

Welcome to the Parental Lion Roars for Week 6 Term 2, 2021.

From the Principal

Mr Anthony Gleeson

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the College,

Congratulations Track & Field Age Group Champions

Last Thursday we held our annual Track & Field Carnival at Foxglove Oval, Mount Colah. Congratulations to our Age Group Champions who will be acknowledged and congratulated at an upcoming assembly.

Thank you to Mr Michael Kember for his organisation and planning for the day. As a member of staff commented to me

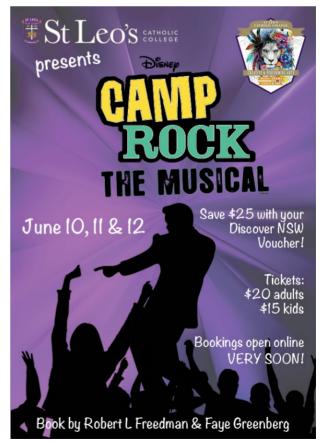


"a great day - and some good old-fashioned fun!"	
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Winning House: Chanel/Theresa (3150 points)		

Celebrating 200 Years of Catholic Education in Australia

Yesterday we acknowledged and celebrated 200 Years of Catholic Education In Australia, as did many other Catholic schools around the country.



Bishop Anthony led our representatives from Intake 2021 and Year 10 in Mass at the Cathedral along with students from OLOR. The rest of our student body watched the Mass via Zoom in their classrooms. Our guests present included our Director, Danny Casey, Provincial representatives from all the orders associated with the Broken Bay Diocese, as well as past Diocesan Catholic Schools Office Directors.

St Leo's then hosted a celebratory luncheon prepared by our Stage 6 Hospitality students in the Mary MacKillop Centre.

Our guests were very appreciative of our musicians that led us in song and prayer in the Mass as well as those who prepared, cooked and served our luncheon.

I was extremely proud of our students and the many of them

that took the time to stop and speak to our guests as we were moving around the campus - at lunchtime as well!

Special thanks to **Ms Fiona Milkins** and **Mr Vince Tavernese** for the 200 Year Celebratory Mass music their team prepared (particularly in the midst of the final stages of musical rehearsals).

On the catering side, many thanks to **Ms Megan Tynan** and her dedicated team of chefs in preparing, cooking, presenting and serving the wonderful luncheon.

Parents in Partnership Meeting <u>TOMORROW</u> -Wednesday 26 May, 7pm via Zoom

Below is the link to the agenda for our first PIP Evening using this new model on Wednesday 26 May at 7pm (via Zoom).

Please join us to discuss the following topics:

Agenda Link

Debating

The Catholic Secondary Schools Debating Association (CSDA) competition continues this Friday evening.

Last week we hosted Woolwich. Our Year 9, Year 11 and Year 12 team won their debates. Our Year 12 team have been undefeated so far - and are on track for the elimination rounds commencing next week.

Last year's Senior team were *State CSDA Champions* during Covid-19 lockdowns, when the debates were held via Zoom. This year we are all face-to-face - and our team is striving for the same coveted title for a second consecutive year!

St Leo's Higher Education & Careers Expo - TONIGHT!

I hope to see many of our senior (and even junior) students and their parents/carers at our Higher Education & *Careers Expo* this evening (5pm - 8pm).









Parking is available in the playground, staff carpark and driveway from the Unwin Road (Gate D) entrance as well as street parking off the other three College gates. There will be over 30 providers, detailing a whole range of post-school pathways.

There will be various universities, TAFE, trade apprenticeship providers, entrepreneurial academies and private Colleges. Rolling presentations will be held in the Flora MacKillop Theatre and Rome Gallery. Our Expo has three floors of information and opportunities!

There is a Covid-19 Safety Plan and our guests are asked to use the QR code upon entry to the Mary MacKillop Centre.



Last Day of Term 2: Diocesan Wide Staff Day - Launch of the Towards 2025 Strategic Plan

As noted in the College Calendar, the last day of this term, Friday 25 June is a Diocesan-wide School Staff Development Day. Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) will be launching the Towards 2025 Strategic Plan. Staff, parents and students have been involved in surveys, consultations and planning since June 2019.



While the work has only just begun, **there is now a clear vision for change.** Our efforts will be underpinned by our faith and values and driven by our central vision of delivering an authentic, professional Catholic education with care and compassion. Once the Strategic Plan is launched, the hard work will continue to embed a culture of continuous improvement in all parts of the organisation. Together we will continue to build a culture where our students are formed in the faith and empowered to make a positive difference in this world, not only through their learning but through our dedicated focus on their wellbeing.

Thank you for your time in partnership with the College and taking the time to read The Lion Roars.

From the Assistant Principal

Mr Daniel Petrie

TONIGHT: Higher Education & Careers Expo

We have over 500 people registered to attend tonight's Higher Education and Careers Expo in the Mary MacKillop Centre. The event starts at 5pm and concludes at 8pm. Please ensure you sign in using the QR codes at the registration desk. Below if a full list of presentations and exhibitors.

The College will open the staff car park and parking spaces off the Unwin Road entrance (Gate D), and additional parking will be in the streets off each of our four College entrances. Please be considerate of our neighbours and do not block driveways.

Presentations & Exhibitors

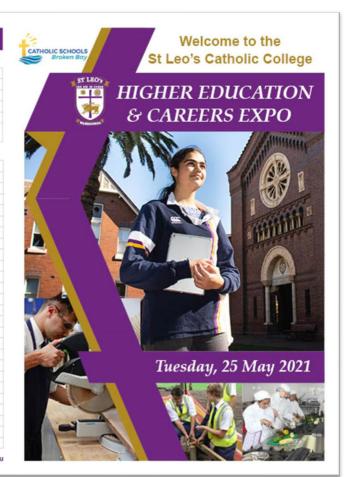
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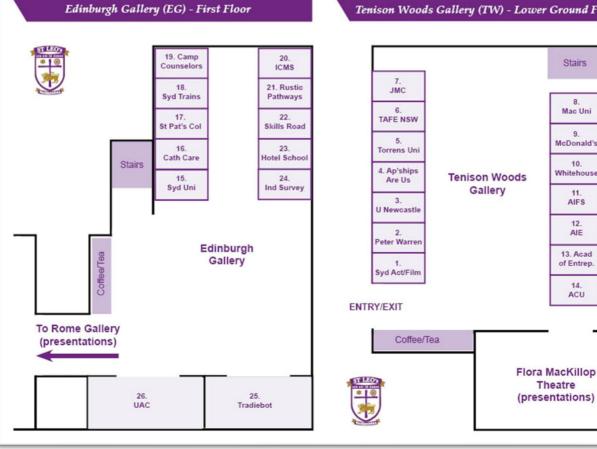
Australian Catholic University	5.30pm & 6.30pm	Rome Gallery, 1st floor
Universities Admissions Centre	5.15pm - 5.30pm	Rome Gallery, 1st floor
TAFE NSW	5.00pm - 5.15pm	Rome Gallery, 1st floor
Macquarie University	6.00pm & 7.00pm	Rome Gallery, 1st floor
Academy of Entrepreneurs	5.30pm & 6.30pm	Flora MacKillop Theatre, LG floor
Training Services NSW - Apprenticeships & Traineeships	6.00pm & 7.00pm	Flora MacKillop Theatre, LG floor

Exhibitors:

Academy of Entrepreneurs	Tertiary education provider	TW 13
Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE)	Tertiary education provider	TW 12
AIFS Australia - Camp America/Au Pair in America	Industry/Employer	TW 11
Apprenticeships Are Us	Trades/Apprenticeships	TW 4
Australian Catholic University (ACU)	University	TW 14
Camp Counselors USA	Industry/Employer	EG 19
Catholic Care Australia	Industry/Employer	EG 16
International College of Management Sydney (ICMS)	Tertiary education provider	EG 20
JMC Academy	Tertiary education provider	TW 7
Macquarie University	University	TW 8
McDonalds Australia	Industry/Employer	TW 9
Peter Warren Automotive/North Shore Mercedes-Benz	Trade/Industry/Employer	TW 2
Rustic Pathways	Industry/Experiences	EG 21
Skillsroad	Educational services	EG 22
St Patrick's Business College Australia	Tertiary education provider	EG 17
Sydney Actors School & Sydney Film School	Tertiary education provider	TW 1
Sydney Trains	Industry/Employer	EG 18
TAFE NSW	Tertiary education provider	TW 6
The Hotel School Sydney	Tertiary education provider	EG 23
The Institution of Surveyors NSW	Industry/Experiences	EG 24
The University of Sydney	University	EG 15
Torrens University Australia	University	TW 5
Tradiebot Industries	Tertiary/Industry/Experiences	EG 25
Universities Admissions Centre (NSW & ACT) Pty Ltd	University Admission	EG 26
University of Newcastle	University	TW 3
Whitehouse Institute of Design	Tertairy education provider	TW 10



Tenison Woods Gallery (TW) - Lower Ground Floor



Morrisby Career Profiling for Year 10

This report is now accessible to Year 10 students via the the Morrisby account that they set up themselves.

This report contains invaluable information to assist students in Year 10 to make informed decisions for their subject selections and future career options. The report is in addition to the Careers Expo as part of the College 's support network to assist students to achieve their greatness.

We use this information to build a picture of you and to identify your potential. This profile also informs your career suggestions.

Eddie Rice Camps

YOUR APTITUDES

The first assessments you took measured your verbal, numerical and abstract reasoning. Your results have been analysed and compared with others of a similar age to you. Please remember that this is not about measuring individual scores, but understanding where your relative strengths lie.

Edmund Rice Camps

On Sunday, St Leo's hosted a gathering of Edmund Rice Camps at the College. Well done to our volunteer students and to **Ms Kelly Robinson** for sharing what she does on a regular basis! Putting your faith into action! It was great to have our facilities used out of hours for those who are a little less fortunate.

Edmund Rice Camps provide holiday

experiences for young people aged 7-16 years

who would not otherwise be able to enjoy them. Many of the participants come from what could be considered as marginalised or disadvantaged backgrounds. The camps also provide welcome respite for parents and families.

Intake 2021 - Year 10 Examination Window

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

Reminder: Term 2 Dates

Week	Date	Event
6	Tuesday 25 May	Careers/Pathways/Tertiary Expo Evening, 5.00-8.00pm <u>REGISTER HERE</u>
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 , 7pm performance
8	Friday 11 June	College Musical 'Camp Rock', 7pm performance
8	Saturday 12 June	College Musical 'Camp Rock', 2pm & 7pm 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

From the Acting Dean of Curriculum

Mr Daniel Lane

Year 10 2021 into Year 11 2022 Subject Selection Process

This week, Year 10 will commence their subject selection process for Year 11 Preliminary Courses for Year 11 2022 and Year 12 2023. The process is:

- 1. **Thursday 27 May (Week 6) -** Parents and students will receive the subject information booklet and link to the course videos via email and Compass on Thursday
- 2. Friday 28 May (Week 6) Year 10 students have a subject showcase this Friday in Periods 3-4 with KLA Leaders about the courses on offer for next year. Any students who are absent on Friday can access the videos presented via the email links to the College website and can see their teachers on Monday with any questions
- Monday 31 May (Week 7) Parent Information Session (via Zoom) from 7pm. This will be an
 opportunity for parents to hear some more detailed information and ask any questions about the
 courses or the process. LINK FOR MEETING
- 4. **Tuesday 1 June (Week 7)** Parents and students will receive an email from Edval Choice outlining instructions on how to make their subject preferences online. This email will include the web access code that is personalised.

Students must complete these preferences online, print the summary form (inclusive of parent and student signatures) and return to College Reception by **Monday 7 June**.

Intake 2021 - Year 10 Reports

As we draw to the end of the mid-course assessment period, staff are now writing reports. The mid-course reports will be issued to parents via Compass on **Wednesday 23 June**.

From the Acting Director of Pastoral Care & Wellbeing

Mr Nathan Smith

Reminder: Updated Student Pastoral Time-Out Procedure

As communicated last week, the College has updated the Student Pastoral Time-out procedure to ensure that students who genuinely need this level of intervention have access to it. Time-out is usually one of our last intervention strategies after we have tried other resilience-building and distress-tolerance strategies. The time-out process is managed by each year group's Year Leader, the College Counsellor and the Director of Pastoral Care and Well-being, and is reviewed regularly.

Time-out is a short-term intervention strategy recommended by clinicians or therapists, such as GP's or psychologists, to help a student manage severe anxiety or trauma and is often included in the student's mental health and safety management plan. The time-out card will include an expiry date and a review will be held with the students Year Leader, treating specialist and parent, if an extension to that date is required.

The general criteria (but not limited to) for time-out are:

- 1. The student has officially been diagnosed with an anxiety disorder by a professional clinician or therapist; or
- 2. The student is suffering from a significant mental health disorder or trauma that requires this type of deescalating strategy; or
- 3. The student has been granted this intervention strategy at the discretion of their Year Leader or Leadership Team Member.

I trust that you are supportive of this procedure but should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on <u>nathan.smith@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> or (02) 9487-3555.

From the Director of Students

Mr Ashley Johansen

Attendance Notes on Compass

The Compass Portal is an integrated, online portal that allows you 24-7 access to current and meaningful information about your son/daughter's learning journey including their attendance. It is vital that parents/carers update their son/daughter's **attendance record** as soon as possible via this platform if there is an absence(s).

Please note these important steps regarding electronically submitting explanations for an absence(s).

Reminder: College Policies, Procedures & Guidelines Online

Please note the new policies/guidelines section on <u>Parent & Student Links</u> page of the College website with content from the College's Student Personal Planner (diary) for your reference at any time.

From the Leader of CAPA

Mrs Fiona Milkins

A Buzz is in the Air!

The countdown is on to our Camp Rock musical!

Tickets will be available very soon as the College works hard to lock in the use of the **Discover NSW Vouchers** for this event!

It is an exciting time for our students, especially those who have never participated in a musical before, as the nerves, mixed with exhaustion come together.

A big thank you to **Susie Murphy, Vincenzo Tavernese, Brittany Skea, Jacob Issa, Joanna Gower** and **Fiona Morsink-Ryan** for their dedication and hard work ensuring that the show will run smoothly as we race towards our final weeks. Keep an eye out for tickets on sale soon and get in quick!





HELP! Items Wanted for our Musical!

It is that time of the year when we make a shout-out to all friends of CAPA to help with the musical.

Do you have any of the following to donate?

- 1. Pots with lids (that will not be returned)
- 2. Wooden spoons (that will not be returned)
- 3. **Old mobile phones** (preferably flip phones.... or any phone that you do not want to be returned)
- 4. Large metal spoons (that will not be returned)
- 5. Sewing measuring tapes (that will not be returned)
- 6. **Binoculars** 2 sets (MAYBE returned.... fingers crossed... if you love them don't give them to us!)
- 7. Again a call out for a Keytar (guitar keyboard)!
- 8. A cassette tape (that will not be returned)

Thank you for your support - please have a look through your cupboards!

From the Leader of Sport

Mr Michael Kember

Athletics Carnival

The weather was fantastic for our annual Track & Field Carnival held last Thursday at Foxglove Oval.

Congratulations to all students on your fantastic achievements on the track, in the field or throughout the day in the variety of novelty events that were held.

As Mr Gleeson has already announced in his report, congratulations to the following students who were Age Champions on the day (*table right*).

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Overall Athletics House Pointscore:

- 1. Chanel & Teresa (3150)
- 2. Aquinas & McAuley (2680)
- Xavier & MacKillop (2260)
- 4. Loyola & Bakhita (2190)

BBSSSA Girls Rugby League

Last Tuesday, the inaugural Broken Bay Girls Rugby League trials were held at Morry Breen Oval on the Central Coast for the U/16 Girls.

St Leo's had the largest contingent of girls trialling due to the fantastic rugby league program that **Mr Tavernese** has introduced that sees our girls not only playing for St Leo's but also making up the majority of the Asquith Magpies U/16 team.

On the day three students, **Holly B, Chloe R,** and **Mikaela B** were selected to represent Broken Bay against Parramatta Diocese on the June 1. Good luck girls!

Bill Turner Cup Soccer

This Term has also seen the U/15 Boys and Girls Soccer teams competing in the State knockout. In recent weeks, both sides have played in their second-round matches with mixed results.

The girls faced a tough Mackellar Girls High School team from the Northern Beaches, and after the match finished 1-1 after full time, were unfortunately knocked out of the competition in penalties. However, it was a fantastic effort, with many of the girls being only U/14 - so they can play again next year.

The boys played their second-round match against Chatswood High in terrible conditions last Friday. After being behind early, they fought their way back to into the match with a late second-half free kick to **Gabriel F** going into the top corner to give the boys a 2-1 victory. They now face Balgowlah Boys High School in the third round this coming Thursday.

Peninsula Cup Update - Results

In recent weeks there have been a number of games held in the Term 2 Peninsula Cup competition for our Intermediate and Senior Girls Netball teams, and our U/16 and U/18 Boys Soccer teams. The teams are all coming to the final matches of their respective competitions, with the majority in line to qualify for the semi-finals. The latest results for each of the teams are:

Intermediate Netball	Senior Netball
vs Stella Maris (34-8 Win)	vs Mater Maria (42-28 Win)
vs Oxford Falls Grammar (33-20 Loss)	vs Stella Maris (42-14 Win)
vs Covenant Christian (28-5 Loss)	vs Oxford Falls Grammar (30-17 Loss)

U/16 Soccer

vs Oxford Falls Grammar (3-1 Win, goals: Adamo K x 2, Lennox L) vs Covenant Christian (2-1 Win, goals: Adamo K, Sebastian B) vs Pittwater House (3-0 Win, goals: Cooper G, Lachlan L, Billy W)

U/18 Soccer

vs NBCS (2-2 Draw, goals: Adamo K, Nicholas J) vs NBCS (2-1 Loss, goals: Pedro)