

Welcome to the Parental Lion Roars for Week 3 Term 2, 2021.

# From the Principal

Mr Anthony Gleeson

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the College,

## **Happy Mother's Day**

I trust all mothers, grandmothers, guardians, and mother like figures (aunts, sisters and caring friends) will have a wonderful day this Sunday. At the time of publishing we have 100 mothers (in the broadest sense of the term) coming to celebrate our special Mass and morning tea this Friday, 7 May at 7.30am in the Mary MacKillop Centre.

Everyone is welcome - mothers, grandmothers, aunts, caregivers and maternal role model - so if you would like to attend but are yet to RSVP, please click here to do so.

This Mother's Day Mass provides an opportunity to reflect and give thanks for those women in our lives who care, support, love and inspire us. Let us never forget to take time to think about all the ways our mother/mother figures make our



lives special. So often in the whirlwind of our society we take for granted these extraordinarily special people, but this Friday and Sunday, is our opportunity to remember to tell them how much we appreciate their love.

I believe mothers are an expression of God's grace towards humanity – who with such care and capacity for giving make us a better society.

Let us pray for our mothers and for the generations of mothers before them.

You care for us, O God, as a mother care for her children. Bless, protect and strengthen all the mothers of the world. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hail Mary; full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners,

Now and at the hour of death. Amen.

## **Expressions of Interest:**

## College Family Social Event - Outdoor Movie Night



Given Covid-19 restrictions have now been relaxed, we are now considering offering a outdoor movie night on Friday 21 May for all St Leo's families.

The idea at this stage is to show two movies on St Leo's No 1 Oval - Shrek 1 and Shrek 2. BYO blankets/chairs etc, possibly with food stalls/trucks to be made available and an option of a 'package deal' with movie entry.

We are gauging interest and numbers at this stage. Please complete this Form to express your interest.

#### **Debating Season Begins**

The debating season successfully kicked of last Friday evening. To the participating students, well done for your efforts, and let me assure you it is so beneficial. Students who debate develop skills and grow in confidence and ability across all aspects of their lives. I encourage all students to consider taking up this activity as debating (and public speaking) provides students with:

- Gaining broad, multi-faceted knowledge cutting across several disciplines outside our normal mandated academic subjects.
- Increasing learners' confidence, poise, and self-esteem.
- Providing an engaging, active, learner-centered activity.
- Improving rigorous higher order and critical thinking skills.
- Enhancing the ability to structure and organize thoughts.
- Enhancing learners' analytical, research and note-taking kills
- Improving learners' ability to form balanced, informed arguments and to use reasoning and evidence.
- Developing effective speech composition and delivery.
- Encouraging teamwork.

Congratulations to our teams who won 5 out of the 6 debates against Gilroy Catholic College last Friday. A full report is on page 10. This week we are guests at Mercy Catholic College, Chatswood. Thank you to those staff (**Mrs Boguradzki** and **Ms Kofron**) who give up their time to provide this opportunity to students.

#### **Parents in Partnership**

Last Term I asked for the characteristics and qualities you (and the students and staff) would like in our Teacher/Librarian position. This advertisement has now gone live and we are seeking potential candidates.

Once the advertisement closes, I will put together a panel consisting of parent and student representatives that will be involved in the interviews to recommend the successful applicant.



Here is the link to **submit an agenda item** for the Term 2 PIP Zoom Meeting (Wednesday 26 May at 7pm). This link will close Thursday 6th May. (Or copy and paste this address in your web browser:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeBzrSLcEBFsXEvvZja4-8pJ7VIEULqe5sXaH1JeT1dmnQDjg/viewform?usp=sf\_link

## NAPLAN (Intake 2021 and Year 9)

Next week our students in Intake 2021 (Year 7) and Year 9 will be sitting the NAPLAN assessment with all students across the country. Recently in the media there have been many reports about the different ways schools have and are preparing for these assessments. I have also taken a couple of enquiries from parents about NAPLAN.

We must remember that NAPLAN is one piece of assessment that we use. There are many other pieces of assessment that also create the big picture for our students' learning. These range from:

- Informal (or *formative*) assessment (in class) on an every day basis from observations, questioning, discussion etc) to:
- the Australian Council of Educational Research (ACER) Progressive Assessment Testing (PAT) and the:
- Assessment tasks (or summative assessment throughout the year) that are listed in the Assessment booklets that were distributed in the first few weeks of Term 1.

The College does not prepare our students specifically for NAPLAN. Teaching and Learning goes on as normal and no subjects have lost time in any preparation for NAPLAN. Each student in Intake 2021 and Year 9 have been asked to do a practice test that reflects the NAPLAN format. This was conducted a couple of weeks ago so students are comfortable with the structure and format of their NAPLAN assessment.

Parents/carers were invited to review the resources available on the NAPLAN Demonstration Site with their young person. If you still haven't had a chance to do this - here is the link.

We are very proud of all of our students and the NAPLAN provides us with one 'snapshot' of how that student is progressing in literacy and numeracy. From this data we are able to analyse any issues and evident trends. This then informs our teaching so we can improve the learning outcomes of all our students.

## **Year 8 Camp**

Last week our Year 8 students and staff participated in the Year 8 Camp at Somerset on the Colo River.

Some people may have heard of 'nature deficit disorder'. It was coined by American Author, Richard Louv who wrote "...Not long ago, the soundtrack of a young person's days and nights was composed largely of the notes of nature. Most people were raised on the land, worked on the land and were often buried on the same land. The relationship was direct..."

Whether you believe this or not, you would have to agree with the next factor. Not only are students in the outdoors separated from their mobile phones, iPads etc, they are not even in reach of them. They are forced to come to terms with their absence.

There are many other positive benefits of outdoor education: real collaboration, being tolerant of individual differences and moving out of your comfort zone are major benefits.



Thank you to the staff who participated and gave of their time so students could gain new experiences and learnings - Ms Jenkins (Leader of Year), Ms Cole, Ms Robinson, Mr Scalone, Mr Spurtacz, Ms Axton, Ms Butler and Mr Wilson.

As I said to the students on Monday morning - The Year 8 Camp in particular is not a competition with others – it is a competition with yourself!

### **Reminder - Culture Survey**

Last Friday I sent an email inviting all parents/carers to spend 10 minutes or so completing **the Catholic** 

**Schools Broken Bay Culture Survey**, and I encourage you to participate as it is an opportunity to give important feedback.



We welcome **Mr Ray Zeaiter** back from Paternity Leave and congratulate he and his wife Bregitte, after the birth of their first child - a baby boy, Antonios. Congratulations to Ray and Brigitte! All are sleeping well!

Thankyou for your time in partnership with the College in reading this edition of The Lion Roars.



Mr Daniel Petrie

**Reminder: Key Dates for Term 2** 

Week	Date	Event
3	Monday 3 May - Friday 28 May	Intake 2021 - Year 10 Examination Window
3	Thursday 6 May	Stage 4 (Intake 2021 & Year 8) Parent Teacher Evening 4pm-8.30pm via Zoom
3	Friday 7 May	Mother's Day Liturgy and Breakfast, 7.30-8.15am PLEASE RSVP HERE
4	Monday 10 May	Parents in Partnership (PIP) - Agenda published
4	Tuesday 11 – Friday 14 May	NAPLAN Testing, Intake 2021 and Year 9
4	Tuesday 11 May	Year 12 Reports available on Compass
4	Thursday 13 May	Stage 6 (Years 11 & 12) Parent Teacher Evening 4pm-8.30pm via Zoom
5	Wednesday 19 May	Pride Panel during Extended Mentor
5	Wednesday 19 May	Stage 5 (Years 9 &10) Parent Teacher Interview Evening 4pm-8.30pm via Zoom
5	Thursday 20 May	College Athletics Carnival
6	Monday 24 May	200th Anniversary of Catholic Education Mass



6	Tuesday 25 May	Careers/Pathways/Tertiary Expo Evening, 5.00-8.00pm REGISTER HERE
6	Wednesday 26 May	Parents in Partnership PIP Evening, 7pm via Zoom
7	Wednesday 2 June	Evacuation Drill during Extended Mentor
8	Thursday 10 June	College Musical 'Camp Rock', Opening Night
8	Friday 11 June	College Musical 'Camp Rock', Evening Performance
8	Saturday 12 June	College Musical 'Camp Rock', Matinee and Evening Performances
9	Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
9	Monday 14 June	Parents in Partnership PiP - Feedback to parents/caregivers
9	Tuesday 15 June	College Photos (Individual, Sibling and Mentor Portraits)
9	Friday 18 June	College Catch Up Photos
10	Tuesday 22 June	Intake 2021 and Year 8 Studio Concert Evening 6.30-8.30pm
10	Wednesday 23 June	Intake 2021 & Years 8-10 Reports available on Compass
10	Wednesday 23 June	Years 9-12 Studio Concert Evening, 6.30-8.30pm
10	Thursday 24 June	Last Day of Term for Students
10	Friday 25 June	Staff Professional Development Day

### Year 10 and Selection of Year 11 Preliminary Courses Term 2

The subject selection process for Year 11 2022 (current Year 10s) will commence soon.

A set of videos will be accessible on the College website for students to explore with their parents outlining:

- structure of the course
- course content / course requirements
- assessments
- key aspects of interest during their study
- · key skill sets needed for the course
- benefits of the course for future pathways/careers/study.

On Friday 28 May, students will be taken through the videos on campus with staff available to answer questions regarding their preferences. Parents and carers are requested to discuss preferences with their daughter or son after viewing the videos. A video explaining the components and requirements of the HSC and the ATAR will be included. All videos will be made available to parents and students on the College Website by Thursday 27 May.

To access the videos, please click on the 'Current Students' tab and then select the 'Year 11 2022 Subject Selection' link in the drop down menu. Students and parents will also be able to access the 2022 Course Handbook from this page on Thursday 27 May.

Also on 28 May, parents and students will receive an email from Edval Choice outlining the instructions on how to make their subject preferences online. This email will include the web access code that is

personalized. Students must complete these preferences online, print the summary form (inclusive of parent and student signatures) and return to **College Reception by Friday 4 June**.

The fortnight following the video launch will involve Leaders of Learning for each of the courses, reviewing student preferences and making recommendations in preparation for the Subject Selection Interviews that will take place as the final step in the process.

#### Intake 2021 - Year 10 Examination Window

Commencing on Monday 3 May and concluding on Friday 28 May will be an examination window for the Intake 2021 - Year 10.

Students will be engaging in an examination style assessment across their studies during this time. This is designed to build and nurture the skills required to maximise their performance in senior student studies where examinations are par for the course.

Students should be revising their work and making study notes. Should they require further assistance, they should speak to their teacher in the first instance for clarification on what is required.

## **200th Anniversary of Catholic Education Mass**

On Monday, 24 May we will be celebrating Mass at the same time as Dioceses' across the country to mark the 200th Anniversary of Catholic Education in Australia.

A representative group of students and staff from St Leo's and Our Lady of the Rosary will join guests in the Cathedral to celebrate Mass with the Bishop.



## **Higher Education & Careers Expo**

We invite students and parents/carers to our Higher Education and Careers Expo on Tuesday 25 May in the Mary MacKillop Centre. The event is open to all Year groups **FROM ALL SCHOOLS**, but particularly aimed at Year 9 upwards.

It will feature exhibits by a range of tertiary education providers, apprenticeship and traineeship providers and industry professionals, with staff available for you to learn more about the diverse study and career

pathways available beyond school.

There will also be presentations by TAFE NSW, Macquarie University, Academy of Entrepreneurs and Training Services NSW regarding apprenticeships and traineeships.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> or on the image (right) to register to attend.



Have a wonderful week.

## From the Dean of Curriculum

Mr Daniel Lane

#### Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences - Intake 2021 and Year 8 this week

A reminder the Stage 4 (Intake 2021 and Year 8) Parent Teacher Interviews take place **this Thursday from 4.00-8.30pm via Zoom**.

#### LINKS FOR THIS THURSDAY'S CONFERENCES FOR EACH TEACHER: STAGE 4 PT ZOOM LINKS

- Please click on the link for each booked teacher (above) to log into the meeting 2-3 minutes before
  your designated time. You will be sent to a waiting room. Once the teacher is finished with the
  previous meeting, they will allow you into the Zoom meeting for your booked Parent Teacher
  Interview.
- Please note students should be in their school uniform during the interviews.
- Please keep to your allocated time. If you require extra time, please let the teacher know and they will make the necessary arrangement for a second Zoom meeting at a later date.

The College looks forward to this important step in the learning journey of your daughter or son.

#### Year 9-12 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

Interviews for Years 9-12 are also set for next two weeks:

- Week 4: Thursday 13 May Stage 6 (Years 11 & 12) 4.00-8.30pm via Zoom
- Week 5: Wednesday 19 May Stage 5 (Years 9 & 10) 4.00-8.30pm via Zoom

**Bookings** are **now open on Compass**. Sessions commence at 4pm and conclude by 8.30pm in **5-minute blocks for each interview**.

If you have not already booked, you can do so by:

- 1. Logging into Compass
- 2. Once logged into Compass after bookings open, a notification will appear under 'My News' informing you that the Parent Teacher Interviews are now open to make appointments.
- 3. Select 'Click here for bookings' with this notification, which will take you to the bookings where your son or daughter's teachers' names will appear.
- 4. Select a teacher's name and an available time slot (in white) to book a time. Repeat for each teacher.
- 5. There is also a 'Show me how to book' button which will give you further instructions if needed.

Alternatively, you can access the sessions by going to Community section of the Compass banner and selecting Conferences from the drop-down menu.

We look forward to this important step in the learning journey of your daughter or son.

## Intake 2021 - Year 10 Examination Window

This week began with the commencement of the Intake 2021 - Year 10 examination window. Please find the link to the Examination Schedule for your convenience: <u>Half Yearly Examination Timetable</u>

Important reminders for students:

- It is the responsibility of the student to read the timetable very carefully to ensure they know the dates, times and rooms of each examination.
- Students are required to bring all necessary equipment with them to the examination.
- Extra writing paper will be provided if required, however, no other equipment will be loaned to the students.

- Students with exams in the Rome Gallery are to meet on Loyola Green to have rolls marked and be moved into the examination room.
- If a student is absent on the day of an examination they must see the Leader of the respective KLA
  on the day they return to the school. A suitable time will be arranged for the student to sit for the
  missed examination.
- No mobile phones or other electronic devices are allowed into the examination. If a student has a mobile phone or other electronic device during the examination they may receive a mark of zero for that paper.
- Any student who is caught cheating or deemed to have gained an unfair advantage to their peers may be awarded a mark of zero for the examination.

#### **Year 12 Formative Examination Block**

From Monday 10 May - Friday 21 May, students in Year 12 will be engaging in a Formative Examination Block. This is a **practice examination block** that will involve a two hour examination for 2 Unit Courses and a one hour examination for 1 Unit Courses. These will take place during their normal class time. Two hour examinations will take place during their double period.

This examination block is **vital preparation** for their trial HSC Examinations that will take place from Monday 26 July through to Monday 9 August. The papers will be marked by staff at the College and external markers depending on the course. Students will receive professional feedback. **This feedback is crucial for students to know how to improve while also providing a clear indication of their academic progress.** The exams will be tailored to where the students are presently up to in the course. The format of the exams will mirror in style HSC layout (with the exception that 2 Unit Courses are three hour examinations etc).

Please encourage your daughter or son to adequately prepare for this important venture in their learning journey. The Dean of Curriculum will be making the Year 12 Formative Examination Block timetable available shortly.

## From the Director of Students

Mr Ashley Johansen

#### **Late Arrivals**

Since the beginning of Term, a number of students have been arriving late to the College. Please note that College day begins at 8:35am and it is expected that ALL students arrive on time. However, if there is a legitimate reason for your son/daughter arriving late, please log into the 'Compass School Manager' app as soon as possible or go to <a href="https://slccdbb-nsw.compass.education/">https://slccdbb-nsw.compass.education/</a> on your device. When using the Add Attendance Note feature on the Compass Parent Portal please ensure that the correct reason is entered for any absence(s) and that specific information is also noted in the Details/Comment field so that the College has accurate records for your son/daughter. If there are further unexplained late arrivals, there may be additional follow-up for your son/daughter via their Year Leader. Also see <a href="Learning everyday counts">Learning everyday counts</a>.

#### **House Games**

Last week our House Ambassadors organised and successfully coordinated the first round of House games in The Light of Christ Centre.

The aim of the games each Wednesday is to build friendly House spirit, camaraderie, and competition across a variety of sports and activities. This week House OzTag will occur on the main oval for interested students.



#### **Uniform**

Students are now expected to be in full winter uniform including blazer. Other garments (such as hoodies) that are worn to the College will be confiscated. If students have an issue with uniform/grooming on a particular day, they should see their Year Leader before 8:30am and obtain a Uniform Pass. All students are expected to wear the blazer to and from the College every day during Terms 2-3. Please see the Student College Planner if any uniform/grooming expectations need clarification.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to contact the College if there are any queries or concerns.

## From the Director of Administration

Ms Therri Ellison

## **College Photo Days**

Our main College Photo day is **Tuesday 15 June 2021**. For any student who is absent on the day, there will be a catch up day on **Friday 18 June 2021**.

All extra curricular photos will be taken in Term 3 on Friday 6 August 2021.

All photos can be ordered through Compass.

# From the Leader of English

Mrs Megan De Kantzow

## **Year 7 English Poetry in Action**

Year 7 students began their new Poetry unit with lots of fun, laughter and energy last Friday, 30 April. The talented team from Poetry in Action was back at Leo's to share their love and knowledge of poetry, and its key elements of rhyme, rhythm, imagery and theme. Students' reactions showed they loved the physicality of live theatre, really



enjoyed the word play, the swift and simple costume changes that created new characters, were especially impressed by the rapping session, and (as questions at the end showed) were amazed that actors could remember so many lines!

Students have already received a booklet covering a wide range of poems linked by notions of Humans and the Natural World and will be studying a selection of these poems in their classes this term.

## Year 12 English Advanced Bell Shakespeare Seminar



Our HSC English Advanced students spent two highly focussed hours with wonderful teaching experts from Bell Shakespeare, yesterday.

'King Henry IV part 1' is the students' critical study text for Module B and the seminar allowed them to delve more deeply into the context, textual features and themes. Teachers were delighted with the students' engagement and insightful responses to questions, and students certainly appreciated the opportunity to consolidate their understanding and develop, in the words of the syllabus prescriptions, an 'informed personal response'.

# From the Leader of Debating

Ms Laraine Boguradzki

### **Debating Round 1**

Debating began again last week with St Leo's debating against Gilroy College, Castle Hill.

The topics being debated were:

- Intake 2021 & Year 8 'That our nation's future is as a republic'
- Years 9 & 10 'That public people deserve private lives'
- Years 11 & 12 'That it should be illegal for employers to access information about their employees on social media'

St Leo's was the affirmative for all year groups except for Years 10 and 12.

I am pleased to announce that Years 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12 all won their rounds!

Our teams consisted of:

- Intake 2021: Mia R, Sofia Q and Jeremy McQ
- Year 8: Maya M, Max T and Max J
- Year 9: Oliver C, Sophia-Lauren C and Danielle P
- Year 10: Zinta H, Taleshia F and Sarah C
- Year 11: Matter D, Mattia C and Tate W-A
- Year 12: Jessica J, Clara H and Matteo P.



Thank yo also to our chairpersons/timekeepers: Intake 2021 - Ranveer S, Year 8 - Alena H, Year 9: Sebastian D, Year 10 - Matthew B, Year 11 - Xander Y and Year 12, Bridget W.

Thank you also to **Mr Luke Antoun, Ms Colleen Kofron** and **Mr Daniel Petrie** for their invaluable support of our students. Next week we travel to Mercy College, Chatswood for round 2.

# From the Youth Ministry Team

Mr Ralph Kershler

#### **Street Retreat**

Last Wednesday saw another group of Year 10 students head for the streets of Sydney to experience first-hand the plight and hardships faced by the ever-growing, often forgotten, and faceless homeless and public housing residents, especially those in and around Wooloomooloo.

The group were compassionate, respectiful, attentive listeners, showed empathy, asked great questions and, hopefully, had some negative learned attitudes overturned.



The visit to the Kings cross Police Station gave them a new insight into the dangers of drugs and petty crime, especially the "gateway" drug, marijuana.

The photo shows the boys placing a plaque, made by St Leo's students, at the grave of a small dog owned by a lonely, poor old man in Wooloomooloo, the light of his life now extinguished.

# From the Duke of Edinburgh Award Leader

Ms Kelly Li

## **Bush Regeneration**

We welcome **Ms Leeta Caiger** who will be supporting and guiding the students with bush regeneration at the school for their volunteer service for Duke of Edinburgh. She is very passionate about the environment and has started working on plans for the future. There are approximately 12 students who are currently involved in this activity which runs on Wednesday afternoon from 3.10-4.10pm. Just a reminder to the students to bring a change of clothes and gloves.

Non-Duke of Edinburgh students are welcome to join us on Wednesday afternoons.

#### Silver Practice Hike/Canoe

Three year 10 students, **Harrison, Matthew** and **David**, went on a three-day Adventurous Journey for their Silver Practice Hike. Over the three days, they walked 34km and spent one day canoeing where they 'tied our boats together and it worked better than we thought'. On the second night 'at the campsite we built a survival shelter with somebody from the other campsite'. Student's showed resistance and teamwork when



one 'fell over and made a massive egg on his leg'. He was keen to carry on and complete the trip (with support from the guides), so the group split his pack up between them and continued on. 'We then finished the 22km (section of the) hike and were extremely relieved when we hopped on the train'.

Speaking with the boys today, they excitedly spoke about the different adventures and experiences they had. They praised 'Australian Outdoor Adventures', the company that guided them through their adventures and spoke about the friendships they made with Mater Maria students. They are looking forward to their Qualifying Adventurous Journey in September.

## From the CAPA Team - Dance

Ms Brittany Skea

#### **Dance Elective**

Last Tuesday, Years 9-12 Dance Elective students had the opportunity to attend FORM Dance Projects choreographic workshop at Parramatta Riverside.

Students developed their choreographic skills under the guidance of teaching artists from Sydney Dance Company. The practical workshop had the students exploring and utilising choreographic tools and techniques used by the company during the creation of Rafael Bonachela's Impermanence with Bryce Dessner.





Students were challenged to be innovative, disrupt familiar patterns of moving, generate interesting material and develop their confidence and creativity in composition. The students came away feeling inspired and eager to apply these skills to their class work. All students were very appreciative to be given such a wonderful opportunity!





# From the Leader of Sport

Mr Michael Kember

A bumper sport edition with a number of gala days over the last few weeks and upcoming College events.

#### Softball

During the recent school holidays, three of our students, **Maddi D** (Year 9), **Milla D** (Year 9), and **Rachel O'C** (Year 8) competed at the NSW Tri-series Softball Championships.

Maddi and Rachel competed in the Fully Loaded Championships with their NSW Metro Slammers team being crowned champions in this event. In the Fast Pitch Championships event, Milla's NSW Metro Strikers defeated the Slammers in the final.



From the championships and also from other recent competitions, Milla has gained selection in the U/15 Australian Diamonds team and will go into camp with the squad in July. Well done to all three of you!

#### **Baseball**

During the Easter Holidays, **Ryan C** (Year 8) competed at the 2021 Baseball NSW League State Championships. **Justin C** (Class of 2019) was also the coach of the side and the team won the championships with a 5-0 record and will represent NSW in the upcoming National Championships in Mildura in May. Congratulations!



#### **National Athletics**

Recently the National Track and Field Championships were held at Sydney Olympic Park with three students, **James G** (Year 12), **Aidan J** (Year 11), and **Maxwell M** (Year 8) representing NSW at the Championships.

Max competed in the U/15 3000m walk and finished in 10<sup>th</sup> position in the final. Aidan competed in the U/17 100m, narrowly missing the final with a strong run and time. James competed in the 100m and Shot-put Para Athlete events, finishing with a silver medal in the 100m running a personal best time, and gaining a bronze in the shot put again throwing a personal best.

He has been accepted in the Para pathways program for throws and this gives him a fantastic opportunity to go to the Paris 2028 Para Olympics. Well done to you both!

### **NSW All Schools Futsal Qualifying**

In the last week of Term 1, all the College futsal teams (U/14, U/16 and U/18 Boys and Girls) travelled to Dural for the NSW All Schools futsal qualifying events. All teams had worked hard at training under the watchful eye of coach, Mr Tavernese, with the aim of finishing in the top two.

All teams played very well and reached the semi-finals. The Open girls finished top of their pool, and then scored a late winner in the semi-finals to gain a spot in the final of the Championships. The girls narrowly lost in the final but travel to Penrith in August as representatives from the Dural competition.

Great work to all teams!

## **Open Soccer Gala Day**

In the first week of Term 2, the Open Boys and Girls Soccer teams competed at the Broken Bay Championships. Due to Year 12 Retreat, the teams were very young compared to their opposition, but this didn't stop them achieving fantastic results.

The Open girls won two games, drew one, and lost two, just missing out on semi-finals, with a number of girls being selected in the Possible vs Probable match, as the day also doubles as a selection carnival for the Broken Bay teams.



The boys faced tough pool with and won two and drew one finishing second before winning through the semi-finals to face St Paul's in the final.

Unfortunately, they were narrowly defeated but showed great sportsmanship throughout. Like the girls, a significant number of boys were selected in the Possible vs Probable match.





Congratulations to the following students who were selected to represent Broken Bay at the NSWCCC Championships later in May; **Rebeca R** (Year 9),

Rachel G (Year 12), Monique D (Year 12), Geren L (Year 11), Connor D (Year 11), and Ethan T (Year 11).

#### **Cross Country**

Over the past two weeks during our nternal Sport for Life program, all students have participated in the College cross country with the top placings in each age group moving on to represent St Leo's at the Broken Bay Carnival.

#### Intake 2021

- **U/12 Girls:** 1st Penelope G; 2nd Makayla A; 3rd Juliet D
- **U/12 Boys**: 1st Jonas J; 2nd Hunter A; 3rd Toby H
- U/13 Girls: 1st Bronte T; 2nd Freya T; 3rd Tahlia H
- U/13 Boys: 1st Kaylan H; 2nd Wol A; 3rd Kai H

#### Year 8

- U/14 Girls: 1st Romina Z; 2nd Lucy P; 3rd Eliza W
- **U/14 Boys**: 1st Jaykob McK; 2nd Ethan L; 3rd Nicholas A

#### Year 9

- U/14 Girls: 1st Teagan J; 2nd Mia M; 3rd Maddi D
- **U/14 Boys**: 1st Jack R; 2nd Jarod J; 3rd Spencer C
- **U/15 Girls**: 1st Holly B; 2nd Bridgette C; 3rd Emma W
- U/15 Boys: 1st William W; 1st Isaac W; 3rd Oliver D S

#### Year 10

- U/15 Girls: 1st Siyeon C
- U/16 Girls: 1st Sophie K; 2nd Bailey C; 3rd Ella W
- U/16 Boys: 1st Peter W; 2nd Jacob L; 3rd William H

### **Athletics Carnival**

On Thursday, 20 May the College Athletics Carnival is being held at Foxglove Oval, Mount Colah. Students received entry forms in Term 1, and have until this coming Friday to hand these entries in. All students and parents will receive further information about the day later this week.

# **Community Notices**

