From The Principal

This week we were proud to announce to the College the Student Council members and senior student leaders for 2011. A review of the identification and election process resulted in a revamped system in which the Year 12 students had input into these senior leadership positions. The Council will be formally inducted into their roles at an awards ceremony on October 15.

Congratulations to Andrew Zammit on his appointment as College Captain for 2011 and Deputy Captains, Anthony Gagliano (Ministry), Stephen Sabato (Arts) and Matthew Ferlazzo (Sports). Congratulations to council members Joel Dobbin, Shahiru Fernando, Jacob Shine, Connor Thompson and David Webster of Year 12 and Frazer Gatens, Andrew Gavaghan, James Lynch, Paul Markesich, Joshua Managhan, Matthew Montesano, Daniel Mostovac, Patrick Phelan, Adrian Smith and Francis Tait of Year 11.

Congratulations also to our musicians who performed in the Spring Concert last Tuesday night. It was a wonderful showcase of the talents of the students and a credit to the music staff who prepared them so well.

In the sporting arena, congratulations must go to our volleyballers who have enjoyed enormous success recently. St Bernard’s senior team are the State Champions taking out the 2010 State League Championship, whilst several other teams have triumphed in recent tournaments in the Latrobe Valley and Bendigo. Well done to all concerned.

In addition to student successes Mrs Charlene Landvogt was a recent recipient of the Spirit of Anzac award for teachers. She will be representing the College on a tour of the battlefields in Europe during this holiday break. We look forward to her return with insights that will enhance the learning of history for our students.

During Term 4 staff members John Samanna, Patrick Fitzgerald and Peter Kelly will be taking Long Service Leave. We wish them well.

In some sad news BJ, the endearing St Bernard dog and College mascot, died last Thursday. BJ, (Bernard Junior) was obtained in 1999 as an initiative of Luke Wade and the College student leaders. As College Captain at the time, Luke became the custodian and he, along with the rest of the Wade family, lovingly looked after the affable pooch for the last 11 years. He attended many school functions in his early years as following College leaders helped keep the tradition alive. In his later years, (including this year) Year 12 class photos and Year 7 opening assemblies were his main events. They will not be quite the same without him.

This is the final newsletter for the term. I wish all families a restful and safe holiday break. I trust that the break will be a productive one for our VCE students as they prepare for their examinations.

Best Wishes
Tony Paatsch

Upcoming Events
October 1 at 6:00pm - 25 Reunion SBOCA – Pavilion
October 4 – Commencement of Term 4
October 6 at 9:30am Ladies and Friends Auxiliary Meeting - Pavilion
October 8 at 6:00pm - 10 Reunion SBOCA – Pavilion
October 11 at 7:30pm – Parents and Friends Meeting – Board Room
October 12 at 5:30pm – Building Committee – Board Room
October 12 at 6:00pm – Annual Art Exhibition Opening Night – O’Brien Hall
October 12 at 7:00pm – Premier Media Presentation – O’Brien Hall
October 15 at 9:15am – Whole School Awards and Final Year 12 Assembly – Gym
October 15 at 6:00pm – Year 12 Graduation Mass – St Monica’s Church
October 15 at 8:00pm – Valete Dinner – Moonee Valley Function Room

IMPORTANT
Summer Uniform
Please note that the summer uniform will need to be worn by ALL students from NOVEMBER 3, 2010.

Year 12 Study Options and Trial Exam Timetable
Please refer to the conclusion of this newsletter for information with regards to Year 12 compulsory September trial exams coming up.

Annual Volunteers Dinner on November 3, 2010
6:30pm for 7:00pm start in the Pavilion
This is an opportunity for SBC to say thank you to the many helpers who assist the College in the canteen, library, reading, uniform shop, sporting groups etc. We hope you can join us. If you wish to attend please call Sharon or Mandy on 9289 1136 before Friday, October 29, 2010 or email scurtain@sbc.vic.edu.au!
Edmund Rice Network News/ Justice Issues:

Social Justice Sunday - Violence in Australia: A Message of Peace
The Australian Catholic Bishops have issued a statement to mark Social Justice Sunday on September 26. The Statement, "Violence in Australia: A message of peace", considers how the Christian values of forgiveness and reconciliation lead to peace and non-violent ways of addressing conflict and divisions - a challenging task when so much of Australian culture encourages aggressive attitudes, promotes the need to succeed at all costs, or fosters the desire for revenge.

The statement points out that whilst Australia is essentially a peaceful country, with strong traditions of fairness and justice, there are also deep roots of violence in the Australian story: the dispossession of the Aboriginal peoples, the violence of its convict history, and the strand of racism that has been directed at immigrants at different times.

The Bishops draw on the Gospels, social teachings of the Church and examples of individuals and groups working for peace in the Australian context, and highlight the role of all in making a difference for peace as individuals, as a community and as a nation.

They also make clear how radical and central are Jesus’ teachings about peacemaking in the Gospel. The Statement which is available through the website of the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council gives practical suggestions and poses important questions that will help individuals, parishes and groups as they consider how a disciples of Christ they might help bring peace to our world.

FAMILY Matters- A helping hand for families, by families
Family Matters is a new initiative being undertaken by the St Bernard’s community in cooperation with the community of St Columba’s. The lives of students and their families within our school communities often intertwine. Working together, we hope to be able offer a helping hand, when it is needed. Our aim, in offering help, is to provide some level of normality when life is all but normal. Sometimes the hardest thing to do is to ask for help. We need to break down this difficulty in asking for help and be there as a family for each other, because that is what our Christian community is and should be about. We need everybody’s help to make sure that our families know we are only a phone call away.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?
We are asking families who think they can offer assistance in a number of areas to join a bank of helpers who can be called on when needed. The areas of help are listed below. If you feel you can offer assistance please fill out a form that is available from either Reception or the Canteen. Names will then be placed on a database, and when required you will be contacted by a member of the Family Matters Group.

- Meals
- Home Maintenance / Garden
- Household / Ironing
- Transport (Adults only)
- Baby sitting
- shopping

If you have any questions please contact Dennis Hobson, Faith Development Coordinator, on 92981063 or 0423730212.

General News

Return of Forms
A reminder for all Year 12 students to return your preference forms for the collection of your VCE Certificate and Clairvaux Annuals to the Accounts Office no later than the first week of Term 4.

"Bolt from the Blue" Exhibition
The College Visual Arts Department, in conjunction with its students, extend an invitation to all in the St Bernard’s community to celebrate the creative talents of the graduating Studio Art, Visual Communication, Design and Media students. Opening night will be Tuesday October 12 beginning at 6.30pm in the gallery (O’Brien hall) and will also feature works of excellence from all year levels. Films will be screened from 7.30pm in the Auditorium with refreshments provided. The Gallery will be open to the public from 3pm to 4pm Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr Eddie Stojkovich, Visual Arts KLA Leader

Foundation Sports Night - October 11 (REVISED DETAILS)
The St Bernard’s Foundation will be holding a Sportsman’s Night on Monday October 11 at the College Pavilion from 7pm. Star of the night will be the incomparable Merv Hughes to talk all things cricket with an eye to the upcoming Ashes series. Tickets will be $30 each and for all bookings or enquiries please contact Michael Perrett on 9289 1106 or at mperrett@sbc.vic.edu.au
Japan Trip Trivia Night - October 22
In an effort to raise funds for the upcoming educational student trip to Japan a trivia night will be held at the College Pavilion on Friday October 22 at 7pm. Tickets are $15 per person or $100 for a table of 8 and can be purchased by contacting either Judy Sultana (jsultana@sbc.vic.edu.au) or Anna Walker (awalker@sbc.vic.edu.au). This is a BYO event but refreshments will also be available at the bar. So if you’re looking to win the major prize or purely in it for the glory, all whilst supporting a great cause, make sure you get along to what promises to be a wonderful night.

2010 Italy Study Tour
A group of 20 St. Bernard’s students are currently traveling to Italy for the biennial St. Bernard’s Italy Study Tour. This will be the 4th tour for students of Italian and will include visits to the following places: Rome; Pompeii; Siena; Florence; Maranello (Ferrari); Treviso; Venice; Cortina; Verona; Milano. This year’s Tour will feature a 6-night stay with Italian Host Families in Treviso, where the boys will be attending a high school (Istituto Mazzotti) and enjoying a full immersion experience. The group returns on Sunday, October 3. We wish them all Buon Viaggio!!

Mr Bruno Spiller, Tour Organiser

Volleyball
The final of the State League competition was held recently and saw St. Bernard’s (in SBC uniform, playing under Melbourne Uni Renegades) triumph over Etham & Billanook (Falcons) in an instant classic. The game itself was one of the most nail biting matches in recent memory going to 5 closely contested sets, with the deciding set ending up at amazing 26-24. During the presentation the official suggested some of our students may have even greater things in store, with a number of state level coaches, involved with the Falcons outfit, looking on.

In other tournament news, on August 28, in the LaTrobe Valley, the Under 15/16 won gold in the Under 17 Division whilst the Under 17 (along with one Year 11) triumphed in the Under 19 Division. A week later 36 boys made the trip to Bendigo where two Under 17 teams won gold, the Under 15s took out the silver and the second Year 7 team came third (although, as it was Fathers Day and a few of the Year 7’s couldn’t make it, four St. Bernard’s boys in waiting (primary school) filled in receiving decent court time and even more importantly valuable experience.)

The next tournament is in Daylesford on October 10.

Mr Craig Osborne, Director of Sport

Snowsports’ Team News
Congratulations to Anthony Wilde (Year10) and Michael Satterley (Year10) on their performances in the Vic Interschools Snowsports’ Championships, held at Mount Buller in late August. Both boys finished their races without incident and placed mid-field. Anthony represented SBC in the Skiercross event, whilst Michael competed for the school in the Snowboard Slalom race.

Year 10 ACC Hockey Team
Congratulations to our Year10 ACC Hockey Team that went through the entire season of 9 matches undefeated, only to lose the grand final in a penalty stroke shoot-out. All boys worked incredibly well as a team and are to be commended on their excellent sportsmanship and approach to each game. A special thank-you to ex-student, Jordan Cahir, who coached the team so effectively. Best & fairest award was won by Weston Howell, by 3 votes from James Riley.

Mr Bruno Spiller, Team Manager

St Bernard’s Old Collegians Cricket Club
Cricket season is about to commence in early October. St Bernard’s O.C.C.C. fields 4 Senior teams on turf in the VTCA’s Senior Division (at what is a high level of club cricket) and also many Junior teams at all age groups (U10s, U12s, U14s & 16s) in the local NWCA competition. This season the club will also introduce a Milo in2Cricket program newcomers to cricket, generally ages 5-8, which will commence in early November.

New senior and junior players interested in playing cricket this season are most welcome, with all training held at St Bernard’s. For further information about the club visit: stbernardsocc.com. Senior enquiries can be made to President Anthony Jordan (0438 022 210 or jorda73@yahoo.com). Junior enquiries to Junior Co-ordinator Duncan Hefter (0447 818 569 or rhefter1@bigpond.com).

Electrix Aerobics - Competitive Aerobics Club
Ever wanted to be a part of a club where you not only make lots of friends, but get to compete with them too on both a national and international stage? If this sounds like something you’d be interested in, and providing you’re aged 8 years and up, call or email to register your place now! For bookings or further information please contact us on 0404441198 or at electrixaerobics@gmail.com

Essendon Little Athletics.
Are You Aged between 5 and 15? Do you like to run, jump and throw? If so come and join the Essendon Little Athletics! Registration day for new members is on September 25 at the Moonee Valley Athletic Track (Corio street Moonee Ponds).
Mock Interview help required
On the 18th of October, from 9.30 – 11.30, 10G students will be ‘mock interviewed’ as part of their Industry and Enterprise Unit. If you would like to assist in the role of an interviewer, please contact Fran Muscara on f.muscara@sbc.vic.edu.au for more details. You don’t need to be a recruitment specialist – just enthusiastic! All documentation, including recommended questions, can be provided before the day.

Careers News

Reminders……
28 Sept: Monash Peninsula Info.; Reg’n: www.monash.edu/study/events/experience/.


3. INTERESTED IN MINERALS? The UNSW Minerals Summer School is coming. In Year 10 or 11? Interested in science or engineering? Want to find out about a career in the minerals industry? Then attend a four day Minerals Summer School hosted by the School of Mining Engineering, Uni of NSW. When: 10-13 Jan, 2011; Cost only $200 (subsidised); Info: www.mining.unsw.edu.au or (02)9385 5006. Applications Close: 30 Sept.

Year 12 News……

4. ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIP Monash Bach. of Accounting scholarships are on offer (VTAC Code: 28011, Guide p. 303). To be considered: apply for the course (VTAC), get an ATAR of 93.00, submit a Supplementary Information Form and attend an interview. Call 9905 2327 or 9905 8130 (for Supplementary Info. Form).

5. TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS? Some scholarships are not awarded because students don’t apply. Make sure you complete the scholarships application section on the VTAC website. Also check university and TAFE websites for scholarships. Some uni’s publish scholarship booklets.

6. NEW, CANCELLED AND AMENDED COURSES – New courses are approved and others cancelled after VTAC Guide printing. So, check these as there could be courses that interest you. Eg La Trobe (Bundoora) now has double degrees in Event Management/Marketing or Tourism. See:www.vtac.edu.au/courses/coursechanges.html

7. SEAS AND MELBOURNE UNI The University’s Info. Centre has help with SEAS/Access Melbourne applications. When: 10am-2pm, 18 & 25 Sept & 2 Oct; Where: Richard Berry Bld, Swanston St (see Gate 3).

8. SCIENCE AT MELBOURNE – The university has more places in the B. Science in 2011. The clearly-in rank is likely to be lower than the 2010 ATAR of 89.05.


10. CAREERS APPOINTMENTS: Year 12s are reminded that they can speak with Mr. Rosel over the first week of the holidays.

Mr David Rosel, Careers Adviser (9289 1159 or drosel@sbc.vic.edu.au)

Calling St Christopher’s Primary School Class of ’79
A reunion is being organised for the cohort of students who started in Grade Prep in 1973 and finished in Grade Six in 1979 at St Christopher’s Primary School, Airport West. It is being held at the school on Friday October 8 from 7pm (drinks and finger food provided at $10 per head). Lots of ex students and staff will be there (Mr Doherty and Miss Fitzgerald just to name a few). There will be a display of memorabilia and a tour through the school conducted by the current Principal so come along, reminisce and have some fun. For more information or to register your attendance please call Marika Payne (nee Simpson) on 0417 395 931 or email mpayne81@bigpond.net.au.

Geoghegan College - Class of 1990 Reunion
Saturday October 2 at the Cornish Arms Hotel Brunswick from 7:30pm till late. Tickets are $20 which includes finger food with drinks at bar prices. Contact Paula O’Neill (Dean) on 0409142599 or geoghegan90@live.com.au for further details on how to buy tickets or call Pat Dean on 93096709.
Dear Parents,

St. Bernard’s Parents and Friends would like to invite you to an evening to farewell our Deputy Principal Strand Campus John McKenna. John has been in the role for 15 years and leaves St. Bernard’s with a considerable legacy in so many ways.

The format of the evening will be a formal welcome from Mrs Marie Vocale the President of Parents and Friends, followed by a response from Mr. McKenna and then social interaction with John, members of the Board, the Executive, staff and other parents.

Details of the evening are as follows:

Date:       7 December 2010
Time:       7:30pm – 9:00pm
Venue:      The Pavilion, St. Bernard’s College
Dress:      Semi-formal

Finger food and drinks will be provided.

We hope that you will be able to join us to farewell and thank John as he enters a new and exciting period of his life.

For catering purposes and the production of nametags, would you please email names of people wishing to attend to Marie Vocale on boma3@bigpond.com or by phone 9289-1113 to Brendan Douglas by Tuesday, November 23rd, 2010.

Marie Vocale
President
St. Bernard’s Parent and Friends
**YEAR 12 STUDY OPTIONS**

**Monday**
- Study hall in Year 12 classrooms period 6: 2:05 – 2:55 (Year 12 students are not allowed in the library at this time)
- English help: 3pm – 4pm in Year 11 classrooms
- Study hall in room 647 supervised by last year’s top students: 3pm – 5pm.

**Tuesday**
- Study hall in room 647 supervised by last year’s top students: 7:30am – 8:30am.
- Study hall in Year 12 classrooms periods 5 and 6: 1:15 – 2:55 (Year 12 students are not allowed in the library at this time)
- English enrichment classes held in year 12 classrooms in periods 5 and 6.

**Wednesday**
- Informal study rooms available in Year 12 corridor: period 4, 5, 6.

**Thursday**
- Study hall in room 647 supervised by last year’s top students: 3pm – 5pm.
- After school maths help: 3pm – 4pm, Year 11 rooms.

**Friday**
- Informal study rooms available period 6 on the week you finish early.

PLEASE ALSO BE AWARE OF SUBJECT SPECIFIC HELP PROVIDED BY MANY TEACHERS AT VARIOUS TIMES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.

**SEPTEMBER TRIAL EXAMS TIMETABLE 2010**
Please note that all trial exams are COMPULSORY for each particular subject undertaken

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