



SCHOOL SPIRIT – GOD'S HEARTBEAT AT SMC

Every day is ample evidence of God's heartbeat pulsating through the halls of St Monica's College, Epping. Time and time we see examples of great school spirit being displayed by students and staff and thus we know that the presence of God is indeed real at this school.

This month of Monica is a time when healthy school spirit will be to the fore. Through the varied activities of St Monica's Week we shall witness Monicans (past and present) coming together under the patronage of Saint Monica to be proud and happy Monicans. Certainly the Mass of St Monica's Week is an occasion when school spirit is highlighted greatly. Followed by lunch and carnival and fun activities, this Mass brings much joy to our Monican family. God's heartbeat is truly all about joy and celebration.

School spirit is shown in many ways. It is evident when students represent their College on the sporting fields or on stage or at community service. Even if all students do not actively participate in these events, their encouragement and support for those who do participate show wonderful Monican commitment. We see school spirit when a Year 12 student reaches down to converse with a Year 7; when students across year levels work side-by-side on Councils, at EnviroFriends projects and in debating competitions.

School spirit brings a smile to the face of those who live it. We are proud when one of us delivers a great speech at an assembly; when a performance brings acclaim and applause; when a sporting achievement brings victory or shows great

determination; when the accomplishment of one Monican brings glory and credit on the entire school community.

God's heartbeat at this College is lived through the deeds of Monicans; its power and value shine through when one Monican reaches out to another; God's heartbeat is all about energy, vivacity, laughter, prayer and perseverance.

God's heartbeat at SMC is best depicted and explained in the lyrics of our College song:

*Enlightened by the Spirit,
Our future is clear,
To fill the world around us,
With peace and harmony.*

ST MONICA'S DAY 2011

On Friday, 26 August we will celebrate St Monica's Day. On this day we commemorate our Patron Saint, Monica. It is the highlight of the year at the College and an eagerly anticipated event.

This is a compulsory day for students, as we join together to celebrate as a College community. All parents are asked to ensure that students are in full school uniform (no PE uniforms are permitted on the day).

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Hilton Deakin commencing at 10am and he will formally induct the College Captains for 2012. If you would like to request a reserved seat for this mass,

please contact Reception on 9409 8800.

Lunch, drinks and sweets will be provided for all. Parent helpers are required to prepare and serve lunch. If you are available, please contact Mrs Glenda Hay on 9409 8854.

All students are invited to change into casual clothes after mass. Sporting attire or track suits should be considered by students for playing sport or doing activities. This should include wet weather clothing if rain is forecast.

A range of amusements, entertainment and sporting activities will be on offer in the

afternoon. These activities will involve cha-cha and cyclone rides, a giant slide, a rock climbing wall, Harley-Davidson motor cycle rides, a range of sports, music and a DJ. If you do not wish your son or daughter to take part in any of these activities, please notify the relevant Year Level Leader.

Dismissal will occur between 2.30 and 3.00 pm. Parents are asked to make suitable transport arrangements.

Much planning and preparation has been devoted to St Monica's Day and I encourage all students to participate to ensure it is a memorable event.

RE-ENROLMENT PROCESS 2012

All students in Years 7 - 11 should have received a re-enrolment form for 2012.

If your child is returning in 2012, please return the form together with payment of \$150 for **each** student no later than Friday, 9 September, 2011 to secure a place.

Payment can be made via cheque/credit card/Eftpos or cash only. **BPAY payments will not be accepted for the re-enrolment process.**

If payment is not attached the form will be given back to the student to have the process completed correctly.

If your child is not returning in 2012, the form must be returned by the due date indicating their departure and destination.

Any queries please contact Ms Andrea Moon 9409 8800.

COLLEGE PIN

It is compulsory for all students to wear the College Pin on the lapel of their blazer. Lost pins must be replaced. They are available from campus receptions at a cost of five dollars. All students are to have their pin by St Monica's Day.

FROM THE STAFFROOM

1. Congratulations to Ms Nicole Meade who is Staff Member of the Month for July for her success in developing a Netball Academy at the College. Recognition is made for her ability to win the commitment of Academy members and of her coaching skills. The organization of the Netball trip to Brisbane during the Term 2 holidays is acknowledged.
2. We have welcomed Ms Mana Nakai, an English teacher from Takada and a friend of our College who with us from Monday, 1 - 12 August. Mana came to our College in 2010 and she and her family have hosted some of our colleagues in the past and she will host again in September this year. As part of her Professional Development, she spent two weeks at St Monica's. During this time, she visited classes across a variety of subjects and was willing to answer questions from our students about Japanese culture. She also assisted in the Japanese classes.
3. Dr Fulvio Frijo has returned from leave. Later this term he and Ms Nicole Morcom will accompany Monicans to Japan for the annual Homestay Program with Takada High, our Sister school.

SINCE THE LAST EDITION

Another interesting fortnight in College life: SACCSS Netball Grand Final; SACCSS AFL Football Grand Final; 10 Premier League; lunchtime DRC soccer competition; DSC chess; Careers & Courses Expo; Years 9 and 10 subject fairs; Year 8 Science incursion; Morning Tea with the Principal; Finance, Property & Works Committee; Visits to Year 5 classes; School AIDS Day; Year 9 Talk by Victoria Police; College Assembly; M.O.N.I.C.A.N. Spelling Bee heats; Subway lunches; Senior Futsal in South Australia; Year 7 Drama performance; Year 11 retreats; Year 7 band night; Alumni Committee meeting; 9 Silver at Uniquely Year 9; 10 Mauve at On the Edge; karate incursion; EnviroFriends workshops; Westpac Mathematics competition.

2011 SMC HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Barinya have been crowned the 2011 House Champions scoring 1,829 points, well clear of Larapinta placing 2nd on 1,634, followed by Alkira 1,401 points and Glenora 1,131 points. A great day was had by all involved. Please see results below. Photos and a comprehensive report will be displayed on the House Noticeboard.

YEAR 7 FEMALE

1st	Siselia Karion	Barinya	13:13
2nd	Louisa Teycheney	Glenora	14:49
3rd	Dallas Rowland	Barinya	15:48

YEAR 7 MALE

1st	Liam Sutton	Barinya	12:01
2nd	Jace Williams	Larapinta	12:02
3rd	Kristian Trajceski	Alkira	12:51

YEAR 8 FEMALE

1st	Georgia Alberti	Barinya	15:36
2nd	Laura Filippone	Barinya	15:40
3rd	Daniella Mamone	Glenora	15:50

YEAR 8 MALE

1st	Michael Mazza	Alkira	12:14
2nd	Damien Lentini	Alkira	12:30
3rd	Daniel Santopietro	Larapinta	12:32

YEAR 9 FEMALE

1st	Alyce Borg	Alkira	15:16
2nd	Gheslaine Waters	Larapinta	15:24
3rd	Julia Treglia	Barinya	16:53

YEAR 9 MALE

1st	Jordan Cugnetto	Barinya	11:59
2nd	Jianni Mauro	Glenora	12:19
3rd	Joseph Vigilante	Larapinta	12:27

YEAR 10 FEMALE

1st	Rachel Kemp	Barinya	18:08
2nd	Kassandra Baldi	Barinya	19:07
3rd	Hollie Wilson	Larapinta	-

YEAR 10 MALE

1st	Matthew Vincitorio	Glenora	12:12
2nd	James Borg	Alkira	12:17
3rd	Joshua Cogoi	Glenora	12:31

SENIOR FEMALE

1st	Bianca Livocski	Barinya	14:17
2nd	Michelle Eagles	Alkira	14:47
3rd	Kyra Sakalauskas	Glenora	17:50

SENIOR MALE

1st	Matthew Bruno	Larapinta	12:14
2nd	Dominic Bruno	Larapinta	12:19
3rd	Jacob Marshall	Barinya	12:44

MONICANS OUT & ABOUT

Year 10 at St Vincent de Paul: Kelly Bougas; Monica Neskovski; John Tran; Jason Casilli.

Year 9 at St Peter's Literacy Program: Adele Schifitto; Jacqueline Segan; Jess Mazzeo; Simeon Clark; Victoria Kalospopis; Tanisha Bergamin.

SMC Expo Winners

Congratulations to the following students who have each won a JB Hi Fi Voucher for attending the SMC Careers Expo on 4 August. Laurence Mincone; Rebecca Vitelli; Matthew Schieven; Grace Paspalis; Elaina Vatsky.

HOUSE AGGREGATE SCORES AS AT 11 AUGUST

	ALKIRA	BARINYA	GLENORA	LARAPINTA
Swimming	458	429	345	406
Athletics	1,342	1,462	1,392	1,361
Cross Country	1,401	1,829	1,131	1,634
Chess – Year 7	20	5	20	30
Chess – Year 8	15	20	35	5
Chess – Year 9	5	-	-	35
Chess – Year 10				
Chess – Year 11				
Chess – Year 12				
Scores as at 4/8/11	3,214	3,745	2,923	3,471

ACROSS THE BOARD

SACCSS Inaugural Chess Competition

The Inaugural SACCSS Chess Competition will be held in St Monica's College Sports and Assembly Hall on Thursday, 18 August. We welcome students from other Catholic Colleges as they go head to head with Chess teams from other SACCSS Colleges. Good luck to the following students for a great day of Chess. Christopher Pham, Armann Gill, Arjun Balasenthal, Deyan Milevski, Ali Mostafa, Thomas Aitken, Jordan Hiho, Alex O'Neill, Adolph Lekkas, Jason Notaro, Shan Galappathy, Mitchell Vihtelic, Daniel Giusti, James Silver, Callan Hiho, Liam Lowe, Matthew Mansour, Robert Candia, Matthew Marinacci, Benjamin Newton, Christopher Hakem, Jason Notaro, Tony Huynh, Dylan Thomson.

NEW CYBERSAFETY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

A short video, "How Cybersmart are you?" has been released by Cybersmart. Developed by the Australian Communications and Media Authority, Cybersmart is part of the Australian Government's cybersafety program. The video is designed to help parents navigate through the online world of their teenagers and provides strategies on how to protect their children from potential online risks. The video can be found on the [Parent Portal](#), under **Parents and Student Wellbeing – Cyber Safety**. Also under Cyber Safety on the portal is an excellent article about privacy online.

LOST & FOUND

We are pleased to announce there is a new way to enquire about your lost property on the St Monica's College parent portal. There has been a new link added on the Useful links list called "College Lost and Found." Once you click on this link and fill in the required information, your request will be sent to the Lost and Found Coordinator and your enquiry will be seen to in a timely manner.

CAREERS CORNER

Air Force Cadet Scheme

The local unit of the Australian Air Force Cadets now has vacancies for young men and women between the ages of 13 – 18 who are interested in aviation or a military career in 2011. The unit meets every Monday night during school term at Maygar Barracks in Broadmeadows (enter via Camp Road), Melways Reference: Map 7, C9.

There will be an information evening for interested teenagers and their families to attend on Monday, 22 August at 7.00 p.m. Please direct any inquiries to PLT OFF (AAFC) L. Perez xo.407sqn@aafc.org.au

Year 12 VTAC Guides

The 2012 VTAC guides are available at the Careers Centre at a cost of \$15 per book. The guides contain the

information on applying for courses, ATAR and results, selection and offers, admission tests, financial assistance, scholarships and the course information with a major index. They can be purchased before school, recess or lunchtime.

La Trobe University is holding a VCE Parents Information Evening on Wednesday 31 August, 6.00 - 8.00pm.

This event has been designed for Years 11 and 12 students and their parents. The aim of the evening is to demystify university and make sense of the many options available to students, while also offering advice to parents on how they can assist their children. More information and registration details for this event can be found at www.latrobe.edu.au/parents. A flyer advertising the evening can be found on the Careers Website available to parents and student through the extranet under the Parents Section.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Congratulations to all students who have brought a can of drink or healthy Zinger yoghurt icy pole from our Pakistan sales bins at lunchtime. You have raised \$15,683 since last St Monica's Day and an incredible \$97,353 since we started selling these items on 31 March, 2005.

It is fantastic to note the number of students from our College who support this fund raising activity and regularly make extra donations of small change to help the less fortunate children and their families in Pakistan.

This year the funds will be distributed as follows: \$10,000 to the Presentations Sisters in Pakistan; \$2,500 to the Christian Brothers in East Africa; \$1,500 to the L'Arche community in Melbourne and \$1,500 to a needy family.

Dalton Road Campus students please remember that we sell from 1.03 p.m. outside the Sports & Assembly Hall Monday to Friday.

MONICAN ACHIEVERS

Successful Years 7 – 9 Science and English Enhancement Applicants

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to participate in the 2011 Years 7 - 9 Science and English Enhancement programs:

Year 7 Science

Vanessa Chiechi
Sarah Todorovski
Eliza Geraghty
Nayrie Hagopian

Year 8 Science

Aaron Yin
Yoshinie Chandrar
Martina Tran
Danielle Divola

Year 9 Science

Matthew D'Amore
Emma Dinakis
Joshua Traglia
Emily Simunija
Tristen Jones
Jordan Hiho

Year 7 English

Michael Zdravkovski
Lawrence Le
Makayla Rao
Natasha Gnanapragasm

Year 8 English

Tracey Pham
Aidan Meyers
Tiana Bonacci
Yoshinie Chandrar

Year 9 English

Melvyn Charan
Lavinia De Marco
Natalie Lai
Melissa Monteleone
Sandra Nguyen
Sandra Tubakovic

Thank you to all students who applied to participate in these programs. Your applications were of a very high standard and there was fierce competition for places.

The students listed above will receive information from their home room teacher this week regarding their programs.

WORLD OF SPORT

1. South Australia Challenge

Congratulations to the Senior Boys Futsal squad, who travelled to Adelaide to win the South Australian Challenge.

The boys dominated the competition beating Underdale High School 8 - 0 in the Final.

The Senior Girls missed out on reaching the Final on goal difference.

2. Year 10 Premier League Rounds 2 and 3 Results Round 2

	SMC	vs	Penola
AFL	14.9.93		7.7.49
Netball	56		6
Basketball (M)	59		18
Basketball (F)	39		22
Volleyball (M)	1		3
Volleyball (F)	3		1
Football (M)	0		2
Football (F)	5		1

Round 3

	SMC	vs	Kolbe
AFL	25.9.159		5.4.34
Netball	53		5
Basketball (M)	34		31
Basketball (F)	73		38
Volleyball (M)	2		2
Volleyball (F)	3		0
Football (M)	2		0
Football (F)	12		0

3. Senior SACCSS Grand Finals Reports

St Monica's Senior Netball Team won the SACCSS Senior Netball Competition.

Well done to St Monica's Senior Netball team who won 27 to 25 against MacKillop College in the SACCSS Senior Netball Competition on Wednesday, 10 August at the State Netball and Hockey Centre.

The St Monica's College Senior AFL team were

defeated in their Grand Final on Wednesday, 10 August by 33 points. I thank and congratulate each and every student who played in one of our 12 games this year.

Results: SMC 7.11.52 def by Salesian College, Sunbury 13.8.86.

Goal kickers: R. Mercuri; J. Vaccaro 2, J. Rizzolio, J. Abdulhadi, J. Mercuri 1.

Best Players: R. Mercuri, J. Vaccaro, A. Stoikos, J. Mercuri, S. Harraka, J Abdulhadi.

4. Senior Football v Caroline Chisholm

Boys

SMC 10 Caroline Chisholm 0

Scorers: Daniel Peluso 5, Peter Addo 2, Dean Romas 2, Matthew Infantino 1.

Best on Ground: 3 Daniel Peluso, 2 Dean Romas, 1 John Reale.

Girls

SMC 6 Caroline Chisholm 0

Scorers: Rachel Walker 2, Kristen Petrovski 1, Stefanie Oddo 1, Giuliana Pavia 1, Jessica D'Amore 1.

Best on Ground: 3 Jessica D'Amore, 2 Stefanie Oddo, 1 Giuliana Pavia.

4. Free Taekwondo Lessons

Every Tuesday from 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in the Dance Mezzanine (Sports & Assembly Hall). Come and join St Monica's Taekwondo Club. Beginners and experienced, all welcome. Learn useful self-defence techniques, increase your confidence and improve your fitness. Come and learn from 4th Dan Black Belt.

DOODLE 4 GOOGLE

Design your own doodle as part of the 'Doodle 4 Google-My Wish For Australia' competition. Your artwork could be shown on the Google Australia homepage and seen by millions. You could also win \$10,000 worth of technology equipment for your school.

See your DRC Art teacher for competition details.

MARVELLOUS MONICAN

Shweta Nair of Year 11 on being one of only 10 students from across Victoria who received a scholarship to attend the 2011 Professor Harry Messel International Science School. This biennial event brings together students from across the globe, selected on the basis of academic merit and for the leadership qualities they display, for an intensive two-week program at the University of Sydney. We congratulate Shweta on her recent participation in this prestigious event.

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