Dear St Michael’s College Community,

Lasallian Leaders Gathering

Early last week, Brigette Jaeschke (Director of Mission) and I attended a Lasallian Leaders Gathering in Sydney. Representatives from all four areas of the District attended, namely Australia, New Zealand, Pakistan and Papua New Guinea.

The purpose of the Gathering was to provide clear advice to the new Visitor, Br Mark McKeon, on “lines of action” appropriate to the 2013-2016 District Plan focus areas of:

- Association for Mission
- Community Life
- Formation
- Youth Engagement
- Finance and Resources

Br Mark set the scene for the Gathering by outlining a “future full of hope” and a reminder that the purpose of our work is for the Lasallian Educational Mission, so that the needs of the young and marginalized in our society can continue to be met. He impressed upon us that this can only be sustained through a strengthening of “association” and a genuine “co-responsibility” approach between the Brothers and those engaged with them in their educational mission. Br David Hawke then presented a provocative key note address entitled “Together and by Association: Trends and Challenges”, reflecting on the theme from a global, regional and local perspective.

One of the key points that has stayed with me from the gathering is that St Michael's is not only a Lasallian school, but rather we are part of wider, dynamic Lasallian family. Like all families, each member has a responsibility to do their part in ensuring that the family functions properly.

With this in mind, I would once again like to thank the College Leaders and our Lasallian Youth Minister Dom Ascoli for their work on the MAD launches (video is now available on the College intranet). I encourage the whole St Michael’s College community to donate generously and get behind an event that has a far reaching impact on the wider Lasallian family, particularly those in need.

Parent Teacher Interviews

A big thank you to the parents, staff and students involved in last night’s Parent/Teacher interviews. This is a large undertaking with approximately 2700 appointments taking place. The positives of the event are obvious through the opportunity to share information and build relationships that will assist in better outcomes for the students. There have however been some issues in catering for the large number of requests for interviews, with some being unable to occur on the night. While I’m sure you appreciate the difficulty in coordinating and meeting the demand, it is certainly something that we will continue to review. That said, the use of Founders Hall as a venue appeared to get a big tick on the night, reducing noise and the need for parents to move from room to room.

John Foley
Acting Principal
## Calendar

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*(Subject to change)*

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**APRIL**

1. Easter Monday
2. Combined Yrs 8 & 12 Breakfast
3. Mission Action Day (P&S)
4. Parent/Teacher Interviews 3:30pm (P)
5. Yr 11 Drama Production 7pm (S)
6. Yr 11 Breakfast
7. Parent/Teacher Interviews 3:30pm (P)
8. Classes conclude
9. Early Dismissal (P) 12:45pm & 1:05pm (S)

**TERM 2**

**MAY**

1. Years 8 – 10 Academic Assembly
2. College Tours (P&S) 4:00 – 6:00 pm
3. Cross Country Carnival 12 noon (P)
4. Generations in Jazz
5. Year 11 & 12 Academic Assembly
6. Year 11 Geography Camp
7. Year 8 – 10 Cross Country
8. Student Photographs (P)
9. R – 7 Cyber Bullying Presentation
10. NAPLAN
11. Year 7 Assembly
12. Feast Day of St John Baptist De La Salle
13. Year 11 Driver Education
14. Primary Whole Campus Assembly
15. Year 9 Retreat

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### Mass

Parents and parishioners are warmly invited to attend Mass at either Campus each week during school time. Please do not hesitate to contact the College with any queries.

**PRIMARY:** Thursday at 9:05am  
**SECONDARY:** Wednesday 9:00am

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### Rest in Peace

**Mrs Heather Dunk**  
Grandmother of Carly and Joshua Jackson

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord  
and let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

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### Year of Grace ~ Faith must be lived

A Rabbi and a Soap maker went for a walk together.

The Soap maker said:  
“What good is religion? Look at all the trouble and misery of the world after thousands of years of teaching about goodness, truth and peace – after all the prayers, teaching and sermons. If religion is good and true, why should this be?”

The Rabbi said nothing. They continued walking until he noticed a child playing in the gutter.

Then the Rabbi said:  
“Look at that child. You say that soap makes people clean but see the dirt on that youngster. Of what good is soap? With all the soap in the world, the child is still filthy. I wonder how effective soap is after all”.

The Soap maker protested and said:  
“But Rabbi, soap can’t do any good unless it is used.”

“Exactly,” replied the Rabbi, “So it is with Judaism or any other religion. It is ineffective unless it is applied and used.”

‘We make a living by what we get,  
We make a life by what we give’ – Winston Churchill
PRIMAR Y CAMPUS

MAD 2013 - Mission Action Day
Many thanks to Year 12 College Leaders who launched MAD at Beverley last week with a fantastic PowerPoint Presentation. The presentation captured perfectly the tremendous enthusiasm students have for MAD and very clearly delivered the message that we can make a difference through our actions.

Information has been distributed. As we draw nearer to MAD Friday, 5 April, further activity details will be issued. Nominations for preferred activities for Year 5 to Year 7 students should be returned as soon as possible to provide the best opportunity for securing a position in your preferred activity. Students Reception to Year 2 will partake in ‘Fun in the Sun’ and Year 3 and 4 will partake in ‘Team Games’. Please direct any queries to Mr Kym Clark.

Early Morning Drop Off
The gates to the Primary Campus are opened progressively from 8:15am with yard duty supervision beginning at this time. Students are requested not to arrive prior to 8:15am. Yard Duty begins from 8:15am and students should not be left unsupervised by parents prior to the school assuming responsibility for students. We seek your support in this matter.

Punctual Arrival
Students are requested to be on campus and ready to begin the day at 8:55am when classes move into the rooms. A timely arrival at school allows for a smooth beginning to the day which includes allowing each class to begin with prayer and attend to the various morning routines of lunch orders and collection of notices without the disruption of students arriving part way through. We seek your support in this matter.

Mr Kym Clark, Director - Lasallian Mission

PARENT LEARNING @ SMC – Wednesday, 13 March 2013
As you are aware, the Parent Learning Workshops designed to support parents to assist their son/s at home, will be held on Wednesday 13 March from 7:00pm until 8:30pm. The following Workshops will provide parents with strategies to engage boys in all aspects of their Learning.

1. Navigating the Intranet and WikiSpaces (Reception to Year 7)
2. Augmented Reality @ IBEV (Reception to Year 7)
3. Hidden Mathematics (finding maths in everyday activities) (Reception to Year 2)
4. Languages OnLine (Reception to Year 7)
5. Understanding NAPLAN with a Reading focus (Years 3, 5 & 7 will PARTAKE in NAPLAN this year)
6. Understanding the Writing component of NAPLAN (Years 5 & 7 will PARTAKE in NAPLAN this year)
7. Wiggly Worms – linking Science with Literacy (Reception to Year 7)
8. The Cyber Curriculum (Middle Primary: Years 2, 3 & 4)
9. Reading Readiness (Junior Primary: Reception & Year 1)
10. Research – Search, Cite & Succeed (Upper Primary: Years 5, 6 & 7)
11. Mathematics in the 2nd dimension (Middle Primary: Years 2, 3 & 4)
12. Spelling out Spelling (Reception to Year 7)

Please return your workshop selection form by no later than Wednesday 8 March, 2013

Mrs Louise Kometer, Director of Teaching & Learning

Carnevale was a fun-filled day with some great music and awesome masks. There was some great dancing from the Year 1 and Reception students. Also there were some yummy and delicious cupcakes from the mums. Thanks to the Year 7s for helping the mums. There were some amazing posters around the school for Carnevale. We also listened to Year 9 student Nathan Armiento, a talented accordion player. He has been playing an original and old accordion for 2 years and he was amazing. But the one thing that made the whole Carnevale was the tremendous parade.

It was all possible because of our great and amazing teacher Ms Saraceno.

Mane Jurkovic 7AD
Proud Race

During Assembly on Friday February 15, the Primary Campus recognised Sorry Day with a Proud Race presentation in the form of a slide show and music. My Kym Clark read out significant aspects of the show and Ms Tyrwhitt showed the school bollards and explained the Proud Race bollards initiative. The Proud Race website contains many useful resources and this excerpt explains what it is about;

Proud Race is an exciting new initiative which enables schools to record and celebrate the stories of Indigenous Australians on life-size bollards which will be exhibited in venues throughout Australia.

A Proud Race empowers communities to participate in keeping alive the spirit of the “I Feel Proud Today” campaign, held in February this year, to commemorate the National Apology delivered by former Prime Minister of Australia, Mr Kevin Rudd in February 2008.

The bollards are now on display in the front office at Beverley. We plan for them to be displayed during NAIDOC week and Reconciliation week in the coming terms. More links and photos can be seen on the Art Wiki:
http://artsmc.wikispaces.com/Indigenous+Art

Ms Kate Tyrwhitt, Art Teacher & Student Services - Learning Support Teacher

SECONDARY CAMPUS

Year 10 Mums Dinner
Come along and enjoy a meal, drink and catch-up with other Year 10 mums on Wednesday 8 May 2013 at Lakes Resort Bistro, Brebner Drive, West Lakes at 6:30pm for 7:00pm dinner. RSVP by 1 May to either Stephanie Francesca franbock@adam.com.au 0140 470 614 or Rosie McCann rosie.mccann@internode.on.net / 0412 440 172

Years 8 & 9 Student Immunisation 2013
The 2013 school-based Immunisation Program will be provided by the City of Charles Sturt on Thursday 14 March, Thursday 13 June and Thursday 24 October. All forms should now have been returned to the College, whether students wish to receive immunisations or not.

All Year 8 Students will be offered: 2 dose course of Hepatitis B vaccine
1 dose of Varicella (Chicken Pox) vaccine

All female Year 8 students will be offered: 3 dose course of Human Papillomavirus (HPV)

Year 9 Students: 1 dose of diphtheria /Tetanus/Pertussis (Whooping Cough) vaccine

Mr Wayne Hoffman, Director of Information Systems
The Tuckwell Scholarship for Year 12 Students 2013

Are you interested in studying in Canberra at the Australian National University in 2014? See: www.anu.edu.au. Are you likely to get an ATAR over 95 (including Equity Bonus points)? http://students.anu.edu.au/applications/bonus-points-flyer.pdf. Are you Connected to & Committed to Australia? http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/selection-criteria/connected-and-committed. Do you possess the personal Qualities of a Tuckwell Scholar? http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/selection-criteria/the-tuckwell-scholar. Then you are may wish to make an appointment with Ms Coorey to begin the process of applying for a Tuckwell Scholarship to study at ANU in 2014. It is not just the financial benefits on offer $20,000 p.a. for duration of your degree, there are many other opportunities and experiences that come with being in the first group of Tuckwell Scholars. The Tuckwell Scholarship program offer the most transformational undergraduate scholarship in Australia. The vision behind the Scholarship is all about helping you make an impact on your community and the world by offering you unique educational opportunities and personal experiences.

Are you a student who would not necessarily apply for such a competitive scholarship, perhaps because you have a genuine modesty that inhibits you from putting yourself forward or because you feel your background might be a barrier to success?

The Tuckwell Scholarship is looking to identify the hidden gems – those students who are intelligent and talented but for various reasons have not yet shown their full potential – who, given the right opportunity will thrive and compete with the best. There are 25 scholarships on offer and applications opened Monday 4 March and will close Tuesday 2 April. see: http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/home/
Congratulations ...

★ To Ryan Clark (Class of 2012), who has represented South Australia at the recent Basketball Australia National Championships held in Launceston. Ryan was Vice Captain and returned home with a Bronze Medal. He has represented SA since 2009, during which time he has been a member of a gold winning State team at the National 3 on 3 Championships, as well securing additional bronze and silver medals in 2011 and 2012. At the recent Championships led the competition in Defensive Rebounds and was the tournament equal Leading Rebounder. He averaged 10.8 rebounds and 11.5 points per game.

Ryan began his basketball as an Under 10 at the Woodville Basketball Club, played with distinction for St Michael's and to have represented his State in 36 games over 5 years is a credit to his work ethic and to his coaches.

★ To Patrick Ciganovic (Class of 2011) who represented South Australia at the Under 20 Australian Basketball Championships held recently in Launceston, Tasmania. Patrick returned home with a bronze medal.

★ To the SMC School Surfing Team (pictured right) who recently competed in the first round of the ASSA School Surfing Competition at Middleton Point. Contesting the Boys Open Division, Josh Lindsay 11GE and Elliott Clark 12ED were met with a strong stormy swell that tested their paddling and surfing skills. The boys were winners in their heat, but unfortunately the conditions forced the cancellation of the remaining events. The next round in May will see the boys aiming for another good result and a chance for State Team selection.

★ To the SMC rowing team (pictured front page) who, last Saturday, endured a long 8 hour slog in the sun to finish with ‘Gold’. Thomas Jacquier, Alexander Snow, Daniel Quinn and Brittany Georgiadis raced single sculls, double sculls and quadruple sculls in Third Grade and Year 10 A Schoolboys races. Tom, Alex and Dan rowed in the Schoolboys Year 10 A heat with a Year 8 substitute from CBC to make up the crew, and came fourth, which put them in the 'B Final' of Year 10 A Grade. Brittany Georgiadis coxed. The boys then rowed the B final and dominated the race from start to finish. This was technically their best performance to date. All rowed with great skills at a wonderful pace, with superb coxswain skills from Brittany, and they finished well ahead of the field for a gold medal.

CO-CURRICULAR RESULTS

Students can access fixture information via the College intranet

All enquiries to Daniel.Lees@smc.sa.edu.au / Kellie.Casserly@smc.sa.edu.au / Lachlan.Bartlett@smc.sa.edu.au

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VOLLEYBALL
Junior Indoor
SMC 1 v CAB 3; Best: J Disalvatore, R D’Aloia
SMC 2 v Marymount 1; Best: E Levy, C Turner, K Staszuk

WATER POLO
SMC 1 v Merc 1; Goals: E Marinoff 4, B Bisset 2, K Rigney 1; Best: A Davoren-Searcy, B Bisset

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

St Michael's school mum Jodie Catt is battling bowel and liver cancer – and the crippling costs that come with its treatment. Despite her private health insurance, she is forced to spend thousands of dollars each month out of her own pocket to cover her medical costs.

So the St Michael’s community is rallying to help.

Please join us on Wednesday, May 15 for a special screening:

The Big Wedding
At Capri Theatre, 141 Goodwood Road, Goodwood
From 6.30pm for 7.15pm start. $20 per ticket

Nibbles supplied prior to movie. Sweets and desserts following the screening.
Drinks, including alcohol, tea and coffee available at own cost.
Group bookings encouraged.
Dress code: Wear a touch of purple. Best dressed gets a prize.
A raffle will also be held and prizes drawn on the night. Tickets will be sold prior to, and on the night, so look out for more information on that via classroom reps.

More Tickets are available through the Primary Campus Administration Centre – St Michael’s College

For more information, visit the Jodie’s Big Night Out Facebook event page or contact: Kathrine Crocchiolak (04) 3980 4578, Anri Clift (04) 784 1581), Kathy Davy (04) 950 9617), Rachel Liebert (04) 251 29518 or Liz Dessau (04) 12 286 152)