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Recently I met with two senior students who are planning a sleepout to raise awareness and much needed funds for St Vincent de Paul. We have students taking part in the Vinnies Van. Our students take the Catholic faith to students in our local government school. As catechists they play a vital role. Our students bring such blessings to our community. I see daily acts of kindness and generosity. It is very easy to focus on those of us who may stumble or who may be unkind. However, it is the hope and love we bring to the Nagle community that makes us people of Welcome and Faith.

God created us to love and to be loved. Christ's love is always stronger than the evil in the world, so we need to love and to be loved: it's as simple as that. This shouldn't be such a struggle to achieve. Our Benefactor is instantly available to us because His Spirit is within us: "God's Spirit lives in you." Rom. 8:9. In this case God is here waiting patiently for us to acknowledge His presence.

To know that God is always with us and that we are never alone can be transforming. We need only to be open and receptive to God's quiet presence, listening to His encouragement, accepting His guidance. By His presence, God is revealing that we are never alone in any of the moments of our lives, even though some of these moments are dark. God never wills that we suffer, but He is there to help us make the best of it.

Rather than "going it alone", we ought to rest awhile and let God love us. In the process of turning to God, we begin to discover deep within ourselves a core of peace and courage. We begin to understand, if only briefly, what St Paul meant when he said, "...the life I live is not my own; Christ is living in me". Gal:2 20, 21.

God does love unconditionally and is waiting, patiently, for us to acknowledge His presence. St Augustine wrote: "You have created us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

Wishing all fathers, grandfathers and those who provide fatherly guidance, a very happy Fathers' Day.

God Bless, Mrs Delma Horan

Diary Dates

Sep 1 – 12 Yr 11 Exams Sep 17 Yr 12 Graduation Day/Night Sep 19 Last day of Term 3 Sep 19 Staff Development Day

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From the Assistant Principal

Day to day

From the outside schools may appear to be places of routine and calm.

The reality though is very different. Every day there are five hours of learning for each girl, which equals close to 4000 hours in total. Teachers are planning lessons for all their students, endeavouring to meet each girl's individual learning needs. At any one time there are close to fifty classes occurring again attempting to meet the needs of eight hundred girls. That means that at any one time there are up to 800 individual learning experiences occurring. Our girls and staff do an outstanding job in learning and teaching every day. Of course there is lots happening outside of lesson time. Homework, assessment tasks, study, lesson preparation, researching, professional reading and marking all happen as a result of the day's activities and in readiness for each new day. So I am sure you would join me in congratulating every member of the dynamic learning community that we have here at Nagle.

Student Leadership

We are at that time of the year when the following year's leaders need to be commissioned. The Year 11 girls and staff have voted for the 8 SRC members who will lead the College. Following this will be the appointment of College Captain and College Vice Captain. House Captains will also be decided this term. Next term the junior years will vote for the girls they think will best fulfil the role of leader for their year. It is an exciting time and also a very affirming time to see how many outstanding girls we have here at Nagle. The College and home can feel proud of the job we have done in raising and educating such fine young women.

Mr Michael Hall

From the Leader of Teaching and Learning

2014 NAPLAN results

NAPLAN reports for Years 7 and 9 students arrived in the school this week. Girls in the two year groups were given their results on Friday and parents should have received these last night. The reports for students who were absent were put into the mail on Friday.

The receipt of the NAPLAN results provides an opportunity for teachers and parents to review students' achievements and set goals to develop their skills further. By examining the results, teachers will be able to identify students who require greater challenges or additional support in their learning.

In Term 4 Nagle College will hold a parent forum to discuss our efforts to develop the girls' skills in literacy and numeracy. Parents, especially the parents of students in Year 7 and 9, are encouraged to attend this evening. In the meantime, if you have questions about your daughter's NAPLAN report, please feel free to contact me directly.

How effectively is your daughter using her study time?

Even though parents and teachers tell students that multi-tasking is not an effective way to work,

sometimes students just don't believe them! They think that they are different and that this is just something parents and teachers say with no evidence. Here are some academic research studies to demonstrate to students that there is proof that multi-tasking personal activities and schoolwork just doesn't work. These should provide food for thought.

RESEARCH STUDY 1

Ellis, Y., Daniels, W. and Jauregui, A. (2010). The effect of multitasking on the grade performance of business students. Research in Higher Education Journal,

8http://www.aabri.com/manuscripts/10498.pdf

In this study, 62 university students were taking an accounting course. During a lecture, half were allowed to text and half had their phones turned off. After the lecture there was a quiz and those students who did not text scored much higher marks than those who were texting at the same time that they were trying to listen to the lecture.

RESEARCH STUDY 2

Kraushaar, J. M. and Novak, D. C. (2010). Examining the affects of student multitasking with laptops during lecture. Journal of Information Systems Education, 21 (2), 241-251.

In this study 97 students were using laptops during a 15 week management information systems course. A spyware program had been installed on all laptops to track what students did on their laptop, looking at productive work versus distractive software (games, instant messages, web-browsing, social media). Students who tried to listen to the lecture while using these distractive windows had significantly lower scores on homework, projects, quizzes, final exams and final course averages. The researchers also found that students under reported the extent of their multi-tasking. This means they were actually multi-tasking much more than they realised.

RESEARCH STUDY 3

Bowman, L. L., Levine, L. E., Waite, B. M. and Dendron, M. (2010). Can students really multitask? An experimental study of instant messaging while reading. Computers & Education, 54, 927-931. Students in a psychology course had to read on their computer screen a 4000 word document. There were 3 groups. One used instant messaging before they started reading, one used instant messaging while they were reading, and a third group just read the document with no instant messaging. The group who did instant messaging while they were reading took between 22% and 59% longer to read the passage – and that was with the time spent messaging subtracted!

RESEARCH STUDY 4

Fried, C. B. (2008). In-class laptop use and its effects on student learning. Computers and Education, 50 (3), 906-914.

Students in a psychology course completed weekly surveys on their use of laptops during class. The study found that the more students used their laptops in class the lower was their performance and their understanding of the lectures.

Learn more about how to improve your results and be more efficient and effective with your schoolwork by working through the units on <u>www.studyskillshandbook.com.au</u>. You can download blocking software from the **Dealing with Distractions** unit. Why not explore the new look of the **Home Study Environment** unit and let Enhanced Learning know what you think?

Our school's access details are:

Username: fornaglecollegeonly Password: 54results

Messages from the Business Manager

SCHOOL FEES

All School Fee Accounts were due 19th August, 2014. If you still have an outstanding account and have not made an arrangement with Mrs Fairhurst please do so as soon as possible to avoid receiving any unnecessary letters.

All school fee discussions are strictly confidential.

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

During the course of the year families might need to change contact details, eg; address, phone numbers, etc. So that our information is always up-to-date, we would appreciate if you could contact the office with any changes so that they can be noted on our system.

CHANGES TO OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are introducing changes to our Sport Uniform in Year 2015. This is a progressive change over the next 2 years, which will include all items. Year 7 2015 will be the first year to wear the new Sport Uniform.

<u>Current Year 10</u> have the option to wear their Senior Uniform in Term 4. This will comprise of a Senior Blouse and a Senior Tie.

Snr Cardigan will be available to purchase in Year 2015, **this is optional**, but will not be delivered to the school until Term 2. A sample is currently available for viewing, however a try-on sample will be made available later in Term 4 for orders to be placed.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

02.09.2014	RECESS	LUNCH			
09.09.2014	RECESS	LUNCH			
16.09.2014	NOT OPEN	NOT OPEN			
07.10.2014	NOT OPEN	LUNCH			
Uniform shop hours for Term 4 as normal					

Mary Fairhurst

Year 7 News

Year 7, have been investigating through Learn to Learn, the importance of having good interpersonal skills. Through the online site Embrace the Future, the students have been looking at the skills that are needed by young people to become resilient. Having strong interpersonal skills is an important aspect of building resilience. Some of the key areas that we have started to discuss include: being friendly, solving conflict, taking responsibility and having self-confidence. The students have been looking at the importance of having such skills and identifying ways in which to build on the skills that they already have to help them become resilient learners.

If you have not had an opportunity to look at the Embrace the Future website <u>http://www.embracethefuture.org.au</u> with your daughter or to ask your daughter about what she is learning in class I strongly encourage you to do so. By your daughter hearing the message both at home and school, it will help her to understand the importance of having these very important life skills.

Congratulations to the numerous girls of Year 7 who have been actively involved in the life of the College. It has been wonderful to see so many of you involved in a vast range of activities that are offered here at the College. It takes great courage to step outside of our comfort zone and try new things and to let the community see our talents. I am very proud of your efforts and achievements and hope to see more of you taking up this challenge in the final term of school.

Mrs Shean Year 7 Co-ordinator









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Year 8 Social

Last Tuesday night Nagle College hosted the Year 8 Social with the boys from Patrician Brothers College, Blacktown. Students from both schools were dressed to the nines and looked absolutely fantastic! The Nagle girls learnt the social dances last year and practised them again during sport time this term. The Social is a highlight of the school calendar for each year group and this year was no different! It was great to see the girls enjoying themselves so much and having a great time. Thanks must also go to all of the staff members who attended the evening; it was much appreciated.

Mr Houseman Year 8 Co-ordinator















Year 10 News

On Tuesday the 2nd of September, Year 10 watched an educational theatre performance created by Brainstorm Productions called WIRED.

The play was performed by two adolescents who highlighted the causes and effects of stress and depression associated with exams, relationships and everyday life.

We got to see the characters act out strategies that could be used in order to make positive choices. Through the performance it was clear that the choices we make direct our future and that sometimes in life we are forced to change course.

It was great to see the girls so engaged by the well-developed script and modern music and contributing to the performance by actively participating and encouraging the performers.

Mrs Concato

Year 10 Co-ordinator



Stanwell Tops – Year 11 Retreat

On the 13th of August, Year 11 set off to Stanwell Tops for their Retreat. It was a chance to separate ourselves from school, reflect, and grow closer as a Year group. The theme for the retreat was bravery and through a series of activities, we learnt what it meant to be brave and how to apply it to our lives.

The teachers provided a point of inspiration through their talks about times in which they and their families were brave. There were also various workshops where we made symbols of bravery to keep through times of hardship, learnt the importance of working as a team and were reintroduced to Nano Nagle and other Presentation people who are the models for bravery in the school community. This was then built upon by discussion groups where ideas about what we had learnt were shared and talked about.

On the second night of the Retreat, the students participated in a Healing Liturgy. It was a special and emotional experience that allowed for a time of reflection upon our lives, a chance to let go of past events and an opportunity to reconcile with both ourselves and God.

On the morning of our last day, we were greeted with a 5:30am wake up for our dawn Mass to celebrate our experience and the time we spent together before leaving and returning to our day-to-day lives.

Our sincerest thanks goes to all the staff involved as well as Father Peter for creating such a fulfilling experience, one which we will never forget.

By: Gillian Abadines and Lauren Alam

Australian Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians

Early in Term 2 eleven students participated in the 2014 Australian Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians. The students had three weeks to solve six complex problems that required their use of mathematical knowledge, deeper thinking and some trial and error to not only solve problems but also provide logical reasoning in their solutions. All participants tried hard and received a Participation Certificate at a recent College assembly. This year we wish to congratulate Annabel Darmali (Yr 7) and Derica Elogious (Yr 8) who received a Credit Award and Aswithaa Visakeswaran (Yr 8) who was awarded a Certificate of Distinction.

Mrs Katherine Serbin

Year 12 News

I would like to inform you about some applications which your daughter might want to consider as she lodges her UAC application, they are as follows:

• EAS: Educational Access Scheme: application for this scheme is available to help students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage to gain admission to university. EAS are available to students whose educational performance has been seriously affected, due to circumstances beyond their control or choosing, normally for a period of at least six months, during Year 11 and/or Year 12 or equivalent.

For more information please refer to the UAC website and/or see Ms Smith to determine whether your daughter is eligible for this.

SRS (Schools Recommendation Schemes): This scheme is one way institutions make early offers to current Australian Year 12 students who have applied for undergraduate admission through UAC. SRS aims to facilitate access to higher education for current Australian Year 12 students who might otherwise not be offered a place. SRS applications are assessed centrally at UAC, using school recommendations and non-Year 12 academic achievements.
 If your daughter is interested in applying for this scheme, she needs to access the UAC website for an SRS application. This can be done by using her UAC application number and UAC PIN. Please note that final applications close on Tuesday the 30th of September 2014.

Year 12 Mass and Graduation

A letter has been issued to your daughter regarding all the major events taking place in the last week of Term 3 Week 10. We would like to remind your family that the mass will commence at **6pm on Wednesday the 17th of September** followed by the Graduation ceremony in the College Hall. We look forward to seeing you on this evening.

Ms Christine Smith Year 12 Co-ordinator

Book Swap

In celebration of Book Week, the Nagle College Library hosted its annual Book Swap. This year, there were about 70 girls who participated, which was a fantastic turn out. Every girl brought in books to donate, swap and share. In addition, Ms Price, Mrs Szymanski and Mrs Sinclair culled the fiction section of the library, thus keeping our library up-to-date and giving hundreds of books new homes with enthusiastic readers. There were hundreds of books to choose from, and the girls left very excited about all the books that they could add to their collection and share with their friends and family. Thanks to everyone involved for making the Book Swap such a huge success!













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Tournament of the Minds

On Sunday 24th August, fourteen students competed in the Tournament of the Minds Competition at the University of Western Sydney, Kingswood. The two teams were very busy for the first six weeks of Term 3 spending every lunch time and Thursday afternoon preparing for the event.

Tournament of the Minds requires each team to prepare a presentation on a set challenge. A lot of thought, creativity, teamwork and time were spent to ensure that the teams were ready and competitive. The challenge also required the teams to "think on their feet" on the day as they also had to complete a spontaneous challenge. Teamwork, creative ideas and time management were tested as each team had five minutes to prepare and solve an unseen problem in front a team of three judges.

The Applied Technology team invented a wearable technology and also had to film an infomercial to be played as part of their presentation. This team comprised of: Navreet Kaur (Yr 7), Ishika Singh (Yr 7), Prachi Patel (Yr 7), Kiran Mann (Yr 7), Felicity Rodricks (Yr 9), Harnoor Jawandha (Yr 10), Shrishti Gupta (Yr 10)



The Social Science team presented a case to the International Court of Justice on the arguments for and against moving the national icon of the Australian emu to Sweden. This team comprised of: Aditi Bathla (Yr 7), Kellie Gallgher (Yr 7), Jessica Sidhu (Yr 7), Brittany Pine (Yr 9), Caroline Pech (Yr 10), Simrat Sandhu (Yr 10), Jusleen Saggi (Yr 10)

Both teams are to be congratulated on being excellent ambassadors of Nagle College and for their dedication and enthusiasm.

Mrs Katherine Serbin



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Write a Book in a Day

"Write-a-Book-in-a-Day" is the literary and fundraising initiative of the Katharine Susannah Prichard Writers' Centre and Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation.

It is a writing marathon aimed to raise funds for Children's hospitals in each Australian State. A copy of each finished book is donated to the hospital library.

Nagle College chose to compose their children's books on the 26th of August. Each team was allocated three characters, a setting and an issue on which to base their book. The girls were spilt into two groups and spent the whole day dedicated to their work.

Team A's stimulus involved:

- Primary Character1 Mechanic
- Primary Character 2 Hospital Cook
- Non-Human Character
 Flesh Eating Plant
- Setting
- Apartment Block
- Issue
 Helping a stranger

Random words which must appear where:

- Hectic
- Fascinating
- Cantankerous
- Furry
- Curious

The benefits of the project extended beyond just writing a work of fiction. These girls developed teamwork, leadership skills, and were able to enhance their writing abilities. Senior students acted as mentors to junior students, encouraging them and assisted in keeping them on schedule throughout the day. Students involved in the project were:

Team A		Team B	
Lady Afraku	7	Shannara Berriman	9
Cheryl Kumar	8	Neya Girithar	9
Andrea Calubad	8	Samantha Batara	7
Gurleen Kaur	10	Thien-Ly Nguyen	9
Bernadette Pudadera	a 10	Angela Azar	9
Olivia Sargent	10	Mokosoi Muranty	7
Rachel Depares	10	Patricia Macabulos	10
Zoe Hooper	10	Jessica Sidhu	7
Auslene Francis	10	Eliza Sibbald	7
Andrea Kuriacose	11	Kristina Kresic	11
Angela Catipon	11	Mikaela Mandato	11

The full stories are available on the College Library webpage.

A thank you to Miss Rowan and Mrs Bromley for their efforts in co-ordinating the day and allowing us to be involved in this worthwhile project.

Written by Mikaela Mandato and Kristina Kresic



Farm News – Penrith Show

Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance - Samuel Johnson

On the 30th of August, Nagle joined 15 other schools to compete for the coveted display trophy, champion calf, champion sheep and best poultry exhibit. The competition was tough and although we managed to secure a number of ribbons the trophy remained out of reach for this year. Our wonderful show team learnt a lot and were a fine representative of the College, with their standard of judging, exhibiting in competitions and interaction with the public. The families that came along to support their daughters can be proud of their efforts and their help is very much appreciated.

The 31st August was another day of fierce competition from schools competing for gold in the Rural Olympics. Events included; erecting a conventional and electric fence, chemical calibration and application, sheep husbandry and hay bale stacking and securing. Each event had a 20 minute limit. The competition seems to get tougher every year and Nagle is always up there with the best of them. Great work team. Some ideas for next year, we still have to win that trophy!

Mr Mykel Koller Agriculture Teacher





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Commerce Market Day - Learning in Action

Friday 29th August was Nagle College's annual Market Day. This is a day when Year 9 Commerce students are able to put their learning into action by opening their small businesses to the school community during lunchtime. It was a great day where a variety of products were sold with students rushing to get their favourite pizza, chicken, churros, kebabs, wraps, lolly bags and more.

It was a great opportunity for us to experience what it is like to operate, plan and run a business and show the rest of the school what we have been working on during lessons. It was also a great pleasure to serve the school community and to see everyone having a great time. The day was a complete success and was hopefully enjoyed by all.

After many tiring and busy months both Commerce classes completed this task very well as we hope the rest of the school will agree. A credit to both of our classes in completing Market Day successfully and we hope you all enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed providing a Market Day to remember.

We would like to say a big Thank You to all the staff and students for their co-operation and support on the day as well as our Commerce teachers, Mrs Krishnan and Miss Chidiac for all their efforts and helpful advice leading up to the day.

By Year 9 Commerce 2014





CAPTIVATE DANCE

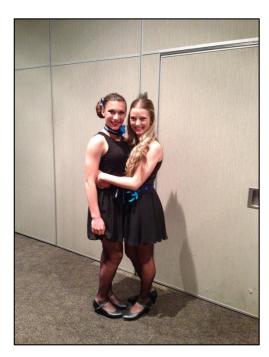
I have been a part of the Captivate Dance Ensemble since 2010. This experience has allowed me to make many new friends who share the same passion for dance across the Parramatta Diocese. The Captivate program has also given me access to professional experience and work with many different professionals in the industry.

On Friday the 22nd of August, Captivate was fortunate enough to provide entertainment, hostesses and models for the Western Sydney Business Awards at Rosehill Racecourse. This was a formal event meaning we had to all act in a professional manner. Zoe Apap, Marjorie Laquian and myself represented Nagle College, along with

students from other schools. We did a meet and greet with guests, mingled and performed in a flash mob. Zoe and I were also lucky enough to be selected to act as models and accompany the winners from stage and assist in the media room.

Students from years 3 - 12 are able to participate in the Captivate Dance Ensemble and we rehearse on Fridays at St Agnes, Rooty Hill at 4.30pm. We are always looking for new performers so please come along and join our dance group.

Huntar Hakim





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Premier's Reading Challenge

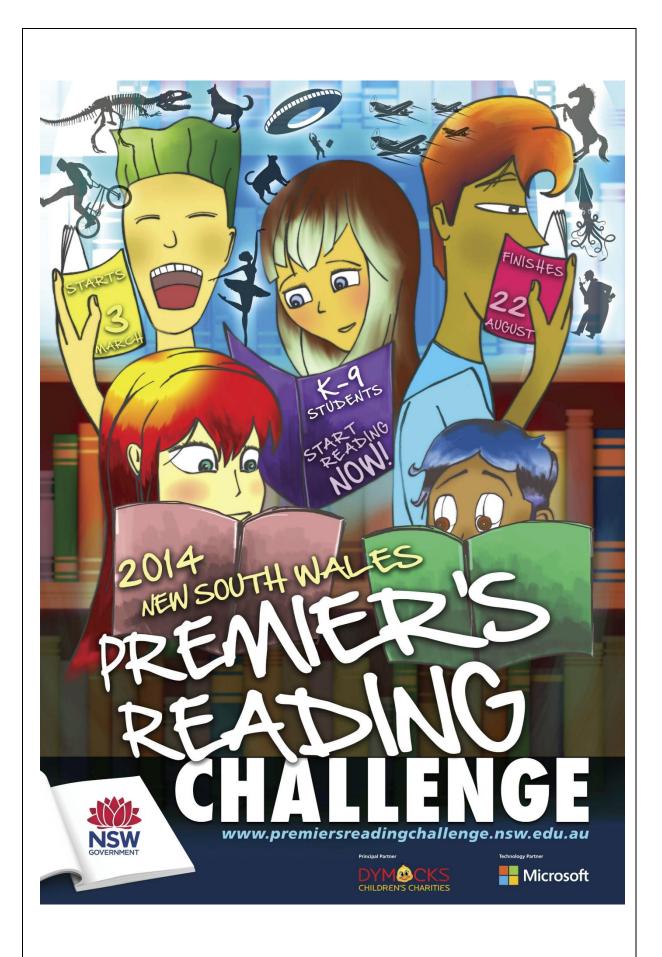
The Premier's Reading Challenge is an annual reading event that is designed to foster a love of reading in students from Years K-9 all over Australia. The challenge requires students to read twenty books: fifteen that are preselected for the challenge and five choice books. This year, we had 33 readers at Nagle College complete the Challenge, which is almost 30% more than in the past. What a successful year! It's wonderful to see the love of reading spread and grow throughout the Nagle College community.

Congratulations to the following girls. Each will receive a certificate from the Premier's Reading Challenge that will be presented to them at an upcoming assembly.

Ananya	Ahuja	Dajana	Popovic
Ara Mae	Arciaga	Skye	Reilly
Aditi	Bathla	Shriya	Singh
Christen	Bermudez	Valentine	Sultana
Annabel	Darmali	Madeeha	Khan
Taylah	Dolly	Georgia	Tabone
Caitlyn	Gibbins	Natasha	Attard
Jasmeet	Kaur	Siddiqa	Butt
Navreet	Kaur	Atong	Deng
Kiran	Mann	Ravleen	Kahlon
Angelina	Mateo	Tarnpreet	Kaur
Emma	McDonald	Virginia	Mafi
Carmen	Mifsud	Brittany	Pine
Mokosoi	Muranty	Felicity	Rodricks
Ryana	Narayan	Kathleen	Schell
Patrice	Pascual	Stephanie	Southam
		Bronte	Ward

For more information on the challenge, please visit the Reading page of the Nagle College Library Website: <u>www.naglecollegelibrary.com</u>.

Ms Eva Price Librarian/Teacher



Dance Competition

Date: 13th September

Time: 5pm

Venue: Castle Hill High School, Castle Street Castle Hill

Prices:

Adults per session \$10

School children per day \$5

Senior Citizens per session \$5.00

Please come along to support the

Nagle College Dance Group.



Transition News

Bedford College Open Day

Bedford College will be hosting its Open Day on Saturday 6th September (Glebe) and Saturday 13th September (Norwest). Both days will commence at 9.30am and conclude at 3.00pm.

Activities and events that will be held throughout the day include:

- Seminars throughout the day
- University articulation pathways information sessions
- Course Information Advisers on hand to help with course and career information
- Accommodation information for country students
- VET Fee-Help questions answered (Study Now Pay Later)
- Past and current students talk about life at/after Bedford College
- Talk to teachers and staff
- View students' work
- Watch the videos showing the 'life of Bedford'

A Sausage Sizzle is available in the outdoor area at the Norwest Campus and light refreshments at Glebe

Scholarships Available: Scholarships are available in Business and Early Childhood Education at both the Glebe and Norwest Campuses and will cover <u>half the tuition costs</u> for the 2015 academic year. Assessments are held during Open Day (students can download the Scholarship Application Form from our website) - (country students may choose to sit the scholarship assessment at their own school - contact Bedford College for more details or go to the website link) - <u>Bedford Scholarships</u>

University Articulation Pathways: Bedford College's university articulation agreements continue to grow and they are now able to offer a range of university pathway options (with substantial credits) to diploma graduates in all our courses. For many students, these pathways provide the opportunity to attend university without the stress often associated with the HSC and the ATAR. It's also important to note that Bedford Graduates can use their diploma qualification to enrol in a range of university courses.

Which campus should I choose? Obviously the location of their education provider is an important decision for students, and most will choose to attend the one that's the easiest to get to. Both campuses offer the high-standard of training for which Bedford College is renowned and each has its own unique setting.

Glebe Campus - 54 Parramatta Road, Glebe (opposite Sydney University)

Norwest Campus - 2 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills (One block from Windsor Road - behind the Novatel, Norwest Hotel)

For more information visit the Bedford College website where you will find lots of information about Bedford College - history, courses, costs, locations, university pathways, employment, and also videos featuring the College and some of our wonderful students. The website address is: <u>www.bedford.edu.au</u> Bedford College can also be contacted on 1300 174 174 or email Georgia or Erin, at <u>georgia@bedford.edu.au</u> or <u>erin@bedford.edu.au</u>.



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DATE & TIME

Wednesday 24 September 2014 8:45am to 3:00pm

VENUE

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COST

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Who is this for?

This conference is aimed at NSW secondary school females in Years 9-12. No prior engineering, maths or physics experience is required and students will have the opportunity to do workshops based on their areas of interest. You'll also get to work as a team in challenges to win some great prizes!

Do you live or go to school more than 100 km from UNSW? You may be eligible for our Rural Scholarship to offset the cost of travels, please apply on the registration webpage.

To apply for WIE Rural Scholarship go to:

https://engineersaustralia.wufoo.com/forms/wie-rural-scholarship-application-form/

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Wednesday 24th September 10am to 3pm

Standard and Advanced English Courses

- Develop writing skills
- Improve exam techniques
- Enhance expression

Thursday 25th September 10am to 3pm

General and 2 Unit Mathematics Courses

- Covering multiple topics
- Analyse & answer past exams
- Study skills, tips and techniques

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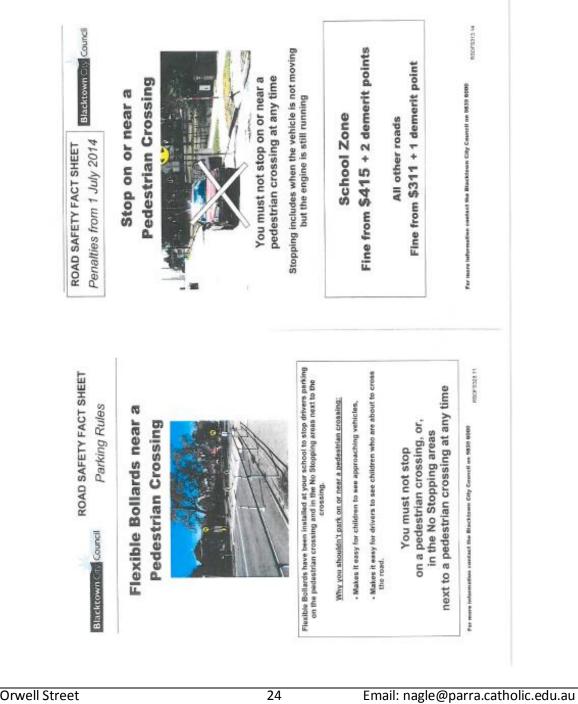
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- Meet new people
- Ask as many questions as you like
- Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided
- Learn from HSC Markers, Examiners and Teachers

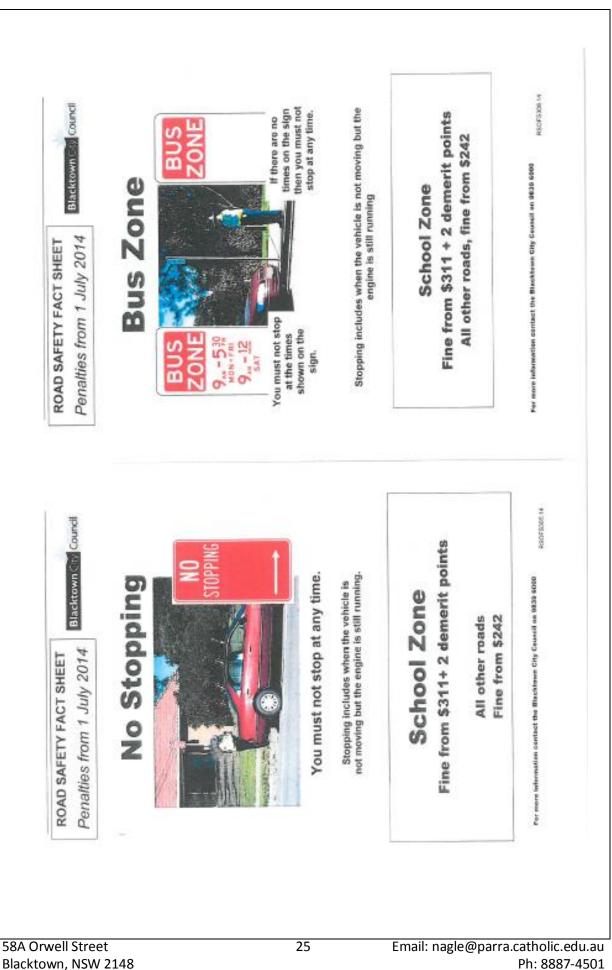
A Message from Blacktown City Council

In the morning with parents dropping off their children, as well as buses arriving there has been occasions that the buses found it challenging to enter the bus bay due to cars being parked in restricted areas and not adhering to road signs.

Blacktown Council have implemented penalties from 1st July 2014 that apply to illegal parking on all roads in School Zones. They have and will continue to enforce a number of road rules with fines being issued.

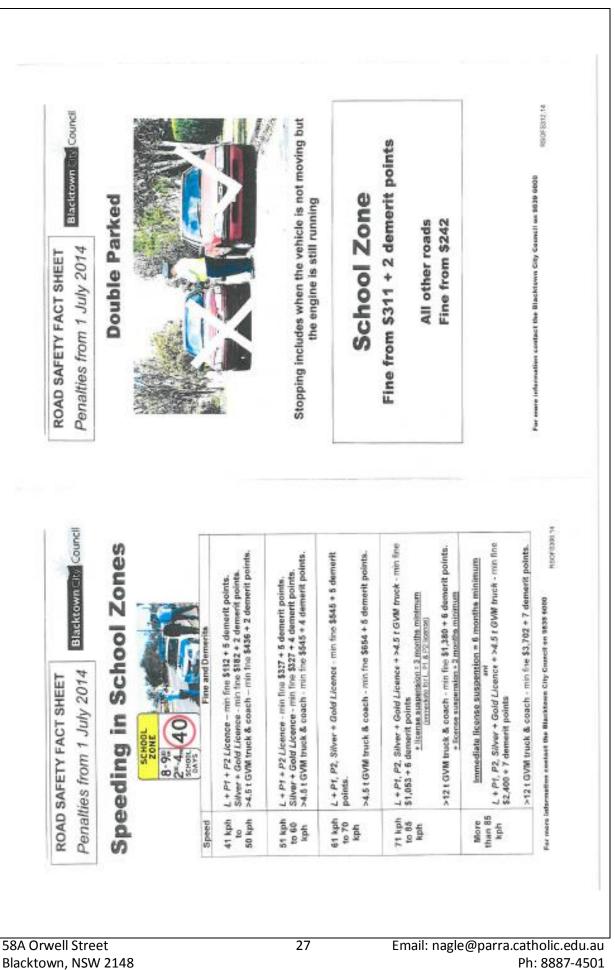
Please park safely.







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Bishops Office

Positions Vacant: St John of God Hospital Richmond

1. Pastoral Practitioner – Permanent part time (24hrs/week): We are looking for a suitably qualified applicant to join our Pastoral Services Team. Start date negotiable. For position requirements and application process, please visit our website <u>www.sjog.org.au/careers</u> Job no. 10766.

2. Volunteers Required: Bus driver, Café assistance, General Administrative, Patient support, Gardening. To register or for further details, please contact Cathy Scott – Director of Mission tel (02) 4570 6217.

For these and other positions please visit the **Employment** page of the Diocese of Parramatta's website: <u>www.parra.catholic.org.au</u>

13th Annual Diocesan Shopping Trip

This year the Shopping Trip is raising funds for CatholicCare's family support program with Holy Family Services at Marayong. We will visit more than 15 factory outlets on a shopping extravaganza, which includes a bistro lunch. The shopping tour companies will pay our tour group a commission on the total retail sales. Last year we raised \$4000 with 115 passengers travelling on three coaches, found some fabulous bargains and had a great day out.

Date: Saturday 15 November 2014.

Departs from 2 points:

7am – Burns T-Way Station (off Old Windsor Rd), Kellyville (on-site parking);

7am - Information Kiosk, Panthers Leagues Club, Penrith (on-site parking).

Cost: \$55 adults, \$45 concession, \$20 children aged 5-17.

Bookings close 17 October: Virginia Knight tel 0413 60 75 71, <u>knightofgin@bigpond.com</u> Father's Day Appeal for Retired Priests on 6 & 7 September

Pope Francis tweeted, "Support your priests with your love and prayers, that they may always be shepherds after Christ's heart." Some of our shepherds have retired from active ministry. Your contribution the Bishop's Annual Father's Day Appeal for Retired Priests is a way of acknowledging the priests who have ministered throughout our Diocese over the years and are now in need of assistance. Please give generously to this tax-deductible appeal.

Dates: 6 & 7 September 2014.

Make a donation online: <u>www.csfparra.org.au</u>

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

A Marriage Enrichment experience for married couples. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Invest in your most precious asset ... your marriage!

Dates: 12-14 September 2014.

Venue: Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville.

Inquiries & bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel (02) 4283 3435

or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au www.wwme.org.au

Facebook: www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit

Celebrating the Journey Annual Mass

All married couples are invited to the annual Celebrating the Journey Mass when couples who have significant wedding anniversaries of 25 years and over this year will be specially acknowledged. Bishop Anthony Fisher OP invites couples celebrating anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 years

and over to be his special guests. A light lunch for couples and their families will be served in the Cathedral Hall after Mass.

Date: Sunday 14 September 2014 at 11am.

Venue: St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

RSVP: Through your parish or contact Lyn at CatholicCare Parramatta tel (02) 9933 0222, <u>marriage@ccss.org.au</u>

Holy Hour for Vocations

Everyone is welcome to join the Holy Hour for Vocations on the 3rd Thursday of each month for an hour of adoration, prayer, music and quiet time. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta contact Fr Warren Edwards – Vocations Director: tel 0409 172 700,<u>vocations@parra.catholic.org.au</u>

Date: Thursday 21 August, from 7pm-8pm.

Venue: Blessed Sacrament Chapel, St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Plc, Parramatta.

Blackheath Reflection Morning

A joint venture of Aquinas Academy and Catalyst for Renewal. This month, 'Learning to Know When You're Done With School' (*ICor* 13:12) with Fr Michael Whelan SM. Come and enjoy the reflection, silence and solitude in peaceful surrounds. Entry by donation, no need to book, morning tea provided.

Date: Saturday 20 September, from 10am-1pm.

Venue: Sacred Heart Parish Hall, cnr Sturt and Wentworth Sts, Blackheath.

Details: Carmen Vanny tel (02) 4787 8706.

Vocation Discernment Afternoon

All young men who feel God might be calling them to the priesthood are invited to the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta's Vocation Discernment Afternoon. The afternoon starts at 2pm and concludes with pizza at 6pm. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta contact Fr Warren Edwards – Vocations Director tel 0409 172 700 or email: <u>vocations@parra.catholic.org.au</u>

Theology of the Body Two-Day Seminar

Why are we here? What does it mean to be human? What is this restlessness, this ache in the human heart that nothing in the world seems to satisfy? Join international speaker Bill Donaghy from the Theology of the Body Institute in the US as he leads a very special two-day seminar in Sydney, unpacking John Paul II's ground-breaking reflections on human love and the divine vision for masculinity and femininity. This unique event is ideal for men and women, young and old, clergy and laity, students and professionals.

Dates: Tuesday 30 September and Wednesday 1 October

Venue: Australian Catholic University, Strathfield.

Registration: Places are limited and registration is essential. For more information tel (02) 9764 4357, <u>tob@catholicyouthservices.org</u>

Towards a Better World Conference

The 4th National Conference on the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Refugees is designed to explore a range of issues affecting refugees and asylum seekers including education, development and regional protection. The conference is organised by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference through the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO). Day 1 provides a religious perspective around Catholic teaching on migration, pastoral care of migrants and refugees and religious diversity. Days 2 & 3 will focus on multiculturalism, global and local migration trends, human trafficking, climate-induced displacement, children in detention, Australia's refugee and asylum policies, in particular Manus Island and Nauru.

Dates: 1-3 October 2014.

Venue: Australian Catholic University, MacKillop Campus, North Sydney.

Details: www.acmro.catholic.org.au

Early bird registration closes 5 September: tel ACMRO (02) 6201 9848 or register online at http://bit.ly/10aqabD

Permanent Diaconate Information Afternoon

A Deacon is called by Christ to serve the Church and the world through a ministry of Altar, the Word and Charity. Single men over the age of 21 and married men aged 35 years and over who are interested in finding out more about the Ordained Ministry of the Permanent Deacon in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta are invited to an information afternoon.

Date: Sunday 5 October from 2pm-5pm.

Venue: St Anthony's Parish Hall, 27 Aurelia Street, Toongabbie.

Inquiries: tel (02) 9631 3316, secretary@stanthonyschurch.org.au

Vocation Ministry for the New Evangelisation

Catholic Vocations Ministry Australia presents a two-day workshop facilitated by Sr Theresa Rickard OP, President and Executive Director of Renew International. Sr Terry is an internationally known speaker on evangelisation, small communities, preaching and vocations. She recently the opening keynote address, 'Evangelisation Matters', at the 2014 Mid-Atlantic Congress. She also presented the Annual Marten Lecture in Preaching, 'Preaching for the New Evangelisation', at The University of Notre Dame earlier in 2014. Last year, she addressed the National Federation of Priests Councils on 'Small Communities and Evangelisation'.

Dates: 9-10 October. Registrations from 8.30am for 9am start, concluding at 3.30pm.

Venue: Mary MacKillop Place, 7-11 Mount Street, North Sydney.

Cost: \$300 per person (a non-residential workshop).

Further information & registration: tel 0400 636 467 or visit <u>http://www.catholicozvocations.org.au/Home/Events/Vocation-Ministers</u>

