekend to End Women’s Cancers® benefiting the Chris O’Brien Lifehouse at RPA is a Weekend you’ll never forget. It’s a Weekend to remember those lives we have lost to cancer and a Weekend to celebrate the lives we are saving. Each dollar we raise will support the development of the Chris O’Brien Lifehouse at RPA.

Your Dollars at Work-Who we are

The Chris O’Brien Lifehouse at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital Sydney University precinct at Camperdown, Sydney will integrate clinical care, research and education creating opportunities for innovative discoveries, compassionate holistic care and better outcomes for patients. A charity, Lifehouse at RPA is a not-for-profit Public Benevolent institution.

During 2013, the Sydney Cancer Centre and all its services will transition into the Lifehouse facility which will be open to public and private patients. The Chris O’Brien Lifehouse at RPA will combine all facets of clinical care; surgery, medical and radiation oncology, research wellness and support services on an out-patient basis. We will also provide screening programs, diagnosis and treatment, to through-care and post-treatment support.


“PARENT SURVIVAL STRATEGIES FOR TEACHING YOUNG DRIVERS”
MONDAY 17 JUNE 2013 – 6.00PM FOR 6.30 PM TILL 8.30 PM

DON’T MISS IT!
We do encourage parents/supervising drivers together with their young drivers to attend as it means they are both starting from the same communication point.
Perhaps you may be able to advertise this free seminar in your school newsletter as a reminder to parents.

KURING GAI POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE presents
FREE SEMINAR
PARENT SURVIVAL STRATEGIES FOR TEACHING YOUNG DRIVERS

An in depth seminar for PARENTS/SUPERVISING DRIVERS and YOUNG DRIVERS on Monday 17 JUNE 2013
at 6.00 for 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm – short break at 7.30pm
and finish at 8.30pm
at Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers, Level 3,
818 Pacific Highway, Gordon – access via rear
[off Dumaresq Street - runs between Gordon Centre - Harvey Norman]
Light Refreshments available.
Heading south down the Pacific Highway towards the city, turn right into Dumaresq Street at the traffic lights, just past Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers on right hand side, the Police Station is on the left at Park Avenue.
After turning into Dumaresq Street, parking is available in open air Council Staff car park at rear of council – 2nd driveway on right. – just before speed hump. PLEASE DON’T GO INTO THE UNDERGROUND CARPARKS AS COUNCIL DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS AND IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO RETRIEVE THE CAR.

Keynote Presenter Jeff McDougall:
* has 33 years of experience in the training and education of young drivers
* a member of the Ku-ring-gai Police and Community Safety Committee
* President, Australian Driver Trainer’s Association [NSW],
* Executive Committee Member of Australasian College of Road Safety
* the former Managing Director of Trent Driving School

Jeff will discuss the Vital Aspects of WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW when teaching a young driver:
* A Comprehensive and Organised Approach to the Driving Task
* The Five Crash Risks for Young Drivers
* Preparation for the Driving Test
* Keeping the Log Book Honest
* Teaching Practical Skills Safely
* The Components of Driving
* Strategies for Safe Driving
* Effective Partnerships
* Vital Information about the current driving test and log book.

Supporting presenter, Snr Cons Lynda Hard will also give a presentation on her “Passion for Keeping People Safe”.

Lynda joined the Police Force in 1981 [32years]. She initially worked in the City for 3 years and was then based in the country area for 17 years carrying out general duties. Lynda returned to the city in 2000 to join the PCYC and to work with youth programs. Road Safety is a very important safety issue and we appreciate you being involved in helping our young drivers build on a solid foundation and stay safe.

We’ll look forward to seeing the parents from your school together with their young drivers on MON 18 MARCH 2013.

The Seminar being held on MONDAY 17 JUNE 2013 will be the 23rd seminar held to date.

We usually hold three seminars each year. There will be another seminar held in 2013 on:
MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2013

Please encourage your parents/colleagues and friends to join us on MON 17 JUNE 2013 and to make the necessary bookings.

As bookings are essential -please ask them to phone Carroll on 0405 558 660 or email carroll.howe@gmail.com asap to reserve their seat.

Thank you for all your previous support.

Regards
Carroll Howe
Chair
WEP SCHOLARSHIPS

This is a wonderful opportunity for current year 9 students, motivated to complement their year 10 studies with a semester or year-long student exchange experience. WEP is awarding two $3000 scholarships towards semester and year-long student exchange programs to Argentina and China commencing in 2014 (Feb or July/Aug departure). There is no language pre-requisite for Argentina. The top 10 short-listed applicants for each scholarship will also receive a $500 discount (for China) or $750 discount (for Argentina) towards a semester or year program commencing in 2014.

If you have any questions about our programs, require material for your school or wish to arrange a presentation for your students, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes
Judith Ortmann
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