



A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG MEN

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From the Principal

As at the time of writing this newsletter article, it is unclear if the five day lockdown will be extended or not. I affirm our students, staff and families for their flexibility in responding to these restrictions positively.

In celebrating 150 years of Parade College we have much to be proud of as a College community, not least are the ways in which we embraced the challenges that COVID-19 presented in 2020 and continue in 2021. I know that the Parade College community is resilient, adaptable and supportive. I am confident that whatever challenges may come our way again in 2021, that we will manage them well together.

The College will continue of course to be guided by the relevant government and education authorities in relation to COVID-Safe practices. In adhering to these guidelines, there will be a need to make changes to the ways in which we organise any College events and activities to ensure the wellbeing of all members of this community. We will communicate any changes to the community in a timely manner.

These restrictions have meant the postponement of some recent key College events, including Open Day, College Assembly and ACC Sport. New dates and arrangements will be advised in coming days.

The College has finalised some staffing appointments due to late changes. Welcome to

- Ian Francis who commenced working with us on Tuesday teaching Business Management and Humanities.
- Madeline Toner who joins the College as a Teacher of Science.
- Omar Moustafa who joins the College as a contemporary Voice Tutor with our Music team.
- Jennifer Rooke who will commence with the College in a replacement position as a Library Technician.



Today is Ash Wednesday one of the most important holy days in the liturgical calendar. Unfortunately, due to the lockdown we are not able to have our customary ritual in Tutor Groups to celebrate this day.

Ash Wednesday opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer. I remember, Moy Hitchen, a Christian Brother who died suddenly in Zambia nearly two years ago, likened Lent to life cycles. He described how in the life-cycles of many animals, and some trees, there comes a point where you need to slough off the old skin - and grow. In the Church, we call this period Lent.

Snakes shed their skin annually, which led to the belief that they were immortal. In the great Babylonian epic of Gilgamesh, it is the snake that steals from the hero the plant that gives eternal life. So, humans die, and snakes live forever. *(You'll remember that Adam and Eve lost out in a similar deal, in Genesis).*

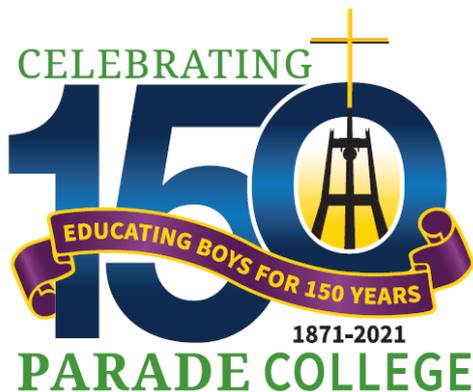
The point of shedding skin is to grow. In insects, this process is called *ekdiasis*. For a few weeks, the animal is soft and tender, very vulnerable, like someone newly returned from retreat, or renewal. The animal has to hide, in a cave or cleft, until the new skin hardens. But it is while the new skin is soft that the animal grows, expanding and enlarging.

Lent has always stressed repentance (the shedding) and generous giving (the growth). It is prayer (the cave in which we wait) that enables us to survive the vulnerability and welcome the growth.

May our Lent be a thoughtful following of Jesus through landscapes both nourishing and full of unexpected grace. In fact, why would you return to old patterns once Lent is over? The point of shedding skin is to grow!

*Have mercy on me, O God,
According to your steadfast love
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And put a new and right spirit in me.
Psalm 51: 1,10*

Mr Andy Kuppe
Principal



Parade College

A Catholic School in the Edmund Rice Tradition

The infographic features five icons on a green background. At the top left is an icon of two figures, one taller and one shorter, with the text "Liberating Education". To the right is a green cross with a white center, with the text "Gospel Spirituality". Below that is a green swirl icon with the text "Inclusive Community". At the bottom is a green bird icon with the text "Justice and Solidarity". In the bottom right corner is the Edmund Rice Education Australia logo, which includes a cross and the text "EDMUND RICE EDUCATION AUSTRALIA".



Don't Forget!!
Facemasks are compulsory when indoors and when travelling on buses, trains, and trams



We proclaim a crucified Christ

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9 February 2021

*Parents and Carers of children in Catholic Schools
Staff and Colleagues in Catholic Education
Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne*

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

My warm and prayerful greetings to you all.

I do hope that the Christmas season brought many blessings to you despite the extraordinary times we find ourselves in.

May I take this opportunity to once again extend my gratitude to each and every one of you; parents, carers, teachers and administrators, who have risen to meet the challenges of these times.

You have been resilient and innovative, and kept your families and communities close in times of distancing. The rich life of Catholic education is an indispensable part of our missionary call to the Gospel, and the good people of God are blessed abundantly through your efforts.

I am sure that you are eager to commence this year and to be filled with the energy and excitement that comes from helping our young people flourish and grow.

May St Joseph, our protector, strengthen and guide you all as faithful carers and diligent workers as this year unfolds. Please know that my prayers are with you.

With every grace and blessing, I remain,

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne

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From the Assistant Principal - Teaching & Learning

Student Progress Interviews in 2021

Those of us who like to plan ahead may wish to diarise the Student Progress Interviews for 2021.

25 March 3.45pm–8.30pm

All Year Levels

21 April 3.45pm–8.30pm

All Year Levels

15 July 3.45pm–8.00pm

ERPP, VCE, and VCAL

6 September 11.30am–7.00pm

All Year Levels

The first round of student progress interviews on 25 March and 21 April will hopefully, depending on COVID-19 restrictions, be face-to-face interviews onsite at both the Preston and Bundoora campuses.

Following the success of last year's interviews that were conducted on MS Teams, and with the overwhelming endorsement from parents, our intention is to have the remaining interviews in 2021 conducted remotely via MS Teams.

Year 7 ACER Testing

Year 7 students and parents should be aware that the scheduled ACER PAT and Abstract Reasoning testing has been postponed until after the current lockdown period. Year 7 students will sit their ACER tests upon return to face to face classes at the College.

Year 9 ExCEL Orientation and Excursions

ExCEL excursions this week have been cancelled including the ExCEL group on orientation.

For those classes who completed orientation on the 10 February, excursions will resume as soon as possible.

For those groups with orientation scheduled on the 17 February, orientation is cancelled. Students will undergo orientation when excursions resume. This will be possibly be incorporated in a specific ExCEL program or as an orientation only. For students in this group their first excursion will incorporate all of the orientation procedures. Students will learn how to travel independently and responsibly, as they will travel with their teacher to and from the campus (no meeting or dismissing students from the group), learn about meeting points and the processes in planning and travelling on public transport.

VCE Parent Information Evening 2021

Due to the current COVID regulations, we will be unable to have parents attend this year's 2021 VCE Parent Information Evening on campus.

Therefore, the presentation will be recorded and placed on PAM for all parents to watch and be informed about their son's requirements and expectations during their VCE journey.

The presentation is applicable to all parents with a son in Units 1 to 4 of any VCE subject in 2021 and will be made available by 6.00pm on 23 Tuesday February, the original scheduled time of the presentation. It will remain on PAM to view at your convenience.

Partnership between Parade College and Elevate Education

We're excited to announce that parents of Parade College have exclusive access to Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series for Term 1 2021.

Elevate works with our senior students, delivering high impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing, and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series you will learn how to better support your children at home through reinforcing the skills they learn at school.

The webinars take place across Term 1, with the next webinar happening on Wednesday 24 February at 6.00pm.

Registration is essential and is free for parents of Parade College.

[You can register by clicking here.](#)

The webinar is run **live online from 6.00pm to 7.00pm** where the presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, and will conduct a live Q&A so you can ask them questions directly.

Should you have questions or would like to contact Elevate directly, their details are listed below.

☐ [1300 667 945](tel:1300667945)

☐ auscoaching@elevateeducation.com

☐ <https://au.elevateeducation.com>

☐ <https://www.facebook.com/ElevateEd/>

Mr Geoff Caulfield

Assistant Principal - Teaching and Learning



From the Learning Centre Leader

Parade Learning Centres

The Parade Learning Centres welcome all students back to school with a number of lunch time clubs and activities happening at the Nash Learning Centre (NLC) and Caroline Chisholm Learning Centre (CCLC).

Year 7 games and study space

Throughout Term 1, the upstairs flexible learning spaces of the Nash Learning Centre are dedicated to Year 7s, and we encourage students to bring in board and card games, their homework, or a book to read.

The CCLC offers Year 7 students chess, Lego, and other games every lunch time. Join a game or find a quiet spot to read! Every Monday and Friday the CCLC is screen-free.

PC Club

In PC Club students interested in gaming, technology, 3D printing, and computer building get together to plan and construct a working gaming computer (raffled for charity). Over this time, students investigate computer parts, and learn about cutting-edge technology. All welcome every

Year 7s upstairs NLC in Term 1

Year 7s, upstairs NLC is a space just for you at recess and lunchtime. Bring card games, board games, laptops, books to read, and use this space, it's just for you!



Wednesday lunch time in the NLC FIRE Carrier Room, and starting soon in the CCLC.

The Dungeons and Dragons Workshop

Students workshop ideas for their DnD game, such as building characters, maps, or campaigns. All table-top gaming is welcome, as well as those new and experienced to role playing games. Every Thursday lunch time in the NLC FIRE Carrier Room.

Taskmaster

Every Monday (Year 7s) and Tuesday (8-12) in the NLC FIRE Carrier Room at lunch time, the Task Master will challenge your problem-solving skills with stupefying tasks! Fun and challenge awaits.

Manga, graphic novels, and comics reading club

Every Friday lunch time in the NLC Bunjil room, bring or borrow a book and find a comfortable place to read or discuss classics, new releases or ongoing series. All welcome.

Mr Dante Gabriele

Learning Centre Leader





From the Assistant Principal - Organisation

Associated Catholic Colleges Leadership Launch

During the week our 2021 College Captain, Adam Crick and Vice-Captains, Jacob Beattie and Luca Franco attended the Associated Catholic Colleges Leadership Launch at Salesian College Chadstone.



Each of the twelve member schools attended with their leadership groups and celebrated the Eucharist together followed by a dinner and function.

A representative school leader from each school was provided the opportunity to address the gathering and to speak about the unique values of their communities and what they bring to the ACC competition.

Adam spoke of the Prefect group's vision to serve the College community and to contribute to the ACC competition, not just in terms of sport and event participation, but that Parade contributes in line with its values and mission as a community in the Edmund Rice tradition.

Adam spoke of a strong servant leadership focus for the 2021 Prefect group and the many opportunities that are at our core, advocacy programs, community service, assistance to people in communities with less and fundraising for the many projects within the Edmund Rice network around the world.



The goal of support again for McKillop family services, a local Edmund Rice initiative was detailed as a target of this leadership group in 2021.

Adam spoke very well, and all three young men were certainly a credit to our College, and I am confident they, along with the 2021 Prefect group, will be significant in their roles in 2021.

College Photos

College Photos retake day is Tuesday 23 February for all students in the College who missed their Photo on the 8 February. Students are expected to be in correct College uniform, clean-shaven and well-groomed for the College Photos.

Recording a Parent Notified Absence on PAM

Parents and Guardians are reminded that you are able to use PAM to record a student absence for daily or multiple days

Please ensure the absence is recorded before 9.30am to avoid a SMS absence alert being generated

Please call the College on 9468-3300 for further assistance if required

2021 Term Dates and Students Holiday Absence

Please note below the 2021 Term dates. Parents are asked to consider carefully holidays or events that withdraw students from the College and their studies during the term.

If you wish to withdraw your son during the school term, please notify the college by contacting your sons House leader prior to the event and advising the College Principal by writing to Mr Callanan, Assistant Principal Organisation.

Term 1

Tuesday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 27 January	All Staff Return
Monday 1 February	Years 7, 8 and 12 Orientation Day
Tuesday 2 February	Years 7, 11 and 12 Students Commence Term 1
Wednesday 3 February	Years 8, 9 and 10 Students Commence Term 1
Monday 8 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Thursday 1 April	Term 1 Concludes

Term 2

Monday 19 April	Term 2 Commences
Sunday 25 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Monday 14 June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 25 June	Term 2 Concludes

Term 3

Monday 12 July	Term 3 Commences
Friday 17 September	Term 3 Concludes

Term 4

Tuesday 5 October	Term 4 Commences
Tuesday 2 November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Friday 3 December	Term 4 Students Conclude
Friday 17 December	Staff Conclude, College Offices Close

Mr Michael Callanan
Assistant Principal - Organisation



From the First Aid Office

Parent Portal – Medical Information

It is important that the College has the latest medical information for your son. Please take the time to review your son's medical information in PAM and update when required.

Parents, please keep your contact phone numbers up to date, including at least a third contact person for times when you are unavailable

Anaphylactic Students

Parents of anaphylactic students were emailed in late January an Individual Anaphylaxis Management Plan to complete, sign and return it either to reception or email back to me at cathie.ireland@parade.vic.edu.au

I would like to thank the many parents who have returned their son's copy to the College. If you have not returned your son's copy, yet it would be greatly appreciated that you do this at as a matter of urgency. If you require a new copy feel free to email me at the above email address.

Unfortunately, we still have some students who have not updated their expired EpiPen. Your son may be required to remain at home or miss out on school excursions until the EpiPen is updated.

Year 7 Camp

All parents must complete their son's medical profile on PAM for the Year 7 Camp. If you are having trouble accessing your account, please email: pamsupport@parade.vic.edu.au

If your son is anaphylactic, has asthma or other significant medical conditions please ensure that you have supplied a management/action plan in order for staff to provide the most appropriate care while on camp.





Medication on Camp

If you are sending medication with your son on camp please ensure it is in its original packaging, not expired and you have completed a medication permission form camp.

The form is available in your camp package or you can email your son's House Leader or me at cathie.ireland@parade.vic.edu.au and I will forward you one.

Please store all the medication and permission form in a clear zip log bag with your son's name clearly marked on the bag and medication to be handed in at the beginning of the camp.

Year 7 Immunisation Consent Cards

Thank you to the parents that have returned their son's immunisation card to their tutor teacher.

If you have lost your consent card, please have your son ask for a paper copy from their Tutor Teacher or email their Tutor Teacher and they will forward to you a copy to complete and return back to them.

Ms Cathie Ireland
First Aid Officer



Community Action Report

Over the last two weeks our Community Action Centre was filled with noise and busyness as the students caught up with each other, sharing their holiday stories and welcoming new students to the Community Action Hub.

The centre is a place for all students to participate in community outreach in many different forms. We invite any student from Year 7 to 12 to come into the centre at recess and lunchtime to assist with any of the programs and projects we may be running.

The Bluestone Café's baristas are once again filling the air with the aroma of coffee. We are looking for any senior students interested in being part of this venture and will be organising formal training in March.

There have been major changes to the Year 10 Community Action Program this year. As Year 10's are now studying a full Unit 1 and 2 VCE Religion, the Year 10 Community Action placements on a Thursday afternoon will not take place.

Instead we have implemented the Year 10 Service Learning Program which requires all Year 10 students to complete 10 hours of volunteer work over the course of the year. I am in the process of visiting each RE class to inform the students of this new program and will publish more details in the next *College Newsletter*.

Ms Anne-Marie Morello
Community Action Convenor



One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community is to stay at home when we are unwell, even when we have the mildest of symptoms.

What you need to know

1. If a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home

If a child becomes unwell during the day, they must be collected from school/early childhood education and care (ECEC) as soon as possible.

2. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they receive their results:

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

For further advice:

- call the 24-hour coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline 1800 675 398
- call a general practitioner
- use the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) [online self-assessment tool](#).

Visit: [Where to get tested](#).

3. A child must stay at home until they are symptom free, even if their coronavirus (COVID-19) test is negative

If a person has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or been identified as a close contact they must isolate/quarantine until they receive clearance from DHHS.

Children with persistent symptoms due to underlying conditions such as hay fever or asthma whose symptoms are clearly typical of their condition can continue to attend ECEC/school. They should be tested for COVID-19 if they develop symptoms that are different to or worse than their usual symptoms. They should consider getting a medical certificate from their GP to attend ECEC/school if they have persistent symptoms that may overlap with symptoms of COVID-19 such as cough or runny nose.

Younger children (pre-school up to Grade 2) may have prolonged post viral symptoms such as a runny nose or cough and may return to school/ECEC following a negative COVID-19 test even if they are not completely free of symptoms. They will need a medical certificate from their GP to confirm they are otherwise well or have recovered from their acute illness.

For information on the minimum periods students and children need to stay at home for other conditions, refer to the [DHHS school exclusion table](#).

4. Children do NOT need a medical certificate before returning to school/ECEC

Once symptoms have cleared, there is no requirement from the Department of Education and Training or DHHS for children/students to have a medical certificate before they return to school/ECEC.

Thank you for your support in following these steps, together we can all stay safe.



This advice has been prepared by the Department of Education and Training, Safer Care Victoria and the Department of Health and Human Services



From the Assistant Principal - Student Wellbeing

In the week beginning March 1 we have Year 7 camp for all Year 7 students. Communication around this has been sent to all families on PAM and via e-mail and you will also have received a Year 7 Camp video outlining some of the important details and frequently asked questions. All students from Preston and Bundoora will be going with their House Leaders so if families have any questions please contact your sons House Leader or the Dean of Students Kieren Prowse who families will recognise from the video.

Year 7 Camp and the Treacy Trail are two of the most important parts of a young man's transition into the College. These key events assist students in forming lifelong connections with each other, developing shared experiences within the cohort, assisting in building relationships with their teachers and allowing them to explore the Parade story and the stories of the brothers who founded the College.

To assist families the outline for Bundoora and Preston Campus are included below:

	BODKIN HOUSE 	HUGHES HOUSE 	LYNCH HOUSE 	TREACY HOUSE 
Monday 1 March	Depart for Camp Meet at Westcourt Walk, <u>Bundoora Campus</u> at 8.30am	Depart for Camp Meet at ERC Plaza, <u>Bundoora Campus</u> at 8.30am	Treacy Trail Meet in Alphington Court at 8.30am Return Bundoora 3.00pm	Treacy Trail Meet in Waterford Park at 8.30am Return Bundoora 3.00pm
Tuesday 2 March	At Camp	At Camp	Camp Preparation Day at Home	Camp Preparation Day at Home
Wednesday 3 March	Return from Camp <u>Bundoora Campus</u> 2.45pm	Return from Camp <u>Bundoora Campus</u> 2.45pm	Depart for Camp Meet at Alphington Court, <u>Bundoora Campus</u> at 8.30am	Depart for Camp Meet at Waterford Park, <u>Bundoora Campus</u> at 8.30am
Thursday 4 March	Camp Recovery Day at Home	Camp Recovery Day at Home	At Camp	At Camp
Friday 5 March	Treacy Trail Meet in Westcourt Walk at 8.30am Return Bundoora 3.00pm	Treacy Trail Meet in ERC Plaza at 8.30am Return Bundoora 3.00pm	Return from Camp <u>Bundoora Campus</u> 2.45pm	Return from Camp <u>Bundoora Campus</u> 2.45pm

Face Masks

At the time of writing this article face masks are compulsory in all areas due to the lockdown, however when we return to "COVID normal" face masks will still be required on all public transport which includes buses, trains, trams and charter buses.

It is extremely important that all students meet the government expectation on public transport not only because they are representing the College when in uniform but also as a consideration for others using the transport and for the drivers.

We ask that parents discuss this with their sons as it has been raised with the College by members of the public on numerous occasions in 2021 that a number of our students are not meeting the requirements.

Miss Sarah Pyle

Assistant Principal - Student Wellbeing



*we do not inherit the earth
from our ancestors,
we borrow it from our children.*
~ Native American Proverb



From the Business Manager

Finance Committee Members

The College Finance Committee is looking for potential members for 2021. If you are interested in joining or would like to know more please contact the Business Manager, Mr Paul Harris, on 9468-3309 or via paul.harris@parade.vic.edu.au

Approved Payment Plans

Families who do not have an existing approved active payment arrangement are required to finalise any 'Brought Forward' outstanding balance immediately.

If you are experiencing financial difficulty with meeting your fee obligations or need some assistance with setting up your payment plan please contact Ms Emily Hosking on 9468-3327 or via fees@parade.vic.edu.au.

Exiting Students

If your son is not returning in 2021 please contact the Registrar, Mrs Roslyn Tabacco, on 9468-3304 or registrar@parade.vic.edu.au for an Exit Form. This will ensure you are charged the correct amount of fees and charges.

Charter Bus

Students travelling by charter bus in 2021 have been allocated a seat and billed for 2021 unless we have been advised otherwise. Please note one terms notice is required to cancel use of this service.

Families who no longer wish to use the service are required to forward a cancellation request to transport@parade.vic.edu.au or via letter addressed to Mr Anthony Glatzel, Logistics Coordinator.

Mr Paul Harris
Business Manager



From the Director of Ministry

A significant number of activities are underway within the first few weeks of the year.

ERA for Change has been initiated this year under the guidance of Mr Shaun Spiteri, who has advertised a number of social justice opportunities in which students may choose to participate.

Ms Anne-Marie Morello has been active in promoting student activity from the Community Action Centre with drinks being sold during breaks, and the Bluestone Café back in action most days of the week. Ms Morello also lead a team to organise the Ash Wednesday Service but due to lockdown restrictions, this could not take place in the format envisaged.

The Ash Wednesday service, which was to have been a combined Tutor Group activity, had to be modified quite significantly to allow for the lockdown requirements. Nonetheless, this very important day was able to be recognised during Morning Tutor Group.

The first Year 12 Retreat took place on 10 and 11 February with a very positive response from the students and staff involved. This was despite some obstacles that had to be overcome by Ms Millicent Kavanaugh in a creative manner.

We are intending to have a Year 10 group engage in the Youth in Philanthropy program. The Youth in Philanthropy program was established by Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation in 2002 to help young people learn about philanthropy, current community issues and community leadership. The aim of the program is to inspire young people to use their enthusiasm, creativity and energy to begin a life-long engagement in philanthropy and social change, and to develop the necessary skills and abilities to work with a diverse range of people from all cultures and social groups.

We believe that one of the most effective ways to solve some of society's most pressing issues and create positive and systemic social change is to invest in and provide

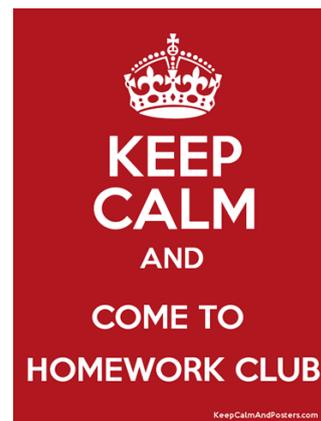
philanthropic opportunities for young people. Participation in the Youth in Philanthropy program will allow young people to develop values such as integrity, empathy, responsibility and respect; values that resonate with the Foundation's vision of social inclusion and cohesion for all, and our mission of increasing life opportunities for disadvantaged members of our community. The program also provides opportunities to problem solve, research, collaborate and learn decision making skills.

The Lake Mungo Immersion Trip will run from the 9th – 14th August. In the coming days students in Years 9-11 will have a presentation from a Red Earth representative to provide further information. A parent evening will run on Tuesday March 16 at 7.00pm via Zoom.

Friday Mass in the Parade Chapel commenced on Friday February 5. Each Tutor Group has been assigned to a Friday Mass.

The week beginning Monday February 15 was to have seen the first of the Brekkie Vans and Shared Table Dinners take place, but unfortunately these have had to be postponed due to the lockdown, as was the second of the Yr 12 Ministry Retreats. Hopefully a return to a settled calendar will allow for these activities to go ahead.

Ms Anne McLachlan
Director of Ministry



**Tuesdays and Wednesdays
at the Resource Centres
3.15pm to 4.30pm**



From the Registrar

College Photo Retake Day—Tuesday 23 February

In the event your son was absent at the initial College Photo day (Monday 8 February) please register your child for re-take day, by visiting www.schoolinterviews.com.au

- Enter the code 2pfm2 and press 'go'
- Enter details, including parent and student name, email address, House and Tutor Group
- Select a Campus
- Make sure you have spelled your email address correctly before clicking on 'finish'

When you click 'finish' your confirmation will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately please check your junk mail folder.

This also applies to a select number of students who failed to present themselves in accordance to the uniform standard of Parade College, Students will have been made aware of their situation on the day by their House Leader and then requested to retake their image.

Upon registering, the information captured will be used by the photographer as a check list; to ensure that no student ID is missed by their production department.

Parent Contact Details

Parents are reminded that it is vital for the College to have up-to-date personal details for parents, guardians and emergency contacts.

Please take a moment to visit your PAM profile and if any contact details (emails, phone, address) require revising, it is important that an email be sent to registrar@parade.vic.edu.au alerting to the change request.

The Registrar's Office will then ensure the main College database is updated.

Future Students

Applications are now being accepted for all Year levels 2022 and beyond with Year 7 2023 enrolments closing Friday 20 August 2021.

It is important to note that if you are a family with younger siblings in Year 5 2021 intending to commence Year 7 in 2023, it is a requirement that an application be submitted in accordance to the enrolment process and within the key dates.

To obtain an enrolment application please contact the Registrar's Office direct on 9468-3304 or email registrar@parade.vic.edu.au,

Alternatively you can download the application enrolment direct from the Parade webpage https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/Enrolment_Process.aspx

Academy Uniforms

Announcing a new Sports uniform! We have updated the tracksuit pants and jacket to a more modern fabric and style, which has proven to be quite popular with the boys, so feel free to have your son visit the store and check these items out.

After a long closure, the uniform shop on each campus has reopened with store trade hours as follows:

Preston

Tuesday 10.30am to 11.00am

Bundoora

Tuesday 12.30pm to 2.00pm

Friday 8.00am to 9.00am

The Thomastown store is also open with normal trading hours. Of course, if you prefer, orders continue to be accepted online.

1. Go to www.academyuniforms.com.au
2. Select ORDER ON-LINE
3. Choose Parade College then enter password: Parade.

Academy Uniforms are located at 238 Wolseley Place, Thomastown, and can be contacted direct on 9460-8011.

Mrs Roslyn Tabacco
Registrar



Preston News

Parade College Connects with Bridge Darebin

The commencement of a new year has provided our Preston campus with fresh initiatives and programs to further develop the community consciousness of our students. Currently our students are working with Bridge Darebin to develop a Year 9 program to support the local community with their community program “laneway lunches”.



“Community development underpins everything we do at Bridge Darebin. We have developed a number of programs to engage Darebin residents who face barriers to engaging in our services. Our community programs include Laneway Lunches, a two-course community lunch feeding 60 people every Friday.”



With Parade’s two fruit and vegetable gardens our students have been able to generously donate some of the fresh produce for these lunches and their Moon Rabbit volunteer kitchen, which trains local youth in the industry of hospitality.

Our students have the opportunity to assist the program with setting up, serving lunch and tidying up at the end of the day. The aim is to provide every Preston Year 9 student with this invaluable opportunity to support our local community members.

Careers Department @Preston Campus

Parade’s Careers Department will also engage our Year 9 and 10 campus students with important information as they prepare for their future pathway options. One on one interviews will take place with each student and our qualified Careers Coordinator, Ms Vivian Sipsas.

Mr Jacob Williams

**Coordinator of Development and Student Wellbeing
Preston Campus**

Delivery of Messages and Unplanned Departure of Students

Parents and Guardians are reminded that timely delivery of messages and/or personal items is not possible due to constant student movement in a Secondary School.

Whilst every reasonable attempt will be made to deliver ***important messages only***, parents are advised that we cannot guarantee timely delivery.

Parents/Guardians arriving unexpectedly requesting to collect students for urgent appointments may face a delay of up to 45 minutes.

Please ensure you allow sufficient time prior to the appointment.

La Trobe University SOCCER CLUB



Join our Youth Program in 2021!

We are looking for boys and girls aged 14-18 to join our Youth Program!

For Boys, the Club's first ever Youth Team will be created, with a training and matchday program that is completely aligned with our Men's Teams.

For Girls, we offer the chance to join our open age program, where we will focus developing our young players for future success!

Our program includes 2 weeknight training sessions & 30 matches each year led by coaches with Football Federation Australia accreditation.

Our Club welcomes players of all abilities to learn and compete in an inclusive and fun environment, and we look forward to seeing you on the park!



Scan me to express your interest for Season 2021!

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From the Director of High Performance Sport

ACC Athletics Championships 2021 (TBC)

The ACC Athletic Championships will be held on Thursday 25 February, 2021 at the Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park.

The event has been moved to Week 5 when it has previously been at the end of the Term 1. This has resulted in less training sessions as we prepare for our defence of the 2019 ACC title.

Listed below is the training schedule for 2021.

Willinda Park Training

Thursday 18 February

12.50pm to 2.50pm

Years' 7 & 8 (Trials – Selected Students)

Tuesday 23 February

12.50pm to 2.50pm

Selected Athletes – Final session

ACC Athletics Championships

Thursday 25 February

Lakeside Stadium

Selection In High Performance In 2021

Subject selection has been completed for 2021 High Performance classes at Year 8, 9 and 10 and letters have been sent home to those that have unfortunately missed out.

As ACC High Performance is a timetable subject, selection into these classes has to coincide with the Subject Selection process in August.

To accommodate the potential development of students not selected into a 2021 High Performance class and provide the opportunity to try out for a 2021 ACC team, additional trials for all ACC Sports are as follows –

- Football (AFL and Soccer) will occur midway in Term 1 2021.

- Basketball, Table Tennis and Hockey will occur midway in Term 2 2021.
- Volleyball, Tennis and Cricket trials will occur midway through Term 3 2021.

Any student identified at these trials as possible members of an ACC team will be given the opportunity to play some games.

In addition, students wishing to improve their skills and enhance their chances for future ACC selection should involve themselves in the Sports Development Program. Focusing on all ACC sports, this two week program (per sport) will generally occur after school until 4.30pm and run throughout the year.

The dates for the Football (AFL and Soccer) programs are below:

Football (AFL)

Non HP Trials for Year 8, 9 and 10 ACC sport (for possible selection in 2021 ACC teams)

Thursday 11 March 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Thursday 1 April 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Football (AFL)

Skills Development Program (for possible selection in 2022 High Performance) - Years 7 to 9

Monday 3 May 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Monday 17 May 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Football (Soccer)

Non HP Trials for Year 8, 9 and 10 ACC sport (for possible selection in 2021 ACC teams)

Tuesday 9 March 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Tuesday 30 March 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Football (Soccer)

Skills Development Program (for possible selection in 2022 High Performance) – Years 7 to 9

Monday 26 April 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Monday 10 May 3.15-4.15pm at Bunjil Park

Mr Paul Groves

Director of High Performance Sport



House Report



Failte—Welcome

“The only reason why I love school is because it’s the place where my friends are.”

We often hear these words from students that the place to connect and develop life long friends, is at school. Parade College offers students many opportunities to come together and participate in programs which reinforces and consolidates community and spirit at the College.

The *Failte Program* (pronounced fal-tcha), an Irish word for ‘Welcome,’ is one program where strong, cross-aged peer relationships are built and maintained.

All Year 7 students are *welcomed* to Parade College by a Year 12 from their own House who will support them with their transition to secondary school. The buddies meet regularly during Tutor Period, promoting a sense of community and belonging.

The foundations for the Failte Program gives rise to the opportunity for our young men in Year 12 to be positive role models, to demonstrate leadership, responsibility and pride in their ability to be helpful and supportive for our Year 7s to look up to. Together, they share a joy of learning and develop positive social skills whilst immersed in a safe and caring social setting.

The many fun activities that students share in, demonstrate the excitement and delight in our Year 7s as they get to ‘hang out with a mate’ because at school, that’s where the friends are.

Mrs Teresa Talia
Hughes Upper House Leader





From The Old Paradians

Each year Pro-Bono recognises the work of 25 individuals for their positive work within the not-for-profit sector. The name Pro Bono comes from the Latin term Pro Bono Publico – meaning “for the public, or common good”.

Sean’s advocacy of Rangers around the world and contributions to conservation over the past year are being recognised alongside so many other inspiring individuals.



The past twelve months have been very challenging for Park Rangers, with the impact of the pandemic affecting their livelihoods and the natural places in which they work. Through Sean’s initiative and tireless efforts, The Thin Green Line has provided financial support to many of these affected rangers, and was able to do so due to a highly successful fundraising campaign that was spearheaded by Sean.

Public votes for the final 25 winners are now open, and Sean would appreciate your support. Not only will this show your trust in TGLF, but also your support of Rangers globally. Please click the link below to find out more.

Those voting have the opportunity to go in a draw to win one of two for-good bundles from Altina and Made by Fressko, valued at over \$200 each.

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The Old Paradians' Association Luncheon's unbroken run of 85 years ended when the pandemic effectively put paid to all gatherings last year.

First held at the old Buckley & Nunn Dining Room back in 1936, the monthly luncheon endured throughout the Second World War and each of the eight subsequent decades, until the March lockdown brought an abrupt halt.

But last Wednesday, about 50 former students of the College gathered at the RACV City Club last Wednesday (February 10) returned in support of the event, which effectively doubled as a reunion.



Pictured here from left to right is Luncheon convenor and former Old Paradians Football club President Keith Sharkie, Old Paradians' Association committeeman Andy Walsh (1971), CEO Tony De Bolfo (1980), former OPA President Lance Phillips (1945) and Fr Terry Bergin, Parish Priest of Our Lady of the Way in Kingsbury.

Guest speaker was the newly-elected Old Paradians Football Club President Chris Bibby, who outlined the club's future direction.

Mr Tony De Bolfo
Old Paradians' Association CEO



Calendar

The following important dates in the College calendar can also be found on our website under the 'News' tab

- 17 February * Ash Wednesday
- * Launch of Lenten Fundraising
- 19 February * Strategic Planning Meeting
- 22 February * Finance Committee Meeting
- * Musical Rehearsal @ Mercy
- 23 February * College Photo Retake Day
- * Lake Mungo Student Information Session
- 24 February * Ministry Retreat #3
- * Senior Sport Round 4
- * Lake Mungo Student Information Session
- * Homework Club
- * Musical Rehearsal @ Parade
- 25 February * Ministry Retreat #3
- * ACC Athletics Carnival, Lakeside Stadium
- 1-5 March * Year 7 Camp Week
- 1 Mar-1 Apr * School Dental Program
- 1 March * Musical Rehearsal @ Mercy
- * Senior Jazz Ensemble Workshop @ Parade
- * Board Meeting
- 2 March * Homework Club
- 3 March * Musical Rehearsal @ Parade
- * Homework Club
- * POP Meeting 7.30pm
- 8 March * Labour Day Public Holiday
- 9 March * Homework Club
- 10 March * Ministry Retreat #4
- * Senior Sport Semi Finals
- * OPA Luncheon
- * Homework Club
- 11 March * Ministry Retreat #4

- 13 March * Saturday Detention
- 14 March * Working Bee 8.00am to 12.30pm
- 15 March * Father Son Summer Games Night
- * Musical Rehearsal @ Mercy
- * OPA Executive Meeting 7.30pm
- 16 March * Homework Club
- * Lake Mungo Parent Information Session Online
- 17 March * St Patricks Day
- * Ministry Retreat #5
- * Senior Sport Finals
- * Homework Club
- 18 March * Ministry Retreat #5
- * Year 10 Mock Interviews
- * OPA Business Breakfast
- 19 March * Hughes Celebration Day



**1st Working Bee for 2021
Preston and Bundoora Campuses
Sunday 14 March
8.00am until 12.30pm**

**Earn \$60 per family
credited to your fee account simply for
attending a minimum of 3 hours**

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that need to be done and we cater
for a range of abilities**



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