

STUDENT ABSENCE PHONE 8334 8334 OR SMS 0427 008 583
BEFORE 9.00 AM

FROM THE PRINCIPAL.....

Dear Parents, Friends and Students of St. Paul's,

Over recent weeks I have had occasion to look up some of the school's past records and old annuals, and no matter how many times I do this, I always find it fascinating, particularly in the changes that have occurred since 1959.

A few pieces of nostalgia and interesting facts to share with you

- ◆ The first group of students commenced on February 2, 1959. 218 students in 4 classes—Year 5, 6, 7 & 8 (today this number of Year 5-8 students accounts for almost 8 classes).
- ◆ John Barrey of Clearview was Registration #1 on the Student Registrar.
- ◆ The location was then named Strathmont (meaning Windy Hill).
- ◆ Of the 218 boys who were on-site on February 2, 1959, 96 were classed as “New Australians” - 46 from Britain, 16 from Holland. Others from Eastern European countries such as Latvia, Poland, Lithuania. Many had their address listed as the “Gepps Cross Hostel (near the current drive-in).
- ◆ The Brothers Community House records for 1959 show the following items:

School expenditure	7,000 pound
Groceries	511 pound
Servants	249 pound
Alcohol	6 pound

(the 1962 records show a nil entry for alcohol but 4 pound for tobacco—a change in vices?)
- ◆ **1960**
Teachers salaries 190 pound (2003—\$3.1 million)
Tuition Fees 3000 pound (2003—\$1.5 million)
- ◆ **1959-1960**
No phone service at the school; messages came from the post office or in person! (2003—phone, email, SMS!!!)

The changes and developments since 1959 have been many but the focus on the students and

meeting their needs through an Edmund Rice education has remained constant.

Congratulations to the students and staff involved in last Monday evening's Year 5 to 7 Information Night.

Next year some 50 new students will be commencing in either Year 5, 6 or 7 at St. Paul's and the night gave the boys and their parents the opportunity to meet; talk with the teachers and also build on the work that took place on the Orientation Day on November 5.

Special thanks to Thomas Phillips (Year 7) who gave a most impressive presentation to the new boys and their parents.

Next Wednesday (November 26) is the Year 12 Graduation, undoubtedly one of the highlights of our school year when we celebrate with the students and their families the end of their school life at St. Paul's.

This Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King, which is the fifth Sunday before Christmas, thus marking the end of the official Church year. The new year then begins on Sunday November 30, the First Sunday of Advent.

Finally, a piece of trivia or can we claim to have been influential in the outcome of “Australian Idol”. Guy Sebastian was a student at St. Paul's in 1991 (Year 5) before the family moved to Golden Grove. Guy's teacher was Mrs Berenice Norris, who must have taught him all the moves!!



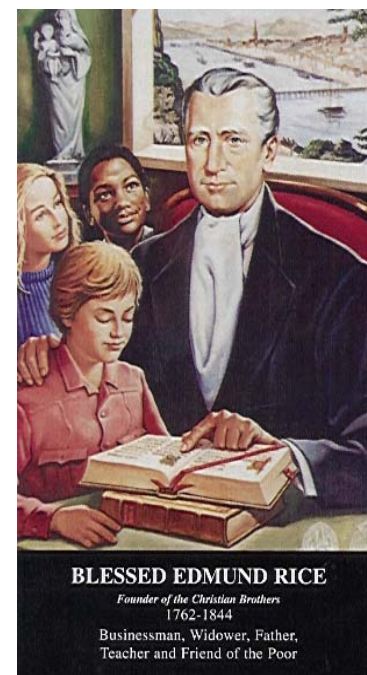
With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Peter C. Shanahan

Peter Shanahan
Principal

**TWILIGHT CULTURAL EVENING
FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 6—8.30 PM**



OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE
AFTER SCHOOL CARE—from 3.30 pm each school day.
For more information, please contact Barbara Cummings (Coordinator) on 0407 795 978.
Barbara Cummings



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2004 TERM DATES

TERM 1

*TUESDAY JANUARY 27—THURSDAY APRIL 8 (12.50 PM DISMISSAL) EASTER APRIL 9-12

TERM 2

WEDNESDAY APRIL 28—FRIDAY JULY 2 (MONDAY APRIL 26 IS PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

TERM 3

TUESDAY JULY 20—FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 24

TERM 4

TUESDAY OCTOBER 12—FRIDAY DECEMBER 3 (12.30 PM DISMISSAL)

*TERM 1 ORIENTATION MORNING YEAR 5-8,
TUESDAY JANUARY 27, 2004 (8.40 AM—12.30 PM)

ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL (YEAR 5-9) COMMENCE WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28, 2004

SENIOR SCHOOL (YEAR 10-12) COMMENCE THURSDAY JANUARY 29, 2004

**YEAR 12 HAVE A 2 DAY RETREAT TUESDAY JANUARY 27 AND
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28, 2004



**COLLEGE UNIFORM
SHOP**
(TELEPHONE 8334 8327)



OPENING TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday 2.00—5.00 pm
Friday 8.00 am—12 noon

OPENING TIMES FOR JANUARY 2004

Thursday January 8th 11 am—6.00 pm
Friday January 9th 11 am—6.00 pm
Saturday January 10th 9 am—12 noon

Wednesday January 21st 9 am—4.00 pm
Thursday January 22nd 9 am—4.00 pm
Friday January 23rd 9 am—4.00 pm

Normal trading times will commence when
school term starts for 2004.

Libby Oudshoorn
(Uniform Shop Manager)



Twilight Cultural Evening 28 November 2003, 6.00—8.30 pm

The evening will include multicultural food stalls : Italian, German, Indonesian, Vietnamese, Lebanese, Maltese, Aussie BBQ, and also tea, coffee and cakes.

There will be plant, books, craft and drink stalls. Musical items featured will be St. Paul's College Band, Singing, Latin American Dancing, African Drummer, Pacific Island Dancers, Italian groups and more.

Donations of

- ◆ cakes
- ◆ craft items
- ◆ plants
- ◆ books or magazines



If you are able to donate items it would be greatly appreciated.

We are especially asking for donations of wine (red or white) for serving by the glass from the adult drinks area on the evening. It does not have to be your favourite "top drawer" connoisseurs delight; we are happy to accept casks or bottles, or cans of beer.

We also need clean, unbroken goods for the White Elephant (jumble) stall; these may be brought to the front office.



Please contact Heather Hier if you are able to offer assistance.

Proceeds will go towards our fundraising for the children of East Timor and Engosengiu Christian Brothers School, Tanzania.

We hope many St. Paul's families and friends will be able to attend.

Thank you.

Heather Hier and Mara Pilla



FROM THE RESOURCE CENTRE



Cybersmart kids online

Check out Cybersmart kids online at www.cybersmartkids.com.au. Created by the Australian Broadcasting Authority, the website is built for kids and their carers. It is an easy to use, practical guide to making the most of the Internet. Young people can access great sites, homework help, and learn how to play it safe and smart online.

State Library Summer School 2003/2004

Check online at www.slsa.sa.gov.au or pick up a booking form at the State Library in North Terrace for any of the following fun sessions:

Happy Snaps: a scrapbooking session (free)

Tuesday 13 & 20 & Thursday 15 & 22 Jan
Suitable for 5-12 years

The river runs...a fascinating session about the River Murray (free)

Friday 16 & 23 Jan
Suitable for 5-12 years

Movie Magic (free)

Storm Boy (G) Monday 12 & Wednesday 14th January
The fire in the stone (G) Monday 19th & Wednesday 21 January

Thelma Harvey
Resource Centre Coordinator



FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY 2003



MIDDLE SCHOOL MASS
FRIDAY DECEMBER 5TH 10 AM

RETREATS 2004

2004 Year 12 retreats will be held at the Gilles Plains Blind Centre on 27th & 28th January. Events will include guest speakers, twilight BBQ with parents, Mass at 9.15 with the local parish on day 2 and other activities. More information will be provided in following newsletters.

News from East Timor:

Our prayers go out to all students who are sitting exams at the present. I know this can be a stressful time for both students and parents. I offer you this news from East Timor, which I received this week to show you how amazingly tough exams are for some students.

The physical endurance of the villagers is quite amazing. There are so many instances of it. When we were organizing the young people to come to Dili to sit for the entrance exam for the Agricultural College, we asked them to be at our house in Railaco Craic ready to go to Dili early on the Friday morning. Three of the boys walked from Samalete and one walked from Railaco Leten. They arrived at our house at 6 am having walked for about 2 hours. We actually left Craic at 8 am and located the venue and the relevant person at 11 am. The plan was to go down on the Friday, as the exam was on the Saturday, but when we spoke to the supervisor he said the boys could do the exam there and then! With one thing and another, they actually commenced the exam at 12 noon. After the written exam they had an individual interview. The process was completed by about 3 pm. We knew the boys had not had lunch and hadn't had anything to drink all this time. What we didn't know was that they hadn't had any breakfast either! At no time did they complain, say they were tired or ask for anything to eat or drink! Needless to say, we treated them to a very late, but filling lunch. They then boarded a truck for the ride back to the mountains and the ensuing long return walk to their villages. No wonder we want them to get the opportunities they so richly deserve, and which our western youngsters take so much for granted!

On a positive note St Paul's continues to fundraise for East Timor and thanks to the hard work of Heather Hier and Mara Pilla

we aim to send over \$2,000 for our missions in Timor this year. You can help. **Please turn up to the Multicultural Evening on Friday 28th November from 6-8.30pm. Speak with Mara and Heather and see if you can lend a hand. Here is your chance to help!**

Also positive, is an e-mail I received from a parent of a past student who is stationed in East Timor with the army. He is going to visit the mission in Railco Craic where I spent time last year. His valuable support and medical supplies will be most welcome especially as the government has severely taxed all humanitarian goods entering the country making supplies critically short.

Reconciliation

St Paul's will be hosting the next National Reconciliation Youth Forum meeting in the library on Thursday November 27th at 6pm. All students from Yr 9 onwards are invited to attend. Names must be registered with Mr Mifsud prior to November 20th.

(Noel Mifsud)



Confirmation and First Eucharist 2004 St Francis of Assisi Parish Newton

The implementation of the Diocesan Policy on the celebration of Sacraments of Initiation in Young People has seen a number of families choose to celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist in their own parish, irrespective of which school they are attending.

Confirmation and First Eucharist 2004

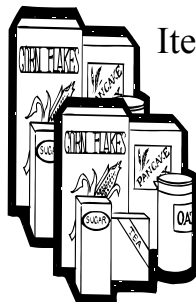
St Francis of Assisi Parish Newton invites parish families who have children preparing to celebrate these Sacraments next year, to one of a series of **Masses of Commitment and Enrolment**, at which the dates for next year's ceremonies will be selected. Enrolment and Commitment Masses will be **6:00pm Sat 29th Nov, 9:00am and 5:00pm Sun 30th Nov, 6:00pm Sat 6th Dec, 9:00am and 5:00pm Sun 7th Dec**. Please contact either your school REC or St Francis' Parish Office for Celebration dates and enrolment forms.

Stephanie Roach
Sacramental Celebration Coordinator

CHRISTMAS IS A TIME OF GIVING....



St Vincent de Paul—Food hampers for the needy in South Australia. St. Paul's will be once again asking for your kind donations of non perishable goods for food hampers for those in need in our local area. Imagine having Christmas without presents. Imagine even worse—a Christmas without food. Your kind donation of foods and presents will make a difference to needy families.



Items we use in our Christmas Hampers— Christmas Cake, Plum pudding (fresh or tinned), Tinned vegetables, Tinned or Tetra pack reduced cream, Jellies, Tinned Ham, Cordial, Christmas Lollies, Long Life Milk, Custard Powder or carton of long life custard, Savoury biscuits (Any other items come in use, this list is only a guide). **NO ALCOHOL PLEASE.**

Most packet or tinned foods are issued with a use by date. If the item is over this date, legal requirements prohibit us from using it.

Could your son please bring any donations of food or wrapped presents to the front office for collection.

The support in the past has been tremendous and we thank you.

MODBURY COMMUNITY & CRAFT

On Friday evening Karen will be showing us how to make Christmas table decorations and the following Friday evening 28th November, we will be assembling and decorating pre-cooked Gingerbread Houses. Other craft classes will continue while these classes are being taught.

We meet at Blessed John XXIII Catholic Community Centre, 50 Reservoir Road, Hope Valley, on Fridays at 10 am-12 midday and 7.30-9.30 pm. If you have a craft that you are currently doing and don't want to join the classes, bring it along and join our "Chat and Choice" table. Cost is \$2, some crafts require extra payment for materials. For further information ring Ann Stanton 8264 9191.



**SPORTS PROGRAM
SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER**

TENNIS

DRIVE	v	BYE	
OPEN C		BYE	
YEAR 10C	v	BYE	
YEAR 9C	v	BYE	
YEAR 8A/B	v	CBC	AWAY
PRIM B2(1)	v	RC2	AWAY (FRI 21/11)
PRIM B2(2)	v	SIC N2	HOME (FRI 21/11)

CRICKET

YEAR 10A	v	BYE	
YEAR 9A	v	PGS	AWAY
YEAR 8A	v	SIC	AWAY
YEAR 8B2	v	PED2	HOME (NORTH)
PRIM B1	v	BPS3	AWAY

BADMINTON

OPEN B	v	BYE	
OPEN C	v	BYE	
YEAR 8/9	v	BPS1	AWAY

VOLLEYBALL (FRI 21/11)

OPEN B	v	BYE	
YEAR 8/9	v	GLE	5.15 PM

McDonald 3/11 off 6 overs and taking a very sharp catch at backward square leg ended Marryatville's innings on 60 runs at 10.00 am.

Batting for a second time in what should have been some batting practice or maybe an outright win, St. Paul's managed to steer themselves away from what could have developed into a tight finish. At 6/39 and plenty of time to force a win, St. Paul's tail-end batsmen decided that it was time to "shut up shop" and with some very stubborn resistance (Troy Collins batted for 30 minutes for 7 runs and Caellyen Somerville 10 runs, kept Marryatville bowlers out.

This week is our last game for the year against St Ignatius College.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CRICKET
COACHING CLINIC 2003**

Invitations are extended to boys and girls currently attending primary school.

Where: Campbelltown Oval, Darley Road, Paradise

When: Tuesday 16th December, 2003
Wednesday 17th December, 2003

Times: 9.00 am—12 noon

Cost \$40 per child (inc. GST)

Includes:

- ◆ Specialised coaching from current East Torrens players and coaching staff.
- ◆ Giveaway packs
- ◆ Drinks and refreshments

**Registration closes on
Friday 12th December, 2003**

Numbers are limited, so get in early to avoid disappointment.

Any questions, please call Simon Cain at the SACA on 8300 3838 or East Torrens School Holiday Coaching Clinic Coordinator Neil Pickford on 8280 6230 or 0414 688 471.

More information about the coaching clinics can be obtained by visiting the website : www.cricketsa.com.au and go to 'cricket in SA'.

SPORTS RESULTS (14/11)

VOLLEYBALL

SPC vs Mercedes—The boys looked a little hesitant at the start and were trailing 6 to 12 in game 1. Under sound leadership from Joseph Quirino and consistent servicing from Chung Hei the team rallied to win game one 25 to 18.

Our two junior players Duy Nguyen (Year 6) and Jake Kempinger (Year 7) made positive contributions to the success of the team.

This group of boys played with pride, determination and great spirit to win game two 25 to 18.

Simon English, Thien Nguyen and Viet Nguyen combined for a great victory. This team displayed the St. Paul's spirit in a unique way. Well done.

CRICKET

Year 8—the 8th November saw St. Paul's in a rematch from early in the year against Marryatville HS. Having been defeated by 5 runs in the early encounter, St Paul's won the toss and decided to bat. A steady scoring rate resulted with Daniel Whitcher (10) and Matthew Hill (13) until the "rot" set in. Failing once again to bat out the 50 overs, Brand (15) and Inguanez (9) carried the score to 75 runs in the 41st over—perhaps not enough. Batting on the first day Marryatville were 2/30 at the close of play.

Resuming with some trepidation St. Paul's (with only ten fielders) started sensationally with Troy Collins throwing down the wicket for an enthusiastic run out; Matthew Smallwood taking 4/14 off 5 overs; Corey

NORTHSIDE BLUE LIGHT DISCO

**Hillcrest Community Centre
Queensborough Avenue, Hillcrest**

FRIDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2003

**7.30-10.30 pm
\$5 admission
12-17 years**

Tickets are available at the door.

Doors closed when capacity reached!

**For further information contact
Sgt Chris Bettess, Holden Hill Police
Ph 8207 6130 (Mobile) 0422 001 787**

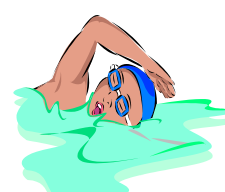
**VOCATION EDUCATION
TRAINING**

2004

**ALL STUDENTS WHO HAVE
EXPRESSED AN INTEREST TO
UNDERTAKE COURSES IN 2004
PLEASE ATTEND A MEETING
WITH YOUR PARENTS
IN THE
COLLEGE AUDITORIUM
AT 6.30 PM
TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER.**

SA Water VACSWIM 2004

The vacation water safety and swimming program. SA Water VACSWIM, will be conducted at public, private and selected school swimming pools, beaches and lakes from Monday 5th until Thursday 15th January 2004.



Enrolment booklets containing all details of the program are available from schools, swimming centre and Chemplus pharmacies.

Enrolments will be conducted at all locations conducting the program on Saturday 3rd January 2004.

Selected larger community pools will conduct an extra enrolment on Saturday 6th December 2003.

For more enrolment location information visit www.vacswimsa.com.