# Semper Fidelis Issue 15 2021

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#### Acknowledgement

We acknowledge and pay respect to the peoples of the Yorta Yorta Nation, including the eight clan groups, as the traditional and ongoing custodians of the land on which we gather today and we recognise that it continues to be sacred to them. We Hail them: As guardians of the earth and of all things that grow and breed in the soil; As trustees of the waters – the seas, the streams and rivers, the ponds and the lakes and the rich variety of life in those waters.

## All Saints and All Souls

In the Catholic Calendar, November 1 is All Saints Day and November 2 is All Souls Day. November is a significant month as it marks an extended period of time where we reflect on the gifts of the lives of the Saints - role models of sacrifice and service; and the lives of those who have passed away, those we loved and continue to love, and those who may be forgotten. We remember and pray for all the souls of the departed in spiritual unity. Leunig

Lord, our God

We remember those who have gone before us.

Your kingdom is for all people of every race, language and way of life.

We remember that all who we meet, those who have gone before us, and those who follow, are called to share in your kingdom.

We remember the Saints.

The work of your hands is manifested in them.

The beauty of your truth is reflected in their faith.

May we who aspire to have a part in their joy be filled with the Spirit that blessed their lives, so that having shared their faith on earth, we may also come to know their peace in your kingdom.

We also remember before God all those souls who are in our hearts today;

Those who we have known and loved, and those whose names are unknown to us;

For all who may be forgotten.

For all of the souls of the faithful and departed, we commend them to God's infinite mercy and goodness .

We surround them with our own compassion and love

AMEN



# From the Principal - Lew Nagle

# **All Souls Day**

All Souls Day is celebrated next Tuesday, November 2nd. This is a day when we think and pray for all the faithful departed. One of the difficult challenges we have all faced during the past 18 months was the limitations on gatherings for funerals and ceremonies to celebrate the lives of loved ones. With the prospect of these restrictions being lifted, it is timely this year to pray for all our families who have lost loved ones during this time.

May families be given the strength to bear the heavy burden until they can walk again with a light heart and renewed spirits.

## **2022 School Leaders**

The process to appoint our Senior Student Leaders has commenced and I am delighted to announce the following appointments:

College Captains College Vice Captains Faith & Justice Leader SRC President

Mia McCully and Ethan Lay Hayley Webster and Harry Nagle Jess Mansfield Stephanie Munro



# **Artwork on show**

Every year, the Benalla Regional Art Gallery holds an exhibition called Showcase. This exhibition is specifically held to display the work of high performing VCE students of Studio Arts, Art, Media Studies and Visual Communication from our region.

This year we are very excited to announce the inclusion of three of our students who studied Studio Arts. Each individual undertook an extensive exploration based on a personal theme with the expectation that they were able to produce two finished works as a result. The calibre of this year's work is exceptional, particularly if we consider the many interruptions to school life. Congratulations to Alyssa Vescio, Lauren Vescio and Tim Karnaukhov for their hard work and perseverance during trying times. This exhibition can be viewed from the 22nd October until the 28th of November, in the Bennett Room at Benalla Art Gallery.



This week we welcome Robyn Lucas and Jack Cooke to our staff. Robyn and Jack will be with us for Term 4 covering long service leave vacancies. I'm sure you will join me in making them both welcome.





## Year 12 update

Our Year students finished their last of formal classes on 20th October. To celebrate they came dressed up in a TV or Movie character and then went to Tunzafun followed by a pizza lunch at the Ski Club. Students were in good spirits as they left the school to prepare for exams.

Over the past week there have been a number of Year 12 students coming to school to study together in the study rooms or use their teachers for any final revision. It has been great to see their commitment over the week and we wish them well for their exams which began on Wednesday morning with the English exam. Below is a link for the exam timetable.

https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/administration/Key-dates/Pages/VCE-exam-timetable.aspx The last day for exams for our students is Tuesday November 16th.

The graduation evening will be held on Thursday 18th at the Golf Club. Final details will be sent to students and families closer to the date.

#### Mr Richard Geary Yr 12 Leader







# VCE External Examinations

Today our Year 12 VCE students showed determination, enthusiasm and resilience as they waited outside the Mulwala Football Club rooms eager to sit their VCE English examination. They were ready to put their knowledge of the texts, analytical thinking and their reading and writing skills to the test, over the course of 3 hours (Writing) and 15 minutes (Reading). They have had to overcome many challenges to reach this point and they should be very proud of staying the course.

We also have many students in Year 11 who are undertaking Year 12 Subjects at Unit 3 & 4 level and our Year 12s have only just begun their busy examination period. We encourage them to make use of their teachers who are committed to our students achieving their best by providing excellent teaching and making themselves available to students to mark practice examination papers and running additional classes, lectures and tutorials.

Our efforts, thoughts and prayers are with our students (and their families who provide invaluable support) as they complete their final examinations in a positive and professional manner.

Below is a prayer that we encourage students and their families to return to during the examination period to know that they are held and supported.

# Prayer for Preparation to Study

Lord, I know you are with me and love me.

Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this time of study.

Help me to focus on my books and notes, keep me from all distractions so that I will make the best use of this time that is available to me.

Give me insight that I might understand what I am studying, and help me to remember it when the time comes.

Above all, I thank you for the ability to be able to study and for the many gifts and talents you have given me.

Help me always to use them in such a way that they honor you and do justice to myself. A Salesian Prayer

### Miss Linehan Deputy Principal Learning and Professional Practice

#### Did you know..

**EVERYONE experiences anxiety at times.** The Brave Program is an online self-help program that contains both resources & information for children, teens & their parents. It is designed to help young people with anxiety to overcome worries and improve the quality of their lives.

It's free, fun & helpful.



# Sports Report

Since returning to onsite classes, students in Year 7 have been learning how to play cricket. This has consisted of learning how to hold a bat properly, how to hit the ball the right way and how to bowl. Classes have been held in either the MPB

or out on the oval. Students have had a great time learning

different aspects of playing cricket. Both Year 7 classes have shown great improvement since their first lesson.

Students in Year 10 PE have been learning how to play softball. Most students have never played softball before, but have really enjoyed it. This week the Year 10 classes were taken over to Kennedy Park to have a game of softball. Four teams, two games. It was so much fun! Thank you to everyone involved.

# **State Chess Finals**

Chess tournaments have been online events this year and this has meant we could compete in more tournaments, and at a higher level.

To finish the year off we competed in the State Chess finals at both Mid-

and everyone performed better than they had hoped. We were the smallest school competing and one of a few regional schools. Well done to everyone who had a go.

## Mrs Baird

## 2022 Book orders

Senior Book Orders - will be available for collection on Friday 12th November 2021 from the Wexford Administration Office between 9am and 12 noon.2022 Year 8 and 9 Book orders are to be completed online at:www.campion.com.au or by going to the College website and clicking

on the Campion icon.Orders can be collected from the Administration Office between 9am and 12 noon on Thursday 27th January. Home delivery orders will be delivered by the 25th January. 2022 Year 7 Booklists will be made available to families over the next week. However, these can still be ordered in advance by visiting the College website and clicking on the Campion icon at the bottom of the page.

Further information regarding Year 7 Orientation and Transition will be sent home with students this week when Mr Bonat, Year 7 Coordinator, visits Sacred Heart Primary School. Stationery Orders will be included in the pack. Stationery Orders are to be returned to either Sacred Heart College or the Yarrawonga Newsagency no later than Friday 11th December.

## **Hats**

A reminder to all students that hats are required during Term 4. The hats are to be the College navy broad brim hat and it would be greatly appreciated if each student labels their hat on the inside with their name. Hats can be purchased from either Administration Office for \$12.

## **Fees**

A reminder that 2021 College fees are due in full and will need to be finalised by the end of November. Contact the Finance Department if you require further information on: 03 57 421 300



Even when you know

they can't help you

back..













## **KEY DATES**

## NB: Key Dates may be subject to change

Wednesday 27th Oct	VCE exams begin
Monday 1st November	Student free day
Tuesday 2nd November	Melbourne Cup public holiday
Thursday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Monday 15th - Friday 19th Nov	Year 10 exams Senior Book orders arrive
Thursday 18th Nov	Year 12 Graduation Dinner
Monday 22nd Nov	Correction Day, student free
Monday 23rd Nov	Headstart
Wednesday 8th December	Last day for all students
Thursday 27th January 2022	Book orders can be collected from the Administration Office
Tuesday February 1 2022	Year 7 & 12 students Year 7 laptop roll afternoon

# **Commitment to Child Safety**

Sacred Heart College Yarrawonga is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students at the College. As a Catholic school, we are entrusted with the holistic education of the child, in partnership with parents, guardians and caregivers who are the primary educators of their children. Sacred Heart College will implement the ChildSafe Standards to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students at the College and promote an organisational culture that manages the risk of child abuse and neglect.

# **Child Safe Standards**

All schools in Australia are mandated to comply with the eight Child Safe Standards.

The standards are in place to keep your children safe. In order for us at Sacred Heart College to comply, it is imperative that we know who is on site between 8.30am and 3:30pm, the reason for their visit and how long they will be on site for. As such, any visitor to our school (including parents, volunteers and trades people), must enter via the front Administration Office and sign in and cannot simply enter any of the learning areas before doing so. Please do not be offended if a staff member asks you the reason for your visit or if you have signed in. This is for the safety of all children. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the College.