

PRINCIPAL'S BULLETIN



ST MONICA'S COLLEGE – A SCHOOL OF EDUCATIONAL ENTERPRISE SERVING CATHOLIC EDUCATION TODAY AND TOMORROW

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VIOLENCE IS NEVER THE RIGHT SOLUTION



No balanced, sensible and humane person can claim that violence is the right solution to change or resolve a situation. No person of integrity, no one who has an ounce of compassion, nobody who possesses a good conscience can advocate violence.

Yet here in Melbourne, in parts of Australia, and throughout the world, people inflict violence on individuals, communities and even nations of people. Killing, murderous attacks, cruel invasions all are violent and whilst they might 'terminate' a problem or issue, violence is never the right solution.

It is shocking how we hear about violence in our own city. Our news services report violent episodes most nights — Melbournians slain by violent aggressors, sleeping residents attacked brutally whilst asleep in their homes at night, drive-by shootings, and a whole host of other violent means that seem to be prevailing.

Domestic violence is wrong and must be stamped out in any way available to authorities. Perpetrators though are the persons who must change their evil worldview of dominance and their resulting actions.

On the broader scale, we have incredible violence being waged by countries against each other. They use horrible weapons, they spread toxic chemicals over large geographical regions, and they scatter bomb villages and cities, with no account for the life, rights and welfare of civilians and children. The images we witness are terrifying: the reality must be ghastly. Violence is neither pretty nor peaceful.



Naturally, we can disagree with people and their views, and this ought to be addressed appropriately. Many things in society we cannot tolerate but our reactions ought to be reasoned and measured, never violent. Not everyone is a friend, but let us try to eliminate enmity that leads to violence from our lives in a rational way.

Jesus is the source of peace, His Gospels are filled with compassion and love, and Jesus blesses peacemakers, says do not cast stones, preaches forgiveness over and over, and calls us to love our neighbour as we love ourselves.

In our School of Many Colors, let peace and harmony alongside goodness and mutual understanding reign and flourish. These are embedded into our Monican culture. We reject violence on our school grounds and in our lives, and we pray and persevere that violence is believed to be always the wrong solution.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND 2019 \$225

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School **camps** provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, **excursions** encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and **sports** teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card, Veterans Affairs or pension card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

\$125 for primary school students \$225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Accepting applications

Parents (including guardians) no longer need to submit a new application form each year in most cases.

Parents only need to submit an application form in 2019 if any of these changes have occurred.

- New student enrolments: students who have started or changed schools in 2019 or if the parent did not apply for CSEF at the school in 2019
- Changed family circumstances: such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January, 2019) or term two (23 April, 2019).

Closing Date:

You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 21 June, 2019 for eligibility. For more information about the CSEF visit www.educationvic.gov.au/csef



COLLEGE OPERATIONS GROUP

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Following the retirements of Dr Fulvio Frijo and Mr Graham Bell from their executive leadership positions at the College as from the commencement of third term (15 July 2019), a new structural arrangement has been established to be led by the Deputy Principal (Operations), Mr Cameron Whitford. It has been named the College Operations Group (COG).

This is a new and exciting development in our School of Educational Enterprise and will energise the College as it embraces new challenges through a new strategic plan, 'Towards the Future 2020 – 2024'.

Membership of COG

Leader: Mr Cameron Whitford, Deputy Principal (Operations) (Mr Whitford will retain Planning)

College Accountant: TBA (This role involves managing the areas of payroll, fees management and business affairs)

Manager of Information Technology: Mr Matthew Byrne (This role includes all aspects of the operations of information and communication technology and chairing of the ICT Staff Group, but does not include curriculum)

Manager of Administration Staff: Ms Santina Giannetta (Similar role as currently fulfilled by Ms Giannetta)

Manager of Property & Services: Mr Matthew Browne (This roles assumes responsibility for all buildings and grounds matters and supervision of outsourced contracts such as cleaning and security et al)

Manager of Data Analysis: Mr Michael Quilliam (This role incorporates both business and educational data analysis and involves leading the Data Analysis Team)

In addition, other positions have been allocated to staff members outside of COG. These include:

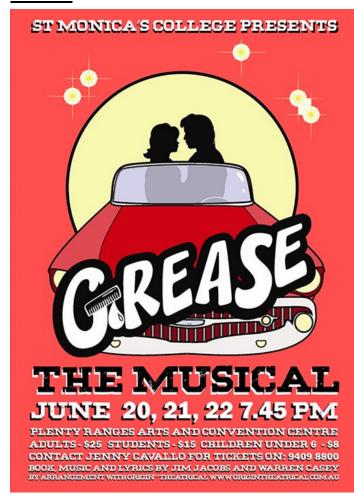
Leader of STEAM Program: Mr Michael Gowers **eLearning** will be incorporated into the Principal's Office

Leader of Takada Homestay Program: Ms Michelle Delfos

All staff are wished well as the College moves in new directions and into the future.

R. E. Hanley

B.E. Hanley B.A., Dip. Ed., Grad. Dip. Ed., Admin. M.Ed., MACE, FACEL College Principal



TERM 3 COMMENCEMENT

Please note that Term 3 commences for students on Tuesday 16 July.

FROM THE STAFFROOM

- Our condolences are extended to Ms Heather Newby on the death of her father, David, on 8 June 2019.
- 2. We farewell several SMC staff members at the end of term. They are Dr Fulvio Frijo, Mr Graham Bell, Ms Kathryn Hocking, Ms Barbara Price-Rees and Ms Rima Cilmi. We wish them all well for the future. Ms Sarah Malseed has commenced parental leave recently.
- 3. Ms Emma Sheehan has commenced parental leave. Mr Paul Barbetti replaces her as Year 7 Level Leader alongside Ms Deidre Burggraaf.
- Miss Christine Petrone will move to DRC from DSC on the return of Mr Kevin Tibaldi, and Mr Chris Thomson and Mr Fraser Stehn will teach on DRC.
- 5. The Staff Member of the Month for May is Mr Michael Gowers for his efforts in ensuring that classes left by a staff member on leave were covered and given appropriate work. He supervised and aided the replacement teacher.

SINCE THE LAST EDITION.....

A busy time: Morning Tea with the Principal (x3); Years 4 – 6 Information Evening; Principal's Ribbon Cookery; Year 12 Principal's Examinations; Courses & Careers Expo; VET Music Evening; Years 11 and 12 Theatre Performances; GAT; College Board Committees meetings; Finance, Property & Works Committee; Parish Masses; Grease Trivia Night; Information Nights for VCAL, Takada and Philippines Immersion; Career Outlook Evening; Year 12 Seminar; Report Writing Day; 2004 Reunion; 9 Orange at Uniquely Year 9; 10 Gold at On the Edge; AFL; Basketball; Year 7 Premier League; School Music Festival; College Conversation #2; Primary School Principals' Lunch; Year 9 Public Speaking, Chess Club, Scavenger Hunt activity, Benenson Society meeting......

MONICANS OUT & ABOUT

Year 10 at Vinnies: Cara Mazzarella; Jennifer Poto; Maria Manias; Olivia Barulovski

Year 10 at Green Gables Aged Care: Claudia Dalla Rosa; Anela Go; Yashvi Jaswal; Lily Maniatis

Year 9 at St Peter's Literacy: Sienna Bartolomeo; Ava Villella; Ele Matty; Naomi Do; Livinia Le; Nell Rejith

Year 8 at Caroline Chisholm Society: Lucas Hillyer; Cidelle Rodrigues; Alaina Santos; Khiana Giuliano.

BEHIND THE ROSTRUM

Year 9 Interclass debating

The Year 9 Interclass debating competition semifinals concluded on Wednesday 29 May.

Results:

Year 9 Purple defeated Year 9 Brown Year 9 White defeated Year 9 Blue

Year 9 Purple and Year 9 White will compete in the grand final debate to held on Friday 28 June, Periods 4 and 5 in the Theatre of All Nations. Well done and congratulations to all teams on the spirit and standard displayed in this year's debating competition.

Legacy Victoria Junior Public Speaking

Heli Bhavsar from Year 8 competed in the Legacy Victoria Junior Public Speaking Regional Final held at Legacy House on Thursday 30 May. She presented a prepared speech of 5-minutes and a 2-minute impromptu speech on the topic 'winter'. Heli performed very well finishing in second place and narrowly missing out on a place in the preliminary final.

Plain English Awards Regional Final

On Friday 31 May, Hachins D'Souza and Mandy Petros from Year 12 competed in the Plain English Speaking Awards Regional Final held on DRC. They each presented a prepared speech of 6 minutes duration and a 3-minute impromptu speech on the topic 'They are crazy'. They performed very well

with Mandy Petros finishing in second place and narrowly missing out on a place in the preliminary final.

DAV Debating

The third round of the 2019 DAV debating competition for the Watsonia region was held on Monday 3 June at Loyola College, Watsonia.

Results:

A Grade

SMC 1 had a bye

B Grade

SMC 1 won by forfeit against Mill Park Secondary College 1

C Grade

SMC 1 228 defeated Kilmore International College 2 227 (Best speaker Leanne Sebastian)

D Grade

SMC 1 229 defeated Assumption College 3 224 (Best speaker Ava Villella)

SMC 2 225 lost to Parade College 2 226

Well done to all debaters and coaches on their preparation for their debates. The next round of debating is scheduled for Monday 29 July at Loyola College, Watsonia.

BE MORE ACTIVITIES

- St Vincent DePaul Soup Van Donate and collect toiletries for the 'clients' of the soup van
- Refugee Week Special presentation from Sister Brigid Arthur.
- Possible opportunities to visit and volunteer at Children First Foundation Kilmore Retreat, please confirm interest and dates.

DENTAL WASTE CARE COLLECTION

Every toothbrush you have ever used still exists today! Our school is taking part in the Colgate Community Garden Challenge again this year. Last year we collected 290 used dental care products/packaging, that is 5kg of waste. We are collecting ANY brand of used: Toothpaste tubes and packaging, Non-electric toothbrushes and packaging, floss containers and packaging, interdental brushes and packaging. Collection boxes are located in the library on each campus.

MUSIC NOTES

Boroondara Festival

Nine schools participated in the Year 7 – Year 12 Secondary Schools section. St Monica's choir performed extremely well and repeated their result from last year receiving a 'Highly Commended' for their performance with a score of 86/100.

The adjudicator provided some very encouraging comments. She was very impressed with the gold stoles and presentation of the group, as well as their blend and joy in their voices. She commented on the high level of vocal skills amongst the

ensemble and their ability to connect with each song. The soloists, Ava Villella and Luzella Costa were excellent.

The final results were: Wesley College 1st, Haileybury 2nd, Ruyton Girls 3rd and St Monica's received a Highly Commended.





CAREERS CORNER

VU Guaranteed placements for Year 12 students open on 15 July!



VU Guaranteed is an exclusive offer available to students from VU's key partnership schools (St Monica's College students are eligible) that guarantees them a place at VU or VU Polytechnic before they finish Year 12.

At VU they believe the measure of students' potential is much more than just their ATAR. Having a guaranteed place at university takes much of the stress out of a student's final years at school, enabling them to focus on achieving their best.

Find out more about VU Guaranteed and how to apply at https://www.vu.edu.au/study-at-vu/how-to-

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OT AS A CAREER NIGHT THURSDAY 29TH AUGUST 2019

Please join us for our information and demonstration evening and hear from Occupational Therapists experienced in:

- Acute Occupational Therapy including Spinal, Respiratory, Cardiac, Neurology, Neurosurgery, Vascular, General Medicine & Surgery
- Rehabilitation Occupational Therapy including Spinal, Neurology, Orthopaedic, Amputee & Aged Care
- Hand Therapy

RSVP by Wednesday 31st July to Rachel Tai via email rachel.tai@austin.org.au. Successful students will receive a confirmation email. Unsuccessful students will be placed on the priority list for our 2020 session.







LOCATION

ACYF PERTH, 2019

This is a final reminder to Year 9 – Year 12 students about applications for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival from 7-12 December in Perth. One to two paragraphs stating why you wish to attend can be submitted via email to Mrs McLaurin or to campus reception. For information about the festival, visit: http://www.cam.org.au/acyf19. The application is an expression of interest; it does not mean students must or will be selected to attend. Students are encouraged to apply for this amazing experience!

NEW HOURS FOR LOST PROPERTY

New Hours for Lost Property:

Monday - 3.30 - 3.45pm Tuesday - 3.30 - 3.45pm Wednesday - 3.30 - 3.45pm Thursday - 3.30 - 3.45pm Friday - CLOSED Room G71

Students are to wait outside for a staff member to assist them.

ACROSS THE CHESSBOARD

2019 SMC DSC House Chess

Joseph Susi -(Year10 White), Glenora def David Tran (Year 10 Red), Alkira. Joseph went on to play Jake Vasilevski in the Year 10 Chess Grand final.

Congratulations to Shreshth Saharan - 11 Mauve, Glenora on winning through to be the Year 11 Chess Champion for 2019. Well done to Nathan Chow - 11 Brown, Larapinta the Runner Up in this competition.

Congratulations to Darelle Quevedo - 12 Purple, Larapinta and Christian Mitrevski - 12 Mauve, Barinya on winning through to play each other in the Year 12 Chess Grand final in the near future.

2019 SMC House Chess

The Grand Final of the DRC House Chess Competition was played on 30 May to determine the overall House DRC Champion for 2019. Congratulations to De Sheng Xue (Jim) on being crowned the Champion this year. Well done to Yuvraj Sharma, the Runner up. The DRC House Chess competition has drawn to a close for 2019. Thank you to all PCL staff for their support.

OFF THE LIBRARY SHELVES

Premiers' Reading Challenge, Years 8 and 9

Year 8 and Year 9 students are invited to register for the Premiers' Reading Challenge in 2019. Keen readers and anyone who has chosen this as an extra -curricular activity need only email Mrs Johnson or call in to the PCL to request registration for 2019. The program runs as it has in previous years. Anything that you have read throughout 2019 can be included. The closing date is 6 September 2019. Any questions or concerns about Premiers' Reading Challenge can be directed Mrs Johnson in the PCL anytime. There is still plenty of time to complete the challenge and have your efforts acknowledged through this program.

MEDICAL NOTE

Flu Vaccine

It is not too late to have your flu shot and Council are still offering free flu vaccine for all children up until the age of 18 years. The vaccine is available at all public sessions and no appointments are necessary. Check out their website to find a convenient session for you to attend. www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/immunisation

FATHER ROB GALEA



SHAKESPEARE SOCIETY

'Midsummer Night's Dream' Information

Any student who is interested in the SMC Production of "A Midsummer Nights Dream" should join the Google Classroom

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for news, information, videos, the script, audition packs and so on. Alternatively, email Mr Whitehouse on r.whitehouse@stmonicasepping.com

Auditions are being held in the first week of Term 3.

DONATIONS SOUGHT

It is that time of year again that Mrs Hay is looking for raffle prizes. If you received any gifts at Christmas or for your birthday that just aren't right for you but you think someone else would love please consider donating them as prizes for our upcoming raffles. All donations will be gratefully accepted. Please forward them to Mrs Hay in Building B1 (Monica's Cottage No. 1).

<u>SPORT</u>

On Monday 27 May, our Year 9 and Year 10 boys and girls competed in the annual Intermediate SACCSS Competition held at the Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre and the PIT Building, Albert Park.

The boys were based at the PIT Building and started the day off with a loss to Kolbe. They then fought back hard with three wins and a draw, making their last group game against CRC Melton a sudden death clash. The boys prevailed 5 - 3 and advanced through to the semi-finals. Marymede was the team they faced, and unfortunately went down 2-0 early. A late Ari Stamatakos goal gave our boys hope, but they could not find the equaliser as they fell short against the eventual champions.

The girls had a great start at MSAC, going undefeated in their five group games whilst scoring 33 goals and only conceding 1. They advanced to the semi-final against Marymede. Two goals from Sienna Cappola in the first half gave our girls a strong start, and the 3 - 0 victory was capped off with a late sealer to Tiarna Stella. Emmanuel awaited in the grand final. Both undefeated teams clashed for the first time of the day, with the final score after normal time reading 1 - 1. Extra time could not separate the two sides, meaning penalties would decide the grand final. Up stepped the premiership hero Lisa Marie Di Berardino, the goalkeeper pulling off three outstanding saves in the shootout. Tiarna Stella, Bella Tsangas and Captain Clara Rotondi nailed their penalties to give

our girls a 3 - 0 penalty victory. This is the eighth time in nine years that our girls have won the Intermediate Futsal trophy, and after losing it for the first time ever in 2018 the girls were determined to bring the shield back to the College.

Well done to everyone involved in a great day.



Year 7 Premier League Competition

Round 1 against Salesian College

SPORT	SMC		Salesian
AFL	1.3.9	def by	9.13.67
Girls Netball	18	def by	30
Girls Volleyball	3 sets	def	0 sets
Boys Volleyball	3 sets	def	0 sets
Boys Basketball	24	def by	42
Girls Basketball	13	def by	34
Girls Football	10	def	0
Boys Football	8	def	0

Round 2 - CRC North Keilor

SPORT	SMC		CRC NK
AFL	23.17.155	def	0.0.0
Girls Netball	37	def	7
Girls Volleyball	0 sets	def by	3 sets
Boys Volleyball	3 sets	def	0 sets
Boys Basketball	26	def	24
Girls Basketball	46	def	13
Girls Football	0	def by	6
Boys Football	5	def	1

Round 3 vs Marymede

SPORT	SMC		Marymede
Girls Netball	29	def	6
Girls Volleyball	3 sets	def by	0 sets
Boys Volleyball	0 sets	def by	3 sets
Boys Basketball	23	def by	46
Girls Basketball	31	def by	48
Girls Football	5	def	0
Boys Football	9	def	1

Round 4 vs Penola

SPORT	SMC		Penola
AFL	12.9.81	def	6.7.43
Girls Netball	23	drew with	23
Girls Volleyball	3 sets	def	0 sets
Boys Volleyball	3 sets	def	0 sets
Boys Basketball	18	def by	38

Girls Basketball	21	def by	34
Girls Football	1	def by	2
Boys Football	11	def	0

Round 5 vs Kolbe

SPORT	SMC		Kolbe
Girls Netball	37	def	7
Girls Volleyball	0 sets	def by	3 sets
Boys Volleyball	3 sets	def	0 sets
Boys Basketball	26	def	24
Girls Basketball	46	def	13
Girls Football	0	def by	6
Boys Football	5	def	1



SPORT	SMC		Opponent
Girls Volleyball	0 sets	def by	3 sets
Boys Volleyball	2 sets	def	3 sets
AFĹ	2.1.13	def by	16.11.107
Boys Football	2	def	0



















MARVELLOUS MONICANS



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Laura Bradley St Monica's College 400 Dalton Road, Epping 3073

"Letter regarding student: Kate Pavic

Dear Laura Bradley,

Thank you for participating in the Coles Community Bag Design Competition late last year. In total, we received over 1000 entries for the competition and were thrilled with the quality and range of the submissions.

We are delighted to let you know that the design submitted by Kate Pavic has been selected as a winner, which will mean this design will feature on a Community Bag to be sold at Coles next year in 2020. These bags will help to raise funds for one of our major community partners.



In recognition of Kate Pavic's fabulous achievement, we are proud to provide the school with a \$5,000 cheque to be used in an upcoming project at the school. Additionally Kate will receive a \$500 Coles Gift Card in recognition of her talent.

Both Kate and the School will receive a special plaque featuring the winning design for Kate to keep and your school to display if desired".



Principal Letter

May 2019

"Re: Alanah Ilioski

I am pleased to be able to inform you that the student named above has been selected as a member of the School Sport Victoria Team Vic 10-19 Years Swimming State Team.

This team will compete in the annual School Sport Australia Swimming Championship held this year in Melbourne, Victoria from 27 July to 31 July (13-19 Years) and 31 July to 2 August (10-12 Years). The team will compete against ACT, NT, NSW, QLD, SA, TAS, VIC and WA.

School Sport Australia emphasises that such Championships are more than purely a sporting competition, with educational, social and cultural experiences also being provided".

Yours sincerely,

Ian Landy
Team Vic Swimming State Team Administration Officer
School Sport Victoria
Department of Education & Training





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