

Principal's Report

Dear God,

We celebrate spring's returning
and the rejuvenation of the
natural world.

Let us be moved by this vast and
gentle insistence
that goodness shall return,
that warmth and life shall succeed,
and help us to understand our place
within this miracle.

Let us see that as a bird now builds its
nest,
bravely,
with bits and pieces,
so we must build human faith.

It is our simple duty;
it is the highest art;
it is our natural and vital role
within the miracle of spring:
the creation of faith.

Amen

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With this newsletter we welcome spring and longer days. The last few weeks of winter have been tough going with many students, families and staff hit with lingering colds and coughs. We wish everyone a speedy recovery and look forward to warmer weather.

Spring is a good time to clear all the clutter from our lives. It's sometimes called spring cleaning. To do this we need to think about what is cluttering our lives, what is stopping us from being the person, the student, the teacher, the parent or the friend we could be. Our 'clutter' could well be a relationship that's in a mess and needs to be sorted, an issue we need to face or a bad habit that we need to ditch. Whatever it might be – this is the time to sort it, clear it out, to let go and to start again.

As the days get longer and the weather becomes milder we have a sense of hope; a sense that the old can indeed be left behind and that change is possible.

Father's Day

We wish all the dads in our school community a very happy Father's Day for Sunday. We remember also the dads who are no longer with us. May all dads know that their unconditional love, support and all that they do for us are very much appreciated, even though we may not say and show this nearly enough.

Refugee and Migrant Sunday

The World Day of Migrants and Refugees is commemorated in Australia on the last Sunday of August. This year, Pope Francis has chosen the theme, "Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and the Voiceless".

In his message for the 103rd World Migrants and Refugees Day, Pope Francis calls us to:

- care for migrants and refugees, particularly the young
- ensure that no-one is a stranger in the Christian community;

- work towards the protection and safety of child migrants and refugees;
- assist with their integration into our community, and
- get informed and involved in addressing the causes that trigger migration and displacement: war, poverty, corruption and the impact of natural disasters.

Too often when we think about migration, refugees, international students and asylum seekers we think about the cost; the burden; about what we're called to give or give up. However, we forget about what migrants and refugees bring to our communities. We forget that at some time most of us, or our families, have also migrated from somewhere else. Migrants and refugees do not come empty handed. They come to us with an abundance of gifts, experiences and wisdom. Imagine our country without the rich influences of people who have come here from all parts of the world.

Refugee and Migrant Sunday is an opportunity to reflect on how well we welcome strangers into our community, how much of a fair go we give them and what we do to assist them to participate fully in Australian life.

***“Be not forgetful
to entertain strangers;
for thereby some have
entertained angels
unawares”***

(Hebrews 13:2)

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
English is often a strange and colourful language. Typically, well-wishers will say

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"*break a leg*" to actors and musicians before they go on stage to perform. "*break a leg*" is an idiom used to wish a performer "good luck" in an ironic way. No one is really sure where the phrase comes from.

As we approach the opening night of the school play, I wish all cast and crew the very best. It has been a terrific experience so far and I am really looking forward to seeing our production of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. In theatre idiom '*break a leg*' or good luck to all.

National eSmart Week

There are many days and weeks dedicated to raising awareness around different social and cultural issues. Whilst we cannot attend to them all – these weeks are often a good conversation starter.

Next week (4 – 8 September) is National eSmart Week. Promoted by the Alana and Madeline Foundation, this is a week where communities come together to encourage everyone to be smart, safe and responsible when using digital technology. It creates the opportunity for families, classes and community groups to discuss issues of cyber safety, bullying and wellbeing online, and offline.

National eSmart Week provides an opportunity to re-visit some of the protocols and strategies we have in places, as a school, as a family and as a community to ensure everyone is safe.

The Office of the eSafety Commissioner provides education around online safety and supports families and young people with information about what to do should an issue arise. I highly recommend the website to families, particularly the iParent section.

If you have come across illegal content, wish to report Cyberbullying or just want some strategies to assist you in managing digital devices visit the website of the eSafety Commissioner at <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>

We have include a sample excerpt in the Families Matter section of the newsletter.

Academic Excellence Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Academic Excellence awards in Semester 1. The awards are based on results across all assessment tasks and are awarded to students who are in the top 10% of their class or who averaged above 90% in their assessment tasks.

We commend each award recipient on their interest in learning, willingness to work hard, and the good habits, effort and perseverance that they bring to their studies. In each case the recognition is well deserved.

David Thach	Dieuann Nguyen	Jocelyn Cuzcano
Tijana Vukadin	Louisa Zhang	Julie Pham
Kim Le	Benjamin Mendez	Xavier Bondoc
Thuong Nguyen	Eva Katinic	William Dang
Lynda Vu	Kim Huynh	Julia Bui

Caitlyn Gonsalves	Kahlia Cuccaro	Michael Tran
Gai Dar	Alessia LoGuarro	Liam Kilpatrick
Elisha Trinh	Sandy Hong	Kristopher Mendoza
Joseph Phan	Katie Vu	Khristy Aguila
Rejoyce Modi	Vivi Nguyen	Sonany Istaifo
Karen Nguyen	John Vo	Clyde Vallescas
Mekayla TapualalUnasa	Jessica Tran	Julia Cabaldon
Hannah Nguyen	Simon Le	Rhanel Hao
Vivian Dang	Breanna Pruszk	Helen Nguyen
Arabella Julian	TrixieMay Celestial	Catherin D'Rozario
Carl Mikhail Sevilliano	Daniel Duong	Jenny Vo
Anabelle Tran	Harrison Gatt	Jordan Luong
Roshith Thanthulage	Hayley Nguyen	Sharelle Lynch
Marissa Lamb	XuanDien Vo	Tommy Nguyen

SACCSS Interschool Chess

Congratulations to both our junior and intermediate chess teams who represented the College at the recent SACCSS interschool tournament at Mary Mede College in South Morang. The junior team finished 4th overall and the intermediate team was a very close 4th.

This is a terrific effort. We're very proud of the whole team who represented our school so well. Well done to all the students involved and to Mr Stewart who accompanied the team.

Congratulations

After an outstanding round robin series, our Year 9 Boys' Volleyball Team has made the cross over finals in the SACCSS Premier League volleyball. Thank you to all the students involved. As well as being a great and skilled team they have shown exceptional sportsmanship and school spirit throughout the tournament. Well done.

We wish the boys all the best in the finals, beginning on Tuesday 12 September.

SACCSS Interschool Track and Field

Best wishes to all the students who are representing the College at the SACCSS Interschool Track and Field on Monday 04 September. Students have been training and trying out for places throughout Term 3. We wish you well.

School Improvement Surveys

Families are reminded that surveys need to be returned by **Friday 08 September**. All families who return the survey will receive a ticket in a raffle for a family set of movie tickets.

Newsletter

The newsletter is published fortnightly and distributed on **Day 5**

(Friday Week 1). Students will have a chance to read it before placing it in their diary to be taken home to parents that evening.

Newsletter Days for Term 3 2017:

Fridays: 15 September

The newsletter can also be accessed on Friday morning (Day 10) on the College website at:

<http://www.crcstalbans.catholic.edu.au>

Enrolment for Year 7 2019

Enrolments are now open for Year 7 2019. Application forms and College Information packs can be obtained from the front office at any time. The application form can also be downloaded from the College website at www.crcstalbans.catholic.edu.au.

Since our last newsletter....

Over and above the day to day activities of the school since our last newsletter students, families and staff have participated in the following:

Science Week

O'Reilly Week

MacKillop Community Service

Year 7 Swimming program

Year 9 Premier League

Rehearsals for 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

SACCSS Interschool Chess

Outdoor Education Ski Trip

Athletics trials and team selection

Year 9 Italian Banquet.

It's again been a busy two weeks. I am sure that students and their families are very appreciative of all these opportunities and the time and energy that staff put into organising and offering these experiences.



CHRISTINA UTRI
PRINCIPAL

Science Week 2017

Last week we celebrated National Science Week at CRC St. Albans. Students participated in various activities during the week.

Congratulations to the winners:

News Paper chair Challenge: Christopher Ikov and William Thieu 7 Wimmera

Helicopter challenge: Wendy Nguyen 9 Barton

Science quiz: Phillip Rafoo and Michael Tran 7Avoca

"On Wednesday (23/8/17) we had rushed up the stairs to make sure we could make our creation that would be better than the others and withstand more weight.

We were excited to build a chair out of paper but it had to withstand weight. But it was easy because we made the base structure out of triangles and triangles were said to be one of the strongest shapes.

We then reinforced it with two rolls of masking tape so it would be very sturdy. It was a fun experience to create the paper chair. At the end of the competition we won the paper chair competition."

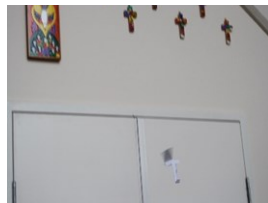
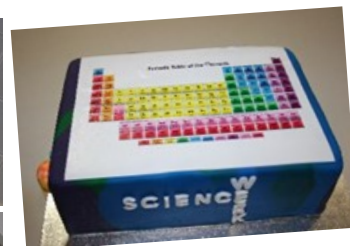
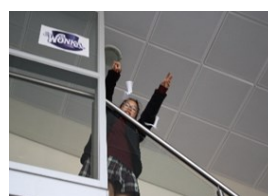
Christopher Ikov and William Thieu 7 Wimmera

"I had a lot of fun doing the paper helicopter experiment. Making the helicopter was simple but to keep it suspended in the air I had to perform different experiments on it. The purpose of the helicopter was to be kept suspended in the air as long as it can and slowly fly down. I was one of the many people who made a helicopter, had to test out how long our models would be suspended in the air and to do that we had to climb up and down the stairs and test out our models.

The way the helicopter was constructed was different from a regular paper plane and the way it is suspended in air is also different but it was constructed to be made more pleasing to the eyes when it slowly flies down due to gravity.

Personally, I enjoyed this activity very much and I learned how to make another version of a paper plane made in ancient time.

Wendy Nguyen Year 9 Barton



7 WAYS


parents can manage web connected devices in the home



ALMOST **1 in 3** teens are accessing the internet between 10pm and midnight



1 **39%** of teens use a tablet to go online



Parental control tools are available for Apple's iOS & Android.

2 **47%** of teens play games online




Playstation, Xbox, Wii and Steam have parental controls.

3 **64%** of teens stream video on YouTube & TV




YouTube and YouTube Kids have a safety mode; YouTube Red offers ad-free videos. Netflix and Stan offer age-based settings.

4 **74%** of teens use a computer to go online



Microsoft Windows and Apple's MAC OSX offer family restrictions and monitoring.

5 **78%** of teens research and browse on the internet



Safe search settings are available for Google Safe Search, Google Chrome and Yahoo7.

6 **80%** use a smart phone



Telstra Mobile Protect, Vodafone Guardian, Apple iOS and Android have safety options.

7 **86%** have home broadband access



Telstra provides parental control tools and homework time blackouts; Optus and Vodafone provide guidance on tools.

Parental controls can keep kids safe on many screens THEY CAN

- ✓ Block sexually explicit sites
- ✓ Set screen time limits
- ✓ Block in-app purchases
- ✓ Block numbers and SMS
- ✓ Allow or block websites
- ✓ Restrict chat features
- ✓ Allow parental monitoring



REMEMBER

No parental control is 100% failsafe. Keep children's trust by using these tools openly at home

esafety.gov.au/iparent >



KEEP CALM AND READ

Can you match the words below with their correct meaning . . . ?

Quiz 15

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|---------------|-------------|
| 1 Conspicuous | 5 Decoy |
| 2 Scorched | 6 Lethargic |
| 3 Cornucopia | 7 Churlish |
| 4 Tempest | 8 Comrade |
| | 9 Livid |

- A attracting notice or attention
- B burn the surface of
- C an abundant supply of good things
- D a violent windy storm
- E a person or thing used to mislead
- F sluggish and apathetic
- G rude in a mean-spirited and surly way
- H a fellow member of an organisation
- I furiously angry
- J costly and luxurious

WEDNESDAY MASS

We welcome families to join us on
Wednesday mornings at 8.30am
The services are led by both Sacred Heart
Primary School and CRC St Albans.

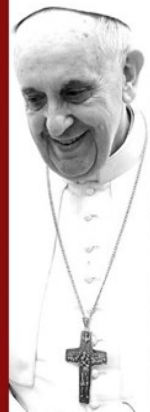
TERM 3 ROSTER

6 September: - CRC MSK 9BT

13 September: - Sacred Heart

20 September: - CRC
DIO, 9CT & JDS, 9DK

Faith in Action at CRC St Albans



Over the four years at St Albans, students are involved in a wide variety of social justice opportunities. Some of opportunities are imbedded in both the RE curriculum and the personal and social learning units. Others opportunities are extra-curricular such as participation in the Vinnie's group or participation in the CRC St Albans community garden.

The way social justice is responded within the school, is that it starts local and evolves as the students' progress to the senior levels. The Year 7's theme this term is growing in our community. They do this by responding to needs at home and in their classroom. In the RE program the students documents their thoughtful acts and reflect on the impact this has had on their families and their classrooms. In term 4 the Year 7 theme is giving. In this term they will be preparing for Christmas by donating toys and food to St Vinnies so they can create hampers for those in need at Christmas.

In year 8 the students are currently studying in RE the Kingdom of God. After looking at how the first and second testament explore the kingdom of God students develop their own vision of the Kingdom of God and how we can go about creating the Kingdom of God, here on Earth. They actively do this by assisting in both community garden and on Fridays at the Holy Eucharist Food Bank.

In Year 9 next term in RE students will be examining Catholic Social Teaching principles. Two Principles Subsidiarity and Stewardship are demonstrated through the Trinity program students in their classes support local disability services, and assist with local environmental projects.

The Year 10 students are completing 'A Call to Justice' unit in RE where they are examine key Church Documents such as Gaudium et Spes and explore how the Catholic Church should responds to social justice issues around the world. As part as the community service students in small groups visit age care services, and assist students with reading after school and within the classroom.

Visiting the Fishes and Loaves Food Bank



On the 18th of August, just like every Friday, three year 8 students volunteer to help out the Fishes and Loaves Food Bank at Holy Eucharist. The food bank helps families who are in need of food and all the people who work there are volunteers. Roughly 200 boxes of food are handed out once a week. Food that is unsold from supermarkets, companies and produce that is grown from CRC's garden is donated to Fishes and Loaves.

Each week volunteers from year 8 help pack the food into crates, sorting out the donated food. Foods such as snacks, produce, grains, canned, drinks, desserts and many more. Some days there are a lot more groceries to sort out and sometimes there is very little, it all depends on the donations coming in. We are not only able to help distribute the food but we get to socialize with the volunteers and experience the good deed of helping people out.

By Annie, Lisa and Lynda

Year 10 Formal



TIME



READ

SEPTEMBER 2017

OUR COLLEGE

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

<http://dishfunctionaldesigns.blogspot.ca/>

BOOK WEEK ACTIVITIES IN THE LIBRARY NEXT WEEK

Monday 4th September
Question and Answer Competitions

Tuesday 5th September

TRIVIA

Wednesday 6th September

Reading Hour

Thursday 7th September

Paper plane competition

Friday 8th September

Breakfast 7.30 am

Remember to put your name down in the Library
AND/OR return your breakfast form



The READERS Cup

The Reader's Cup ladder placings remained unchanged this week.

Students are reminded they need to keep reading so other classes do not move too far ahead.



KEEP
READING



TOP TEN BOOKS BORROWED . . .



The Bad Beginning
by Lemony Snicket

Billionaire Boy
by David Walliams

Tomorrow when the war began
by John Marsden

Wonder
by R.J. Palacio

Once
by Morris Gleitzman



The Greatest Blogger in the World
by Andrew McDonald



Emil and Karl
by Yankev Glatshetyn



Soldier Boy
By Anthony Hill



Strawberry and the soul reapers: Bleach Volume 1
by T. Kubo



Vampire Knight 1

The Charlie and The Chocolate Factory

The students and staff involved in this year's production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory have been tirelessly working on the final details for a great show. As there has been plenty of excitement and anticipation we remind the school community that the production is a school event and there are expectations to be met. Please be aware;

- No tickets will be sold on the night, tickets must be purchased from the website as advertised.
- Students attending the event must organise transportation home with a responsible adult.
- Please arrive early at the venue to ensure appropriate setting arrangements and a prompt start to the show.

On behalf of the school I would like to extend our gratitude for supporting the students and your understanding.

Thank you,
Eder Ramos



Key Dates

Term 3, 2017

31 Aug and 1 September:
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
School Production

04 September:
SACCSS Interschool Athletics

12 September:
Yr 10 Reflection Day / Yr 7 Zoo Experience

14 September:
SACCSS Interschool Tennis

20 - 22 September:
Year 9 Camp

22 September:
Year 8 Reflection Day

BOOK WEEK BREAKFAST

FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 7.30 AM

Parents and students come join us for breakfast to celebrate at
Catholic Regional College St Albans.



Lady Jayne www.flickr.com

Have breakfast, enjoy a coffee or orange juice with toast, read a newspaper, or look at a magazine and meet other members of the school community.

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Mời quý phụ huynh và học sinh đến dự bữa sáng mừng tại trường **Catholic Regional College St Albans.**

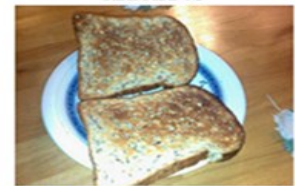


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Dùng bữa sáng, thưởng thức tách cà phê hoặc ly nước cam kèm bánh mì nướng, đọc báo chí và gặp gỡ những thành viên khác trong cộng đồng nhà trường.

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تتاولوا طعام الإفطار واستمتعوا بالقهوة أو عصير البرتقال مع خبز "التوست"، أو اقرأوا صحيفة أو مجلة، والتفوا بأعضاء آخرين من مجتمع المدرسة

Please return slip with numbers attending, to the school by **TUESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER** to assist with catering

STUDENTS NAME:

NUMBER ATTENDING: