From The Principal

This week the whole school gathered for an ANZAC day assembly. We were honoured by the presence of Old Collegian Mr Dennis Baguley, CEO who is the Chief Executive Officer of the Victorian Shrine of Remembrance. Students and staff alike listened intently as Dennis spoke of the legacy of the ANZACS and how they are remembered and honoured in Australians today.

The ANZAC story clearly resonates with the students who are able to identify with its significance for Australians. They seem to respond to the quintessential characteristics of honour, bravery and mateship, instinctively recognising the way these manifest themselves in an obligation to be honourable, brave and care for others.

It was a great occasion to remind boys of the debt that we all have to those who served their country. It also provided an opportunity to challenge boys about the way they treat and show care for each other.

If the characteristic of mateship is something that we admire and aspire to this must manifest itself in a commitment to look after one another and take responsibility for the wellbeing and safety others. I reminded boys that ensuring the College is safe for everyone and that bullying and harassment are not accepted, is a shared obligation for everyone in this community.

The College Honour Pocket system is an important way that we can publicly acknowledge those boys who achieve excellence in their endeavours at St Bernard’s. When students achieve particular standards of excellence they are awarded a certificate recognising this as “Gold” or “Silver”. They are then asked to submit their blazer to reception at the end of the term and the award is embroidered on the pocket during the holidays.

Information and criteria for the awarding of Honour Pockets can be found below.

I encourage any students who have qualified but not yet received certificates to contact the teacher in charge of that area. If certificates have been awarded but the honours not yet added to blazer pockets I ask that boys have this done at the end of Term 2.

At the end of last term the ACC athletics team successfully defended the title and retained the “Old Collegians” Shield. The success of this group has been remarkable over the last ten years winning the shield nine times and the last 8 in a row. The 2010 victory was comprehensive with the team also taking out the Junior, Intermediate and Senior trophies as well as the U/14, U/17 and Senior individual age groups. I would like to acknowledge the extraordinary work and commitment of Mr Gerard Brown and his team of coaches, Ed Stojkovich, Michael McIntyre, Brien Hall, David Waters, Tony Waters and Pat Fitzgerald. The leadership from within the team was also noteworthy. Congratulations to Captain Lachlan Rayner, Vice Captain Glen Passfield and Mathew Dickson and James Costello who lead the Intermediate and Junior teams *

Best Wishes
Tony Paatsch

* A full report on the days events and the season as a whole will be given out at the Athletics presentation night. However for those interested all individual SBC results from the day can be viewed on the College website.

Honour Pockets

To mark these efforts students will be entitled to wear a small symbol on their blazer pocket signifying their particular effort as follows:

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Honour Wreath for Additional Gold Awards

The Wreath is awarded when a student receives a second honour for the same thing

Honour Wreath Symbol
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Leadership:

Gold Award Eligibility
- College Captain and Vice Captains
- Senior Student Leader

Silver Award Eligibility
- Class Captains for a minimum of 2 years
- Active Peer Mediator for a minimum of 2 years

Leadership Symbol
- College Captain; College Vice Captain;
- Student Council;
- CC [Class Captain]; PM [Peer Mediator]

Academic

Gold Award Eligibility
- Dux of a Year Level
- Winner of 4 Distinctions for year length VCE units
- Prize winner of a national competition eg Maths

Silver Award Eligibility
- ER Encouragement Award at a Year Level
- Winner of a VCE Unit 3 & 4 Subject award
- Winner of 2 Distinctions for year length VCE units
- Being in the top 8% of students in Years 7-10
- High Distinction in a national competition eg Maths

Academic Symbol

Sport

Gold Award Eligibility
- Captain of Whole School ACC Team or Senior ACC Team
- Best & Fairest of a Senior ACC Team
- Broke a school record in 3 different seasons
- Broke an existing ACC record
- 1st place in ACC Cross Country or Golf in 3 seasons
- Winner of a state or national title (individual or team) in the highest division
- Member of three or more premier ACC A grade teams

Silver Award Eligibility
- Captain of an underage ACC team for two years
- Best & Fairest of an underage ACC team for two years
- Broke a school record in 2 different seasons
- 1st place in ACC Cross Country or Golf in 2 seasons
- Winner of a state or national title (individual or team) in division other than the highest
- Member of two premier ACC A grade teams

Sport Symbol

Activity

Gold Award Eligibility
- Captain of Whole School Activity
- Leading role in 3 different productions
- Winner of a state or national title (individual or team) in the highest division
- Winner of Vin Tuck major competition
- Gaining 2 Major Strand Awards
- High level of Community Service/Ministry over 3 years

Silver Award Eligibility
- Captain of an underage Activity for two years
- Significant role in 3 different productions
- Winner of a state or national title (individual or team) in division other than the highest
- Winner of Vin Tuck minor competitions
- Gaining 1 Major Strand Award
- High level of Community Service/Ministry over 2 years

Activity Symbol

Upcoming Events
April 26 – ANZAC Day Holiday – School Closed
April 28 at 5:30pm – Board Meeting – Board Room
April 29 at 5:00pm – Strategic Plan Meeting – Board Room
April 29 at 7:30pm – Year 7/2012 Enrolment Night for Current Families - Auditorium
April 30 at 7:30pm – Year 7 Social Night – O’Brien Hall
May 5 – FOUNDER’S DAY
May 5 at 9:30am – Ladies and Friends Auxiliary Meeting – Pavilion
May 7 – GRANDPARENTS DAY (YEAR 7)
Edmund Rice Network News / Justice Issues:

Education For All
The goal of providing universal primary education by 2015 seems to be slipping out of reach according to the Global Campaign For Education (GCE). According to a UNESCO Global Report released earlier this year $6 million would still be out of school by 2015 if funding trends remained the same. The report also highlighted that around 54 percent of children out of school are girls; that literacy remains among the most neglected of all education goals, with about 759 million adults lacking literacy skills today, two-thirds women; that millions of children are leaving school without having acquired basic skills, and that 1.9 million new teacher posts will be required to meet universal primary education by 2015. “It is estimated that it will cost US$16 billion a year to achieve universal primary education and wider Education for All goals by 2015,” said Kailash Satyarthi, GCE President. “This figure is just two percent of the amount mobilised to bail out four banks in the UK and US.” In the lead up to this years Soccer World Cup the 1GOAL campaign is attempting to use the popular appeal of football to advance the cause of education for all. Information as to how you can support the campaign can be found at the above website.

Africa Immersion Experience
A St. Bernards Immersion Group is going to Nairobi, Kenya these coming July school holidays to work at Br. Beausang Catholic Centre, the school we are supporting through our ‘Project Kenya’ sponsorship scheme. In coming weeks, this group of volunteers will be meeting to prepare and plan for their visit in July.

Visit to St. Bernards by Br. Gerard Ellul (East Africa District Leader)
Last Thursday, ex-staff member of SBC, Br. Gerard Ellul, who now is the Leader of the Christian Brothers in East Africa (the area includes Br. Beausang Centre in Nairobi) visited St. Bernards and was overwhelmed by the physical changes to the school since his time here in the early 90’s. He wishes to pass on his thanks to all the St. Bernards families supporting the Brothers’ work in East Africa and to encourage us all the get behind the annual Walkathon (mentioned below) which raises so much money for their work amongst the poor. He has enjoyed a brief holiday here at home in Melbourne and will return to his duties in Kenya after the Anzac Day weekend.

General News

Founder’s Day
Founder’s Day will be celebrated at St Bernard’s on Wednesday May 5. Celebrations will include a whole school mass, a walkathon for Year 7 – 10 and activities for Year 11 and 12. It is expected that the day will conclude by 1.30pm and Ryan’s buses will be available at this time. Tullamarine bus lines will depart at their normal time.

The day has been a great success for a number of years. The involvement and enthusiasm of all the boys makes it a special day in the life of the College.

It should be noted that all boys are expected to attend this day. The Year 11 and 12 boys will need to remain at school until dismissed by their Year Level Coordinators at approximately 1.15pm. Rolls will be taken at this time and students who fail to have their names marked off (without appropriate explanation) will be required to assist the College at a Saturday detention.

Mr Nick Scully, Clairvaux Campus Director

Annual Walkathon – May 5
As part of our celebrations for Founder’s Day on Wednesday, May 5 all students from Years 7 to 10 are invited to be part of our Annual Walkathon to raise much needed funds for Br. Beausang Catholic Centre at Embulbul, Nairobi. This is our major appeal for the school for the year and the staff there rely heavily on our annual contribution for the survival of their school. We ask for a minimum $20 from each student but in the past some have been able to raise donations in the hundreds of dollars. Our aim for this year is $30,000, which would build a fully functional classroom for the school. Over the next week, all students are encouraged to get behind the appeal by getting as many donors as possible and returning the money to homeroom teachers as they collect it. There are 30 homerooms at Years 7 – 10, which would be a target of $1,000 per homeroom to reach our goal; with 28 students in each room that equates to $36 per student. Please support our students in this wonderful appeal for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Guest speaker at next ‘Parents and Friends’ Meeting
A general invitation is extended to any parent at the College to join the Parents and Friends meeting on Monday May 10 in the College Boardroom. Guest speaker for the evening will be Mr. David Rosel who will speak about his role in Careers Education here at SBC, the various Pathways available to students at SBC and Tertiary and Employment trends with our recent school leavers. The meeting begins at 7.30 pm on the night.

Hall of Fame and 70 Year Book Launch
The Foundation’s annual Hall of Fame event and 70 Year Book Launch will be held at the College Pavilion on May 5 at 12pm. Tickets are $25 and bookings are essential. Please contact Michael Perrett on 9289 1106 for details and bookings.
Timed Assessment Tasks for Years 8 and 9 begin soon. Students complete assessment tasks in a timed manner – similar to exams. This is to help improve their performance in Literacy and Numeracy. The information is used to support teaching and learning programs here at St Bernard’s. Testing for students in Years 7 and Year 9 under the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will take place on the mornings of May 11, 12 and 13. The NAPLAN tests are conducted by VCAA on behalf of MCEETYA (Ministerial Council on Education). The results of the test provide diagnostic information for parents and teachers about a students’ performance in Literacy and Numeracy. The information is used to support teaching and learning programs here at St Bernard’s. We would ask that you make every effort to ensure your son is present for these tests and avoid any appointments or other interruptions to the morning of May 11-13. Later in the year, you will receive your son’s personal report which will outline skills in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy.

NAPLAN Testing for Year 7 & 9.

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Careers News

1. MONASH UNIVERSITY MEDICINE/SURGERY SELECTION – Monash will be introducing a Multiple Mini-Interview (MMI) process for the 2010-2011 intake for the B. Medicine/B. Surgery this year. Monash uses a combination of ATAR, UMAT results and an interview to select students for this course. The MMI interview process will involve applicants moving between ‘stations’. At each station, applicants will interact with, or be observed by, a single rater. More news on this as it becomes available.

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3. WANT TO STUDY MEDICAL SCIENCE? Have you heard of medical radiations at RMIT? Three professions are served by this program – medical imaging, radiation therapy and nuclear medicine. There are two entry points: a three-year bachelor’s degree or a two-year graduate entry masters following an appropriate health science degree. Medical imaging assists in diagnosis and management of patients via acquisition of medical images through x-rays, angiography, magnetic resonance
imaging (MRI), ultrasound and computed tomography (CT). Radiation therapy is concerned with the design and implementation of radiation treatment and issues of care and well being for people with cancer and other conditions. Medical radiations offers expanding career opportunities, both locally and overseas. Who does the career suit? Those with a strong patient focus, interest in technology, team approach to patient care, with high levels of responsibility and commitment. See: www.rmit.edu.au/medical-radiations. NOTE: Monash Uni offers a Radiography and Medical Imaging degree. In addition, Swinburne Uni offers some medical imaging-related subjects in their B. Science (eg medical instrumentation and medical technology to do with instrument design).

4. DOES A CAREER IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE INTEREST YOU? RMIT Uni has the Bachelor of Arts [Criminal Justice Administration], a vocational course focussed on the justice sector, with six elective streams including work integrated learning. RMIT has 30 years experience in criminal justice education, has industry links, offers a global passport, with international exchange and study abroad opportunities. Electives: forensic studies, criminal behaviour analysis, drug related crime, youth justice systems, international policing, contemporary criminology, terrorism, customs and border security, security and crime intelligence, criminal law, evidence and forensic psychology. Careers include: federal/state police, customs, courts & corrections, Gaming Commission, law firms, Victims Support Australia, Dept. of Justice, forensic services, youth justice, security and child protection/investigations.

5. ARE YOU A BUDDING ENTREPRENEUR? If yes, then several courses may appeal to you. Each course has its own focus – which would suit you best? RMIT’s B. Business (Entrepreneurship) provides an applied approach to launching and growing businesses in the context of a sound theoretical framework, also covering marketing, management and finance. Students undertake venture projects developing real-life ventures. Electives can be chosen from any area incl. a language.

Swinburne’s Uni’s B. Commerce introduced the new professional major “Entrepreneurship and Innovation” in 2009. Along with this, students can study traditional commerce subjects like accounting, commercial law, finance, HRM, international business, management and marketing.

Victoria Uni’s B. Business (Small Business and Entrepreneurship) provides a program of study designed to develop knowledge, skills and competencies in the operation of a successful business venture. In addition to entrepreneurship and small business enterprises, accounting, financial planning and strategic management can be studied in this degree.

La Trobe Uni’s B. Business [Tourism and Hospitality] offers a major study in entrepreneurship. Other majors are: event management, food and beverage management, hospitality management, international tourism (languages), tourism, and travel and tourism management.

6. MARINE SCIENCE CAREERS DAY Pick up details from careers office or otherwise call 9923 5911 to make bookings. Get in quick!

7. MONASH eNEWS To keep up to date with the latest course developments, subscribe via http://monash.edu.au/enews/ and click on the Future Students link.

8. TARGET HIGHPOINT is looking for 15 year olds interested in part time/causal employment. Download application form from Target website and email to taras0548@colesgroup.com.au. Attention to Nancy Scialise.

9. STUDY IN JAPAN. Opportunities to undertake a university degree at Nagoya University in Japan, commencing 2011. Pick up details from the careers resource centre or year 12 careers board. Note Nagoya is an International ‘Top 100’ institution. Has produced four Nobel Laureates.


11. SCIENCE MATTERS MAGAZINE. Interested in the scientific life at the University of Melbourne? The Faculty of Science has a new blog, Science Matters. Become a part of our scientific community by subscribing to http://sciencematters.unimelb.edu.au

Website of the fortnight…...www.jobwatch.org.au. Job Watch is an employment rights legal centre providing assistance to Victorian workers about their rights at work. Check it out, and contact them if unsure of your rights (eg payment for ‘trial work’…….)

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

Volleyball Training and News

YEAR 7 BOYS - Coaches: Simon & current senior boys Thursdays: - 3:30-5:00pm at St Bernard's College

Simon D’ortenzio – 0413 619 418 simon_dort26@hotmail.com

YEAR 8 & 9 BOYS - Coaches: Russell & Ryan [old boys] Thursdays - 5:00-7:00pm at St Bernard’s College

Russell Seitz– 0409 539 918 big_russ90@hotmail.com

Ryan Gwynne – 0400 389 404 gwynne_0211@hotmail.com

YEAR 10, 11 & 12 BOYS - Coach: Goran [Melb Uni Coach] Tuesday - 6:00-7:30pm at Melb Uni; Thursdays - 6:00-7:30pm at SBC; Goran Milosovski- 0405 358 782 gordanmilosovski@yahoo

Friday Night Junior Volleyball starts April 23 with 2 weeks of grading games.

Spikezone Program: Children (Grades 4, 5 & 6) play a modified volleyball game & learn the basic skills Monday, 4 to 5 pm. St John's Uniting Church Gym.

Junior Development Squad: Training & skills for older children. Monday, 4 to 5 pm. St John's Uniting Church Gym.