

The Angel

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Principal's News

Dear Parents, Guardians, Students and Staff,

Today, August 11 is the Feast Day of St Clare of Assisi. St Clare was the founder of the Poor Clares' Order and the most significant supporter of St Francis and the Franciscan movement. St Clare is revered in the city of Assisi and is considered the most influential Franciscan, after St Francis. I invite you to honor the Feast of St Clare by sharing her prayer with family and friends.

PRAYER OF ST CLARE:

I look up and I behold the Lord,
Clare says to me, "Gaze upon Him, consider Him,
contemplate Him,
I put this more simply:
behold, hold, enfold.

I behold the Lord
I see His outstretched hands
I see the blood from His wounds.
I see the love in the eyes of Jesus.
I see His gracious acceptance of me.

Jesus has come out of the tomb –
He still has the scars, but now they are glorious, with the
glory of heaven.
Still looking at the Lord, I reach out and touch Him.
I hold the Lord – and I am held in His love.

Love enfolds
It is no longer I that live, but Christ that lives in me.
I am secure in the Lord.
I can look out, now, through the Lord's eyes.
I can see the world as He created it, in His mercy,
I can see my sisters and brothers with His love,
and I can worship the Father through the eyes of the Son
in the Love of the Holy Spirit.

Last week I was fortunate to join Mrs Ruth Bakogianis and Ms Melissa Knight at the bi-annual Franciscan Schools Australia (FSA) conference in Sydney. During the conference, we were exposed to some rich teachings regarding the ministry of St Francis and St Clare, attended a number of workshops concerned with Social

Justice initiatives and was fortunate to share Mass and Dinner with Bishop Vincent Long. Congratulations to the organising committee and we look forward to continuing the journey of deepening our understanding of the Franciscan charism.

As advertised the Information Evening for the inaugural community pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome takes place next Wednesday evening, 16th August. The information session will take place in the St Clare Auditorium starting at 7.00pm. A light supper will be provided. During the evening we will detail costs, itinerary, accommodation, flights, travel insurance, photographs and a question and answer session. The overarching message will be to explain the difference between a pilgrimage and a tour. The pilgrimage is open to all members of our St Mary of the Angels community including staff, families, senior students and parishioners.

As the term rolls on our Year 9 staff and students continue to immerse themselves into various communities and locations across the country. Last week we had students at Lake Mungo, this week at Rubicon and in the weeks to come other locations across the country. The term three Immersion Program is a fantastic element of our Aboriginal Education program. Our students will carry the learnings and memories for many years to come. Thank you, too, our parents and guardians for your trust; thank you to our staff for the commitment above and beyond the normal call of duty; and, thank you to our students for your participation and enthusiasm.

Finally, preparation has started for our annual FMDM Grand Prix. The FMDM Grand Prix takes place on the last day of term and this year it is a part of our Feast Day celebrations. We are very much looking forward to celebrating the Feast of St Francis with College Mass in the morning followed by other festivities leading into the Grand Prix. This is the first year that we have celebrated the Feast of St Francis and we look forward to sharing this celebration with the community of St Francis Primary School.

Pace e bene, (Peace and all good)
Matt Carver

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Deputy Principal's News

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Deputy Principal - Catholic Identity

This week I would like to share with you, the information we have received from Sr Jane Bertelsen (who lived and taught here during the 1980's) the story of what happens to the money we raise on the day of the annual FMDM Grand Prix.

Every cent that is raised for the Franciscan Missionaries of the Divine Motherhood (FMDM) goes towards paying the school fees of orphaned children in Zimbabwe. Over the years the money we have raised has also built a room to accommodate these children at the Home of Peace. The Home of Peace has people of all ages who just have nowhere else to go. Some of the residents formally lived under a railway bridge; others are women who lived on the streets and need to care for their children.

At the moment in Zimbabwe, money, food, basic necessities are scarce, even for those who can afford them, so for the poor there is no solution unless they come to somewhere like Home of Peace. The Zimbabwean government does not provide funding or unemployment benefits to people so places like the Home of Peace rely on donations to be able to run.

The FMDM's have always supported the Home of Peace in different ways. The fundraising from the College community has always been put aside to pay for school fees for the orphaned children who live at the Home for Peace. Without education the cycle of poverty just continues; instead, with education there is a chance for these children to break out of this cycle and find work to support themselves with the qualifications they obtain.

The money we raise is kept with the sisters and Clive (who runs Home of Peace) goes each term to collect the school fees for the various schools. Clive generously has given his time and energy to these people, especially the children who have NOTHING.

Life at Home of Peace is always hand-to-mouth; unfortunately, there is never anything left over.

So start raiding your piggy banks people as it's time for the students of the College to seek sponsorship for the cardboard car they will create and race. There are no losers in this Grand Prix... only children winning by getting an education, who without our help could not do so.

Next week I will tell you about the interesting journey this money takes once it leaves the College.



Pictured are just some of the students who benefit from the FMDM Grand Prix.

Top left (L-R): Losikeyi Primary School's Grade 3 Michael Mtetwa and Kimberly Sibanda.

Top right: Subukhazi High, Vincent Wakatama Form 2A and Anthony Wakatama Form 1A.

Left: Milton High School's Form 4 student Kyle Krienke.

Invitation

Franciscan Pilgrimage

2018

**We invite
Parents, Guardians,
Senior Students (Years 11 - 12)
and Parishioners**

**to join us on a
Franciscan Pilgrimage
to Assisi and Rome**

April 7th - 20th, 2018

*'Lord, make me
an instrument
of Your peace'.
St. Francis of Assisi*

**An Information Session will be held
on Wednesday 16th August, 2017
at St Mary of the Angels Secondary
College**

**St Clare Auditorium
at 7.00pm**

This session will outline:
Application for Franciscan Pilgrimage,
Itinerary, Costs and Q&A.

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Deputy Principal's News

Tim Campbell

Deputy Principal - Student Wellbeing & Development

FRANCISCAN STUDENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

This week we were excited to have Kate Wilde (The Workshop/VIC SRC) present to our students as part of the Franciscan Student Leadership Program.

Kate as always is an entertaining and motivated educator who thrives on getting the best out of young people. Her message around student voice, their role as student leaders and her ability to inspire is absolutely amazing.

We thank Kate for her time and hope our leaders learnt some great skills whilst being entertained thoroughly.

SWPBS AT SMOTA

On Friday 25th August the staff at St Mary of the Angels will be participating in an in-service regarding School-Wide Positive Behaviour Systems and the Victorian Curriculum (please note this is a student-free day). The day will involve exploring our values as a Catholic/Franciscan school and how these form the expectations of students and staff at the College. As part of this process, we are inviting all members of our school community (students, teachers, parents/guardians) to have their say on what expectations/values they consider most important. Please click on the link below and complete the short survey which will enable us to hear what people have to say.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScA6-FInnqZ2f3Pt8YbRya_tdu7X_LETcx6CKAAfGAUtp7rTg/viewform?usp=sf_link

RAINBOW CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

Next Tuesday, 15th August we will be hosting a Casual Clothes Day for Zaidee's Rainbow Foundation.

The event is a part of the VCAL program and is the project of Year 12 student, Tayla Dempster who had the opportunity to meet Alan Turner from Zaidee's Rainbow Foundation earlier in the term. Tayla was so impressed by Mr Turner and his work that she decided to incorporate the foundation into her VCAL Community Project.

Everyone is encouraged to dress in Rainbow Colours to help raise awareness and show our support for organ donation. Please bring a gold coin donation for the Zaidee's Rainbow Foundation to be out of uniform.

The VCAL students will also be holding a rainbow cake stall at recess so don't forget to bring some money for a sweet treat or to purchase Zaidee's Rainbow merchandise.

Parents & Friends News

P&F AUSTRALIAN TOWN QUIZ WINNER

This years' P&F Australian Town Quiz was won by David Walker with almost 100% accuracy.

A special thank you goes to our very shy Trivia Master who likes to be known as just Jean, for taking the time to create this challenging quiz and to correct the many entries received. We would also like to thank Rachael McKay for coordinating this fundraising event.



Pictured above: At last night's College Board meeting Loula Oliver presented David Walker with his cash prize.

P&F FOOTY TIPPING

Mark Oliver, P&F

With only three rounds until the end of the Parents and Friends footy tipping season it looks like a fight between the two Cobram tipsters Mick Macheda and the Cobram Courier for the top prize. The rest of the field will be battling it out for third place and the Botterills are most likely to recoup their entry money.

ROUND	TOTAL
Mick Macheda	118
Cobram Courier	117
John Giffard	110
Mark Oliver	108
Andriana Oliver	107
Greg Palmer	106
Ryan Wallace	106
Hugh Hyde	106
Anthony Oliver	105
R & K & Cats	103
Mick Butler	104
Kevin Payne	101
Carmel Payne	94
Bev Young	91
Botterills	84



Bev Thorp

Deputy Principal – Learning and Teaching

SCHOOL WIDE LITERACY PRACTICES

Ask any of our teachers what the acronym HRLTP stands for and while they may stumble a little over the words, they all know what it represents. Our College, in conjunction with the Nathalia Learning Community, has committed to the High Reliability Literacy Teaching Procedures (HRLTP). The key principles of HRLTP are that all teachers are teachers of literacy, and that all teachers need to incorporate opportunities for reading, writing and oral language development in every lesson, in every subject.

The High Reliability Literacy Teaching Procedures are a set of explicit teaching strategies that can be used by teachers across all learning areas to help students develop the strategies that good readers use to make meaning from text. All staff from the Nathalia Learning Community were treated to a presentation Tuesday evening from James Pinnuck from 'Ticking Minds' who presented a range of reading strategies with examples from all learning areas. This valuable session will help teachers implement more HRLTP in each of their classes.

Students may have already noticed and been exposed to the HRLTP posters that are now displayed in each classroom in the school. The posters cover the seven procedures that are used by good readers, and some prompting questions to help students to develop their skills which include Getting Knowledge Ready, Vocabulary, Reading Aloud, Paraphrasing / Visualising, Questioning, Summarising and Review. Parents and carers are encouraged to speak to Learning Advisors if they would like to know more about HRLTP and how it is being implemented throughout the school. While leaflets on the seven HRLTP procedures can be made available on request, it is recommended that parents/carers encourage reading for fun at home - whether fiction or non-fiction; book, magazine or newspaper. Regular reading for fun improves reading achievement, a wider vocabulary, use of more complex grammar, and enhances the development of good writing styles. Research also suggests that reading for fun increases empathy and stress management. Our College Library is certainly a great starting place to find lots of pleasurable reading material. Happy reading!

LEARNING ADVISOR INTERVIEWS

Learning Advisor Interviews will again be held at the end of term on the dates given below. We will again run interviews at Barooga Sports Club in addition to those at school to hopefully make it a little easier for some families to attend. We strongly encourage all parents/carers to make a time to speak with your child's Learning Advisor to ensure that each of student, College and home are working together to maximise the educational opportunities and development for your child. Learning Advisor interviews are now able to be booked via PAM, while subject-based interviews with VCE teachers will be made available later in the term.

Wednesday 6th September

Barooga Sports Club, Barooga 5.00 pm - 8.00 pm

Wednesday 13th September

St Mary of the Angels, Nathalia 4.00 pm - 8.00 pm
Nathalia Secondary College, Nathalia 4.00pm – 8.00pm

Thursday 14th September

St Mary of the Angels, Nathalia 9.00 am - 3.00 pm

Students who attend the Nathalia Secondary College (NSC) for a senior subject will need to contact NSC Office on 58662331 at the end of August to book interview times with their teacher.

Careers News

VTAC is now open for 2018 tertiary applications. The Year 12 group undertook a briefing in community time on Thursday in regard to the roll-out of this application process.

Prior to the closing of VTAC applications Maggie will be available to support students with their Registration, Application, Access and Equity, Scholarships and Accommodation applications. Although this presentation covered the Victorian application process, we also support other state applications throughout this time.

A brief overview of the VTAC application process will also be covered with parents at the Senior School Dinner on Wednesday 23rd August.

If any parents have any questions or concerns about this process please do not hesitate to contact Careers Coordinator Maggie Booth at the College on 58662222.



This year we will be celebrating the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on the last day of term three with a liturgical celebration as a school community, followed by Feast Day activities in conjunction with the FMDM Grand Prix.

Each year the FMDM Grand Prix event raises much needed funds to assist the FMDM Sisters who support and help educate orphans in Zimbabwe. We ask that students seek sponsorship for their homeroom's 'Grand Prix Car' with families, friends and businesses in their local communities (*Attached to this week's newsletter is a letter for sponsorship requests from businesses and families*).

So please start collecting your cardboard and seek donations for our annual FMDM Grand Prix which will take place on Friday 22nd September.

On the day there will be a car parade at recess, with the great race held later in the day during the Feast Day activities. There will also be sausages (\$1.50) and soft drinks (\$2.00) available for purchase at lunch.

There will be prizes for:

- the 'best car on show' in the Junior, Intermediate and Senior section;
- The homeroom that raises the most sponsorship and donations;
- and the homerooms that wins their respective race (junior, intermediate and senior).

The Rules of the race will be as follows:

1. Three races will be run: Junior (7&8), Intermediate (9&10) and Senior (11&12)
2. The car that enters the parade must be the same car which competes in the race. No pieces can be added or removed after the 'car parade'.
3. All racers must wear a helmet at all times. (The protective and safety qualities are not an issue).
4. Two laps of the circuit to be completed with a change after one lap. The driving team must be comprised of two males and two females.
5. After the first lap, the car may undergo repairs.
6. To be qualified a finisher, the car must still be held together at the end of the race.
7. A car can be made of several pieces of cardboard or boxes, but it must be a single box. (Trains not permitted)
8. Judges' decision is final and no dispute will be entered into.

All money raised will be donated to the FMDM sisters to fund their aid work in Zimbabwe. A portion will also be given to the community that our Year 12 students will assist while participating in the Alternative Schoolies program at the end of this year.

3rd August 2017



To Whom It May Concern,

The St Mary of the Angels Secondary College Social Justice Group, is coordinating the annual FMDM Grand Prix Event on Friday, 22nd September. Last year we raised \$5,360 which was donated to the FMDM orphanage in Zimbabwe. We are hoping to at least match this amount but endeavour with your help to exceed it. This year we are planning once again to send this money to aid the FMDM sisters in Zimbabwe and also contribute towards the community our Year 12 students in the Alternative Schoolies program will assist at the end of this year.

Students in each homeroom are invited to build a cardboard car (like on the Flintstones), decorate it and enter it in an obstacle race. Each homeroom is asked to raise money through sponsorship. The logo/name of the sponsors will appear on the cars that they make, as well as in the St Mary of the Angels newsletter, 'the Angel'. The race is a handicap event, so the more money raised by each homeroom the greater the advantage in the race.

Any donation, irrespective of the contribution, would be greatly appreciated. Your money will contribute to the success of our event and will be put towards a worthwhile cause.

Yours sincerely,

Ruth Hartnett-Carr
Deputy Principal – Catholic Identity



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS FMDM GRAND PRIX 2017

Name & homeroom of student requesting sponsorship:

Name of Business/Organisation:

Contact Person:

Mailing Address:

Amount donated:

PLEASE HELP FAMILIES IN NEED!

Sophie Morris, Year 10

As a part of the Year 10 Youth Ministry Class, we are coordinating a St Vincent de Paul food drive at school, gathering food for the local St Vinnies. In keeping with the spirit of St Francis of Assisi' ministry to the poor we are asking for students to donate non-perishable food.

Starting from this week and running until Feast Day on the last day of Term 3, green supermarket bags will be placed in each homeroom to collect donations of non-perishable items each morning. A running tally will be kept of the amount donated from each homeroom and a hot-chip lunch will be awarded to the homeroom who raises the most donations.

We are also making preparations for various fundraisers to raise money to purchase a freezer for the St. Vincent de Paul. St Vincent de Paul need our help as they are currently unable to hold frozen foods to assist families in need.



HELPING TO BUILD 'A JUST WORLD'

Alexia Barca, Billy Brinsdon & Rhys Cason, Year 8

This term in Religion our unit of study is called 'A Just World'. The focus within this unit is on Social Justice and what actions we can take to help people in need. 8W have recognized the struggles within our community and identified a need to find a way to support our local St. Vinnies Nathalia Charity Organization.

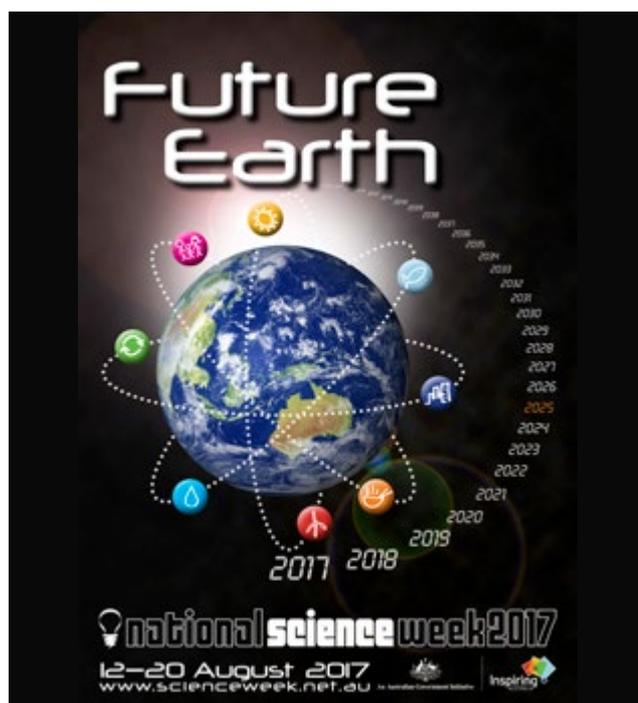
On Wednesday 23rd August, 8 White will be running a movie 'A Dog's Purpose' during periods 5 & 6 for the Year 8 students only. Food and drinks will be for sale throughout the movie. Students will need to make a non-perishable food donation in order to gain entry to watch the movie. Some non-perishable items you can donate are: canned/tinned food, pasta sauce, cereal, pasta, toothpaste, washing powder, shampoo and conditioner etc. All of the items provided will be donated to our local St Vinnies branch in Nathalia.

Eight White have organised this event to contribute to our St. Vinnies branch because they are currently in need of support. It is important for the students of St Marys to know how important our donations are to St. Vinnies, Nathalia as we are the main source of donations. All in 8 White are looking forward to this event to express what this organization means to them and the whole of St. Mary's as we all help the less fortunate individuals of Nathalia and our surrounding areas.

Important Dates:

TERM 3

14th Aug	Year 9 OAP Group depart
15th Aug	Science Week begins Rainbow 'Out of Uniform Day'
16th Aug	Franciscan Pilgrimage Information Session, 7.00pm Year 9 Billiluna Group depart
21st Aug	Student Free Day - Staff Spirituality Day
22nd Aug	Year 9 Yipirinya Group depart
23rd Aug	Year 12 Dinner
25th Aug	Staff PD - Student Free day
4th Sept	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Ski Camp English/Humanities Week begins
6th Sept	Parent/Teacher Interviews Barooga 5.00 - 8.00pm
7th Sept	Year 5 Transition
11th Sept	Year 9 Grampians Group depart Campaspe Athletics Carnival
14th Sept	Parent/Teacher Interviews Nathalia 4.00 - 8.00pm
20th Sept	Year 7 Immunisations Year 9 Subject Selection Information Evening
22nd Sept	Last Day of Term 3, FMDM Grand Prix



Teenagers need love and support from parents at a time when lots of other things in their lives are changing. We have discussed this topic before in our weekly newsletter but think it is important to continually think about how important we as parents are in the lives of their children.

WHAT PARENTS MEAN TO TEENAGERS

Information from raisingchildren.org.au

TEENAGERS, PARENTS & FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Many people think that families become less important to children as they move into the teenage years. But **your child needs your family and the support it offers** as much as they did when they were younger.

It's true that family relationships change during adolescence. When your child was young, your role was to nurture and guide them. Now you might be finding that your relationship with your child is becoming more equal.

Most young people and their families have some ups and downs during these years, but things usually improve by late adolescence as children become more mature. And **family relationships tend to stay strong** right through.

For teenagers, **parents and families are a source of care and emotional support**. Families give teenagers practical, financial and material help. And most teenagers still want to spend time with their families, sharing ideas and having fun.

It's normal for teenagers to be moody or seem uncommunicative, **but they still need you**. Your child still loves you and wants you to be involved in their life, even though at times their attitude, behaviour or body language might seem to say they don't.

WHY YOUR CHILD NEEDS YOU

Adolescence can be a difficult time – your child is going through rapid physical changes as well as emotional ups and downs. Young people aren't always sure where they fit, and they're still trying to work it out. Adolescence can also be a time when peer influences and relationships can cause you and your child some stress.

Supporting each other can be vital to getting through these challenges.

During this time **your family is still a secure emotional base** where your child feels loved and accepted, no matter what's going on in the rest of his life. Your family can build and support your child's confidence, self-belief, optimism and identity.

When your family sets rules, boundaries and standards

of behaviour, you give your child a sense of consistency and predictability.

And believe it or not, your life experiences and knowledge can be really useful to your child – they just might not always want you to know that!

Supportive and close family relationships protect your child from risky behaviour like alcohol and other drug use, and problems like depression. Your support and interest in what your child is doing at school can boost their desire to do well academically too.

Strong family relationships can go a long way towards helping your child grow into a well-adjusted, considerate and caring adult.

SMOTA Star

Year 11 student, Jayden O'Brien (pictured below) has been spending much of his spare time training at Mount Major near Dookie, Werribee Gorge and in the Dandenong Ranges in preparation for his intensely physical ten-day trek through Papua New Guinea along the Kokoda trail.

Jayden jumped at the opportunity to join twenty-two fellow Victorian Army Cadets in this historical trek along the Kokoda trail most well known for the 1942 World War II battle between the Japanese and the Allied forces, primarily Australian.

Their trek will begin in the village of Kokoda and travel across rugged and isolated terrain which is only passable on foot and reaching a height of 2,190 metres (7,185 ft.) as it passes around the peak of Mount Bellamy. Along the way Jayden will be visiting significant land marks and divert off the track to visit one of the last surviving 'Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels' at Nadoori.

Jayden has his eyes set on a career in the army and it seems only fitting that he "... wanted to find out what the World War Two soldiers went through".

We wish Jayden all the best and look forward to hearing from him after his amazing experience on the Kokoda trail.



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

At the beginning of Term 2 senior VCAL student Hamish Lambert secured an apprenticeship with Numurkah based 'Meat on Melville'. We recently caught up with him and he was happy to share how life has changed since leaving St Mary of the Angels.

**Hamish Lambert,
Class of 2017**

How are you finding your new job?

"It is going really good so far. I am loving every minute of it and enjoy waking up every day and going to work".

What have you learnt so far?

"How to make sausages; how to break lambs up and how to cut different meats. Also how to do this safely, unfortunately I learned the hard way when I have sliced the tip of my thumb off".

How is it different to going to school?

"I've really noticed the difference between school life and work life. School you get up at the same time every day and go home at the same time everyday, but at work it changes daily. The times that I start change the earliest that I have had to set my alarm has been 5.00am.

The social side of things is a big difference too. At school you have hundreds of people you can talk to but at work you only have the same eight people week in week out and really quick conversations with the customers that come in to buy their meat".

What do you like about your job?

"Learning new things every day and doing something that you enjoy every day".

Do you have any words of wisdom?

"Doing VCAL assisted me in becoming a butcher because it gave me a chance to work in the shop one day a week and really get the feel of what it is like to work in there and what would happen and how everything works and if I would enjoy doing it for a job.

Do VCAL! It gives you the chance to get out in the workplace quicker and it helps you get a foot in the door of a job quicker and it is really rewarding".



Nathalia community spirit

Julie Moore, Promotion and Communication

In what was a true community project, the children's book 'Po-bonk Creates a Flood' was officially launched during the week at the G.R.A.I.N Store in Nathalia.

The book was produced as a part of the Yorta Yorta Language Program and as a major component in the celebration of our local Aboriginal Heritage in the Nathalia, the 2017 Bardi Gras Frog Festival.

Along with many of the other community contributors, St Mary of the Angels were honoured to have had the opportunity to be a small part of the project with VCAL student, Hamish Dalitz and former VCAL student, Jacob Morris working with local artist, Marcia Greig to create the beautiful canvas backdrop which is used on the front cover of the publication.

Well done to everyone involved!



VCAL student Dana Rattray (is pictured above) receiving a copy of the children's book 'Po-bonk Creates a Flood' on behalf of St Mary of the Angels.

Below: The book with the artwork produced by Marcia Greig with the assistance of Hamish Dalitz and Jacob Morris.



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS' SCIENCE WEEK SPECTACULAR TUESDAY 15TH AUGUST

MINUTE-TO-WIN-IT GAMES - 1.00PM

Join Mr B and the year 12 physics students in Lab A for the FAST and FURIOUS minute to win activities.

WEDNESDAY 16TH AUGUST

BIOLOGY DISSECTIONS - 1.00PM

Have your lunch if you DARE then come along to the middle science lab and investigate the inner workings of rats, toads, eyeballs, sheep hearts and lungs.

Mrs Knight and her skilled Year 11 Biology students will assist you.

THURSDAY 17TH AUGUST

CHEMISTRY SHOW – 1.00PM

Come one, come all to the Auditorium

Mrs. Dhillon's Year 12 Chemistry students will amaze you with an explosive show, highlighting the science of fire.

FRIDAY 18TH AUGUST

YEAR 7 & 8 EGG DROP FINALE – 1.00PM

Lunch time in the Auditorium. All welcome

During the week Year 7 & 8 students will have been battling to see who can keep their egg safe. Come along and watch the class winners compete in the final. How many eggs will survive the drop?



A close shave for the SMOTA flock

Year 10 Agriculture and Horticulture students along with members of our Sheep and Cattle Showing Team enjoyed some hands on experience on Wednesday with a full sheep herding and shearing demonstration.

A big thanks go to Scott Chalker and Brett Vallender for helping out on the day as well as the O'Hare Family for the use of their shearing quarters.

Students learned about the techniques associated with shearing as well as wool handling.



Pictured above: Year 10 Ag/Hort students with members of the Sheep and Cattle Showing team outside O'Hare's shearing shed.



Above & Right: Students watch Scott Chalker shear 'Clare' the sheep.

Below left: Meg Brooks throws the wool on to the table for grading (bottom right).





Pictured L-R: Back: Lewis Mele, Braidie Wright, Jack Hindson, Flynn Penberthy, Mitch Ward, Lachlan Adams, Connor Baxa, Mak Hindmarsh, Hayden Davis, Noah Iddles, Luke Bosse, Bailey Smith, Connor Sessions, Patrick Bennett, Chase Hardwidge, John Nihill, Josh Wilson, Jack Wilson. **Front:** Dakota Borg, Aiden Cox, Lachie O'Hara, Jase Beckett, Matteo Allen, Ryan Mele, Hugh Hyde, Kade O'Dwyer, Will Slatterie. **Laying in front:** Hunter Verhoeven.

TWO ON THE TROT

John Nihill, Football Coach

The Year 7 boys travelled to Rochester to take on Bendigo South East Secondary College in the next round of junior football. On a beautiful winter's day the boys were excited and very keen to do well.

We started quickly and kicked the first two goals through Will Slatterie and Bailey Smith. Jack Hindson was giving us first use in the ruck to help Matteo Allen and Ryan Mele provide drive from the centre. Our forwards led by Hayden Davis and Jason Beckett were lively and we took a 6-point lead into quarter time.

The Bendigo boys came out firing in the second quarter to take the lead and extend it to 9 points at the long break. Connor Sessions was strong in defence throughout the quarter whilst Lachie O'Hara patrolled the half back line to cut off many forward thrusts. Kade O'Dwyer was in everything around the ground and Connor Braxa carried the ball with pace down his wing.

After re-grouping at half time the boys were eager to take control of the match and did so accordingly. They dominated play and sent the ball forward constantly. Will Slatterie was moved to a permanent midfield role where his clean hands and creativity set us alight. Chase Hardwidge moved from half back to a wing and used his pace to link up beautifully, whilst Hunter Verhoeven took control deep forward with some telling marks and clever goals. Luke Bosse moved into the ruck and became an extra midfielder with his ground work whilst Flynn Penberthy, Noah Iddles and Hugh Hyde controlled the back half.

After a powerful 3rd quarter we headed into the last full of confidence. Although Bendigo kicked a goal the result was not in doubt and we ran out comfortable winners. Lachlan Adams moved out from full back to give us drive around the packs and Lewis Mele attacked the loose ball to send us into attack repeatedly. Mak Hindmarsh was moved forward and became a lively option deep inside fifty

and Braydie Wright, Mitchell Ward and Aidan Cox continued to play unselfish team roles. Pat Bennett was introduced as a key forward late in the game and was a whisker away from snagging a goal, whilst Dakota Borg brought some energy to the team with his determined tackling.

At the end of a great contest our boys held on to win by 21 points and now move onto the next stage of the competition.

Scores:

SMOTA 8 - 3 - 51
Bendigo SE 4 - 6 - 30

Goal Kickers:

Hunter Verhoeven 3, Bailey Smith 3, Will Slatterie 2

Best Players:

Ryan Mele, Will Slatterie, Matteo Allen, Lachlan O'Hara, Bailey Smith, Luke Bosse, Kade O'Dwyer



Pictured above: Year 7 Football action against Bendigo South East at the Rochester Football Oval.



THE THREE T's

Leanne Rawson, PE Teacher

The Physical Education department are always looking for ways to encourage our students to be active and stay healthy. A recent acquisition of three tennis tables has been very popular during lunchtime where there has been some great table tennis tournaments take place.

The tables are available from Monday through to Wednesday each lunchtime. Feel free to come and have a hit!

FREEZA PUSH START BAND COMP the push

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Local Bands **BATTLE** it out for a spot in the Push Start Band Comp Regional Final! Winner takes home \$500 in prizes!



The Vanns



Squid Doctors

Featuring last year's heat winner *Squid Doctors* & with 2 EP's already, the blues/rock four-piece from NSW...

The Vanns!

Contact the youth team on 58719222 for bus bookings & further information.

Cobram Civic Centre
Saturday 12 August
6pm - 10pm
\$5 Entry



Drug, Smoke & Alcohol-free Event. NO Pass Outs!
 12yrs & under to be accompanied by an adult



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Bus Timetable

Saturday 12 August, 2017

Bus Pick-Up Times!

- 4.40pm - Nathalia
Nathalia Sports & Community Centre
- 5.00pm - Numurkah
Numurkah Town Hall
- 5.15pm - Strathmerton
Strathmerton Bus Stop (Skate Park)
- 5.25pm - Yarraweyah
Yarraweyah Town Hall
- 5.35pm - Koonoonoo
Big Strawberry Koonoonoo
- 5.50pm - Cobram (Arrive at Battle)
Cobram Civic Centre

Bus Drop-Off Times!

- 10.00pm - Cobram (Depart Battle)
Cobram Civic Centre
- 10.10pm - Koonoonoo
Big Strawberry Koonoonoo
- 10.20pm - Yarraweyah
Yarraweyah Town Hall
- 10.30pm - Strathmerton
Strathmerton Bus Stop (Skate Park)
- 10.45pm - Numurkah
Numurkah Town Hall
- 11.05pm - Nathalia
Nathalia Sports & Community Centre

Bus Pick-Up Times!

- 5.20pm - Yarrawonga
Yarrawonga Town Hall

Bus Drop-Off Times!

- 10.30pm - Yarrawonga
Yarrawonga Town Hall

Please Note:

Bus is free of charge bookings are essential
 Entry to Battle of the Bands is \$5 at the door
 Contact Moira Shire Youth Team for bookings: 5871 9222
 Or text, name and town for bus pick up to: 0439 346 693
 No pass outs issued at the event



'DELERIOUS' ON STAGE

St Mary of the Angels' senior students Isaiah Mustica (pictured top left) and Liam Wyatt-Carter (left) are hoping to go one better this year after their band 'Delerious' placed second at last years 'Push Start' Band competition.

This weekend the all boy band will take the stage at the Cobram Civic Centre to perform a twenty minute set of original songs to compete for a place in the regional final.

We encourage our students to get behind 'Delerious' and to support this drug, smoke and alcohol-free event supported by the Moira Shire. Entry is only \$5 and free transport is available however bookings for this bus service is essential. Please refer to the attached flyer (left) for further information.

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This year we are again participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all you need to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

Until Tuesday 19th September or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students - including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn