

## The Service of Others

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of John XXIII College,

Many of you may have seen media coverage this week of the new requirement for Secondary Students to complete 20 hours of Community Service to be eligible for the WACE (Western Australian Certificate of Education). These new requirements which apply to students currently in Year 10 (The graduating class of 2009), were explained to all Year 10 students at their Day of Competence on Tuesday. A parent information night is scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> June and this information will again be presented. Community Service has a natural home in the Catholic Church and we share in the long and very proud heritage of outreach to the sick, lonely, marginalised and those without adequate resources. Our own College Mission Statement reminds us that we seek to develop students of "competence, conscience and compassion who are committed to God and the service of others".

We already have a tradition of service and generosity in the College and the new regulations will fit well with our ethos. Last week our students, who returned from the Vietnam Pilgrimage 2006, organised a fundraising activity to support the ministry of the Loreto Sisters in Vietnam. The following is a quote from the report written by Ms Burfitt who was a Pilgrim in 2006.

*With great willingness and cheerfulness, many secondary students and staff supported Rice Day 2007 on May 24. Australians, throughout the world are known for their generosity and this was no exception. During our visit to Vietnam in 2006, we had the opportunity to visit the 15 May School; this school was established to provide education for children off the street. We went empty handed, no gifts of money, pencils or toys. We vowed to help when we returned and decided to hold a "Rice Day" as a reminder to ourselves of the basic diet for many children struggling to get enough to eat each day. It was also to be an opportunity to*

*reflect on the privileges we enjoy as well as to raise funds for the 15 May School.*

*Over 400 people participated in the "lunch" and many more gave money. We would like to particularly thank the staff in the canteen for their willingness to support this cause and Mr Palmer for his culinary expertise that made the cooking so efficient.*

*The generosity of our staff and students was a fitting "Australian" way to celebrate the feast of the Patron of our country (Mary Help of Christians)*

As usual the best nurturing ground for a generosity of heart and a willingness to be of service will come from the home. Even the youngest of our students will be watching and observing how Mum and Dad provide service to the family and the community. We will also do our part to continue to help in the formation of our students as people of service to others.

Farewell and thank you to the staff members leaving the Primary School – Miss Connell (Year 1C) leaving to take up a position outside teaching, and Mrs Rose, leaving the Mary Ward Primary Centre. Mrs Rose has been a very important part of the Centre right from its early days at Loreto Nedlands. Her kindness, gentleness and care for the children and their families will be greatly missed. We wish Miss Connell and Mrs Rose all the best for the next stage of their lives.

Yours sincerely



**(Mrs) Anne Fry**  
**Principal**

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# Primary

## Making of the Confirmation Sashes

On Friday, 25 May 2007, the McKillop Room was a buzz of activity as the children receiving Confirmation made their Confirmation sashes which they will wear on the Confirmation Evening.

The white sashes are symbol of the link between the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Each sash has the child's name, the name they have chosen in Confirmation (the name of a Saint they admire) and a symbol of Confirmation. Father Joseph Walsh and Father Gaetan Pereira, will bless the sashes on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Thanks to all the parents who assisted the children and also the Year Seven Parent Coordinators (Yvonne Sassine, Jenny Pawle, Angela Steens and Kate Parker) for ensuring that the morning ran so smoothly.

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## Health Centre News - Your Child's Nutrition

There is no denying that providing interesting, nutritious and varied choices in your child's lunchbox can be challenging. So what sorts of foods should be included? Children need a wide variety of foods for a well balanced diet. The majority of the food should come from the 'core' food groups and include breads and cereals, fruit and vegetables. A serve of protein food such as lean meat, fish, poultry or alternatives such as baked beans should be included, together with foods containing good sources of calcium such as reduced fat milk, cheeses, yoghurts or alternative products (e.g.. Calcium enriched soy products).

Water and milk are the best drinks for children. Encourage children to drink water as their main drink during the school day. To keep the food fresh and healthy to eat, it is important to pack an ice brick or put a frozen drink in the lunchbox.

Encourage healthy and nutritious snacks for your children such as: fresh fruit, vegetable pieces, raisin or fruit bread, low fat fruit muffins, rice cakes, hard boiled eggs or pikelets.

**Ms Jenny Hill - Nurse**

## Forthcoming Primary Events

### Monday, 4 June

- Public Holiday

### Tuesday, 5 June

- Year 4/5 Paraliturgy for Year 7 Confirmation in the Chapel at 9.00am.
- Visit by Father Joseph Walsh, the celebrant for Confirmation, from 11.10am-12.50pm.

### Thursday, 7 June

- Year 7 Confirmation Retreat at Woodman Point Camp Site

### Friday, 8 June

- Year 7 Confirmation Retreat at Woodman Point Camp Site

### Wednesday, 13 June

- Confirmation Rehearsal for all children receiving their Confirmation at 1.30pm at St Joseph's Church, Subiaco
- Confirmation at 7.00pm at St Joseph's Church, Subiaco.

### Friday, 15 June

- Pre-Primary to Year Three Assembly in the Old Lecture Theatre at 9.00am
- Year Four to Seven Assembly in the Old Lecture Theatre at 12.15pm (5H)

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## Congratulations

Jane Roche (Primary Art Specialist) on her exhibition "Dogs", on show at the Blend Gallery in Joondalup.

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## Sympathies

*Condolences to Terry, Maddy, Luke and Ellen **Robinson** on the loss of his mother and the children's grandmother.*

# Secondary

## Parents of Year 10 Students

### Day of Competence

All Year 10 Students attended the Day of Competence on **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**. During the day the Students were addressed by the Principal, listened to a variety of teachers who provided information regarding their subjects, took part in a variety of diagnostic tests, were given information about WACE, TEE, TAFE, listened to Career information provided by Careers Counsellor, Ms Hammond on "subject planning tips" and spent time with their House Coordinator talking about the process of subject selection and reviewing the day. The day was lengthy, but fruitful. Parents are able to access an outline of the day and a booklet which was issued on the day from the College website.

### Year 10 Information Night

The Year 10 Information Night will take place in the Gonzaga Barry Lecture Theatre on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm**. Invitation is to Parents only. A flyer advertising the event was distributed to the Year 10 Students on Wednesday, which can also be accessed via the College web page.

*Mr Robert Novacsek - Deputy Principal -Studies*

## Music Department News

### Music Eisteddfod

Entry Forms are due for the Music Eisteddfod **THIS WEEK**.

There is a new category this year for original composition. This is open to all year levels and any instrument/s.

### Twilight Recital

Sunday 24 June will be a showcase of Eisteddfod Prize winners and the Chamber Choir touring to Wales. It will be held in Gonzaga Barry Lecture Theatre commencing at 5.30pm. All welcome.

*Ms Toni Strong - Music Coordinator*

## Pilgrimage Gathering and Missioning Mass

On the evening of Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup>, all Staff, Families and Students attending John XXIII College's 2007 Pilgrimage to India, Vietnam and the Pilbara are invited to a Meeting and Information Evening at John XXIII College commencing at 7pm. Dr. Peter Burke from *it* Medical will be present to discuss Medical information. Parents can meet the staff and other parents whose children are embarking on various Pilgrimages in 2007. Information will also be available on Medical, Passports and general arrangements etc.

The Missioning Mass for all Pilgrims will be held on Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup> in the evening at John XXIII College. Time to be advised.

*Mr Mario Bugna - Faith and Justice Coordinator*

## Sports News

### NAS Sport

Versus Sacred Heart College

- **Tuesday 5 June:** All Year 8 Teams (and Yr 9 girls Volleyball) play at home. Year 9 Teams play at Sacred Heart College, except for girls' Soccer which plays at Flinders Pk. Away teams will return by 5.45pm.
- **Wednesday 6 June:** All Year 10 Teams play at home. General bye for Senior teams

### ISSWA Cross Country Carnival

The College competed in the SSWA Cross Country Carnival on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. The team comprised of students in Years 8 to 10 due to the commencement of Senior Exams. The Carnival proved a very successful lead up event for our runners in preparation for the ACC Carnival on Thursday 31 May. Staff and students have dedicated many hours of training to ensure success of the Team. There were over 180 competitors in each race and many of our students finished in the top 40. All students can be congratulated for their efforts on the day. Photos from the day can be viewed on the College web site.

Some of our top performers were:

12	Rhian	Munks
33	Sarah	Donovan
35	Estelle	Doney
26	Mason	Brown
6	Eoghan	Curtin
14	Vid	Amidzic
14	Benjamin	Dawson
34	Blaine	Clarke
17	Justin	Bower
31	Andrew	Joseph
39	Brett	Pitman

I thank the coaches; Matt Dawson, Jemma Fleay, Danny Platts and Guy Varndell who have provided a varied and interesting program over the past few months.

*Ms Lyn Plant - Sport Coordinator*

## Congratulations

- **Matt Bourke** (Year 12) who has been selected to play in the State Schoolboys Rugby team which will be playing at Geelong Grammar June 23-28.
- **Nicholas Lichtenberg -McGill** (Year 10) who has been chosen as a member of the State School Boys AFL Team to play in Sydney from July 20<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>.

## John XXIII College Saturday Netball Club

The first game of the season for premiership points was played last Saturday. There are thirteen teams representing the JTC Jewels this year.

Our number one team, Diamond, had a fantastic win over Newman Siena, 41-33. After being down at quarter time, all the girls really lifted and with strong passing from defence to attack and great accuracy in the goal circle, they were able to take the 2 points at the final whistle.

Our top Year 10 team, Emerald, easily defeated City Beach 41-22 and our number one Year 9 Team, Pearl, who are playing in a very high division this year, had a hard fought win over MLC 34-26. JTC Topaz, Year 8, also played very well and accounted for West Coasters 36-11.

The JTC Netball Club players train every Tuesday and Wednesday at the College courts. Due to exams, many Year 11 and 12 girls did not train this week but they are reminded that training is compulsory for all Teams next week if we are to keep improving our skill level and strategic play.

Thanks to the Year 7 girls who filled in for the Year 9 Teams last Saturday.

The parent support on the sidelines has been wonderful this year even though it has been pretty cold at the Matthews Centre. Your encouraging comments are always appreciated by the girls.

**Ms Stephanie Alderman - Netball Club  
Coordinator**

## Vinnies Winter Appeal !

Please donate blankets and winter wear, such as scarves, beanies, socks and jumpers to make winter more bearable for those less fortunate. Non perishable goods such as canned soup would be equally appreciated. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Vinnies Group.



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
*good works*

## LOTE Fujimi Exchange 2007

At the beginning of Term Three, 40 students from Fujimi High School in Tokyo will be visiting the College for a period of two weeks, 29<sup>th</sup> July to 11<sup>th</sup> August. All the students will be females aged approximately 15 years and have learnt English for three years. The students will be attending John XXIII College daily and participating in a wide range of sightseeing activities during the school day. However, their most enjoyable and engaging experience is spending time with families and being involved in activities around the house.

The students are willing to pay \$140.00 per week to each host family so if you have either a spare bed in a girl's room or a spare bedroom then we would very much appreciate your willingness to host one of these Japanese students.

Please contact Shane Glass by email [glass.shane@johnxxiii.edu.au](mailto:glass.shane@johnxxiii.edu.au) or by phone 9383 0430 if you would like further information.

**Ms Shane Glass**  
**LOTE - Learning Area Coordinator**

## John XXIII College Website

The John XXIII College Website is a convenient way to keep up to date with news and events at John XXIII College.

### Visitors can view:

- News & Notices
- College Calendar
- Photo Gallery
- Newsletters (Past and Present)
- Alumni Reunion Dates
- Upcoming Events

### Other features include:

- Subscription to the College Newsletters
- Download College events to your personal Outlook Calendar



**[www.johnxxiii.edu.au](http://www.johnxxiii.edu.au)**

## How to Achieve Success

Presenter: Hasser Graham (Registered Psychologist)  
McKillop Room. John XXIII College 7.30pm-9.30pm.  
Cost \$10 (Donation Unwaged) Tuesday 5 June  
Details, Murray 93830444