



Welcome to the Parental Lion Roars for Week 2 Term 4, 2022

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

A warm welcome back for Term 4 2022.

Bishop's Religious Creative Arts Showcase

This week I had the pleasure of joining many colleagues from CSBB, parents (from across the diocese) and of course students at the 2022 Religious Creative Arts Showcase. It was hosted at The Light of Christ Centre. Finalists not only displayed their visual art works; but dance, drama and music students also performed and we viewed short films.



All entries were based on a quote from Joshua 9:1: "*Have courage and patience and God will help you in all things...*"

Three of our students (pictured above) - **Michael D** in Year 10, **Precious C** and **Maya M** both of Year 9 - were three of the competition's finalists. Michael performed his instrumental composition piece on piano which he also composed. Over 300 people were in the audience along with **Bishop Anthony** and the CSBB Director of Schools, **Mr Danny Casey**.

Congratulations to these three students and all the students who entered this competition earlier

in Term 2. Click on these links or images to view (or listen to) their works:

[Michael](#) [Maya](#) [Precious](#)

It was also great to see our new Year 12 Hospitality students practise their developing skills in the demanding role of preparing, serving (and of course clean up) of a varied menu for over 300 people in a short period of time. I am proud to say they did it with decorum, expertise and with their own character and personality. Thank you to **Ms Angela Bourke** for all her preparation work, and for keeping a watchful eye on the students for this mammoth task.



Sporting Successes

Congratulations to our **U18 Girls Peninsula Cup Soccer team** who won the Grand Final last week! Despite the team being considerably younger than their competition and being defeated 7-1 by their Grand Final opponents St Luke's in the competition rounds, the team came together, obviously learning fast from their previous

performances to take out the Grand Final 4-1. Special mention to **Matilda W** who sat her first HSC exam that morning and **Giorgia S** in Year 8, a very valued member of the team. Well done also coach **Mr Michael Kember**.

Congratulations to **Daniel D** and **Nicholas W** (both Year 7) who recently competed in the Secondary Schools Tennis Challenge, coming second on the day and to all our **Athletics Age Champions**. Read more on these and other sporting achievements on pages 9-10.

Year 12 (2023) Abbey Retreat

Over three days this week, nine girls from our (new) Year 12 cohort have been contributing to the community at The Abbey (Benedictine) Immersion at Jamberoo. Thank you to **Ms Colleen Koffron** and **Rev Adrian Gomez** for their supervision, support and time away from their families and classes for this important event to occur. The boys' participated in similar events prior to the holidays – now it was the girls' turn! We are the only school in NSW to have this unique opportunity for our students. Thank you to **Sr Hildegard Ryan** for allowing this to happen.

Pathways and Careers Sessions

Yesterday students had the opportunity to hear from **CatholicCare** about career options including social and youth work, disability support, aged care, counselling, early learning and childcare



education. These are certainly growing sectors and of great interest to those who want to make a difference in peoples' lives and the community.



Last week **TAFE NSW** presented an overview of the many options for post school and in-school (TVET) study for students, from trades right through to Degrees they now offer.

Both sessions were very well supported by students from across the Year Groups and gave them the opportunity to ask many thoughtful questions of the guest presenters.



Please Consider Your Actions

All of us lead busy lives, are sick and tired of the bad weather, the potholes, all the bad news, etc. and it is easy to let this influence our mood and reactions in our day-to-day activities. We have heard of some minor 'road rage' incidents in and around our School Zones recently involving our St Leo's community.

So, I would like to simply appeal to all our families to please be patient – particularly in School Zones – be considerate of others on the roads and elsewhere, and especially just to think twice before you speak or act to consider the example you are setting.

Mr Anthony Timmins

Please keep in your prayers the family of **Mr Anthony Timmins** who passed away suddenly last Sunday. Anthony was a past member of staff and a greatly respected teacher in the early 2000s. He was a St Pius X Chatswood old boy and had returned there to teach most recently. We keep him and his family in our prayers and thoughts. *May Anthony Rest in Peace. Amen.*

Regards,

Tony Gleeson
Principal



Year 12 (2022) Update

Mr Daniel Lane, Director of Learning Improvement

HSC Examinations

Our Year 12 students are now half way through their HSC examinations. After some initial nerves and anticipation of what was to come, all students have settled very nicely into the rhythm of the examinations.

Mrs Sue White and her team of invigilators (including some past St Leo's students) have been working hard to ensure that the Year 12 cohort feel relaxed and prepared for all exams. Also, a very special mention to **Ms Kate Todd** who has been present before every exam to calm the nerves and be a friendly face for the students as they head into the rooms.

I'm sure that you will join me in wishing our Year 12 students all the best for the rest of their exams and for the very bright futures, beyond the gates of St Leo's.

Graduation Awards

As mentioned in the last *Lion Roars*, we held a wonderful Graduation Day at the end of last Term for our Year 12 Class of 2022.

You can [view a selection of photos here](#).



Following a beautiful Mass with the whole College in the morning, students and their families came together for a Graduation Ceremony that afternoon where each graduate was presented with their certificate by their Mentor teacher. After this, our Major Award winners for 2022 were announced:

Award	Winner/s
St Josephine Bakhita Award for Fair Play	Connor D, Jade L
Award for Year 12 Sportswoman of the Year	Ruby G, Sophie O
Award for Year 12 Sportsman of the Year	Oliver G
Shield for Excellence in Athletics	Aidan J
The St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Performing Arts	Lilianna C
St Thomas Aquinas Award for Mathematics	Rivan R
St Peter Chanel Award for Outstanding Effort in Studies	Joshua B, Hannah B, Rose B, Poppy B, Tara F, Michaela H, Jake H, Rhiannon H, Aidan J, Mia K, Oliver M, Jing Xuan N, Tenisia P, Sylvie P, Tamryn R, Isaac R, Christian R, Christian S, Samantha S, Xianzhi (Xander) Y
The Venerable Catherine McAuley Award for Leadership	Sofia A L
St Ignatius of Loyola Award for Leadership	Rivan R
ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award	William B
ADF Future Innovators Award	Joshua B
The St Francis Xavier All Rounder Award	Savya R
St Teresa of Calcutta Award for Contribution to the Religious Life of the College	Matteo D
The St Leo's Medal	Rhianna K

Congratulations to our worthy award winners!



An Invitation to all Year 7 Families:

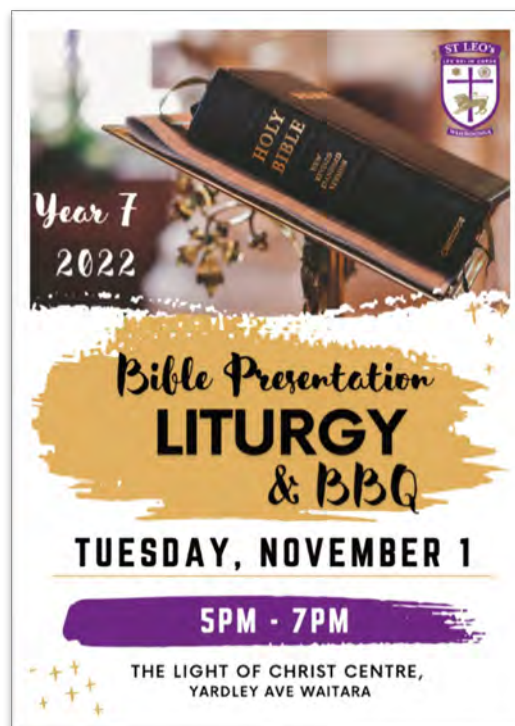
Bible Presentation Liturgy & Social BBQ – Tuesday, 1 November

We have had a wonderful year in Religion classes with our 2022 cohort. To commemorate their belonging in our St Leo's community, and the path they are each taking on their faith journey, we will be holding a Bible Presentation Liturgy on **Tuesday, November 1**.

The evening will begin at **5pm in the LOCC** with a liturgy that focuses on handing on our wisdom and our faith through the presentation of a Bible to each student. This will be followed with a BBQ on the verandah from around 6pm.

We would love all Year 7 families to join us to celebrate our St Leo's community and socialise with other Year 7 families.

Please RSVP HERE for catering purposes no later than **COB Wednesday, 26 October**.



Student Wellbeing

Ms Megan Tynan, Acting Director of Pastoral Care & Wellbeing

Komodo Wellbeing App Rollout - Year 8



The Year 8 Pastoral Team will be trialling a Wellbeing Platform with Year 8 this term. The platform is called *Komodo Wellbeing* and is a simple-to-use app that asks students eight questions regarding their feelings and overall wellbeing. The survey is a combination of direct questions and sliding scales to help them identify their feelings.

After a disrupted few years with Covid and remote learning, we are investigating ways to improve monitoring and support of students' emotional wellbeing. To do this, we engaged the help of Komodo to trial the App and its surveys each Thursday in mentor class for Term 4. The results of the survey are confidential, with the student's Mentor teacher, the Year Leader and the Acting Director of Student Wellbeing only having access to the results.

The surveys provide the Mentor teacher with a real time snapshot of how students are travelling and if they may need additional support or help in any area. Students can

Student Wellbeing, Redefined



request a check-in by a staff member if they feel that they need additional assistance, which helps them take ownership of their own wellbeing and enables them to request help confidentially.

You can read the [Parent Guide to Komodo](#) for more information. If you have any questions about this process, please feel free to contact me (megan.tynan@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

'Bringing up Great Kids - Parenting Adolescents' Course

This 4-week program supports parents as their children embark on the journey through their adolescent years and emerge as adults. The program enables parents/carers to understand the adolescent brain in the context of behaviour and nurtures the parent/child relationship.

When: Wednesdays starting 26 October 2022, 10-11.30am

Where: Waitara Family Centre, 29 Yardley Avenue

Cost: \$20.00

Register [HERE](#)

More information: Phone 1800 324 924 or email:

intakefs@catholicaredbb.org.au



Important Dates 2022-23

Week	Date	Event
TERM 4 2022		
1-4	Wed 12 Oct – Fri 4 Nov	HSC Exams
3	Tue 25 Oct, 6-8pm	Year 7 2023 Parent Information Evening & Social
4-5	Mon 31 Oct – Tue 8 Nov	Year 10 Exam block
5	Mon 7 Nov	Year 7 Vaccinations
5	Wed 9 Nov	Term 4 Parents in Partnership Meeting
6	Sun 13 - Tue 15 Nov	CAPA Camp
6	Tue 15 Nov	Year 12 Formal
6	Fri 18 Nov	College Swimming Carnival
7	Wed 23 - Fri 25 Nov	Year 9 Camp
7	Fri 25 Nov	Year 7 2023 Orientation/High School Taster Day
8	Tue 29 Nov	Years 7-8 Studio Concert (private music students)
8	Wed 30 Nov	Years 9-12 Studio Concert (private music students)
8	Thu 1 Dec	Year 10 Semi-Formal
10	Wed 14 Dec	College Advent Liturgy
10	Thu 15 Dec	College Awards Ceremony/Year in Review
10	Fri 16 Dec	St Leo's Fair Day/last day of formal classes for students
11	Tue 20 Dec	College Office closes for 2022

TERM 1 2023		
1	Mon 30 Jan	Year 7 2023, Year 12 & new students Day 1 (Orientation)
1	Tue 31 Jan	Years 8-11 students return for 2023
8	Wed 22 March	College Open Evening (4-7pm)

What's been Happening?

Ignite Catholic Youth Conference

'In the holidays, I had the opportunity to attend the Ignite Youth Conference 2022, along with six other Year 11s and one Year 10, over four days at Freeman College, Bonnyrigg.

The conference was an incredible experience - unlike any other Catholic youth event I have been to. Every morning and night we attended rallies featuring live music, testimonies from everyday Catholics, and the chance to experience God through prayer teams, Adoration, Mass, and Reconciliation. Our days were filled with elective workshops covering topics including 'the power of words', being 'made for more', leadership, influencing others, and much more.

It was incredible seeing the Holy Spirit touch the lives of so many people around me, with thousands of people kneeling before Jesus in Adoration. You could feel God's presence in the laughter, and tears that we all shared; and I look forward to attending Ignite again in the future.

Thanks to **Rev Gomez** and **Ms Brown** for accompanying us on this great experience.' - **Tony**, Year 11



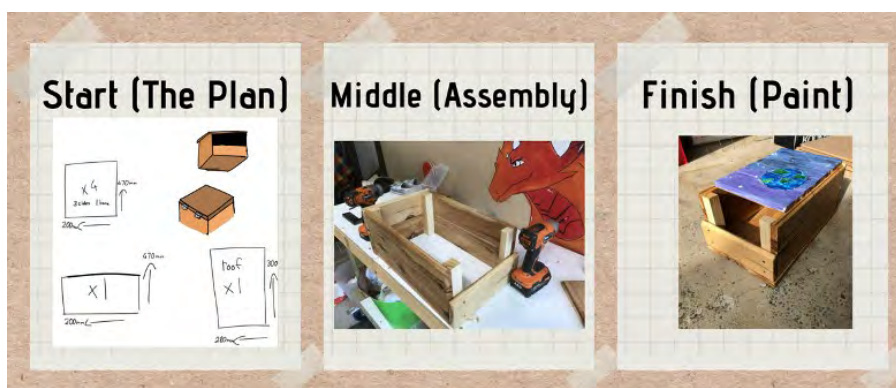
Year 7 Religious Education

Year 7 Religion classes have spent Term 3 studying *Caring for our Common Home* – a unit designed to help students see God in Creation, and adjust our actions accordingly. We had a wonderful time exploring the gifts of Creation and our own spirituality through Creation. The unit culminated in our projects, which encouraged students to explore their own connection with God's Creation and channel their creative energies...

Ariell F - 7N

'For my project about caring for our common home I built a possum house, so I could protect the possums in my backyard. For this project I used spare old floorboards that we were just going to throw out, but with a few screws and simple woodworking skills (and some awesome cutting skills from my dad) I had made a safe

haven for our possums. I quite enjoyed this project because it gave me new skills and a new found love and connection to nature and our backyard possums. I would highly recommend this simple and easy project to anyone who loves our nature and possums.'





Charlotte K - 7N

'For my project, I sewed a blanket with spare pieces of fabric in my house. I loved sewing it because I got the experience with sewing and the experience of creating something that will help with my little bit of saving the environment. The only challenge was that the sewing machine broke halfway through, so I had to hand sew the borders, and it took like 2 days!

Anyway, my mum's friend had a spare sewing machine, so we borrowed that, which helped the project get along a lot faster. Thank you!'

Patrick A - 7N

'My project was the bee-friendly herb garden bird bath. It acts as refuge for birds as well as a sustainable food source for bees and a way to grow herbs at home.

The bee-friendly herb garden bird bath was made using sustainable items such as terracotta pots and half wine barrels both made from nature.

The project taught me ways of gardening and caring for our common home. I enjoyed the process of making it. I glued the bottom of each pot to each other and the wine barrels. It stands proudly in my backyard and encourages me to care for all our common homes.'



Operation Art

Operation Art is being held from 17 September to 30 October at the Newington Armoury. St Leo's is proud to have three students selected to exhibit their work. ([More information](#))

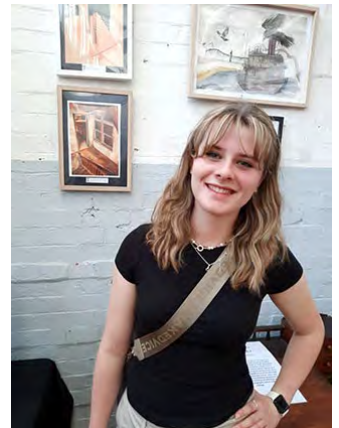
Year 8 student **Imogen B** went along to the Open Day and alongside the road were billboards. And whose artwork should be on those billboards? Imogen's own artwork of her dog! What a brilliant thing to see one's artwork on billboards! – **Ms Anamaria Schneider**, Visual Arts Teacher

Quarantine Station Art Exhibition



Each year, students from our St.Leo's Year 10 Visual Art and Photography classes undertake a site study of the Quarantine Station in Manly as inspiration for their artmaking.

This year, we had the privilege of being invited to exhibit our work as



part of their Open Day. The work displayed was from Year 10 classes over the last three years. Students were inspired by a range of themes including the architecture of the buildings, historical significance of the site itself, the natural landscape, the human story and artefacts. Students produced the work in mediums including lino printing, oil painting, pencil drawing, digital photography and mixed media collage.

Thank you to the many families who attended the day. The feedback we received from the general public as well as the Quarantine staff was overwhelming with most commenting on the outstanding talent we have at St.Leo's!

- **Ms Claire Stevenson**, Visual Arts Teacher

Careers News

Ms Melissa Duff, Acting Careers Advisor

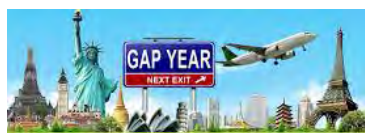
Read the [Careers News Page](#) for more information on:



tourism and
hospitality



UNIVERSITIES
ADMISSIONS
CENTRE



- Careers Industry of the Week – **Tourism & Hospitality**
- **UAC webinars:**
 - Applying for the Educational Access Scheme - Monday 2 November, 6pm
 - The Schools Recommendation Scheme, Course Preferences and Offers, Monday 9 November, 6pm
- **Latest from TAFE:**
 - TAFE NSW Volvo Apprenticeship Program
 - TAFE for Music, Fashion, Art, Floristry, Photography, Sound, Design, Signs, Graphics, Film and Screen
- **GAP Year Opportunities:**
 - Camp America Info Session for 2022 - Tuesday, 8 November, 7pm
- **Apprenticeship and Traineeship Opportunities:**
 - Microsoft Traineeship Program
 - Australian Training Company

New Canteen Menu for Term 4

Our canteen suppliers, Yummy Bears have introduced a [new menu for Term 4](#) (which is also available on the College website under Parent and Student Links).

Do you know how to order lunch at the Canteen? It's easy! Simply download the [Flexischools App](#) and follow the prompts. It's a fast and efficient way to always make sure they get what they want for lunch!

Of course, counter sales at recess and lunch are also most welcome.

Did you know we have **LUNCHTIME SPECIALS** every day...?

Monday – Pizza (Margarita/Hawaiian or Meat lovers)

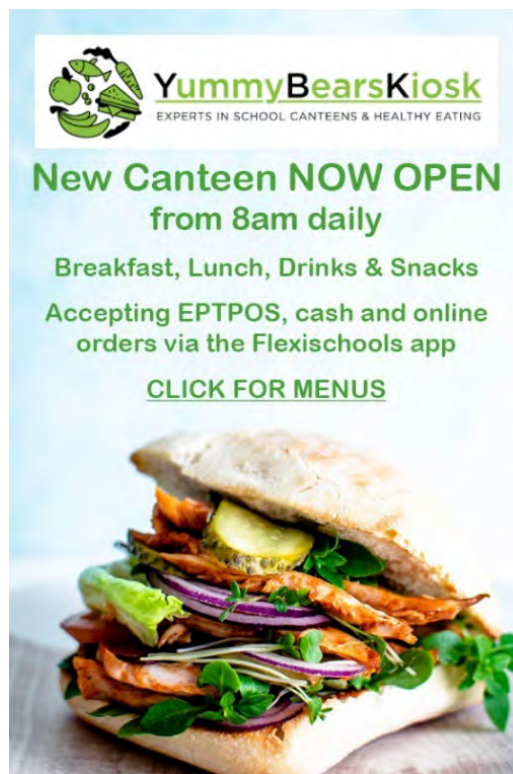
Tuesday – Portuguese Chicken Burger

Wednesday – Nachos (Beef or Vegetarian)

Thursday – Sushi (Teriyaki Chicken/Tuna or Vegetarian)

Friday – Butter Chicken & Rice

Plus, a wonderful array of sandwiches, wraps, & snacks to satisfy.



Sports Report

Mr Michael Kember, Leader of Sport

Junior Boys Rugby 7s and Inters Boys and Girls AFL



The end of Term 3 saw the Junior Boys Rugby 7s and Inters Boys AFL travel to EDSAAC playing fields in Bateau Bay to represent the College at the Broken Bay events. Last week was the turn of our Inters Girls AFL teams to attend at the same venue.

This is the first time that the College has participated in this event, and with the growth of AFL, there is no doubt we will become regulars. On both days the students played with great skills

and enjoyed the day. All teams had strong performances and close games in their pool matches, narrowly missing the finals.

A big thank you to the **Mr Nicoll**, and **Mr Tavernese** for the countless training sessions and time they put into the teams.



Athletics Carnival Age Champions

With the busyness of the Term 3 sport and also Broken Bay and NSWCCC Athletics Carnivals, the St Leo's Age Champion announcements were delayed. So, it now gives me great pleasure to announce our 2022 Athletics Age Champions:

U/12 Girls – **Chelsea F**

U/13 Girls – **Isabelle G**

U/14 Girls – **Bronte T**

U/15 Girls – **Maddi D**

U/16 Girls – **Natasha T**

U/17 Girls – **Bailey C**

U/18 Girls – **Sophie O**

U/12 Boys – **Remi DT**

U/13 Boys – **Matthew R**

U/14 Boys – **Wol A**

U/15 Boys – **Alex M**

U/16 Boys – **Lachlan L**

U/17 Boys – **Aidan J**

U/18 Boys – **Oliver G**

Peninsula Cup Winners!

Last week our U/18 Girls Peninsula Cup football (soccer) team played in the competition's Grand Final against St Luke's. The majority of the team were in Year 10 or under so the team was very young for the competition. We played St Luke's in the round games and were defeated 7-1, so the afternoon was going to be very tough!

The girls started well and had a few close chances early, narrowly missing the goal. They then scored two goals through the boot of **Isla W** (Year 10) and **Giorgia S** (Year 8), giving them a 2-1 lead at half time. The second half was all St Leo's and the poor St Luke's goalkeeper didn't really have a break. **Rebecca R** then scored another 2 goals to put the icing on a fantastic win! Final score: 4-1.

Special mention to **Matilda W** who sat her first HSC exam this morning but didn't want to miss the final and gave up her afternoon of preparation to play.

Tennis Success

At the end of last Term, **Daniel D** (Year 7) and **Nicholas W** (Year 7) played in the Secondary Schools Tennis Challenge at Pennant Hills open to students from North-West Sydney. The boys finished in second place in the round robin tournament, which is a fantastic achievement. Congratulations boys.

Swimming Carnival Update

The College swimming carnival is being held on **Friday, 18 November**. Students had the opportunity to enter carnival events last Term and were reminded repeatedly to enter before the closing date last week. Over the coming week, students who have entered the carnival will receive notes outlining their event/s.

Internal Sporting Program

This Term students will be participating in both on-site sports at the College and going offsite for the Sport for Life program. Offsite activities will see all students attending at least once in the following activities:

Year 7: Mini Golf at Thornleigh

Year 8: Tennis (Waitara) and Mini Golf (Thornleigh)

Year 9: CrossFit (Thornleigh) and Tennis (Waitara)

Year 10: Mini Golf (Thornleigh) and Tennis (Waitara), as well as looking at other options for the end of the term.

Term 4 Representative Broken Bay Events

During Term 4, St Leo's will be competing in the following Broken Bay events. Students will be informed of trials and training sessions via the St Leo's Sport Google Classroom page. Upcoming events include:

Touch Football - Monday 24 October – BBSSSA U/13 Boys and Girls Touch Football Championship

Surf Life Saving - Thursday 24 November – BBSSSA Surf Life Saving Championships

Tennis - Monday 29 November – BBSSSA Tennis Championships

Beach Volleyball - Monday 29 November – BBSSSA Beach Volleyball Championships

Reminder: Uniform and Grooming

With all students back in summer uniform, a few reminders regarding wearing uniforms with pride:

Uniforms:

- Skirts/dresses should be no shorter than knee length
- School shoes should be leather

Grooming:

- Long hair needs to be tied back if it touches the collar
- Natural hair colour only allowed
- No 'extreme' haircuts - mullets, bowl cuts etc. are **NOT ALLOWED**

Jewellery and Make-up

- One small stud or hoop only is allowed in each ear
- No excessive jewellery - no more than one ring
- No visible bracelets or necklaces
- Natural eyelashes only allowed
- Natural nails only allowed



College Caps or Hats – Required for Sport and Outdoors

A College cap or new bucket hat is required whenever students have outdoor sport, and highly recommended when outdoors at recess and lunchtime. These are available from our uniform suppliers, Cowan and Lewis. They can be ordered online and delivered to the College free of delivery charges.

All uniform information and links are available on the [Uniform page of our website](#).



A Message from Mrs Wessels

To the many colleagues, students, and parents I have met as a permanent Science teacher at the College for over 17 years - thank you and farewell!

As one of the staff 'intake 2005', I am formally finishing up as a Science and senior Biology teacher at St. Leos. I hope that I've been able to make a difference in some way to the many students who have crossed my path, be it in science classes, mentor groups, camps or during whatever surprises eventuate every day in a school.

I have enjoyed teaching so many students. Even when the going got tough, I (almost) always enjoyed being in the classroom. Over the years, this included adapting some science lessons sometimes 'all over the school' or outside when the science labs were being renovated. I always 'made a plan', which included even a few fish dissections in the 'Bush Reserve', lessons on 'Loyola Green', etc.

To the many friendly college teaching and support staff who have helped me over the years, a big 'thank you', especially to those in the science department. I will miss the comradery.

Thank you to the many parents for your support when I taught your children, be it at parent-student-teacher night 'marathons', by phone, email or in person.

Living locally, it is always lovely to see past students at the shopping centre and say 'hello'. I hope to continue to teach at St Leo's in the capacity of a committed casual teacher in the future.

Regards and best wishes,

Mrs. Helen Wessels, Science teacher at St Leo's 2005-2022



Community Notices

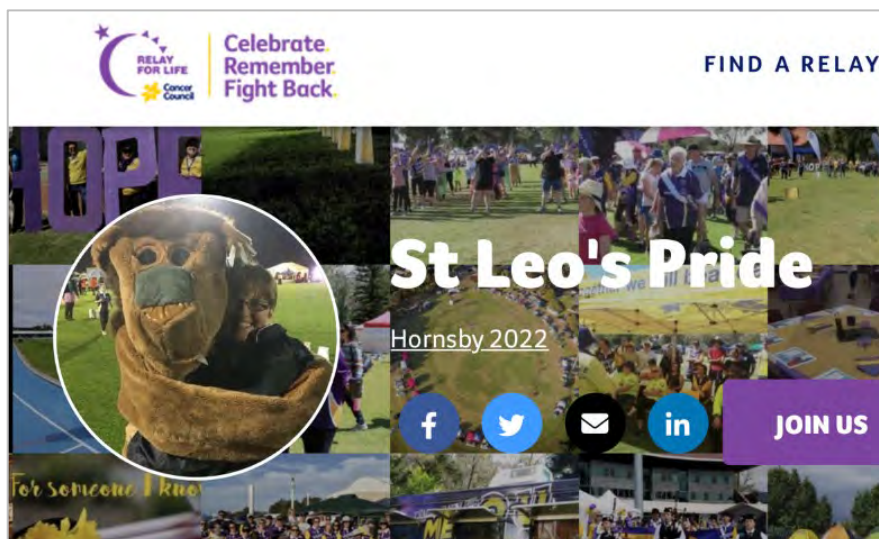
St Leo's Relay for Life Team

Hornsby Relay for Life is getting closer!

It will be held at **Rofe Park, Hornsby Heights** on **Saturday/Sunday 5- 6 November 2022**.

This event raises money for **Cancer Council NSW** and the College has registered a team since 2017. Relay for Life involves teams walking a track for 24 hours, raising funds and awareness.

The **St Leo's Pride** team is registered again this year and I am speaking to our new student leaders about ways to support this event as a community. Ensembles from our fabulous CAPA team will also form part of the entertainment for the day.



You can help by:

- **Collecting cans & bottles:** The organising team are hoping to set up a 'Return and Earn' at the relay event but I wonder if our community would be happy to save their cans and bottles so the proceeds can be donated to our team? I am happy to collect donations from school.
- **Donating or joining the team:** [St Leo's Pride fundraising page.](#)

Cancer has had a big impact on Leo's staff and families in the last few years and I would really like Leo's to have a presence at this growing community event. Please [email me](#) if you would like more information.

Thanks for your support! - **Mrs Joanna Gower** (Acting Registrar)

Musicians Wanted – Pymble Parish

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church (Pymble Catholic Parish) is looking for more volunteer musicians, singers and computer operators for our weekend Masses. If you are interested and would like more detail, please contact Margaret Walz at margaret.walz@dbb.catholic.edu.au or the Parish Office at office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Connections for Seniors – 'Hello Hornsby'



(Click image for more information)



Term 4 - 2022

Welcome to the School Zone Road Safety Newsletter for Term 4.

In this edition we look at practical ways to help your child be independently road safe, and some facts about teaching learner drivers, to keep them safe.



Teaching children road safety

Keeping kids safe

Learning about road safety starts from the time a child begins to walk. As children grow they start to use our road network in different ways, from riding scooters and bikes through to using public transport. Parents are not always going to be around to supervise so it's important to teach kids about road safety from a young age so that they can be safe on and around our roads.

There are many practical ways to help your child by teaching them:

- to understand timing and speed
- how to cross roads safely
- to see a dangerous situation and respond appropriately

You don't have to be a road safety expert to do this!



Image above: Richards, L. 1968-1978. Police traffic school, Victoria. Item ID: 5984344. From the collection of the National Archives of Australia.

Teaching Learner drivers - The facts















- Learner drivers are statistically less likely to be in a crash than other drivers.
- The risk of being involved in a crash increases for young drivers once they get their probationary licence.
- Learner drivers need a minimum of 120 hours of logged driving practice before they can sit for their probationary licence test.
- A learner driver must log a minimum of 20 hours of night time driving. When L plate drivers move to their probationary licence they're at a much greater risk of being in a crash at night.
- Gaining experience in all conditions helps to improve driving skills and reduce risks when a driver gets their probationary licence.
- The introduction of the Graduated Licensing System (GLS) has helped to reduce deaths and serious injuries of young drivers
- Local Councils offer online presentations for parents/carers supervising a learner driver. To find out when Hornsby is next offering this presentation, visit www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/learnerdrivers.

Source: Transport Accident Commission.
For further information visit
<https://www.tac.vic.gov.au/road-safety/road-users/parents>



Safety tips for school zones:

EXITING THE CAR 	 Make sure children use the footpath-side door when getting in and out of a car.	APPLY BRAKE 	 Make sure the park brake is applied when the vehicle is stationary.
PARKING 	 NEVER double park.	CROSSING 	 NEVER park across a pedestrian crossing.
NO U-TURNS 	 NEVER undertake a U-turn in close proximity to the school.	NO 3 POINT TURNS 	 NEVER undertake a three-point turn in close proximity to the school.

Safety tips for students:

BUCKLE UP 	 Stay buckled up until the vehicle has stopped.	STORE ITEMS 	 Make sure your school bag and other items are in a safe position.	BE READY 	Be ready to get out of the car with your belongings when the car has stopped and you have unbuckled your seat belt.	EXIT SAFELY 	Always get in and out of the back seat through the safety door - the rear footpath-side door.
---	---	---	--	--	---	---	---

Demerit Points:

* The **Demerit Points** Scheme is a national program that allocates penalty points (demerits) for a range of driving offences. A driver who has not committed any offences has 'zero' points. If you commit an offence that carries demerit points, the points are added to your driving record. If you incur the threshold number of demerit points within a three-year period, a licence suspension or refusal is applied. The three-year period is calculated between the dates the offences were committed. It ends on the day your most recent offence was committed. For further information regarding demerit points please visit: <https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/documents/roads/safety-rules/demerits-school.pdf>