

Welcome to the Parental Lion Roars for Week 6 Term 4, 2023

# Principal's Message

Dear valued members of the St Leo's Catholic College community,

A very busy couple of weeks. Elsewhere in this newsletter will be further details of the many opportunities that many of our students took advantage of, either to improve our St Leo's Catholic learning community or improve themselves for the greater good of all!

#### **ARTEXPRESS Nominations**

Last week I was notified by NESA that two of our students have been nominated for **ARTEXPRESS 2024**. ARTEXPRESS is the NESA Showcase of exemplars of student excellence in the Visual Arts bodies of works across NSW which is held in several centres throughout 2024. These students were - **Hannah Gladman** and **Heidi Macdonald**.

Congratulations to these two Year 12 (2023) students and their teacher, **Ms Claire Stevenson** for her direction and efforts in getting these students to produce their *bodies of work in Visual Arts* to this exemplary standard! Well done ladies!



Last week Thursday, three of our parents as well as our Parent Engagement Coordinator, **Ms Saj Senn** and myself joined Director, **Mr Danny Casey** and **Fr David Ranson** at the *Broken Bay Catholic Schools Parents Leadership Evening* with Workstream Leads and school principals. Feedback from those attending will be given at our *Parents in Partnership Evening* on Wed (22 Nov) at 6pm (see p.3).









On Friday (as well as last Friday for a few), we welcomed 192 young people who took part in the **Year 7 2024 Orientation Day** (above).

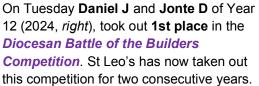
A select group of 24 **Year 9 students** (*left*) underwent a **Peer Support Leadership Course** earlier this week (thank you **Ms Tynan** and **Ms Watts**) so they could formally mentor and lead our new Year 7 students for their Orientation Days both now and into 2024.

Last Sunday to Tuesday 12-14 November, the annual *CAPA Camp* (*right*) took place at Galston Gorge. An impressive 110 students from Years 7-10 developed their skills in Visual Arts, Music, Dance and Drama. At the same time, they formed new friendships, and learned to live in close quarters with a group of different people.

On Monday 13 November, we conducted our *College Remembrance Day Ceremony* (below) in front of the ANZAC



Memorial Garden. The ceremony was planned and executed by the **Year 9 Elective History** class.





That evening, the *Year 12 Formal* was held at Curzon Hall, Marsfield (*right*). The students (now ex-students) were joined by their Mentor teachers and others in celebrating the very last time they will be together as a cohort. A great night was had by all.



From Wednesday 15 to Friday 17
November, our **Year 10 students**participated in their **3-day Camp** at
Lake Macquarie. Earlier in the day we
held our **Term IV Assembly**, where
we recognised and acknowledged



over 70 students for their sustained efforts with **Pride Medallions** (*left*), as well as our **Student Representative Council** (SRC), **Year 9 Peer Support Leaders**, **sports achievements**, **Caring for the Environment** and **CAPA**.



On Thursday, our **College Student Leaders** represented the College at the **CSBB Secondary School Leaders Day** at Pennant Hills. **Kaylan** had the opportunity to address the group (along with **Bishop Anthony** and the Director, **Mr Danny Casey**) about what it means to be a student leader in our Catholic schools.

In the evening, I represented the College at a *farewell for OLOR Principal*, **Ms Jacinta Crowe**. Jacinta has been a great supporter and

friend of the College and of me personally. Together, we have been heavily involved in the building and operation of *TLOCC (The Light of Christ Centre)*, the *Diocesan Principals' Association*, *Hornsby Cathedral Parish Council* and being one of our main primary feeder schools. We will miss her, not only as a neighbour, but as a friend and professional colleague of the 'Bishop's Cathedral School!' It was a great gathering of her family, past colleagues, clergy, past and present parents and even past students! *All the best Jacinta in your future endeavours*.



Thank you to the many Leo's staff who gave up multiple nights from their families in order to provide the many opportunities above for our students:

*CAPA Camp* - Ms Rosalie Belsey, Mr Richard Hannan, Ms Fiona Milkins, Ms Susie Murphy, Ms Kristen Nicola, Ms Ellie Field and Mr Vince Tavernese.

Year 10 Camp - Mr David Batten, Ms Lorraine Champ, Ms Kerstin Cole, Ms Stephanie Frykberg, Ms Leona Jenkins, Mr Scott Mulford, Ms Kelly Robinson and Mr Roger Topp.

#### **Girls' Sport Showcase**

Next Wednesday, the College will be holding a *Celebration of Girls' Sport* here on Donelly Oval. Three games will be on show (with **Kotara High School**) along with **NRL Ambassadors** and a BBQ for those directly involved.

#### Schedule:

- 9:15am Kotara High arrive along with NRL Ambassadors & referees
- 10:00am U/14 Girls Rugby League match
- 11:00am U/16 Girls Rugby League match
- 12:30pm Open Girls Soccer match

The annual Pacifico Plate will be awarded on the day. Wishing all our teams the best of luck in these games.

# A Study of Chronic Pain in High School



All of these activities would not be possible without the generosity of our staff. One of these staff I would like to highlight is **Ms Isabella Hawke**. Isabella is a very accomplished and competent teacher of Science. We were lucky enough for Isabella to join our staff at the start of this year. Besides concentrating on mastering her craft of teaching, she has also taken on the Teacher Leader of the **Environmental Group** here at the College.

Isabella was recently invited to present at the *Australasian Conference for Undergraduate Research* in Melbourne. The theme of the conference is 'A Connected World: New Research Directions'. She was chosen to speak about the thesis she completed last year, titled 'Are We Doing Enough? A Phenomenological Study of Chronic

Pain in High School". This study explored the experiences of adolescents with chronic pain as they navigate their high schooling years. It was conceived out of the researchers own personal struggles with chronic pain in high school and is driven by a desire to provide guidance to schools on supporting students with chronic pain, particularly given the lack of research on the topic. I invite the budding scientists amongst us to read <a href="Isabella's Thesis">Isabella's Thesis</a> is here.

We are very proud of Isabella and the contribution and modelling for our students she is making, not only in our own community but also in the wider community! In fact, Isabella has decided not to attend the conference, given the time she will miss from her classes!

# Invitation: Parents in Partnership Evening - Wed 22 Nov, 6pm

This coming Wednesday (22 Nov) at 6pm is our *Term IV Parents in Partnership Evening*. Besides the report back from the parents who attended the Diocesan evening last week, and in response to parent queries at our Term III PiP evening, our Director of Wellbeing for Learning, **Ms Megan Tynan** will be leading discussion on the purpose, structure and themes for our *Wellbeing for Learning College Program*. There will also be an update on the uniform policy and upcoming parental involvement in our *Pathways Program*.



ST LEO'S VS. KOTARA HIGH A CELEBRATION OF

**GIRLS' SPORT!** 

WED 22 NOV, DONELLY OVAL

10AM - U/14 RUGBY LEAGUE 11AM - U/16 RUGBY LEAGUE 12.30PM - OPEN SOCCER

The final agenda will be emailed to all parents /carers on Monday. If you intend joining us, please **RSVP HERE** and the exact venue will be confirmed once numbers are known. We hope to see many of you there on Wednesday to discuss these topics.

#### Work in the Cosmetic Industry?

We are looking for a work experience opportunity for one of our students keen on a career in the make-up field. Can you help? If so, please contact <a href="Mrs Joanna Gower">Mrs Joanna Gower</a>.

#### **Staff News**

Many of our parents/carers know **Ms Karen Bodle**, our College Receptionist. Karen is very excited to have become a grandmother this week! Congratulations Karen on the birth of your grandson last Thursday.

Thank you for your time and continuing trust in the College,

Tony Gleeson, Principal

# **Student Representative Council 2024**

Over the past month, a number of students put themselves forward to represent their year group as members of the Student Representative Council (SRC). Each student went through an application process and were included in a ballot for their respective year groups to vote on. The Leadership Team then looked at the applications and voting results and have selected the following students as members of the St Leo's SRC for 2024.

We congratulate the following students on their election:

Year 8 (2024)	Isabella P Aidan D	Year 10 (2024)	Alena H Matthew B
Year 9 (2024)	Shania M	Year 11 (2024)	Maya M
	Arturo B S		Rush R



#### Middle East Conflict

At Wednesday's College Assembly, the unfolding situation in Palestine and Israel was acknowledged and each student received a prayer card acknowledging the extraordinary event that not only threatens families and the diminishing Christian presence in the Holy Land, but the stability of the entire Middle East.

As Pope Francis said in his recent Angelus address 'Prayer is the meek and holy force to oppose the diabolical force of hatred, terrorism and war'.

We encourage all of our community to come together and pray the specially written prayer that each student received this week.

#### Save the Date - St Leo's Coffee & Chat

#### Thursday, 30 November, 7:45 - 8:30am in The Light of Christ Centre



# PRAYER FOR Peace in the Middle East

Lord Jesus Christ,

The Holy Land is once again struck by violence, hatred, and death. Lord, look with mercy upon the land that was your earthly home.

Receive the deceased into your presence. Comfort those who mourn, are wounded, or forced to flee. Be close to all who are full of fear and despair.

You are our peace and the light of the nations, put an end to the spiral of terror and suffering in the Holy Land and in the whole Middle East.

Let peace and justice flourish at the holy sites. You are our refuge. Let the people be safe in your Love.

Have mercy on us and on our time. Amen.

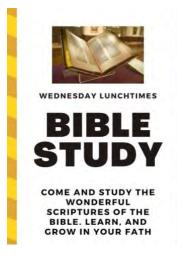
The College invites all parents and carers to call in to the College for a free coffee and the opportunity for an informal chat with each other and members of the College Leadership Team to further strengthen the parent partnership at St Leo's. Please RSVP HERE.

Parking will be available on the lower oval (outside The Light of Christ Centre).

If successful, we hope to run a parent coffee & chat each term. We would love to see you there.

### Wednesday Bible Study

Year 9 student **Matthew B** was interested to learn more about the Bible as part of our Evangelisation and Catechesis program. As a result, the College engaged seminarian **Rosan Matthew** to lead our students through the Bible each Wednesday at lunch time in the Chapel.



The group, open to the entire St Leo's community (staff, students & parents) engages in reading, analysis and discussion of Bible passages, stories, teachings and themes.

Our Bible study classes aim to help participants deepen their understanding of the Bible, its historical context, its teachings, and its relevance to our lives. These sessions also serve as a means for spiritual growth, guidance, and community building at St Leo's.



# All Souls Month @ St Leo's

All Souls' Month is celebrated by the Catholic Church each year in November. It is a time dedicated to

remembering and praying for the souls of the departed. The month began with All Saints' Day on 1 November.

Throughout November, a remembrance book is being displayed on the altar and all members of our community are invited to add a loved one's name who has departed this world.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them.

And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

St Leo the Great, pray for us. Live Jesus in our hearts, forever.



Mr Patrick Brennan, Assistant Principal - Evangelisation and Catechesis



# Academic Growth Domain

# Year 7 & 8 Maths in Action: Entrepreneurial Ventures

Embark on a thrilling learning journey with 'Maths in Action: Entrepreneurial Ventures'! Designed for Year 7 and 8 students, this project, launched by the insightful former CFO **Glenn Brown**, merges the magic of mathematics with the allure of business innovation.

Students are set to navigate the world of data and probability, transforming these concepts into captivating business plans. As the project crescendos to an awards ceremony, we eagerly anticipate the display of young entrepreneurial genius.

We invite parents to ignite a spark of curiosity at home, discussing the fascinating intersection of data and business. This is more than just learning; it's an exciting exploration into the future of entrepreneurship. Let the adventure begin!



#### **New Uniform Items**

St Leo's is pleased to introduce a new summer uniform option for girls!

Following student and parent requests, our summer uniform now includes girls' shorts which can be worn with the current senior girls' blouse or a new short-sleeved blouse option for junior girls.

Both new items are now available from our uniform suppliers, Cowan and Lewis.

We hope many of our girls take advantage of this smart new option.

# Gabe a Finalist in Videos for Change

We are excited to hear that Year 8 student **Gabe O** is a finalist in the Videos for Change Competition.

Partnering with the University of Technology, Sydney (UTS), Videos for Change aim to amplify the voices of young people and activate positive social change. High school students were challenged to make a one-minute video about a social issue they were passionate about with the aim of raising awareness and giving the audience an idea of how they can play their part.

Gabe's entry, '<u>Stress with Time'</u> is one of 11 finalists, with the winner to be announced at the UTS Videos for Change Film Festival on 1 December. Good luck Gabe!

# **Parent Engagement News**

The following opportunities are currently available for parents and carers:

What:	When/Where:	Details:
COLLEGE FAITH ACTIVITIES Weekly St Leo's Rosary and Mass	Rosary: Every Monday at 10.50am  Mass: Every Friday at 1.15pm  Location: College Chapel. Please sign in at Reception	All St Leo's parents are welcome to come together for our Rosary and/or Mass in a spirit of faith and unity so as to strengthen the bonds that make our Catholic school community so special.
PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP	PIP MEETING Wed 22 Nov, 6pm Location (on campus): To be confirmed once numbers are known All Leo's parents/carers are welcome to attend.  REGISTER HERE	The agenda will focus on Pastoral Care and Wellbeing for Learning, including:  • Year Group Parent Coordinator (suggestion)  • Mentor Groups  • St Leo's Wellbeing for Learning Program As well as:  • Principal's Update  • Uniform Guidelines  • Learning Attributes for Students
	Parent and Carer COFFEE & CHAT Thu 30 Nov, 7:45am - 8:30am RSVP HERE Location: The Light of Christ Centre	We invite all parents and carers for a coffee catch- up and opportunity to chat with members of the College Leadership Team and each other to further strengthen the parent partnership at St Leo's. Parking will be available on the Lower Oval (outside The Light of Christ Centre).

TALK TO STUDENTS ABOUT YOUR CAREER! Year 10 Motivate Program	Be part of a small panel and share their experience through a short (5 min) talk followed by a panel Q&A.  To participate this term, you need to be available for approx. 1 hour (8.50-9.50am) on one morning on 30 Nov or 1,4 or 5 Dec.  Interested? Please complete THIS FORM	The <b>Motivate Program</b> is being run for our Year 10 Students this Term, and we are looking for community members to briefly share their career experiences with our students.  We are keen to hear from people from a range of different professional areas and trades. Students will develop a greater understanding of the broad range of industries available to them and the many pathways to these positions.  If you are able to assist this Term or in the future with our Career and Pathways programs, please complete the brief online form.
CHRISTMAS ART WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS Expressions of Interest Minimal cost for basic art supplies	Fri 24 Nov (9am-1.30pm) and/or Fri 1 Dec (9am-1.30pm) Location: Prouille Primary School Register HERE	St Leo's parents may be interested to attend this minimal cost art workshop run by Prouille's PEC and Resilience Centre Master Trainer Jacqui Van de Velde.  Simple art techniques will be used in this mindful practice to create beautiful Christmas art, parents may choose to utilise these techniques at home to re-create Christmas- themed art with their children.
PARISH- RELATED ACTIVITIES	Holy Name Parish Twilight Carols in the Garden Sat 16 Dec 6pm, Mass prior at 5pm Please Save the Date Location: Holy Name Parish Wahroonga grounds	All are welcome to attend this informal singalong carol session, BYO picnic. Sat evening mass will commence at 5pm.
	Holy Name Parish SRE teachers for 2024 desperately needed 30 mins weekly either at  Warrawee Public - Wed mornings, 9am and/or  Wahroonga Public - Thurs mornings (3 time slots available) Please contact Hayley Edmunds if you are able to assist or if you have any questions	Special Religious Education (SRE) teachers teach the catholic faith in our state schools. Are you interested in helping Holy Name Parish spread God's word at Wahroonga and Warrawee Public primary schools?  Holy Name requires over 30 people for this Ministry but there are currently have only 10 people.  All materials for teachers and students will be provided and training (mostly online) is provided by the Diocese of Broken Bay.  Please consider joining this important Ministry.
	Hornsby Cathedral Parish Advent Retreat Evening Wed 13 Dec 6pm-7:30pm Location: OLOR Cathedral	All are welcome to this evening Advent retreat featuring a talk, reflection and Adoration
GRIEF RESOURCES	It has been a challenging time for many in our Leo's community with the recent tragic passing of the St Lucy's boy. Here are some resources for parents and families with teens who may need further support.	Kaz Amos, provisional psychologist at the Hummingbird Centre, NSW, is experienced with helping people address grief and loss, and has just released a relevant podcast on how to support your family and yourself through such times.  The National Association for Loss and Grief (NSW) has put together a brochure to address adolescent grief.

# What's been Happening?

#### St Leo's Feast Day - Mass Celebrations

The first celebrations for the Feast Day of Pope St Leo the Great took place at our chapel Mass on Friday, November 10.

**Fr. Sam French** from Holy Name Parish in Wahroonga was the celebrant for this beautiful mass, and we were joined by students, staff and parents for this joyful occasion.

Pope St Leo the Great was consecrated Pope in Rome on
September 29, 440 and his primary interest was in maintaining the unity of the church. You can read more about Pope St Leo the Great here. There will be further celebrations for St Leo's Feast Day later this term.



# **Year 12 Leadership Formation Day**

The College was fortunate to host former education consultant and school principal, **Mr Bob Carbines** (*below*) in Week 5, who worked with our student leaders to build their leadership capacity.

The course aimed at empowering students to become effective leaders, both within their academic environments and in the broader St Leo's community. Students were introduced to various leadership theories and models, including transformational leadership, servant leadership and situational leadership.

The importance of effective communication is a fundamental leadership skill. Students learned how to communicate confidently, listen actively, and convey their ideas clearly.



Our leaders are required to work within teams. Our students learned how to build and lead teams, resolve conflicts, and foster a positive group dynamic. Bob highlighted the importance of self-awareness and emotional intelligence. Students had the opportunity to reflect on their own strengths, weaknesses, and emotions and how they are essential for effective leadership. The students engaged in a reflection and feedback session by undertaking a self-assessment and received feedback from their peers.

The course was designed to empower our student leaders to become effective leaders in various settings, whether it's within their educational institution, future careers, or the community at large. The day helped our students build their skills and confidence needed to lead, be upstanders and inspire others.

# **Year 7 Reflection Day**

In a world where we are constantly bombarded with images and voices telling us how we should look and act, the Youth Mission Team came with a message about positive Self Image for the Year 7 Reflection Day held in the Light of Christ Centre on Wednesday 14 November.

Through games, drama, personal testimonies, and small groups the Year 7s explored how it can be easy to judge people in a superficial way when in reality each of us has great dignity and worth as a beloved child of God.



#### Leo's Students Lead Spirituality Sessions at St Pat's and OLOR

What does it mean to be a leader? Student leaders from St Leo's led Year 5 students from St Patrick's, Asquith and OLOR, Waitara with two sessions on Leadership to help them prepare for becoming leaders in their own schools next year.









In the first session, St Leo's student leaders shared about what leadership means to them and their role models of leadership - emphasising the idea that leadership is about who you are and what you do for others, not just about having a title and a badge.

The second session focused on Jesus as a model for leadership, and the student leaders and Rev Gomez used the image of Jesus washing the disciples' feet and Jesus the Good Shepherd to show the importance of servant leaders who care for, nurture, protect and guide others. The mornings were filled with games, music, art, talks, discussions and ended with a blessing prayer.

This was a great opportunity for our student leaders to think and share about what leadership means to them and in doing so, inspire and form a new generation of school leaders.

#### **Year 8 Visual Arts**



Year 8 Visual Arts have been working hard this semester to produce some fantastic skate deck designs as part of their 'Street Art' unit.

The skate decks have once again proven to be very popular with students who have been exploring diverse themes such as outer space, food and tropical landscape just to name just a few.

Students have used a variety of materials including poscas, acrylic paint, spray paint and copic markers with a focus on strong composition and tonal rendering.



#### CAPA CAMP 2023

The annual Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Camp began on Sunday, 12 November at Crusaders Galston Gorge Conference & Recreation Centre and what an experience! The two-night camp was an opportunity for CAPA Co-Curricular music, dance and drama students to participate in intensive workshops across the three days at a concentrated level not found in school or at home.

The days were led by St Leo's CAPA staff, external tutors and professional tuition by guest teachers in each discipline. Thank you to all students who attended, we know some memorable highlights featured the Lip Sync battle on Sunday evening and the fan favourite activity, Mr Tavernese's Trivia on Monday, with a surprise flash mob to Thriller by the dancers!

This year students were able to select TWO student choice activities which included; Stretch and Strength, Origami, Sewn Hearts for NICU babies, Vegetable Orchestra, Tie Dye Bandanas and Paint and Sip. There was something for everyone!

A very special and heartfelt thank you to the CAPA staff that attended, organised and implemented workshops at the camp too; Mrs Belsey, Mrs Field, Mrs Milkins, Mrs Murphy, Miss Nicola, Mr Tavernese and CAPA ally, Mr Hannan.

Thank you also to our external tutors for sharing your knowledge and passion: Music - Adam, Clayton and Nish, Dance - Bianca & Tyler, Vocals - Emily & Matteo.

#### Student Feedback - WHAT DID YOU LOVE ABOUT CAPA CAMP?

"I became closer friends with people I didn't know that well and learnt/performed our dances'. Dancer - Year 7

"You can always improve at your chosen CAPA ensemble. You meet new people who are like minded to you and that enjoy the same things as you. The cabins are also great, the food is great and the people in CAPA are generally really nice people to be around." Singer - Year 7

"It is a great way to meet new people that love the same things as you. It is also a good productive way of getting things done for the end of the year. Everyone always has so much fun." Singer - Year 8

"It was really fun and we got to hang out with a lot of people while all being included, the food was good too."

Drama Student - Year 8

"I really liked learning all of the combos. I learnt lots of new skills and I also enjoyed the student choice of tie dye and stretch and strength". Dancer - Year 9

"I was very good for spending quality time improving songs/performances". Musician - Year 9

To see the results of all the hard work please follow St Leo's on Facebook and keep an eye out in the next Lion Roars for a Post CAPA Camp Highlight Video!

#### REMINDERS:



# **BYODD Program Expansion from 2024**

A reminder that from next year, our College BYODD (Bring Your Own Designated Device) Program will be expanding to **also include PC/Windows-based laptops**.

Over the next few years, we will move away from the use of tablets (iPads) in Years 7-10 and transition to laptop computers. This decision is based upon the acknowledgement that the technology tools that best support teaching and learning do not belong to any single device manufacturer, and that our systems are now

mainly web-based, allowing parents greater choice in the device they choose.

It is important to note that **no Year 7-10 student who is currently using an iPad will be disadvantaged** by this change. All the systems we use to support teaching and learning will be available to all students regardless of the

device they choose to bring to school. Note also that the College, through CSBB's Digital Enablement team, will continue to provide IT support to students in accessing all necessary online resources and systems.

Note also that all required software will also be made available by the College at the start of the year.

There is no expectation for parents of Year 7-9 students to buy new devices at this point. This is to let you know the direction we are heading in, so, that if you have a need to replace a student device, you are aware of the additional devices now available for families to choose from.

For students in **Years 10-11**, we do suggest moving from an iPad **to laptop for senior studies as previously**, so this decision now gives you more options.

The email sent to all families last term included detailed specifications for the St Leo's BYODD program from 2024. We believe this decision will support student learning and provide valuable skills for tertiary study or the future workforce.

#### **Lost Property!**

There is now a large collection of unlabelled lost property down in Xavier Court!

Our School Support staff kindly advise students of any found items which are labelled, but unfortunately most found items are not labelled and so cannot be returned easily.

If students have lost any items which were not labelled, please ask them to take a look down on Xavier Court for the items.

A simple lesson learnt – please label all student items so they can easily be returned! Thank you!



# CAPA Co-Curricular Program

# Private Music Tuition: Studio Concerts

Dates have been set for our Term 4 Studio Concerts for Private Music Students – Tuesday, November 28 (for Years 7-8) and Wednesday, November 29 (for Years 9-12).

If you are interested in receiving private lessons to learn an instrument and/or vocals, please complete this <u>expression of interest form</u>.

Students are welcome to join the program at any time throughout the year, including midterm.

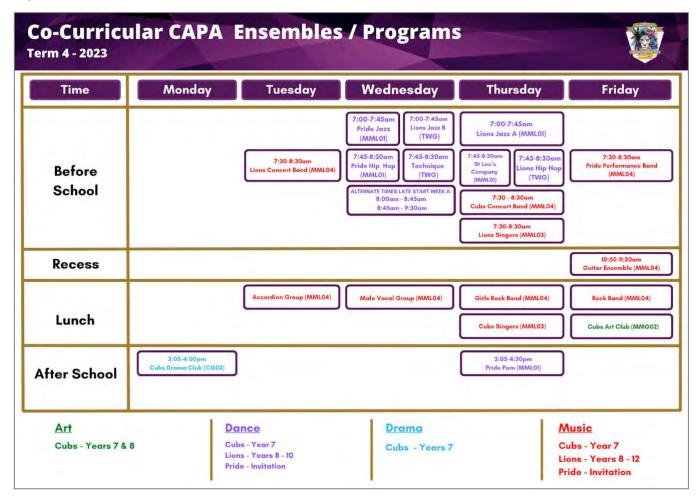


#### Co-Curricular Website & Contact Details:

All information regarding our CAPA Co-Curricular Program is available via our St Leo's Co-Curricular CAPA Website, we encourage you to bookmark this page.

Thank you for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to email Mrs Field (Miss Shinas).

# **Updated Term 4 Timetable:**





# Physical Growth Domain

# **Sports Wrap**

# **NSFA Cup**

Last Tuesday and Wednesday, our Year 7-8 and Year 9-11 girls football (soccer) teams competed at the NSFA Cup at North Turramurra. The format of both days saw teams playing four games and achieving points for the match result but also bonus points for sportsmanship and respect towards officials.



On Tuesday, the Year 7-8 team won all four of their matches and finished in 3rd place overall. On Wednesday, the Year 9-11 team also won all four of their matches and were crowned runners-up.

Congratulations to all students not only the game results, but the way that they conducted yourselves on the field. Thank you to both **Mr Downey** and **Miss Martin** for coaching the teams.

#### **Swimming Carnival**

The College Swimming carnival will be held on **Friday**, **1 December** at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. Entries have now closed for the event, and those students who have entered will receive Compass notifications next week.

#### Student Successes

Over the last few weeks, we have received fantastic sporting news for a number of our students. **Jaykob M** (Year 10) has been selected to travel with the Australian Raptors Rugby team. He will be touring with the team around the United States and Canada.

In girls' rugby league, we have had great success with several girls named in the Lisa Fiaola North Sydney Bears teams. Congratulations to Amaya S, Bailey L, Charlotte S, Rachel H, Rosie C, Scarlet M, and Maria V.



# **Community Notices**

#### Hornsby Relay for Life - A Great Result!

A huge thank you to the whole St Leo's community for your support of our St Leo's Pride team and our performers at the recent Hornsby Relay for Life.

Our Year 12 2024 student leaders persisted through some very difficult weather conditions but kept smiling and dancing! Our CAPA ensembles were amazing. All students were an absolute credit to the College.

The event has smashed its original \$100,000 target - having now banked **over \$125,000** which is an incredible result. Thank you.



Joanna Gower, Organiser







# REDUCE YOUR LOG BOOK BY 20 HOURS WITH PCYC NSW PCYC IS AN ACCREDITED PROVIDER OF THE TRANSPORT FOR NSW SAFER DRIVERS COURSE.



#### THE SAFER DRIVERS COURSE INVOLVES TWO MODULES



#### MODULE ONE:

A three-hour facilitated group discussion on how to manage risks on the road.

This will involve a maximum of 12 participants and will be delivered by a facilitator.



#### **MODULE TWO:**

A two-hour, in-vehicle coaching session to develop low-risk driving strategies.

This will involve two participants and a coach.

LEARNER DRIVERS WHO COMPLETE THE COURSE WILL RECEIVE 20 HOURS OFF THEIR LOG BOOK.



**NEXT COURSE DATES: Saturday 11/11/2023 9am and Saturday** 

02/12/2023 9am Address: 1Park Lane, Waitara 2077

Book online TODAY at pcycdrivereducation.org.au



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