

# Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Term three is rapidly drawing to a close and as the time slips by, life around the College has become increasingly hectic. There is much happening but from a Year 12 perspective the singular focus on impending second semester examinations and dedication to study has taken precedent.

Planning for next year is already in full swing with student course and elective choices currently being processed and the initial stages of timetabling and structuring for 2010 underway. With all Catholic secondary schools in the metropolitan area coming into line with taking Year 7 students onto their campus's next year, a consistent approach will now exist across the board.

Further developments in education continue to emerge from the offices of the Federal Government. New trends in relation to greater accountability will see further demands placed on schools to publicise greater information to the community as well as reporting to government. Work continues on designing and refining aspects of a National Curriculum with some significant deadlines in place for 2011. The newly formed Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) is gaining momentum as it currently examines the possibilities for educational consistency across Australia in English, Maths, Science and History. Congratulations to Ms Fran Purdue, our Head of Learning Area in English, who was recently invited to represent Western Australia's Catholic secondary education sector at the National workshop for English held in NSW.

Having only recently grappled with a very significant and contentious curriculum, assessment and reporting upheaval here in Western Australia in the past decade, one can only hope that further changes likely to be imposed from the Federal sphere involve strong consultation and clear improvements, particularly in the way assessment operates and the way that results are communicated in a clearer fashion to parents.

This year seems to have been a particularly bad year for a number of our College community in terms of illness and loss. Various members of staff and a number of our parents and students have battled significant illness or lost members of family.

Sadly, it is a part of the journey of life that we all face at some time. We feel for all of them and their families and keep them foremost in our prayers and intentions as they come to grips with the difficulties they face.

**John Bormolini**  
PRINCIPAL

## **COMING EVENTS AT ECC**

Friday 25th September	Term 3 Classes Conclude
	Pegasus Day
Wednesday 14th October	Term 4 Commences

### **Study Tip #14 – Take good notes (and pay attention in class).**

Class time is when much of learning takes place. Pay attention during class, and don't expect to learn everything later on your own. Paying attention in class familiarizes you with the material, and taking notes firms it up until further studying solidifies it. Some good note-taking strategies are:

1. Using abbreviations or symbols for commonly used words
2. Singling out the most important information for the record (main ideas, necessary details).
3. Using clear headers to organize information.
4. Drawing pictures or diagrams rather than expressing "visual concepts" in words.



## **YEAR 12 NEWS**

### **SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEAR 12 PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

A number of important dates were recently communicated to our Year 12 students, including the following:

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| Friday 25 September:          | Final date for TISC-line advice (university entrance) from Careers and Vocational Education Coordinator  |
| Monday 5 - Friday 16 October: | College Semester Two Examinations  |
| Friday 16 October:            | Students should aim to have finalised assistance from Careers and Vocational Education Coordinator by this date with regard to TAFE on-line applications.  |
| Friday 16 October:            | Formal classes conclude for non-TER (non-ATAR) students, <b>except</b> for where students are intending to sit the External Exam in a <b>TEE subject</b> or are enrolled in a <b>pair of Stage 2 or Stage 3 course units</b> - students are to continue to attend <u>these classes up to and including Thursday, 22 October as preparation for the External Exams</u> . External Exams in courses (Stages 2 or 3) are compulsory, unless exempt. |
| Thursday 22 October:          | Formal classes conclude for TER (ATAR) (university bound) students and others sitting for External Examinations  |
| Friday 23 October:            | Year 12 Breakfast and Graduation Evening   |
| Monday 2 November:            | External Written Examinations commence   |

Mr R. McCarthy  
Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)

## **YEAR 12 SEMESTER TWO EXAMINATIONS**

**Monday 5 October - Friday 16 October**

**Copies of the Examination Timetable have now been distributed to students in Year 12.** On the reverse side of the Examination Timetable are printed the general instructions for examinations. These instructions must be strictly adhered to. If a student is absent for an examination, then it is expected that a **medical certificate** will be supplied in order to substantiate the reason for the absence.

**Spare copies of the Examination Timetable are available at Student Reception.**

**It is the student's responsibility to ensure that he/she knows when and where his/her examinations will be held.** Normal school rules apply during the examination period.

### **Year 12 students sitting for 4 or more examinations:**

These students are only required to attend school to sit for their examinations; at other times, they are permitted to study at home.

### **Year 12 students sitting for less than 4 examinations:**

Once Term Four commences, these students are permitted to study at home on the day prior to the day of the examination. At other times, they are to **attend classes, as normal** (unless directed otherwise), including on the day of the examination once the examination has been sat for.

Should Years 11 & 12 students involved in examinations wish to meet with particular teachers during the examination break, it is strongly recommended that a prior appointment be made to see the teacher concerned. **Students who come onto College grounds during the examination break for any reason whatsoever must be dressed in normal school uniform.**

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**Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)**

## **YEAR 12 GRADUATION EVENING      **FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER, 2009****

The College Year 12 Graduation Evening will take the form of a Eucharistic celebration, followed by the Graduation Ceremony. The venue for the occasion will be **St Jerome's Parish Centre** (corner of Rockingham Road and Troode Street, Munster) with proceedings commencing at **7.00 pm**. At the conclusion of the formal part of the Evening, a light supper will be served.

In order to finalise seating and catering arrangements, parents/guardians have been asked to complete the **SEATING REQUEST FORM** that was recently posted home with a circular letter and return it to the College Office by **Tuesday 8 September, 2009**. Please appreciate that there is limited seating capacity in the venue for the Graduation Evening and therefore, it is necessary to limit the number of seats that can be allocated to each family.

Please be advised that no reply received will be taken to mean that parents/guardians do not wish to have any seats allocated to their family (apart from the student who is required to attend).

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**Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)**

## **SMS MESSAGING SYSTEM**

Just a reminder to all parents that SMS text messages and notification to the school by phone need to be received no later than 9.30am on the day of absence.

Our sms absentee phone number is 0428 937 348.

Thanks



**Year 12 Geography**  
On Friday September 4, the Geographers had a full day of touring both Perth and Northam. The day began "across the road" at Yangebup Business Park then onto Northam via Kings Park, Perth CBD and East Perth. The weather was excellent for the final field trip of the year and gave an insight into many sections of the course.

Mr D Flanagan.

Studying the East Perth Redevelopment Area at Claisebrook

### P&F NEWS



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Just a reminder that we have commemorative Emmanuel Catholic College pens available for only \$3.00 each. You can purchase them from the front office, uniform shop or canteen. Great for students who need a pen at school or with Christmas creeping up on us very quickly, they make great stocking fillers too.

Why not make 2010 the year to get involved with the Parents and Friends Association at ECC? We hold meetings most months and get to discuss a number of topics related to the college. Our Annual Community Meeting is to be held on December 1<sup>st</sup> and is a great opportunity to meet committee members. If you would like more information, please ring Mandy 0417982129

NEXT P&F MEETING OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> IN THE BOARD ROOM

#### UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS.

The Uniform Shop will now be open on Wednesdays until 4.30 until further notice.

***Due to change of season and uniform next term please ensure your child's summer uniform still fits.***

The Uniform Shop will be opening extra days so you are able to purchase uniforms if needed. Hours are as follows;

Friday	9/10/09	9am - 2pm
Monday	12/10/09	9am - 2pm

Uniform Shop opening hours from 13 October 2009 are as follows;

Tuesday	8am - 4.15pm
Wednesday	8am - 4.30 (until further notice)
Friday	8am - 4.15pm

Please start trying on summer uniforms to avoid the rush.



**Canteen roster week commencing 14/09/09**

Monday 14/09	Tuesday 15/09	Wed 16/09	Thurs 17/09	Friday 18/09
Kay Small				Donna Sikaloski

**UNIFORM SHOP - OPENING HOURS**

Tuesday 8.00am—4.15 pm  
 Wednesday 8.00am—4.30 pm  
 Friday 8.00am—4.15 pm

There is also a large range of second hand items available.

Contact Terrell and Faye on  
9414 4017

**The Catholic Guy Television Experience at St Jerome's Parish**

Join Bruce Downes and the Impact Team as "The Catholic Guy" television program is recorded live over three nights at St Jerome's Parish. Each night of ministry includes inspirational talks, music, multimedia and an opportunity for prayer, reflection and spiritual growth. This event is guaranteed to be an excellent experience for both regular parishioners and also those who haven't participated in the Parish before. Some of the footage recorded will be featured on "The Catholic Guy" television program after the event.

DATES: Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2009

TIMES: 7.30pm-9.30pm each night

MORE INFORMATION: [www.thecatholicguy.com](http://www.thecatholicguy.com)

**ST JEROME'S SCHOOL / PARISH FETE**

**SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 9AM - 2PM**

A variety of stalls, rides, hot food, refreshments, raffles, chocolate wheel, entertainment and much more...

Corner Rockingham Rd and Troode St Munster.

**ACADEMIC TASK FORCE - TEE REVISION COURSES**

**OCTOBER HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

Study skills and subject courses for years 11 and 12.

Venues North and South of the river Small groups, expert teachers, individual help

For more information contact Dr Pam Bagworth or Dr Robert Hallam,

**ACADEMIC TASK FORCE. Phone 93174421**

**MATER CHRISTI PARISH NEWS**

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***This Week's Liturgy***

Mon No Mass  
 Tues No Mass  
 Wed 5.00pm Holy Hour  
 6.00pm  
 Thu 11.00am SUCCESS  
 Fri No Mass  
 Sat 5.00pm Reconciliation  
 6.00pm  
 Sun 8.00am  
 10.00am

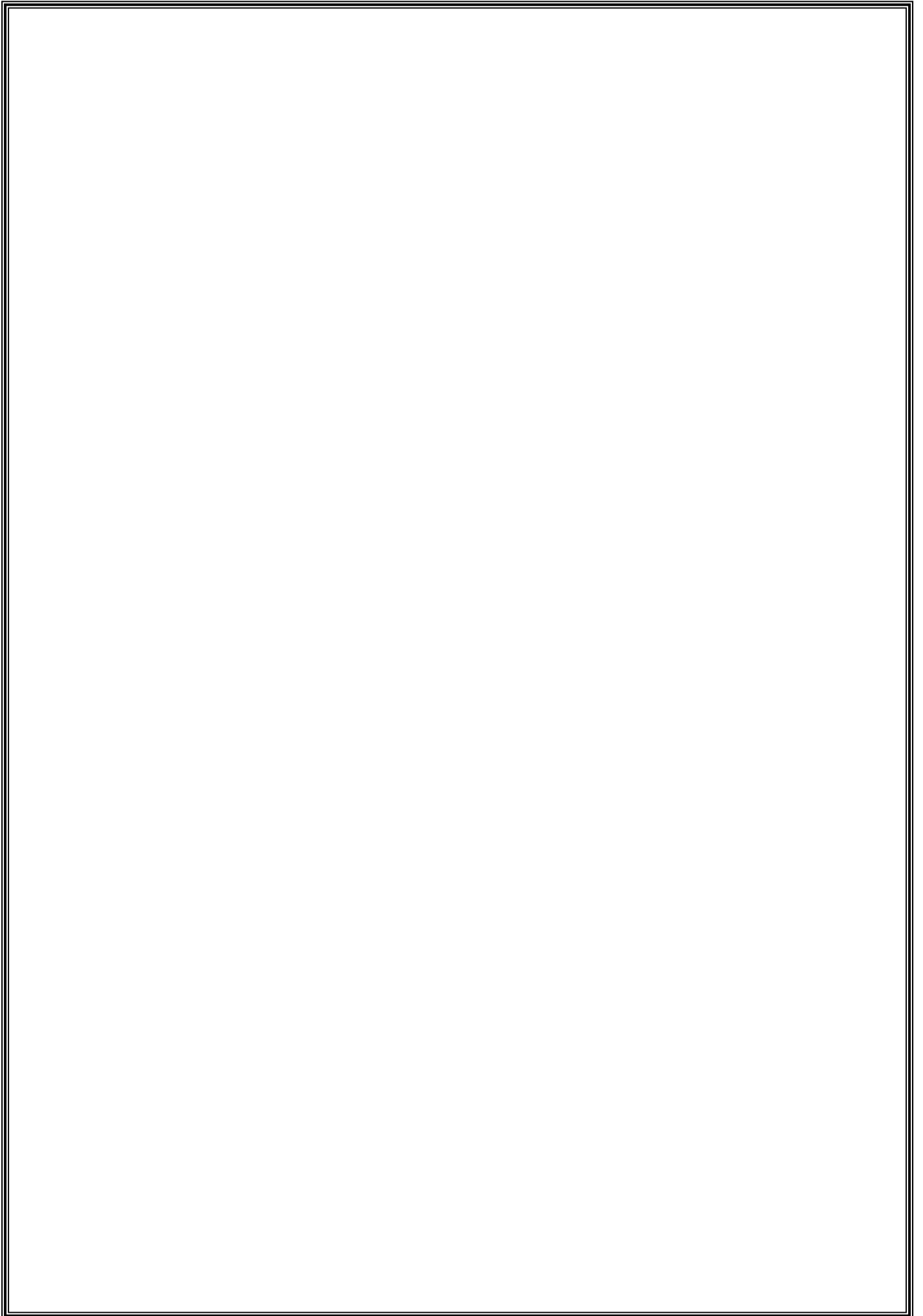
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