

ST EDMUND'S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Dear Members of the St Edmund's College Family,

Okay, I admit it, school assemblies can be a little tedious at times. However, at times they showcase those unique aspects of the school and highlight our values in a way that touches us. Obviously, as parents you don't have the chance to see assemblies so I thought I would share some with you.

Assembly for Mother's Day was special in two ways: Shane Carr pointed out to the boys that May, the month of Mother's Day, was also the month of Mary and explained her place in our lives. He then led the students in reciting a decade of the Rosary. There was a quiet, reverent time that touched many. Then, in a much lighter vein, Tim Acutt, as the master chef, demonstrated how to cook French Toast. His patter would have done Jamie Oliver proud and the boys were given a copy of the recipe and encouraged to surprise their Mothers with the finished product on Mother's Day. I hope many of you were beneficiaries.

Last week, Corey Gabriel and Sam Bianchi spoke of their experiences in South Africa, experiences that had opened their eyes to the enormity of the problem that AIDS poses in that country and throughout Africa. They spoke eloquently, passionately and with compassion. I watched the assembly as Corey and Sam spoke; they received rapt attention; young men speaking to young men - a very powerful way to get across important messages.

Finally, a number of weeks ago, five students from Year 8 to Year 12 spoke very briefly to the assembly of how they prayed. The courage and openness in speaking like that to a large group, the sincerity of the words and the reality of their feelings were met with respectful attention.

Times like these are the icing on the St Edmund's cake. Those memories will linger long after the day-to-day events of school have passed.

Grandparents' Day. We speak of St Eddies being more than a school, of having a family aspect. Occasions such as last Tuesday's Grandparents' Day help make this claim a reality. Over forty of our Year 8 students were represented by a grandparent or a significant elder. Their support for their grandsons, interest in the College and positive approach to young people were inspiring.

Every piece of research on raising confident, positive, optimistic and resilient young men talks about the necessity for boys to feel a sense of belonging to a community to which they feel connected. In a very real way, grandparents' interest in their grandsons' schooling provides one of these sources of connection; it is a vital part of their education.

Many thanks to all involved in organising the day especially Maureen Cooper, Dennis Hall, Shane Carr, Robyn Stack and Kath Creedy.

OPEN DAY. St Edmund's 2007 Open Day was held last Saturday and was highly successful. We were blessed by glorious weather and the very large crowd in attendance, inspected our facilities, visited the displays, listened to the Stage Band and Choir, and enjoyed a sausage sizzle and morning tea.

The most common comment from the visiting families on completing their tour was to compliment the friendliness, confidence and maturity of the young men of St Edmund's who acted as guides or explained aspects of the various displays. I am similarly impressed with the young men of Eddies. Not only were they generous in their response, over sixty of them helped out on the day, but they did so with good grace and immaculate presentation. They were certainly the best advertisement the College could have had. Well done!

Thanks particularly to the staff who were generous in giving up their time and to the band of parents and to members of the College Board who helped in greeting our visitors and preparing food. The Open Day was organised with great enthusiasm and efficiency by Kath Creedy, Enrolments Promotions Officer. Many thanks to Kath.

We are attracting very strong interest in enrolments in Year 8 in 2008. Enrolment numbers will be capped this year and I would strongly encourage anyone seeking enrolment to do so as soon as possible.

Brendan Lawler, Principal



P & F MEETING
Monday 4 June
6.30 pm - College Staff Room
All welcome

From the Assistant Principal College Mission & Community

In the coming months St Edmund's College will be engaging in a process to formulate Vision and Mission Statements. Following are a number of Vision Statements produced from a gathering of 3 students, 3 parents and 3 staff. We will also include a number of statements in the next newsletter.

It is crucial that the whole school community be involved in this process as these statements need to reflect the thoughts, reflections and feelings of those who belong to St Edmund's. A Vision Statement briefly names the essence and dreams we have for our school. The Mission Statement which follows a vision statement specifically deals with how we bring about our Vision.

I ask you to spend some time as an individual and family reflecting on the following statements and to think about what you would want to include in a vision for our school.

Many, many thanks to the students, parents and staff who not only gave of their precious time but who approached our task with passion and energy.

SEC is a compassionate community that believes in creating an environment that encourages brotherhood and strive to inspire young men to achieve their full potential. *Student*

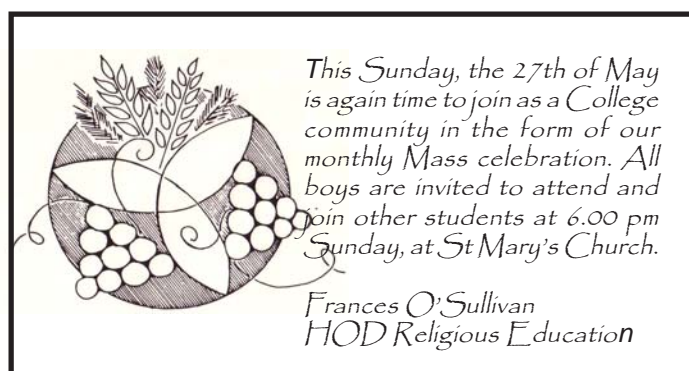
SEC strives to help young men develop as compassionate people who work to reach their full potential in an environment where they feel unconditionally supported and connected to all those around them. *Parent*

SEC is a community that promotes a sense of family and brotherhood. The College community strives to work with families in the formation of young men of integrity and compassion. *Teacher*

SEC is a welcoming Christian community that challenges boys to embark upon a "Pathway to Growth", leading to adulthood that enables them to achieve their goals. *Parent*

SEC strives in providing young men with the opportunity to always reach their full potential. It does this in a compassionate, welcoming community that promotes brotherhood and equality for all. *Student*

SHANE CARR



Any students who have not received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation and would like to prepare for and receive these Sacraments, please let Mr Carr know by Wednesday 30th May.



Year 10 Rite of Passage

Dear Parents / Caregivers,
On Tuesday afternoon, the Year 10 students were fortunate to attend a presentation by talented restaurateur, Fenton Keogh, an Old Boy of St Edmund's.

Fenton is the owner and chef at *Fentons*, a restaurant in Limestone Street, Ipswich. Fenton has recently won a barbecue competition on Foxtel television and he will begin filming his own show in June.

It was a powerhouse presentation, full of passion, good advice and the unexpected. He demonstrated how to make a pavlova on the barbecue.

I encourage you to talk to your sons about this experience. Fenton shared his story and talent with the students and showed them the work and passion you need to achieve your personal goals. He also underlined the importance of seeking out positive role models and never mixing with "the wrong crowd". Fenton emphasised this point in a number of instances.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable experience which I believe will be of great benefit to the students if they are prepared to take away with them, some of Fenton's passion and wisdom.

Tim Acutt
Year 10 Rite of Passage Coordinator



COMMUNITY NOMINATIONS REQUIRED for QCS TEST SUPERVISION

The Old Studies Authority requires nominations for THREE Chief Community Representatives from St Edmund's community for supervision of the Queensland Core Skills Test on Tuesday 4 and Wednesday 5 September. We require three representatives: one to serve at St Edmund's College, a second to serve at an adjacent school, and a third to act as reserve. Remuneration is \$366.12.

Relevant information and documentation is available by contacting Di Denman at St Edmund's on 3810 4400 or 38104454. Documentation would need to be collected, completed and returned to St Edmund's before next Wednesday 30th May.



**- NOW URGENT -
1 FURTHER NOMINATION
REQUIRED**

SHANGHAI EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2007

The organisation for the program is going well and our flights are booked. Parents can assist in the following areas:

1. Make a further payment of \$250 to continue reducing the balance.
2. Return the slip regarding the homestay for the visiting students from Shanghai in July for two weeks – all boys received a letter about this.
3. Return insurance form and payment – I will make a group payment to Bank of Queensland early next term.
4. Send in a copy of the photograph page of your sons passport or send the passport to me to make a copy.



Any questions, please call me on 0417621778.

Mark Currie,
Shanghai Exchange 2007 Co-ordinator

From the Senior School

"Trying to get students to learn without getting them to review is like trying to fill the bath without putting the plug in".

End of Semester I Exam Block – Friday 8th June to Friday 15th June

Exams are only 2 weeks away! Please encourage your son to begin the REVISION phase of learning NOW. This is essential if students are to demonstrate the knowledge, skills and processes they have acquired in class during the term. If your son says to you I've 'read over' what I need to cover for a particular subject, it might be helpful to remind him students retain:

- 10% of what they READ
- 20% of what they HEAR
- 30% of what they SEE
- 50% of what they HEAR & SEE
- 70% of what they SAY
- 90% of what they SAY & DO!**

Next week Assessment due for Year 12s:

Technology Studies: Research Report
Graphics: Built Environment Assignment
ITS: Minor Project Assignment

Thursday & Friday: All Biology and Multi-strand students are on excursion to Sea World (*n.b. these students will need to be sure they're up to date on other subjects they'll miss whilst they're away*)

Next week Assessment due for Year 11s:

Religion & Ethics: Journal
Health Education: Journal
Biology: Hypothetical (Physiology)
ITS: Minor Project Assignment

Year 12 QCS:

Monday 28th May – students will be completing the Writing Task during Periods 1, 2, 3 and House Assembly time. Students who are not OP eligible will be in normal classes during this time.

May I once again draw your attention to the importance of upcoming exams and ask that your son allocates all the time necessary to ensure he has studied properly and is well prepared.

Josephine Griffiths
Head of Senior School Studies

Business Manager's Report

Can I please remind parents who have not settled their Term 2 fees that they are two weeks' overdue. Could you please settle these fees immediately.

Parents who have not settled Term 1 fees and who have not made arrangements to do so with Keith Hayman, the College Fees Administrator: debt collection procedures have now been undertaken.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

SCOTT HARRISON

Rice House – Nutrimerics Offer

Order forms for our next Nutrimerics fundraising offer were distributed with the newsletters this afternoon, offering lipsticks at greatly reduced prices. Obviously, unless you already use Nutrimerics lipsticks and have a favourite colour it will be difficult to decide which one would suit you best. Therefore, samples of the two ranges on offer are available at the front office for the coming week (Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June) to view and assist you with making a selection. The 'Lavish' range usually sell for \$33.50 each but for a limited time are only \$12.00 each. Similarly, the 'Brilliant Shine' Range are now reduced to \$10.00 each, a huge saving of \$19.50 per lipstick.

Extra order forms are available from the front office should you not receive one. Please take advantage of this fabulous offer. Also, the current catalogue will be available at the front office should you wish to order other Nutrimerics products.

Thanks for your support.

Vanessa Cobbin, Rice House Dean



ST EDMUND'S P & F BINGO

Wednesday Nights – Brothers Leagues Club - Wildey Street Raceview.

\$1000.00 Jackpot up for grabs each week!

Play from as little as \$4.20 -
NOTE: Play starts 7.00 pm to 9.30pm - Tickets on sale from 6.30 pm - Fun & Easy Games to Play - Two payouts in each game.

Roster

30/5 Helper required.

6/6 Darsha Ross.

Queries to Jenny Watts on 0418 764 671.



4 weeks 'til kickoff!

- 2007 CONFRATERNITY CARNIVAL -
Monday 25 June to Friday 29 June

Thank you to all our supporters who have volunteered for the Confraternity Carnival - we appreciate the great response from the Eddies community.

We are still seeking further volunteers - URGENTLY - for this important week for St Edmund's and the whole Ipswich community - please get involved. Be part of this great Carnival and carry the St Edmund's Spirit!

Look for your flyer with this newsletter inviting you to join us in the Corporate Tent for the Confraternity Carnival Finals Games on Friday 29th June - 12.30 pm.

Kath Creedy would be happy to answer any of your queries re Confraternity by phoning St Edmund's on 3810 4400 or 0403 269 955.



MATHEMATICS TUTORING

Daryl Kempthorne

2006 Old Boy

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TUCKSHOP ROSTER - Week 7

Mon 28th: R Semple, K Speyers,

K Palmer, R Osborne.. Tue 29th:

I McDowell, M Hill, G Chaille.

Wed 30th: K Lund, J Newton, M

Smith. Thu 31st: C Neverman, P

Felton, K McKenzie, C Cocks.

Fri 1st June: M Merrell, C

McManus, M Hill

FREE CLOTHES DAY



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WEDNESDAY

30th MAY 2007

- Gold Coin Donation -

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

MONDAYS: 8.00 am to 3.00 pm.

(Closed for lunch 12 - 12.30 pm.)

THURSDAYS: 8.00 am to 12 noon.

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SPORT & CULTURAL NEWS

Rugby. Well done to the Rugby boys who won nine out of the fourteen games played, and drew one game.

The **Firsts** defeated St Peter's Lutheran College 23-18 on the weekend. Sam Krueger and Isaac Creedy scored two tries each.

The **Seconds** won 34-0. Corey Gabriel and Anthony McCrae led the backs and James McMullen and Luke Stacey led the forwards in a great win.

The **Thirds** went down against Ashgrove Fourths 47-0. Excellent defence by Chris Lewis and Braydon Peace. Better attendance at training is needed.

The **16As** has a well earned win 10-5 with Brandon Swan and Sam Wright showing good commitment, Jeff Lindsay played intelligently and Tim Neverman had good speed.

The **16B** had a great first half with a 0-0 score line. They lacked the penetration and tried in the second half but went down 19-0 against Ashgrove 16C. The team displayed good spirit and showed promise for the rest of the season.

The **15As** won 17-0. A scrappy affair that took us twenty minutes to click into gear. Lachlan Tuite made some great runs, Andrew Toalo was strong all day, Matt Walker and Matt McPherson showed fitness to support all games.

The **15Bs** showed great team effort to win a big improvement on last week. All played well especially Luke Jorgensen, Ben Hunt and Jake Purvis.

The **15Cs** went down 7-12 against Ashgrove 15D. The **14As** had a strong win 99-0. Excellent goal kicking from Cameron Wood.

The **14Bs** also took the victory 12-7 against Ashgrove 14C. Excellent effort by Jared Douglas, and Lachlan Triggs. Excellent game showed what good training can achieve.

The **14Cs** drew 12-12 with Ashgrove Blue. Great picking and driving by Luke Haines, Shane Watson, and Elias Mercy. Strong backline defence by Ed Steed and Jordan Saltner.

The **13As** had their first win for the season 42-5 defeating St Peter's. Tries to Dom Connors (2), Jacob Tierney, Archie Douglas, Simon Mikaele and Declan Balassa. Great team effort, showing the fruits of the all the hard work at training.

The **13Bs** played against many A players from St Peter's. Our boys did well but went down 30-10, Shai Christensen (flanker), Tim Smailes (wing) and Dane Jorgensen (centre) were awesome.

The **13Cs** defeated Ashgrove 13Ds 29-11. Excellent tries by Tim Lambert (2), Archie Douglas (2), Mitchell Farmer (1). Great team work by all with Phil Johnson leading by example.

Soccer. Well done to the Soccer boys who won seven out of the ten games and drew two games.

The **Firsts** were defeated by St Peter's 3-2. After falling behind three goals in the first half, we did fight back well in the second half.

The **Seconds** dominated play for most of the game but failed to capitalise on many occasions. Corey Dunne sealed the game with a splendid goal in the last five minutes of play. Once again a good team effort by all players. The final score was 2-1 to St Edmund's.

The **Thirds** drew 4 all.

The **16As** had a top team effort drawing 0-0. Top games by James Douglas and Cale Jones. Thanks to Mitch Rolender who was playing injured.

Another determined performance from the **15A** boys to win 2-1. After going 1-0 down at half time, St Eddies raised their game with goals from Michael Ward and Dane Grant securing the victory. Solid performances from James Devin, Aidyn Munn and Adam Davis.

An excellent effort by the **15B** boys to secure this win 2-1 after a very tight game. Goals scored by Daniel Weibler and Jack Swanson. A great team effort, with special mention to Andrew Wells who worked really hard.

A comfortable win for the **14As** 8-0. Early goals to Josh Ramsden (2) and Dylan Goodman (2) saw Eddies in control before both strikers left the field injured. Louis Solomon led the defence to another clean sheet. Keith Speyers showed his usual industry and Jordon McCulloch also bagged a double. *(Soccer, contd)*

A IC Rugby vs Iona College , Saturday

26 May - Round 4 - Home games.

Firsts , 3.15pm, Mulkerin Oval

Seconds , 12.00 noon, Mulkerin Oval

Thirds , 9.00 am, Woodend Park No. 1

16A , 2.00 pm, Woodend Park No. 1

16B , 1.00 pm, Woodend Park No. 1

15A , 12 noon, Woodend Park No. 1

15B , 11.00 am, Woodend Park No. 1

15C , 10.00 am, Woodend Park No. 1

14A , 11.00 am, Mulkerin Oval

14B , 10.00 am, Mulkerin Oval

14C , 9.00 am, Mulkerin Oval

13A , 11.00 am, Woodend Park No. 2

13C , 9.00 am, Woodend Park No. 2



A IC Football vs vs Iona College ,

Saturday 26 May - Round 4 - Home games.

1sts , 1.30pm, Mulkerin Oval

2nds , 12.15pm, Tim Molony Oval (opp St Mary's Church, Elizabeth Street)

3rds , 12.45pm, Morgan Oval

16A , 11.00am, Tim Molony Oval

15A , 9.45am, Tim Molony Oval

15B , 11.45am, Morgan Oval

14A , 8.30am, Tim Molony Oval

14B , 10.45am, Morgan Oval

13A , 8.30am, Morgan Oval

13B , 9.45am, Morgan Oval



A 110% effort from the **14Bs** who won 4-2. Excellent game to watch, which was obvious from the parents' cheering. Special mention to Jack Farrell, Andrew Lund and Blair Johnston.

A good win for the **13As** 3-1 after an improved performance in the first half. Goals to Kris Kelly (2) and Stephen Homburg, while Elliott Burnett was solid in defence.

An excellent effort by the **13Bs** which led to a 2-0 victory. Tireless running by the midfielders helped support the back-line. Nick Davidson ran hard, Jacob Land defended well and Joe Owens scored a terrific goal.

CHESS - Round 3 vs St Peter's 19th May

Former World Champion, Bobby Fischer's words on chess. "It's just you and your opponent at the board and you're both trying to prove something". I am pleased to announce that we did prove something last Friday. We played St Peter's fully expecting to suffer a dismal defeat to the champion school. At the end of the day, we walked away with a draw, an accomplishment indeed.



Our **Opens** team managed to down St Peter's Firsts. Congratulations to Patrick Ross on winning both his games. However, if we could have a moment of silence for Phil's winning streak; it did not survive the night. Mark Snow, Kim Reuben and Phil Ndebele also had good wins.

The **Senior B's** were defeated by a much superior side on the night. However, this did not dent their high enthusiasm or good sportsmanship, and they are to be commended for this.

Conversely, the **Junior A's** secured a convincing win against St Peter's, although the team needs to work on maintaining their momentum through to the end. Mention must be made of Simon Ross, who also won both his games on the night. Congratulations also to Kirby Sugden-Ware, who achieved his first win on the night. Wins also to Bradley Chivers and Danny Fleming.

The **Junior B's** were unable to gain the upper hand in their games on Friday. They fought well, and are to be congratulated on their enthusiasm. Mention must be made of Phil Janowicz for achieving a win on the night. Peter Snow and Lachlan Hampson each drew a game.

Chess practice continues every Wednesday, second break in the library. Additionally, coaching has recommenced and will continue after school on Thursday. *Mark Snow (Captain). Mrs Joy Swinton (Coord)*

CONGRATUALIONS to Jacob Webber who was selected in the Qld Secondary Schools Open Hockey Team to tour New Zealand later in the year.

24th May DEBATING

10.1 LOSS Against St Aiden's Team 1

Jaimie Hutton, Jason Gabriel and Darcy Fergus presented a logical and well-structured argument asserting that 'We should not criminalise the payment of ransom'. However, a strong St Aiden's team secured an extremely narrow victory of only one point. Jaimie began our team's case with his convincing, expressive style. This was followed by Jason Gabriel who seemed to grow in confidence and present his points in a clear, poised manner. Darcy continued the case with his confident manner, using good examples and providing a clear summary of the team's case: This week we learned that we need to adhere more closely to the time guidelines and ensure that we don't run over the seven and a half minute timeframe. We are also still trying to perfect the art of rebuttal and ensure that we clearly articulate the flaws in the opposition's case. Thank-you to Gabrielle Fergus who stepped in to fulfil the role of timekeeper for the evening. *(Mrs Vanessa Cobbin)*

10.2WIN V Ipswich Girls Grammar

Topic: *That we should criminalise the payment of ransom.*

1st Speaker Ben McCormick, 2nd Speaker Patrick Reidlinger, 3rd Speaker Ben Flood. This round's debate saw the team present a convincing case. In a change from his normal role as third speaker, Ben McCormick kicked off our case for the negative with a convincing argument pointing out the impact that the criminalising of ransom payments would have on the individual, impressing the adjudicator with his strong, logical arguments. Patrick Reidlinger continued the case after a "spot-on rebuttal" in his usual confident manner. His argument pointed out the social effects, especially the infringement on basic human rights, that such a law would impose. As final speaker Ben Flood, to use the adjudicator's words: "displayed a developed sense of logic and underlying sense of humour" to seal our teams case. Well done on a perfect season to date. *(Mr Joe Gurdon)*

KEYBOARD LESSONS

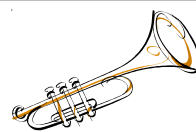
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Beau Devlin, an Old Boy of the College, is a former Qld Satellite player who at one stage held an Australian Open Top 30 ranking.

Beau is offering Tennis Coaching to St Edmund's students during Term 2. He has been a Coach for six years and currently holds a Level 2 Accreditation.

Where: College Courts
When: 7.00 am to 8.00 am, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday Morning.

Cost: \$80 for an 8 week Block program. Max of 4 students per group.

Enquiries: Contact Beau Devlin on 0419 330 149.

Mr Wayne Warren, Assistant Principal Activities