

## Principal's Report

### *A Prayer for Those Involved in Sports*

*O God, you gave us bodies as well as minds and hearts with which to praise and worship you.*

*Our sports and exercises are a fitting use of gifts and talents you have given us.*

*Bless our workouts and the games we play, and those with whom we exercise or compete.*

*Give us strength, endurance, courage and agility as we compete or train.*

*Keep us safe and healthy as we celebrate our physical and mental skills in sport.*

*Author Unknown*

This week we've been enjoying Health and PE week at the College. Culminating in tomorrow's Inter-House Athletics Carnival, the week has kept us moving and raised awareness of the importance of living an active and healthy life. From skipping ropes to staff vs students volleyball, from 3 on 3 Basketball to dodgeball, from sports trivia to meeting Olympian, Peter Bol, it has been a great week. Thank you to Mr. Dale Marshall and the PE and Health staff for their enthusiasm, energy and hard work.

### **And the winner is..... Resource Smart Community Leadership Award**

Last Monday we were honoured and delighted to receive the Community Leadership Secondary School of the Year award. This award acknowledges our ongoing work in sustainability, community collaboration, earth stewardship and action on climate change through the Community Food Project.

Families may know of the fine work that our students do in growing a range of food products in our school garden, in a community plot at Padley Park and at the Market Gardens in Keilor. The fresh food is donated to the Loaves and Fishes Food Bank at Holy Eucharist or sold to staff and families to raise funds for the Food Bank.

I thank all the students, staff and families who have given up time at lunchtime, after school and during the holidays to assist with this project. Your enthusiasm, energy and commitment to the common good is awe-inspiring. In particular, I would like to acknowledge Hayden O'Doherty's

vision, leadership and hard work in making this dream happen.

### **Vietnamese Lantern Festival**

In the first week of term we enjoyed a wonderful night of Vietnamese culture through lantern making, food, dance, storytelling, and a beautiful lantern parade. It was great to welcome school families and the local community into the school and to learn more about the Mid-Autumn (spring in Australia) Lantern Festival, a time where families do things together to make extra time for their children.

Thank you to Mr Tung Phan and his willing team of helpers who created a very special night for us all. Thank you to the Year 9 and 10 students who demonstrated the tricky bamboo dance and the Year 7 students who shared with us the story of how the lantern festival started. It was a great night.

### **Year 12 Graduation CRC Sydenham**

Last Friday Year 12 students finished classes and in the evening celebrated the conclusion of their secondary education with mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. As a school community we can be very proud of these young people and all they've achieved throughout their time at CRC. Their first day in Year 7 seems only yesterday. Thank you to all the staff, both here and at Sydenham, who've worked with them and supported them to this point.

The students are now fully focussed on preparing for their final exams which begin on Wednesday. I ask that you keep

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them and their teachers in your thoughts and prayers at this very important time.

Congratulations to former St Albans students who were acknowledged with awards on the night. **Caitlyn Sanahon**, **Lorenzo Atonio** and **Alexander Celestial** all received a Principal's Award.

## Inter house Athletics Carnival

Arrangements are all in place for tomorrow's Inter-house Athletics Carnival. Best wishes to everyone who is competing for their House.

Hopefully, the weather will be kind to us. Should it be raining in the morning, the carnival will be cancelled and we will run the normal Day 5 program at school.

Families are very welcome to join us for part, or all of the day. The Keilor Athletics track is located near the Keilor Basketball Stadium.

Keilor Athletics Track  
Stadium Drive  
Keilor Park 3042

## Williams Cup Progressive Scores

Last week the House Captains ran a lunchtime Volleyball competition which was won by Corbett House. After adding the points for this competition the current standings for the Williams Cup are: Guelen (55 points), Reis (48), Corbett (42) and O'Reilly (30).

## CRC Celebrates: Thursday 02 November

I invite all families to join us on **Thursday 02 November** for **CRC Celebrates**. This night will include the opening of the Image 2017 Visual Arts exhibition and a range of performances.

## Cup Weekend

Families are reminded that there are no classes on Monday 06 or Tuesday 07 November.

The break provides students with the opportunity to prepare for the final weeks of Term 4. It is a good time to catch up on work and to do some exam revision.

## Tutoring

Do you need help in getting your homework done? Are you struggling with your assignments? Why not take up the following offer of help?

Edmund Rice runs a free tutoring program for secondary and tertiary students at the Errington Community Centre on Wednesday afternoons from 3.30 – 5.00pm and here at CRC St Albans in our library on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 12.00pm.

The Saturday program has tutors from a range of professions and assistance is generally 1:1. Often families pay significant amounts of money for this type of support. I encourage you to take up this service.

## Re-enrolment forms

Re-enrolment forms will be sent home on Monday. In order to assist us with planning for 2018, families are asked to return these by **Friday 10 November, 2017**.

## Term 4 Uniform

Families are reminded that Weeks 1 – 4 are a transition period for uniform. Students can wear either full summer or full winter uniform but not a mix and match of both.

Following the Cup Weekend break, from Wednesday 08 November all students will need to be in full summer uniform.

The holidays may be a good time to check that students have all that is required.

## 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 4 2017:

Fridays: 10 November 24 November

*The final newsletter will be posted home on  
19 December (posted)*

The newsletter can also be accessed on Friday morning (Day 5) 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.crcstalbens.catholic.edu.au](http://www.crcstalbens.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:

- Outdoor Education Camp
- Resource Smart Awards
- Trinity 1000 steps activity
- Health and PE Week
- Melbourne Water Kids teaching Kids conference
- Year 8 Premier League

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



### WEDNESDAY MASS ROSTER

We welcome families to join us on Wednesday mornings from 8.30am

The services are led by both Sacred Heart Primary School and CRC St Albans.

**1 November - CRC**  
MSK—8 Orifici & MGN— 8 Edison

**8 November - CRC**  
MDO—8 Attard

**15 November - CRC**  
JDS—8 Clark

**22 November - Sacred Heart**

**29 November - Sacred Heart**

### Catholic Regional College St Albans Sacramental Program.

In year 8 our topic for this term is building Christians communities. We explore how Paul played a fundamental role in establishing and supporting Christian communities across the Mediterranean.

On Friday night 3 of our own Year 10 students Agok Ring, Fabian Castro and Xavier Bondoc were sponsors for three new members of the Sacred Heart Parish. As these three students become adults in the church they have taken on a greater role in building a Christian community. Also on Friday night five students from CRC St Albans participated in their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and also become confirmed members of the Catholic Church. These students were **Richie Vung, Leandro Vung, Vincent Le, Patrick Tuliou, and Tatiana Garcia**. Vincent Le (Year 10), spoke in front of the whole congregation of his chosen Saint Francis Xavier and how Saint Francis Xavier inspires him as he enters his catholic community. At the conclusion of the mass many other year 10 students also present at the mass came and congratulated and welcome Vincent. Currently the year 10's are actively planning their graduation mass. As it is nearly time for our year tens to leave I reflect on what they have contributed to our own catholic community at CRC St Albans. I am sure Paul would be proud of how students continue to support and build our catholic community.

### Year 8 Reflection Day

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of September the year 8 Level went to Overnewton Castle in Keilor for a Reflection Experience. Part of the day was looking at their life journey to date and exploring the feelings and emotions that relate to significant life moments. The other part of the day was to examine our own conscience and reflect on where we have failed in our relationships with others, and with God. We finished the Reflection Day with the celebration of Mass, where the students presented their sins at the altar and through the mass asked for forgiveness. Special thanks to Fr Tuan, for celebrating liturgy. A huge thank you to the teachers involved on the day for their dedication and hard work.



# School Fees 2017

All families should have received their school fee account balance statements in the mail, showing their current balance.

*We request all payment of fees for this year before the close of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017.*

Families who hold a concession/Centrelink card and who are on an arrangement with their school fees, please contact the office on 9366 2544 to make an appointment with Mrs Anne Ross to set up fees for 2018.



## GUITAR, UKULELE, BASS LESSONS

Are you interested in learning the guitar, ukulele or bass? We offer shared or individual lessons at CRC and we provide a number of opportunities throughout the year for students to perform.

Cost

**Shared lessons - \$12 for 25 minutes.**

Individual lessons are also available

Cost

**\$25 for 25 minutes.**

Students can commence lessons at any time throughout the year.

**Limited places available.**

**Please contact**

**Mr. Clarence Marshall**



## Key Dates Term 4 2017

27 October:  
Interhouse Athletics Carnival

2 November:  
CRC Celebrates / Image Art  
Exhibition

6 November:  
Cup Weekend Break

7 November:  
Cup Weekend Break

21 November:  
McAuley Assembly

22 - 28 November:  
Years 9 and 10 exams

29 November:  
Year 10 Picnic

30 November:  
Year 10 Graduation Mass

1 December:  
Correction Day  
(students not required)

4 - 8 December:  
Year 11 2018 Orientation Week (CRC  
Sydenham)

6 December:  
Year 10 2018 VCE and  
VET Orientation Day  
(CRC Sydenham)

5 December:  
Peer Support Training Day  
(Year 9)

7 December:  
Ball Sports Day (Years 7 & 8) / Trinity  
Ice Skating Day (Year 9)

8 December:  
Final day for Years 7 - 9

20 December:  
School office closes

### Year 9 Performing Arts students: Drama/ Dance and Music

Dear Parents,

As part of the performing arts curriculum all students studying Drama, Dance and Music will present a public performance for assessment at the upcoming CRC Celebrates on November the 2nd. Each student will be allocated one ticket for a family member or guardian to attend the event. This is a compulsory event and students must participate. We look forward to seeing you at the event.

*Mhairi Shepherd Learning Area Leader, Arts*





Catholic  
Regional  
College  
St Albans

Please join us for

# CRC Celebrates

## Thurs 2nd November

6:00pm Welcome

6:10pm Performing Arts (Art Centre)

6:45pm Poetry Recital/Public Speaking (Arts Centre)

7:15pm Arts & Technology Awards and Presentation (College Hall)

Light refreshments & canapes will be served throughout the evening

**CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE ST ALBANS**

# IMAGeS 2017

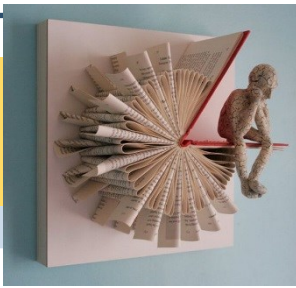
**THURSDAY 2 NOV**

**VISUAL ARTS  
VISUAL COM + DESIGN  
PERFORMING ARTS  
MEDIA  
DESIGN + TECHNOLOGY**

**COLLEGE HALL**

**7.15PM AWARDS &  
PRESENTATION**

**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS  
WILL BE SERVED**



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- WIMMERA
- ATTARD
- YARRA
- AVOCA
- KIEWA
- SNOWY
- EDISON
- ORIFICI
- CLARK
- LITTLE
- LYONS
- MANNIX
- MACKILLOP
- DEAKIN
- O'CONNELL
- HUGHES
- CURTIN
- MCAULEY
- BARTON

## WHAT'S ON WHEN ...?

Reading hour—Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

### 'Ballooning festival'

### New Jigsaws in Library ...

**READERS CUP**  
 Congratulations to 8 Attard who have moved into 2 place and 9 Hughes has also managed to move up a placing.  
**Current leaders:**  
 7 Wimmera 436  
 8 Attard 346  
 7 Yarra 334  
 7 Avoca 331  
 7 Kiewa 289  
 7 Snowy 262

Readers' Cup Competition ends Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November



During recess, lunchtime and afterschool students have been working on Jigsaw puzzles in the Library. They complete the dragon, and then the Amalfi coast in a week. **Well done!**



## TOP 10 BOOKS BORROWED

- Wonder by R.J. Palacio
- The Bad Beginning by Lemony Snicket
- Once by Morris Gleitzman
- Soldier Boy By Anthony Hill
- Anna's story by
- Freedom writers diary by Erin Gruwell
- Vampire Knight 9 By Matsuri Hino
- Boy overboard by Morris Gleitzman
- Girl underground by Morris Gleitzmann
- Initial D Vol.25 Deluge daredevils by Shigeno Shuichi

## NEW BOOKS ...

**Flight of a Starling** by Lisa Heathfield  
 Rita and Lo, sisters and best friends, have spent their lives on the wing – flying through the air in their trapeze act, never staying in one place for long. Behind the greasepaint and the glitter, they know that the true magic is the family they travel with. Until Lo meets a boy. Suddenly, she wants nothing more than to stay still. And as secrets start to tear apart the close-knit circus community, how far will Lo go to keep her feet on the ground?

**The Silent Invasion (The Change bk 1)**  
 by James Bradley  
 It's a decade from now and the human race is dying. Plants, animals and humans have been infected by spores from space and become part of a vast alien intelligence. When 16-year-old Callie discovers her little sister Gracie has been infected, she flees with Gracie to the Zone to avoid termination by the ruthless officers of Quarantine. What Callie finds in the Zone will alter her irrevocably, and send her on a journey to the stars and beyond.

**KEEP READING**

## Year 7 & 8 Advanced Mathematics Classes – Challenge Stage

Advanced Mathematics is an extension class aimed at motivating, stimulating, encouraging and developing students who have been identified as being mathematically capable.

Earlier in the year the students took part in the first stage of the Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians run by the Australian Mathematics Trust. The students were awarded their certificates this week.

### Certificate of Distinction

Arabella Celine Julian, Vivi Nguyen, Hannah Nguyen, Elisha Trinh & Helen Nguyen

### Certificate of Credit

Michael Tran, Dennis Truong, Jordan Mo, John Vo, Teige Dizon & Benjamin Carville

### Certificate of Participation

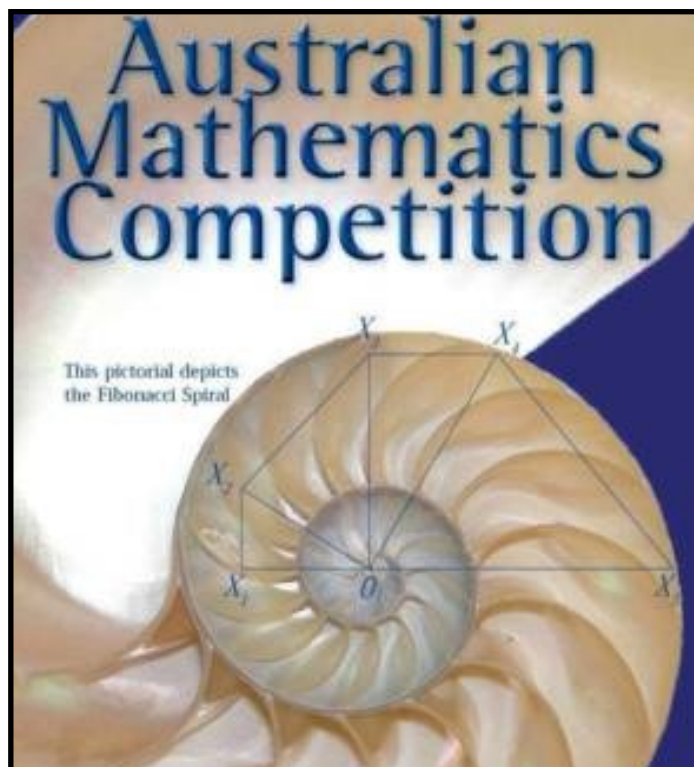
Vivienne Nguyen, Ken Nguyen, Dylan Pham, Simon Le, Vivian Dang, Nguyen Nguyen, David Doan, Alex Duong, Alex Gebremichael & Richard Mai



Year 7



Year 8



## Australian Mathematics Competition

On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July, 25 of our students participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition and were awarded the following certificates:

- 3 Distinction
- 7 Credit
- 8 Proficiency
- 7 Participation

Congratulations to the following students and all those who participated.

### Certificate of Distinction

Year 7: Michael Tran

Year 8: Hannah Nguyen

Year 9: Anabelle Tran

### Certificate of Credit

Year 7: Jordan Mo & Kristopher Mendoza

Year 8: Simon Le

Year 9: Sharelle Lynch, Jordan Luong, Daniel Duong & Roshith Thanthulage

# 2017 ***ATHLETICS CARNIVAL***



Friday is Athletics Carnival Day and as usual, it's a fun day for everyone. Parents are invited to attend this important school day, showcasing our student's athletic abilities as they compete in the Williams Cup.

**Join in the fun  
and help your House win  
the Williams Cup!**